



ACRCC Family

Akron Clarence Roman Catholic Community
AkronClarenceRCC.org

**Tenth Week of
Ordinary Time
June 9, 2024**

Today's Readings

First reading

Genesis 3:9-15

The story of The Fall

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

*With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of
redemption.*

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

*Our Christian hope,
comforted in our suffering by
knowing that goodness will prevail*

Gospel

Mark 3:20-35

*Jesus returns to His hometown and preaches
on His True family*

God our Father, Giver of life, we entrust the United States of America and our Diocese of Buffalo to Your loving care.

You are the rock on which this nation was founded. You alone are the true source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

Reclaim this land for Your glory and dwell among Your people here. Send Your Spirit to touch the hearts of our nation's leaders. Open their minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany human freedom.

Remind Your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing Your will.

Through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, Patroness of our land, grant us the courage to reject the "culture of death." Lead us into a new millennium of life.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord. **Amen.**



Dear Parish Family,

Last week we finished the reflection on the Introductory Rite of the Mass. Now we move to the Liturgy of the Word.

The Church teaches that while the Eucharist is the "source and summit" of the Christian life, the Scriptures lead us to a deeper communion with Jesus in the Eucharist. Pope Benedict XVI wrote, "Thus, "from the two tables of the word of God and the Body of Christ, the Church receives and gives to the faithful the bread of life." Consequently, it must constantly be kept in mind that the word of God, read and proclaimed by the Church in the liturgy, leads to the Eucharist as to its own connatural end." To sustain us in the world we need both the inspired word of God in Scripture and the Incarnate Word of God present in the Blessed Sacrament.

The Bible is not just stories from long ago or God speaking to people long ago, it is God speaking to you and me today. In the Liturgy of the Word we encounter the words of God Himself spoken personally to each of us. Of course, the Scriptures were written by human beings, to a particular community, in a certain moment in history. When someone says God wrote the Bible what they mean is that God inspired the sacred writers. God breathed forth His divine words through human writers. Like Jesus Christ, the Sacred Scriptures are both fully human and fully divine.

The Liturgy of the Word (for weekend Mass) has several parts, the first reading, a Psalm (usually sung), the second reading, the Gospel, a homily, reciting of the Creed, and concludes with the prayers of the faithful. Next week, we will discuss these parts of the Liturgy of the Word.

AMDG,
Fr. Tom



Welcome to Our Family

Weekend Mass Schedule

Vigil, Saturday Evening

4:00 - St. Teresa & St. Mary's

5:15 - Our Lady of Peace & Nativity BVM

Sunday Morning

7:30 St. Mary's

8:00 Our Lady of Peace & Nativity BVM

9:00 St. Mary's & St. Teresa

10:00 Our Lady of Peace & Nativity BVM

11:00 St. Mary's

Daily Mass

Monday:

8:00am St. Teresa & Nativity BVM & Our Lady of Peace

9:00am St. Mary's

Tuesday:

8:00am St. Teresa & Our Lady of Peace

9:00am St. Mary's & Nativity BVM

Wednesday

8:00am Nativity BVM & Our Lady of Peace

9:00am St. Mary's

5:30 pm St. Teresa

Thursday

8:00am St. Teresa & Nativity BVM & Our Lady of Peace

9:00am St. Mary's

Friday

6:30am Our Lady of Peace

8:00am St. Teresa & Nativity BVM

9:00am St. Mary's

Saturday:

8:00am Nativity BVM

9:00am St. Teresa & St. Mary's

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Call 716-688-9380 x 5

Leave a message with your contact information. A priest will reach out to you for further information for the Anointing of the Sick.



Prayers for Our People

This Week's Daily Readings

Monday

1 Kings 17:1-6
Psalm 121:1bc-2,3-4, 5-6, 7-8
Matthew 5:1-12

Tuesday

Acts 11:21b-26;13:1-3
Psalm 98:1,2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6
Matthew 5:13-16

Wednesday

1 Kings 18:20-39
Psalm 16 1b-2ab,4,5ab & 8, 11
Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday

1 Kings 18:41-46
Psalm 65:10, 11, 12-13
Matthew 5:20-26

Friday

1 Kings 19:9a, 11-16
Psalm 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14
Matthew 5:27-32

Saturday

1 Kings 19:19-21
Psalm 16:1b-2a & 5, 7-8, 9-10
Matthew 5:33-37

Devotional Schedule

Confession

- St. Mary: Every Saturday 2:30-3:30pm & 1st Saturday after 9am Mass
- OLP: Every Saturday 3:45-4:45pm
- Nativity: Every Saturday 3:45-4:45pm
- St Teresa: Every Saturday 2:30-3:30pm, 1st Saturday 8:15-8:45am & Holy Vigil 3:30-4:15pm

Rosary

- St Mary: Monday - Saturday 8:30am & Wednesday 7pm in the Chapel
- OLP: Wednesday 5:30-6pm with Divine Mercy Chaplet
- Nativity: M, W, Th, F, Sa after 8am Mass; Tu after 9am Mass
- St Teresa: First Saturday 8:30am

Adoration

- St. Mary: 1st Friday 9am-7pm
- OLP: Every Wednesday 7am-6pm
- Nativity: Every Wednesday 7:30-8:30pm with Divine Mercy Chaplet
- St. Teresa: 2nd Friday 7:30-8:30pm, with Benediction

Stations of the Cross

- OLP: Friday, June 7th 6:30 pm - **All are welcome!**

Pray for our sick

Maria A.	Daniel Cortese	Dina Grabau	Pinto	Erin Milazzo	Tobin
Mary Celine Aaron	Rick Cousineau	Gary Grapentrog	Richard Kubiak	Candace Morse	Joe Vasi
Joan Antonicelli	Sharon Covert	Laura Gray	John Kuloszewski	Betty Mutton	Vince
Austin Beatty	Jim Cummings	Ian Harden	Steve L.	Joan O'Brien	Judy Vogt
Jack Blodgett	Anna Daigler	Michael Hartman	Thomas L.	Jean Ottney	Mary Ellen Wagner
David Bogden	Jeanette Diegelman	Reed Hausrath	Shirley Lantz	David P.	Rita Whelan
Bob Brown	Carolyn Dorigo	Heidi	Bob Larouere	Ted Petroff	Paul Willard
David Burke	Thomas Duve	Mark Hilbert	Laurie	Diane Petroff	Ron Weiss
Bobby C.	Donald, Jack &	Deanne Hutchinson	Delphine Levesque	Carmine Purdie	Msgr. Wetter
Tina C.	Marie E.	Maria Iacono	Franco Licata	Marty Rallabate	Genevieve Wojcik-
Rosemary Caito	William Eberhard	James Ingham	Tim Lindert	Peter Rizzo	Donald York
Charisse Callahan	Darlene Feinen	Jackie	Lucas Lowe	Susan Rogers	Dcn. Ed Zablocki
Eleanore Cam-	Tom Feron	Richard Jordan	Cindy Lueckert	Jackie S.	Joyce Zoerb
marata	Mary Petra	Baby Josh	Emma Manley	Paulette Sadus	
Christi Carson	Fesmire	Douglas Kellner	Rita & Don Manno	Gene Santercole	Pray for repose
Rosario Castiglia	Carol & Ken Fox	Dan Kelly	Colin McCabe	Ron Sarafin	of the souls of:
Linda Chaffee	Karen Fox	Kathy Kent	Sterling McCar-	Donn & Melanie	Barbara Ford
Theresa Chapman	Carol Frego	Kingston	riagher	Scherer	Donald Hererger
Joan Chatman	Kevin G.	Gloria Kintzel	Kathy McHugh	David Schirmer	Paul Schifferle
Russell Christopher	Gabe	Sister Ann Helene	Dick McKie	Donna Schmidle	
Lauren Conrad	Timothy Gallivan	Koenig OSF	Paul Meir	Eleanor Smith	
Sandy Coon	John & Maryann,	Mark Korpanty	Al Meister	Steve	
	George	David Kraatz	Jerry Metz	Frank & Dolores	

In the Spotlight



GETTING TO Know OUR PRIESTS

REVEREND CHARLES FREDERICO, SJ



Register NOW for the annual
St. Mary's Chowder Chase
 5k run - 3k walk open to all ages
July 20th 2024 Race
begins at 7pm

\$30/runner or walker (fee includes drink/meal voucher for after-run party and first 200 registrations get a t-shirt

Register Here



ALL YOU CAN EAT Pancake Breakfast at
A. J. Jurek Legion,
 Smith & New Roads, E. Amherst,
TODAY, June 16th, 8AM-12:00PM.



Includes: pancakes, eggs, sausage & beverage.

Adults: \$10 - 12-6: \$4 - 5 & under: free.

Everyone has questions.

Exploring is good. We're built for it. Explore more about life, faith and meaning with Alpha.

Alpha



Who do you know that has hard questions about faith, meaning and life?

Explore answers with Alpha at ACRCC, Nativity of Mary School 4375 Harris Hill Rd.

Wednesdays this summer @ 7pm

Where did you grow up and go to school?

I grew up in Springfield, PA, a suburb of Philadelphia. My entire K-12 education was in Catholic schools. After graduating from high school, I attended the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, NY and received my Associate Degree in Culinary Arts. I then went to St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia. I entered the Jesuits in 1995 upon graduation from St. Joseph's. I then attended Fordham University for my MA in Philosophy. I also received an MA & MDiv from Santa Clara University.

What inspired you most to become a priest?

I was deeply moved by the Jesuits at St. Joseph's University who inspired my mind to think more critically as a young man of faith and to act more lovingly for Jesus. I was challenged and inspired to dig deeper and hear the call. I was also fortunate to have great sisters and priests in high school who modeled a life of prayer, community, sacrifice and invested care for others.

What is your favorite scripture passage?

My favorite passage is Mark 10: 46-52, the Blind Bartimaeus. I love the passage because He asks for assistance from Jesus. He names his need, in so doing he not only welcomes the healing, but then follows the Lord on The Way. For me, this captures ALL of our Christian vocation as loved sinners.

When you are not helping at St. Mary's, what is your position?

I am the Director of Campus Ministry at Canisius High School; responsible for all school liturgies, retreats and the service program (international, national, regional and local). I also teach religion to our Freshmen at Canisius.

What would someone find most surprising about you

I still get a twinge of nervousness in preparing for Liturgy. Not until I look around the Church after a minute of my homily do I really settle down. I suppose that keeps me sharp. But I always recognize the Holy Spirit at work both in me and in the congregation, which brings me peace. It also reminds me that none of this is about me but about what God's grace can do for us.

What has made the biggest impression on you as minister to the people of St. Mary's?

The St. Mary's parish community is so welcoming and invested in their faith. People really listen to my homilies and because of that it keeps me focused and invested. I have grown in my vocation by celebrating with such a vibrant, prayerful and invested community. It truly is a gift to come each week. Thank you for nurturing my priesthood and for affirming my preaching abilities. You are a beautiful community!!!



Upcoming Events

The Medical Missionaries of Mary are coming to St Mary's parish on June 22-23. They are an international congregation of Women Religious who to invite you to support their missionary work.

The focus of their ministry is particularly to mothers and children and those on the margins of society. Working through community-based health care projects and clinics to tertiary level teaching hospitals they bring health care to those who would not otherwise have access to it. Care and treatment is provided to all who come seeking it.

Sister Joanne Bierl, MMM will be telling you about their work in Africa and Latin America bringing God's healing love to our wounded world. This is done by providing health care as doctors, nurses, surgeons, midwives, administrators, social workers and more.

They cannot do this without your support and prayers. In return, you have a very special place in their daily prayers, and they assure you of the unspoken gratitude of those they are privileged to serve.

You can visit them at:

Website: www.mmmworldwide.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/medicalmissionariesofmaryusa



Come celebrate the healing gift of Our Lord at: **Our Lady of Peace Church**
Sunday June 9th at Noon

ANOINTING MASS

This will be a regular Sunday Mass with special prayers & readings. Fr. Walt will offer the Sacrament of Healing/Anointing to all in attendance.

St. Teresa's Cookie Social Hour at Brothers of Mercy, Saturday, June 15th, meet at: **10570 Bergtold Rd. Clarence**, on the 3rd Saturday, monthly at 10-11am

For information, call Sheila Ernst at 716-542-1144

Volunteers bring a small plate of cookies



Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet **Thursday, June 20 at 6:30PM in the OLP Parish Center.**

If you knit or crochet you are welcome to join us.



Father's Day Lottery Raffle
Tickets will be sold after Masses the weekends of June 1st, 8th and 15th. The drawing will be held after Mass on Sunday, June 16th. Please support the Women's Guild as we continue with parish projects in our community and abroad. Fun gift idea for the dad in your family!



Nativity of Mary School
4th Annual Golf Tournament
Friday, June 28, 2024 at Chestnut Hill,
1330 Broadway St., Darien, NY.



Register @ NBVMGOLF.givesmart.com.
Donate to the Amazon wish list for the basket raffle by scanning the QR code or visiting:
<https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/K18RI2EWYQ4W>

You don't want to miss out on this day of fun benefitting Nativity of Mary School!

The St. Teresa Women's Study Group will be attending the following upcoming retreat: All women of the Parish are welcome! Registered retreatants will be meeting in St. Teresa's parking lot and carpooling to the location.

"Interior Journey Toward Holiness" - A day of reflection where you will experience and explore the interior castle that St. Teresa shares with us to assist you with your journey toward holiness! There are beautiful grounds including a Rosary Garden!

When: Wed, June 19th 9am-3pm
At: Mother of Mercy House of Prayer 6131 Newton Road, Orchard Park

Cost: \$35/person - includes Continental Breakfast and Lunch
To register, call (716) 662-6025.



Altar & Rosary end of the year potluck luncheon will be held on **Monday, June 10 at 12noon.** Weather permitting we will meet in the picnic pavilion. Susan Rielly from Small Blessing Purse Project will give a short presentation. Ladies are asked to bring donations for purses. Call Laura Wind or Kathy Andrews if you have any questions.



St. Teresa of Avila

5771 Buell St. Akron, NY 14001

Phone: 716-542-9103

StTeresasOfAkron.com

Mass Intentions for this week:

Vigil 6/8 - Immaculate Heart of Blessed Virgin Mary

4pm Ruth & Lester Schock by Family

Sunday 6/9

9am Birthday Blessings for Fr. Art by St. Teresa Women's Guild

Monday 6/10 - St. Charles Lwanga & Champions

8am Dearly Departed Souls

Tuesday 6/11- St. Barnabas

8am Intentions for Fathers

Wednesday 6/12

5:30pm Dearly Departed Souls

Thursday 6/13- Anthony of Padua

8am Intentions for Fathers

Friday 6/14 - Flag Day

8am Mary Patricia Paxton by Bill Paxton & Susan Molinari

Saturday 6/15

9am Angela Isabel Ozarowski by the Andzel Family

Next week:

Vigil 6/15

4pm Birthday Blessings for Fr. Arthur Mattulke by Margaret & Vittorio

Sunday 6/16 - Father's Day

9am Bernie & Cathy Badding by Family

Next Children's Liturgy of the Word

June 30th at the 9 am Mass.

Thank you to Mrs. Elliot for leading this ministry for our parish.



Join us on Sunday, June 23rd at 9AM Mass for a special blessing for young people with a new driver's license, as well as drivers of all ages. Anyone who wishes to have their car blessed, join Fr. Art in the parking lot following Mass.

Parish office: P.O. Box 168 Akron, NY 14001

hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30– Noon

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Trustees: Dick Campbell & Wally Smith

Fully Alive Holy Hour -Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, June 14

beginning at 7:30pm

Come and spend an hour with the Lord, with praise, prayer, reflections, and quiet time. During this peaceful hour of Adoration, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed with Closing Benediction taking place by 8:30pm



hour with the Lord, reflections, and quiet peaceful hour of Blessed Sacrament Closing Benediction by 8:30pm

CATHOLIC CHARITIES UPDATE

Parish Goal: \$39,410 Current Total: \$29,711 We have reached 75% of our goal with 110 donors! \$9,699 to go! Thank you for your generosity!



Prayer for Vocations - God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as sisters, brothers and religious priests. Renew their knowledge and love of you, and send your Holy Spirit to help them respond generously and courageously to your will. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

To remember or honor a loved one, living or deceased, in



heaven and here on earth, in a special way dedicate the prayers of our parish to them with a Mass. Contact the parish office to reserve a date, 716-542-9103.



Our Lady of Peace

10950 Main St. Clarence, NY 14031

Phone: 716-759-8554

OLPCLarence.org

Mass Intentions for this week:

Vigil 6/8 - Immaculate Heart of Blessed Virgin Mary

5:15pm Richard & Janet Sherry by The Family

Sunday 6/9

8am Anna & Michael Wallrich by The Wallrich Family

10am John & Rita Macna by Dylan & Anna

Monday 6/10 - St. Charles Lwanga & Champions

Living & Deceased Holy Name members

Tuesday 6/11- St. Barnabas

8am Eva Flower by The Family

Wednesday 6/12

8am Rita Wayman by Gemma Moell

Thursday 6/13- Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8am Lynn Weiss by Ron, Gretchen & Andrew Weiss

Friday 6/14 - Flag Day

6:30am Jadwiga Delezynska & Tadeusz Piotrowski by Adam & Barbara Radolinski

Next week:

Vigil 6/15

5:15pm Richard Korpanty by wife, MaryLou

Sunday 6/16 - 11th Sunday of Ordinary Time - Father's Day

8am - Father's Day Intentions

10am - Tom McGinley by Loving Sons

Lectors for 6/15 & 16

5:15 pm Patricia Andzel

8:00 am Richard Hahn

10:00 am Kathleen Andrews

Eucharistic Ministers for 6/15 & 16

5:15 pm Katie Giansante, Robert Andzel, Anita Simons, Maureen McEwan

8:00 am Timothy Creenan, Maryann Creenan, Lew Wargo

10:00 am Laura Wind, Mary Czosek, Mark Morgante, Ron Andrews

Parish office

hours: Monday - Thursday 8:30am - 2:30pm

Friday 8:30 - noon

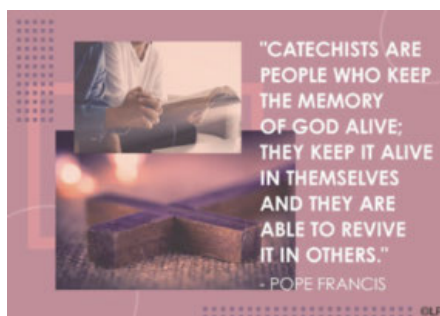
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ReligiousED@OLPCLarence.org

OLP needs catechists: for Grades: 1st, 4th, 7th, & 10th for the 2024-2025 school year



Please prayerfully consider sharing your time & your faith with our children!

Please contact Dan Pawlak at the OLP Religious Education office for details.

Contact information above.

Father's Day Ice Cream Social will be held at Our Lady of Peace after the weekend Mass' of June 15th & 16th in the Parish Center.



We will also have our annual Ministry Fair. Please join us!



Catholic Charities 2024

*We have received \$76,578 on our way to our goal of \$115, 838 189 Donors so far **THANK YOU!** We need 39,260 to our Goal!*

Send your Catholic Charities donations to the Church Rectory, drop off in person or by mail to Our Lady of Peace, 10950 Main St. Clarence, NY 14031 . Or mail directly to Catholic Charities office at 741 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14209-2201

Please make your check out to Catholic Charities.

***Parish code is #0502 Please give generously!**

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary



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Phone: 716-632-8838

Fax: 716-632-7898

NativityHarrisHill.org

Mass Intentions for this week:

Vigil 6/8 - Immaculate Heart of Blessed Virgin Mary

5:15pm Beverly Dalfonso by Frances Menno

Sunday 6/9

8am Scott Nowak by Patricia Nirelli

10am Simone Minneci by Wife & Children; And Ethel Krahling by Dolores Petty

Monday 6/10 - St. Charles Lwanga & Champions

8am Jack Mackin by Tom & Linda Mary Hall

Tuesday 6/11- St. Barnabas

9am Richard L. Skomra by Patti & Paul Hartigan

Wednesday 6/12

8am All Souls by Nativity Parishioners

Thursday 6/13- Anthony of Padua

8am Marcia A. Plunkett by Brenda Heigl & Family

Friday 6/14 - Flag Day

8am Richard L. Skomra by Helen Skomra

Saturday 6/15

8am All Souls by Nativity Parishioners

Next week:

Vigil 6/15

5:15pm Lucy & Burnell Bingaman by Carolyn Nenni; And Liz Schachtner by Theresa Materise

Sunday 6/16 - Father's Day

8am - Lawrence Vito by Wife, Janet; And Mauro Pietrantoni by Angela, Nina, Michela

10am - Angelo Costanzo II by Craig & Renee Curtin; And Leonard Schrader by Nancy & Harry Carroll

Sanctuary Candle Intentions

6/7/24 – 6/13/24: Annette C. fro Healing by Nativity Faith Family

6/14/24-6/20/24: Wallace Krzeminski for Healing by Frances Hochadel

To register as a parishioner of Nativity, please complete our **Parish Registration Form**. You can drop it off to the Rectory Office, or email it to our Parish Secretary at nativityoffice@nativityharrishill.org For help, call the Rectory at (716) 632-8838.



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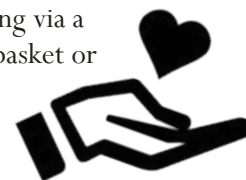
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Please consider making your weekly offering via a Nativity issued envelope in the collection basket or through direct electronic contributions via checking account or credit card. Sign up for automated giving directly via secure website WE SHARE or by calling 1-877-316-0260.



This Week: 6/8-9- Server Schedule *Note: Schedule is subject to change. Altar Server names are listed based on parental permission*

Lectors: Vigil: Deidre Wheat
8am: James Olek 10am :Vic Martucci

Eucharistic Ministers:

Vigil: Michael Gill, Kathryn Janson, Susan Casilio, Paula Kolber
8am Robert Coffey, Bruce Zgoda, Betsy Zazycki
10am Michele Forkl, James Weiss, Lena Farace, Jillian Spear

Altar servers:

Vigil: Raphael, Michael, & Gabriel Wright
8am: Mallory & Matthew Trzepacz
10am Makayla Koziel, Andrea Mouawad

Next week 6/15-16

Lectors: Vigil: Louise Dessert
8am: Thomas Hall 10am :James Sheehan

Eucharistic Ministers:

Vigil: Michele Forkl, Mike Gill, Tom Reinagel
8am Robert Coffey, Lauri Hahn, Terry Johnson, Susan Riley
10am Mary Aronica, Michael Suchyna, Paul Gerstner, Lucille Keller

Altar servers:

Vigil: Raphael, Michael, & Gabriel Wright
8am: Matthew & Mallory Trzepacz
10am:



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StMarySwormville.org

Mass Intentions for this week:

Vigil 6/8 - Immaculate Heart of Blessed Virgin Mary

2pm Wedding Andrea Reynolds & Nicholas Overturf
4pm Fr. Bryan Zielenieski (Anniversary of Ordination) By
Andi Andrzejewski; And Peter Oehman by the family

Sunday 6/9 Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am Carl Siracusa by Barbara
9am George Mathas by David & JoAnn Lewandowski
11am Rev. Charles Amico by Mike & Amy DiMartino

Monday 6/10 - St. Charles Lwanga & Champions

9am Janet & Richard Sherry by the Sherry Family

Tuesday 6/11- St. Barnabas

9am Marsha Wicks-Hoffmann by Terri & Jack Dunbar

Wednesday 6/12

9am Manuel Vieira by the Vieira Family; And
Lori Braniecki by Jennifer Fitzpatrick

Thursday 6/13- Anthony of Padua

9am Lina Montalbano by Lena Farace

Friday 6/14 - Flag Day

9am Richard Sherry by SMS Teachers & Staff

Saturday 6/15

9am Fr. Bryan Zielenieski (birthday) by Andi Andrzejewski

Next week:

Vigil 6/15

4pm Larry Megan by wife Elizabeth

Sunday 6/16 - Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time; Father's Day

7:30am George & Clara Siefert by the family
9am Michael States by the Hoffmann Family; And Deceased Members of the Richard Burkard Family

by Duane & Pat Burkard

11am John Dunbar by the family

Sanctuary Candle week of June 9th

In Memory of Ronald Drzewiecki by the Dreyer Family

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St. Mary School - PreK-8 716-689-8424

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VBS Supply - Wish List!

VBS SCUBA is looking for the following items for our program this summer.

- Small, round, white paper plates- heavy duty
- Mini sea shells
- Empty plastic clear water bottles (~16oz)
- Gift Cards to Walmart or Michaels and monetary donations for craft supplies.

Place your monetary donation labeled "VBS" in the collection basket at Mass. Larger items should be placed in the bin labeled "VBS Donations" in the back foyer! Thank you!



Blessing for graduates – Congratulations and blessings to all of our grammar school, high school and college graduates! The weekend of June 15/16, at all St. Mary's Masses, graduates will receive a special blessing for a successful, grace-filled future. We invite all of our graduates to attend and receive this blessing!

Wine & Spirit Donations needed. Drop off at church before/after Mass or at the Parish Office.



Trinkets & Treasure Donations needed!!

Scan QR Code for details. Paper Copies of details available at church entrances



Catholic Charities 2024 Appeal - St. Mary's 2024 Goal is \$218,032 so far 351 donors have donated

Catholic Charities Speaker:

Welcome Deacon Steven Schumer to speak at all Masses June 8th & 9th

\$237,551 that's \$19,518 over our goal! Thank you for your continued generosity!

Theme Baskets items needed



Themed Basket Raffle

Bring new items to create

\$50-\$75 baskets to the Parish Office by July 8th



Catholic Education

St. Mary's Church - Nativity BVM - Our Lady of Peace - St. Teresa of Avila

"Go therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Matthew 28:19



The Month of June is Dedicated to The Sacred Heart of Jesus

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus is exposed to show us that His heart burns with love for US.

"It is more difficult to let God love us than to love Him! The best way to love Him in return is to open our hearts and let Him love us."

Pope Francis

"This feast reminds us of the mystery of the love of God for the people of all times."

St. John Paul II



Challenge yourself to **make time for Jesus each day in prayer**, focusing on His Sacred Heart:

Sacred Heart of Jesus, we entrust our family to you. Look upon us and reveal to us the treasures of love, goodness, and grace in your heart. Forgive our sins and strengthen our weaknesses, that we may serve you faithfully as you deserve. These favors we ask for ourselves and for every family in our world. Heart of Jesus, pierced by a soldier's lance on Calvary, be our shelter in life and our gateway to paradise. Amen.

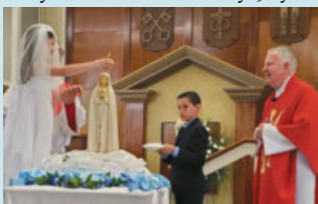
As a family, pick out a statute or image of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus to display in your home and remind you of the great love our Lord has for each of us.

Learn the story of **Sister Margaret Mary Alacoque**, a nun who introduced the devotion to The Sacred Heart of Jesus because of visits she received with Jesus.



Nativity BVM Parish

Thank you to all of our parish children, youth, and adult volunteers who participated in our Parish Family Mass and May Crowning event on Sunday, May 19! It was a very joyous celebration.



St. Mary's Parish

Empowering families to live as disciples, we have several take home resources that your family can sign out. Visit the "Get Involved" tab on our website to make a request.

- ◆ For families with young children (birth - age 3).
- ◆ Sacred scripture (elementary).
- ◆ Rosary for the whole family.
- ◆ Mass for the whole family.



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Using passages from Sacred Scripture, Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Ben Akers discuss the Church's teaching on the Sacred Heart and the background of the devotion (30 min commentary).



Our Lady of Peace Parish

OLP is seeking Grades 1, 4, 7, & 10 catechists for the upcoming school year.

Please prayerfully consider sharing your time and faith with our parish children. Contact Dan Pawlak at religiously@olpclarence.org or 716-759-8554 for details.





St. Mary School

Grade 8's Class Trip was a "Capital" Experience!

Members of the SMS Class of 2024 recently returned from their class trip to Washington DC. The 8th grade homeroom teachers as well as numerous parents served as chaperones for our soon-to-be alums, who made memories together during their four day trip that will hopefully last a lifetime!

The students visited Gettysburg, numerous DC memorials & monuments, the White House, the US Capitol, the US Supreme Court, the Museum of American History, the St. John Paul II National Shrine, & attended Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. They even met with Chief Justice John Roberts & presented him with a special gift. Scan the QR code for more information & photos.



Nativity of Mary School



Mr. Deitzer planned an exciting 8th Grade Trip for the Class of 2024. This week the students visited Toronto, Canada. Some of the trip highlights included a visit to the CN Tower, an outing to the Blue Jays Game, a day at Canada's Wonderland, and so much more!



Ministry News



Knights of Columbus - Thought for the Week

“If your brother sins, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him. And if he wrongs you seven times in one day and returns to you seven times saying, ‘I am sorry,’ you should forgive him.” Luke 17: 3-4

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Membership meeting Monday, June 17th 6:30pm, light dinner and social. Meeting is 7pm in the School Cafeteria. Join us!

G.K. Carl 716-689-8060.

We would like to say THANK-YOU the ministry of Divine Mercy at Our Lady of Peace!!

As they celebrate their **10,000th chaplet** that has been made and distributed to local and out of state churches and other organizations since 2017! Chaplets are available in the Parish Center Narthex. If you are interested in helping this ministry, please contact the rectory.

“Souls who spread the honor of My mercy I shield through their entire lives as a tender mother her infant, and at the hour of death I will not be a Judge for them, but the Merciful Savior. At that last hour, a soul has nothing with which to defend itself except My mercy. Happy is the soul that during its lifetime immersed itself in the Fountain of Mercy, because justice will have no hold on it.”

Diary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska (1075)

Memorial Brick Garden (Located on the north side of the church, by the St. John Neumann statue) The garden bricks are available to memorialize a family member or friend, to commemorate special occasions: baptisms, weddings, anniversaries, etc. or your family name and date. The cost of each 4” x 8” brick is \$225 and it can be engraved with one, two or three lines of 15 characters each (including spaces and punctuation). Deadline for orders will be July 14th). Engraving forms are available at the Parish Office, chapel and church, or request one by calling the parish office. Please consider this opportunity to help our parish, while remembering someone or something in a special way. If you have any further questions, you may call the Parish Office at 716-688-9380 and ask for Sue Schirmer or email bulletin@stmaryswormville.org

The last **Forever Young meeting** of the season will be held at 7pm on June 12 in the Parish Center. We will serve ice cream sundaes and enjoy some games of Bingo. Please bring a “white elephant” prize in a paper bag. Also, a paper product or soap for the church food pantry will be appreciated. Questions? Call Pat at 716-335-8475.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society (SVDP) offers assistance with food, clothing, gasoline, medicine, rent, utilities and transportation to people of all backgrounds and faiths facing economic or emotional crises. To request assistance from SVDP, please call the Nativity Parish contact at 716-632-8838 ext. 420 and leave a message for a parish member to respond back. Financial donations can be placed directly in the collection boxes at Nativity Church. Clothing donations can be placed directly in the collection boxes in the lower parking lot at Nativity Church.



Thank you to everyone who donated to the Women’s Guild collection for the St Gianna Pregnancy Outreach Center. We received a great supply of baby items in the playpen and collected over \$1100 in our bottle drive collection! Thank you for your generosity to support new and expecting Moms and their babies!



Happening Around Town



A guy driving along the highway at 70 mph, sees a chicken running along side him, and keeping up. Crazy enough the chicken had three legs! He punches it to 80, and shockingly the chicken stays with it, then cuts off down a country road. So the guy follows it into a driveway of a farm. When he sees the farmer, he asks, "Did you see a three legged chicken speed in here?" "Yeah that's mine." said the farmer. "I breed them that way because my wife, and my son and I all like drumsticks," the farmer tells the driver. "Wow, that's genius! How do they taste?" the guy asks.



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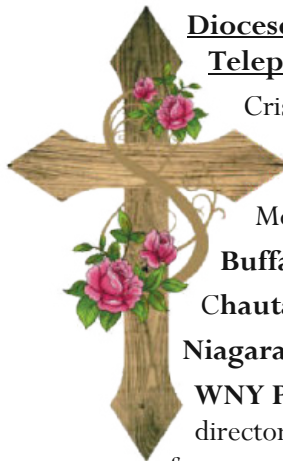
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Cardinal O'Hara HS Summer 2024 Driver Education Registration is open to all area high school students. Mon-Thurs, 2-3:30pm. In-car sessions: June 17-July 26 Classroom instruction sessions: June 24-July 18, Students must attend all 16 classroom instruction and 16 in-car driving sessions. The cost of the program is \$800. Applications are accepted on a first come first served basis.

For additional information and online registration, visit



www.cardinalohara.com/driver-education/



Diocese of Buffalo Office of Pro-Life Telephone Hotline

Crisis Pregnancy, Abortion Alternatives & Healing, 716-847-2205. St. Gianna Pregnancy Outreach Centers, helping Mothers & Fathers in Need:

Buffalo, 716-842-2229,

Chautauqua County, 716-203-7593,

Niagara County, 716-284-2229.

WNY Postpartum Connection—For a directory of mental health and support services for pregnant and postpartum moms visit wnypostpartum.com

Flag Day - Friday, June 14, 2024

What is Flag Day all about? Who really designed the first flag, and what do the red, white, and blue colors symbolize? See how much you know about the U.S. flag's history and meaning.

Flag Day is a celebration of the American flag that occurs each year on the anniversary of the flag's official adoption, June 14.

What we know fondly as the "Stars and Stripes" was adopted by the Continental Congress as the official American flag on June 14, 1777, in the midst of the Revolutionary War. The original 1777 flag was designed to represent the 13 original colonies. One of the first flag designs had the stars arranged in a circle, based on the idea that all colonies were equal. In 1818, after a few design changes, the United States Congress decided to retain the flag's original 13 stripes and add new stars to reflect each new state that entered the union. Each time a state was added to the union, a star was added. Today, there are 50 stars, one for each state in the union, but the 13 stripes remain.

Interestingly, the current American flag was designed by a high school student from Lancaster, Ohio, named Bob G. Heft! Even though Bob's history teacher gave him a "B-" for not knowing how many states the Union had, Bob submitted his design to the White House (unprompted) in anticipation of Hawaii and Alaska joining the Union. To his surprise, President Eisenhower called him! Today, it's Bob Heft's 1958 design—which shows 50 stars in a field that included five rows of six stars and four rows of five stars—which is now our 50-star American flag (and history teacher changed his grade to an "A!").



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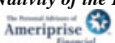
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