



# LOVE IS THE FULFILLMENT

THE 23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
SEPTEMBER 9/10, 2023

***'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'***  
***(Romans 13:9)***

Let's face it: Talking about love is not everyone's cup of tea. While some people could discuss love for hours on end, others it makes highly uncomfortable and, quite frankly, agitated. Whether it brings back a painful memory of getting our heart broken, or even just the misconception that the concept of 'love' automatically means 'romance,' it's definitely a touchy subject. *(Especially in 2023.)*

However, if there's one thing St. Paul makes clear in his letter to the Romans this week, it's this: Love isn't going anywhere. In fact, it's our destiny and purpose. It's our end goal.

St. Paul even reminds us to *<gasp>* love our **neighbor**, meaning everyone around us. In a time of so much division, debate, and violence, it seems almost impossible to even **like** each other let alone **love** each other. Instead of showing each other kindness, compassion, understanding, and respect, we show each other animosity, cruelty, and rudeness.

While we're never going to all be each other's best friend, let's take St. Paul's words to heart. Let's try just a little bit harder. Let's remember to pray for each other. Let's put away our discomforts and learn to love again. Let's remember Jesus's new commandment: ***Love one another as I have loved you.***

**THE CATHOLIC FAMILY OF SOUTH BUFFALO**  
**OUR LADY OF CHARITY + ST. MARTIN OF TOURS**  
**ST. TERESA + ST. THOMAS AQUINAS**

## FR. BILL'S CORNER

### EVER BEEN TO A HEALING MASS?

Occasionally, we hear of a church holding a special Mass that will include prayer for healing. I have attended a whole variety of them. Actually, I have presided at them and prayed with people for healing for decades.

Last year, when I became pastor of the Catholic Family of South Buffalo, I called Fr. Bob Hora who had been assisting with Mass coverage at Our Lady of Charity. In our initial conversation, he brought up the fact that he has a great devotion to Padre Pio (formally now called St. Pius of Pietrelcina). He also shared that he has celebrated Healing Masses on or near the saint's feast day – and wondered whether we might schedule one in the Family. It was very close to September 23rd, so I suggested we put it on the calendar for 2023.



Padre Pio's feast falls on a Friday this year – less than two weeks from now – so we decided to hold the Mass at our weekly Thursday evening liturgy at 6:30 p.m. at Holy Family. Last month we offered a Mass for vocations, this month a Healing Mass.

Among many things that inspire me about St. Pio is the way his intense and mystical way of celebrating the Most Holy Eucharist was the center of his vocation. It seems that the Lord's gift of the stigmata—the wounds in the hands, feet and side that Padre Pio manifested while praying in a profound state in front of a crucifix – is connected to the Mass as sacrifice.

Fr. Bob will have a first-class relic of the saint for veneration at the Mass on September 22nd. He, myself and a few other priests will offer the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick which is a healing gift from our Lord Jesus.

I wrote this column a few weeks ago in anticipation of my pilgrimage to Medjugorje. The thought that came to me initially in composing an invitation to the Healing Mass is contained in the heading of this column. There may be parishioners who feel that because they have no diagnosis of serious illness, do not need a cane or wheelchair, that they have no need of healing.

May I ask you to consider that our need for healing goes far beyond the physical? Certainly the chronic illnesses, anticipation of surgery and advanced age are the usual reasons to be anointed. But anxiety, depression, broken/grieving hearts as well as anger, fear and despair (seeming hallmarks of our post-covid and divided society) are also very good reasons.

My mother once brought a friend who had suffered a stroke to a Healing Mass – and mom received a surprising gift from the Holy Spirit. Please pray about joining us to honor Padre Pio. Bring whatever wounds you have (mind, body, heart, etc.) and pray with us to Jesus who is the source of all healing ministry. Have you ever been to a Healing Mass? If not, at least come to pray for those most in need. See what the God of Surprises has for us—and YOU!

Peace,  
Fr. Bill

# THE FAMILY THAT PRAYS TOGETHER, STAYS TOGETHER.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Forgiven. Forgotten. Forever.

Prepare your soul to receive Jesus.

**Thursday: 6:00pm - 6:30pm**, Holy Family

**Saturday: 3:00pm - 3:30pm**, St. Martin's

**Saturday: 4:00pm - 4:30pm**, St. Teresa's

**Saturday, 4:30pm - 5:00pm**, St. Ambrose

Or upon request. Please call your respective parish office.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

All classes for Grades 1 – 8 will meet at St. Teresa's Parish Center on Sunday mornings from 9:30 - 10:45 AM.

Our first class will be Sunday, October 16th. At this class you will have the opportunity to register your child, tour the building and visit your child's

classroom. Please use parking lots on Hayden St. or Mineral Springs Rd. We are happy to welcome Catechist/Teachers from all of our Parishes in South Buffalo. These members of our parishes have and will continue to volunteer to share their faith with the children of our Family. As we did last year, we will also offer Family Events where we will invite parents and grandparents to join us for special seasonal celebrations. More information will be available soon. Please use the door on Hayden St. If your family is new to our Programs, please email me at [cheryl16@aol.com](mailto:cheryl16@aol.com) or call me at 716-823-8575 for more information and to register you family. You can also print the registration form found on the parish website and return to the parish office. Please label: ATTN: CHERYL McNERNEY. The Registration fee is \$50.00 per child/\$125.00 max per family. If the fee is a problem for your family, please contact me and or a payment plan can be arranged for your convenience.

## TALENT / GIFT SURVEY

God created you with unique gifts and talents, and at this time in history He is calling you to share them with members of the Catholic Family of South Buffalo. Jesus needs you to help Him spread His Good News. To help you find what Jesus is calling you to do on His behalf, we will have a Talent/Gift Survey at all our Parish sites on the weekend of Oct. 7/8 during Mass. Please begin your prayer now to the Holy Spirit to be able to listen to His call for you to share your talents/gifts to your bothers and sisters of the Catholic Family of South Buffalo. Jesus is calling you!

## THANK YOU!

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the School Supply Drive conducted by the Outreach Pillar. Your generosity will help our Religious Education and Notre Dame students, as well as the Bishop Kmiec Pantry, by supplying them with much needed office and school supplies. Thank you for your continued support of these projects.

## LABOR DAY MASS

Thank you to our staff, volunteers, and all who attended our annual Labor Day Mass with Bishop Fisher presiding. It was a wonderful tribute to workers and the history of the labor movement in our community.



*Bishop Michael Fisher Blessing the Tools*

## MUSIC NEWS

Children in grades 3-8 are invited to sing at 9 AM mass at Saint Martin of Tours on Sunday, September 17, 2023. Please report to Church by 8:30 AM to work through the songs for mass. Bring your best voice and a smile! This is the beginning of a new children's choir initiative this year, there will be more dates to come! Please contact Laura with any questions. 716-208-5608.

Calling all guitarists! Please consider joining our music ministry. We are in search of additional instrumentation for the 6:30 PM mass at St Thomas Aquinas. If you are interested in playing on Sunday, September 10, and/or Sunday, September 24, please reach out, and Laura will send you charts! [lauralynnlawless@gmail.com](mailto:lauralynnlawless@gmail.com) or 7162085608

# MASS INTENTIONS

## Sat./Sun., Sep. 9/10 - 23<sup>rd</sup> Sun. in Ord. Time

**SMT** • 4:00pm

**Michael Carabelli** (Birth. Rem., req. by family)

**ST** • 4:30pm

**Edward Reid** (20th Anniv. Rem., req. by his family)

**Paul & Sybille Eckert** (Wedd. Anniv. Rem., req. by family)

**SA** • 5:15pm

**Jennifer Orr** (req. by Mary E. Lickfield)

**SMT** • 9:00am

**Michael Carabelli** (req. by Fr. Bill Quinlivan)

**SA** • 9:30am

**Chuck, Marilyn, & Colleen Ventura** (req. by Terri & Mike Schuta)

**STA** • 10:00am

**Hank & Maureen Glose** (req. by John & Trish Glose)

**Marge Munro** (req. by family)

**ST** • 11:00am

**Mom & Dad Scheck** (req. by family)

**Tommy Brinkworth** (6th Anniv. Rem., req. by Mom & family)

**HF** • 11:30am

**Kevin Barrett** (req. by his wife, Irene Barrett)

**STA** • 6:30pm

**Angela Astyk** (Birth. Rem., req. by family)

## Mon., Sep. 11 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

**SMT** • 8:30am - **Betty Graham** (req. by Mary & Pat)

**ST** • 11:30am - **McBride Family** (Estate Mass)

## Tues., Sep. 12 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

**STA** • 8:30am - **Frank Mazur** (Anniv. Rem., req. by Frank Drabek)

**SMT** • 11:30am - **Deceased Members of the Bakowski / Jarmekiewicz Families** (req. by Evelyn Bakowski)

## Wed., Sep. 13 - St. John Chrysostom, Bishop

**SA** • 8:30am - **Frank Nordblum** (req. by the Travis Family)

**ST** • 11:30am - **Thomas & Mary Vaughan** (Estate Mass)

For the People of the Family of Parishes

## Thurs., Sep. 14 - Exaltation of the Holy Cross

**STA** • 8:30am - **Marie Fitzgerald** (req. by Sam Kolodziej)

**SMT** • 11:30am - **Richard Polinski** (req. by Maureen Diggins)

**HF** • 6:30pm - **Kevin M. Barrett** (Birth. Rem., req. by family)

## Fri., Sep. 15 - Our Lady of Sorrows

**SA** • 8:30am - **Agnes Forcucci** (req. by Philip Noe)

**ST** • 11:30am - **Michael & Rose M. Size**

## Sat., Sep. 16 - SS. Cornelius & Cyprian

**STA** • 8:30am - **Raymond Kwiatkowski** (Birth. Rem., req. by Monica)

## Sat./Sun., Sep. 16/17 - 24<sup>th</sup> Sun. in Ord. Time

**SMT** • 4:00pm

**Sr. M. Caritas Quinn, RSM** (Anniv. Rem., req. by family)

**ST** • 4:30pm

**Christine Chuldzinski** (4th Anniv. Rem., req. by her husband, George)

**Michael Tobin** (74th Birth. Rem., req. by Monica, Rachael, & Spencer)

**SA** • 5:15pm

**Terry Juda-Inglut** (Wedd. Anniv. Rem., req. by her husband, Jerry)

**SMT** • 9:00am

**Charlie & Joyce McMahon** (req. by the Arrigo Family)

**SA** • 9:30am

**Sean Brand** (req. by Jenny & Griffin Laney)

**STA** • 10:00am

**Joanne Boshart** (req. by family)

**ST** • 11:00am

**Clarence & Evelyn Myers & George & Doris Gill** (req. by the Kelleher & Gill Families)

**HF** • 11:30am

**Stephen Skowron** (req. by Audrey Kunz)

**STA** • 6:30pm

**Dolores Brockenshire** (req. by family)

## THE CATHOLIC FAMILY OF SOUTH BUFFALO

**SA - St. Ambrose**

**HF - Holy Family**

**SMT - St. Martin of Tours**

**ST - St. Teresa**

**STA - St. Thomas Aquinas**

### OFFICE HOURS

#### Monday - Friday

8:00am - 4:30pm

260 Okell Street  
Buffalo, NY 14220

# OUR LADY OF CHARITY

## PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

"MASTER, THE ONE YOU LOVE IS ILL." (JOHN 11:1-2)

Denise Acker, Edna Albert, Irene Barrett, Louise Beamish, Teresa Beamish, Lillian Beyers, Ann Alvira-Buchnowski, Patricia Cajak, Maureen Canney, Theresa Caufield, Patricia Colern, Allison Curtin, Caroline Dominesey, Agnes Forcucci, Dorothy Gallo, Christine Galluzzi, Vara Jones, Madisyn Ledder, Joan Mann, Karen O'Neill, Martha Pelkey, Mary Pilon, Sandy Riley, June Stebbins, Ruth White, Patricia Zadon

Daniel Barry, Michael Beyers, Gregory Bolick, Leon Bolick, Owen Chase, Eric Crawford, Vincent Crawford, Frank Czapezyk, Francis Davis, Larry Deskiewicz, Richard Dinnocenzo, Ron Dubois Sr., Matt Faltisco, Jason Florea, Eric G., Dale Forsythe, Jacob Heberling, Emmett Jakubowski, Rob Karr, Andrew Kuper, Ronald Leisten, Gabe Lopez, George Rodriguez, Coach Frank A. Rossi, Sr. Family, Stephen Skowron, Jeremiah Smith, Giovanni Surdi, Jim Sweeney, Tom Walsh, Bud Webster

## PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DEAD

+Thomas Livingston, +Audrey Frederick, +Kathleen Rine. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

## BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Kristen Magno and Angelo Rosati will be married at the Holy Family site on Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## RELIGIOUS ED. NEWS

Religious education classes for grades 1-8 will begin on October 15th. See the Family Page of the bulletin for more details.

## CUB PACK 120

Is child or grandchild interested in becoming a scout? Starting on **September 12<sup>th</sup>**, all den and pack meetings are on Tuesdays at 6:00pm in the basement hall of Holy Family. Pack yearly dues are \$150 for cubs and \$50 for adults. For more information, contact Mr. Fred Forsyth at 716-822-3827

## YOU ARE NEEDED!

Have you ever thought about helping at Mass with sharing your talents by becoming a Minister of the Word; Minister of the Eucharist or Minister of Hospitality (usher)? You will get to choose whatever Mass is best for you. Training will be provided. Call the parish office at (716) 822-5962 for more information on our ministries.

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

**September 2/3, 2023**

**Collection: \$5,238.11**

**Renovation: \$758.00**

**Online Giving: \$897.00**

**Thank you for supporting our parish community!**

## COMMUNITY DINNERS

If you are interested or would like some more information please contact the parish office at 822-5962 or Mary Anne at 822-1837. Thank you!

**Sponsors for the coming weeks include:**

September 15: MAK & Friends

September 22: Brian Ellement & Friends

**September 29: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

**October 6: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

## OLCP SENIORS

Calling all seniors! Are you looking to have fun with your peers? The OLCP Seniors are scheduled for these upcoming dates at **1:00pm** in the Parish Social Center:

- Friday, September 15, 2023
- Friday, October 6, 2023
- Friday, October 20, 2023
- Friday, November 3, 2023

If you have any questions, contact Suzie Gullo, President, at (716) 936-0524.

## CALLING ALL SINGERS!

As we wrap up summer, it's time to start thinking about fall schedules. And that means it's a perfect opportunity to try something new like join the adult choir! The choir rehearses every Wednesday at 7:00pm at Holy Family and then sings every Sunday at the 11:30am Mass (and other special events). If you can sing in the shower, you can sing in the choir! If you'd like more info, contact Brian, Director of Music & Worship, at (716) 822-5962 or music@olcp.org.

## ADULT ALTAR SERVERS

Are you interested in becoming an adult altar server to help with funerals, weddings, and weekend Masses? We'd love to have you! Contact the Parish Office at (716) 822-5962 for more information and to set up training.

# ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

## BOY & CUB SCOUTING

This is the traditional Scouting experience for youth in the Kindergarten through high school. Service, community engagement and leadership development become increasingly important parts of the program as youth lead their own activities and work their way toward earning Scouting's highest rank, Eagle Scout.

### WNYS SCOUT TROOP 335 & PACK 336

1125 ABBOTT ROAD BUFFALO, NY 14220

Cub Scouts 6:00 til 7:00 PM

Boy Scouts 7:00 til 8:30 PM

Tuesday Evenings

Any questions or concerns feel free to contact:

Scoutmaster, Ron Messina (716) 983-8151

Committee Chairman, Norm Krause 716-783-2546.



## RELIGIOUS ED. NEWS

Religious education classes for grades 1-8 will begin on Oct. 15th. See the Family Page for info.

## FATHERS RALLYING AGAINST TRAGEDY (FRAT)

A place for grieving Dads to talk to other Dads.

Meetings: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month at 7:00pm

Where: Sacristy meeting room at St. Martin's Church

1140 Abbott Road

Contact Joe Quinlivan: (716) 213-3277

Email: [jdquin5@verizon.net](mailto:jdquin5@verizon.net)

**“THE LORD IS CLOSE TO THE BROKEN-HEARTED, SAVES THOSE WHOSE SPIRIT IS CRUSHED.”**

**-PSALM 34**

If you have suffered the loss of a loved one and need spiritual support, you are invited to our bereavement sessions offered at St. Martin of Tours.

The next session will take place on **Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm** in the sacristy. For more information, please contact Mary Kennedy at (716) 825-6327.

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

**September 2/3, 2023**

**Collection: \$5,275.00**

**Online Giving: \$897.22**

**Thank you for supporting our parish community!**

## STARTING THIS SUNDAY

- **Donut Sunday** starts September 10<sup>th</sup> (and will be the second Sunday of the month).
- **Children's Liturgy of the Word** starts September 10<sup>th</sup> (and will be the second and fourth Sundays of the month).
- **Sunday Sitting** starts September 10<sup>th</sup> (and will be the second and fourth Sunday of the month).

## 50/50 WINNERS

**M/M Ted & Jacqueline Hahin (\$470)**

**Congratulations! Get in it to win it!**



## ST. MARTIN'S REUNION

St. Martin's School Class of 1962 Reunion will be held September 19th at the Brick Oven Bistro 904 Abbott Rd 1-4pm. If you were a member of the class or know someone who was please email names to Cathy Kelley Dengler @ 716-560-2747/cdengler149@gmail.com or Dorie Roma Lewis @ 716-608-6462

## MEMORIAL PLAQUES

**Would you like to memorialize a loved one with a pew plaque at St Martins? A gold plated plaque is placed at an open pew of your choice in loving memory. The cost is \$500. Please contact the parish office at 716-823-7077 if interested.**

# ST. TERESA

## PLEASE PRAY FOR...

.....those intentions listed in our Book of Intentions, our Service Men and Women; those who are ill or suffering, and all those who have asked for our prayers:

Fr. Guy Siracuse, Fr. Tom Quinlivan, Tina America, Richard Behrman, Sandy Brooks, Rose Cannon, Jeanne Chilcott, Sheri Chludzinski, Carrie Ciskowski, Gloria & Billy Clayton Jr., Pooch Colern, Joyce Dengos, Destiny, Mary Foy, Tim G., Kathy Guenter, Dave Haetich, Chad, Brad & Nancy Harriger, Eileen Harrington, Kitty Hastings, John Hauser, Laurie Hoertz, Nathan & Evan Hurley, Lisa Jacobell, Cassie Kalinowski, Ann Kobis, Jane & Linda Krawczyk, Rita Krysztowicz, Diane Kuczon, Sara Lorek, Kathryn MacKinnon, Donna Mae McDonald, Karen McKernon, Patrick Needham, Mary Patterson, Stephen Priester, Sheila Radwan, Dawn Rehrauer, Katherine & Mary Kay Slomba, Joe Smietana, Ed, Dan, & Bob Summers, Ed Travis, Jr., Arlene Waligur, Joe Walsh, David Weeks, Bob Williams.

Some names have been moved to our Book of Intentions. Call 716-822-0608. Thank you for your prayers, Judy.

## SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp will be lit in loving memory of **Edward & Dolores Kozlowski** as requested by their daughter, Cheryl.

## APPLIANCE RAFFLE

**St. Teresa's 11<sup>th</sup> Appliance & Electronics Raffle will be held NEXT SATURDAY, Saturday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>!** We will have 25 BIG PRIZES, plus Side Raffles, and 50/50 Splits available. Cost is \$35 per person. One ticket is eligible to win EVERY Prize listed. Ticket includes food, beer, and soda. You must be 21 years old to enter. Doors open at 5:30pm - Raffle begins at 7:00pm. Call (716) 822-0608, ext. 3, for tickets, or stop in at St. Teresa's Church on the weekend.

## WORDS OF WISDOM

"I don't pray because I am holy, but because I want to become holy and I need Jesus to teach me."  
-Brieger McKenna, "Miracles Do Happen"

## 50/50 RAFFLE

Our August 50/50 Raffle winner will be chosen this weekend! If you would like to join us for September, please fill out an envelope and hand it in or drop it in the collection. Thank you for your continued support. *It only takes a fin to win!*

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

**September 2/3, 2023**

**Collection: \$4,349.00**

**E-Giving: \$147.00**

**Thank you for supporting our parish community!**

## "THINK" PROJECT

Our items for next week are any variety of Canned Soup. Thank you for whatever you are able to contribute and for your continued support!

## OUR 2023 FOOTBALL SEASON HAS BEGUN!

You can still get tickets! But they are only good from the day you purchase them. For only \$5.00 you get a ticket that lasts the entire regular season. There are (4) weekly prizes. When you sell 10 tickets, you get 1 free! We truly appreciate your help! Tickets are available at Church or at 260 Okell St. (Combined Offices). Call Judy at (716) 822-0608. Thank you for your support!

## SOUTH BUFFALO COMMUNITY TABLE

Once again Mary Beth Wiles, Manager, would like to thank all those who have donated toward the Table's mission to continue, to grow, and to be strong for those it serves. It is with the support of those who freely give donations, volunteer to work, and offer their prayers that their mission can be a success. The recent \$776 donation and 6 bags of Non-Perishable Food Items are being put to good use. Thank you again, for all that you do!

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES

Master Gunnery Sgt. Thomas Bain, Staff Sgt. Elizabeth Blum, Corporal Joseph Miller, Sr., 1st Lt. Ben Dummer, Lt. J. G. Shannon O'Connor, Specialist Donald Edwards, Tech. Sgt. Joseph Ogorek, Corporal Nicholas Edwards, Capt. Anthony Pedicone, Pvt. 2nd Class Nicole Edwards, Sen. Chief Petty Officer Ryan Quinn, Corporal Zachary Edwards, Petty Officer Taylor Quinn, Sgt. Tiana Hunter, Lt., Daniel Sellon, Lance Corporal Ryan Jacobell, Pvt. 2nd Class Mike Van Gleason, Sgt. Dean Lee, Commander Christ Warden, E-6 Tech. Sgt. Kevin Cully, Master Sgt. Nicole Martin, Sgt. Larry Judd

# ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

## TABERNACLE LAMPS

During the month of September, the sanctuary lamp at St. Thomas Aquinas will burn for the glory of God and in memory of Donald Zimmer, as requested by his wife, Gery.

## SUNDAY SITTING

FREE child care is offered at 9:00am Mass at St. Martin of Tours on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month and at St. Thomas Aquinas at the 10:00am Mass on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month. **THE NEXT SUNDAY FREE CHILD CARE SERVICE WILL BE OFFERED ON SUNDAY, SEPT. 10th DURING THE 10AM MASS AT ST. THOMAS AQUINAS.**

## FOR THOSE IN NEED

The Outreach Pillar for our Family of Parishes is asking each parish to provide food for those in need on a regular basis. There are shelves in the vestibule of St. Thomas Aquinas Church designated for this program. We ask all our parishioners and friends to bring canned fruits/vegetables, soup, mac & cheese, cereal and other non-perishable items.

## 50/50 WINNERS

**Ramona Hodge (\$340)**

Congratulations! Get in it to win it!

## SMT / STA SICK LIST

Jack and Maureen Fecio, Mary Kelly, Will Travis, Caroline Fitzpatrick, Fran McNamara, Bill Sanly, Kathy Cuthbert Milligan, Karen Pappas, Mary Clare Kelleher, Bill Dunford, Peter Ray, David Ray, Rose Courtney, Tim Gallivan, Tim Malley, Jim Kaska, Fr. Tom Quinlivan, Donna Cuddihy, Maria Thor, Lorraine McGlaughlin, Norine Kawczynski, Denise Dunford, James Foley, Michael Petmore, Kathy Pauly, Karl Fodor, Theresa Smith, Evelyn Bakowski, Virginia Bolger, Laurie Canestraro, Pat Strobele, Suzanne Miranda-Howe, Dick Pauly, John Anibaldi, Dottie O'Shei, Lucy Stanton, Diane Hagler, Rebecca Hall, Maureen English, Rosemary Phillips, Jake Mesi, Rachel Wheeler, Joan Hapeman, Sheila Jaskula, Joe Terrell, Grace McNeil, Gregory Jude Andzel, Frank Rossi, Catherine Rossi, Diana Lauber, Joan Benz, Monica Kwiatkowski, Patrick Donohue, Linda McCartan, Dixie Dugan, Raeann Ziemba, Frank Ventura, Jim McMahan, and Fr. Francis Gasparek, CAP. In case of serious illness, please call a priest to administer the final Sacraments.

ALSO REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all of our deceased relatives and friends: **Rest in peace.**

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

**September 2/3, 2023**

**Collection: \$1,945.00**

**Online Giving: \$343.00**

Thank you for supporting our parish community!

## REMEMBER A LOVED ONE WITH A MEMORIAL BRICK

Our Shrine to St. Joseph the Worker at St. Thomas Aquinas is the perfect place to set into stone your name, the name of a loved one or to commemorate births, deaths, marriages, or anniversaries. Recently, we received a request for bricks for an entire family to honor the parents and all the children. Be a part of a lasting tribute to someone you love. A memorial brick is \$100 and can be ordered online with a credit card or by contacting the STA parish office at 822-1250.

## VOCATION NEWS

None of us will ever forget the terrible carnage and suffering of September 11, 2001. Our diocese needs Godly people to help others cope with pain & grief. Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org).

## RELIGIOUS ED. NEWS

Religious education classes for grades 1-8 will begin on October 15th. See the Family Page of the bulletin for more details.

## THANKSGIVING SWEEPSTAKES!

St. Thomas Aquinas will be sponsoring a Thanksgiving Sweepstakes this Fall, and you can be a winner. For a \$20 donation, you can purchase a ticket for the drawing for the following prizes: **1st Prize: \$2500; 2nd Prize: \$1000; and (5) prizes of \$100 each.** Tickets are **NOW** on sale, and can be purchased from one of our volunteer captains, in church after all Masses, by calling or visiting the parish office, or online on our parish website. Can you help sell tickets to your friends or at your place of work? Call the parish office at 716-822-1250 and we will provide you with everything you need. The drawing will take place on Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, LIVE at 3 PM on our parish Facebook page.



# THE CATHOLIC FAMILY OF SOUTH BUFFALO

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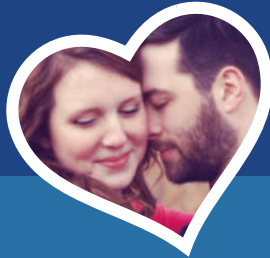
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