Blessed Sacrament Church

1029 Delaware Avenue
Buffalo, New York 14209

MASSES:
During re-opening phase — Saturday: 4:30 p.m. • Sunday: 10:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses: 12 noon on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays.
8:00 a.m. on Tuesdays & Thursdays.

CONFESSIONS:
Please call the rectory for an appointment while the pandemic protocols are in place.

BAPTISM:
The Sacrament of Baptism will be celebrated after consultation with parents. Parents should notify the Parish Office at least one month before the date of Baptism. A Pre-Baptismal instruction is held for parents.

MARRIAGE:
The prospective bride and groom should make arrangements for their wedding at least eight months before the wedding date. No weddings may be scheduled at, or near, the times set for parish liturgies (confession, Saturday afternoon Mass, etc.).

NEW PARISHIONERS:
Welcome to active participation in our parish life. New families and individuals should register with us at our Parish Office.

MOVING AWAY:
Please notify our office. Our parish will miss you! Please call us at 884-0053 to give us your new address.

SHUT-INS AND HOSPITALIZED:
Please notify the Parish Office if you know someone who is in a hospital, nursing home facility, or house bound and in need of visitation.

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MASSES

Sunday, January 10 Baptism of the Lord
10:00 a.m. Blase LaDuca by Carl & Kathy Weigel

Monday, January 11
12:00 noon Lucille, Salvatore Tripi, Tripi and Sandino Families

Tuesday, January 12
8:00 a.m. Mother's Day Intention

Wednesday, January 13
12:00 noon Florence McCarthy by Jim McCarthy

Thursday, January 14
8:00 a.m. Mother's Day Intention

Friday, January 15
12:00 noon All Souls' Intention

Saturday, January 16
4:30 p.m. Molly Cloutier by Paul & Mary Dowling

Sunday, January 17 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:00 a.m. Vincent Andrew LoTempio by Family

COLLECTIONS

Weekly	$2,127.00
Monthly	$40.00
Christmas Flowers	$10.00
All Saints	$5.00
Mary, Mother of God	$426.00
Fuel	$5.00
Electronic Giving	$6,876.00
TOTAL	$9,489.00

Thank you for your generosity to Blessed Sacrament Church. To donate electronically, please go to Blessed SacramentBuffalo.org/donate. For assistance with electronic giving, please contact Peter Rizzo at (716) 430-7776.

Please return your *Stewardship 2020* form to the rectory or place it in the collection. You may also offer gifts of Time, Talent or Treasure on our website. Thank you for responding to this year's Stewardship Campaign!

CRS CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES faith. action. results.

There will be a special collection for Catholic Relief Services (CRS) on the weekend of January 23/24. CRS is the Church's emergency response fund. The CRS Collection supports Catholic Church organizations that carry out international relief and solidarity efforts. Programs include relief and resettlement for victims of persecution, war, and natural disasters; development projects to improve living conditions for the poor; legal and support services for poor immigrants; peace and reconciliation work for people suffering from violence; and advocacy on behalf of the powerless. Thank you for being generous.

SCRIPTURE SHARING

Every Tuesday at 8:30 a.m. we hold a conference call discussion about the up-coming readings. No previous Bible knowledge is needed. Simply call 716-214-3776 a few minutes before. Ever wonder about the readings at Sunday Mass? We can help each other unlock the deeper meanings of Sacred Scripture. Please join us and invite your friends and family.

REMINDER — SAFETY PROTOCOL

Safety protocols are in place during all Masses. Please wear a mask. Pews are designated for use. A team cleans the church after each Mass. We give instructions about receiving communion during Mass. Hand sanitizer is available for your use. Please be aware of social distancing before and after Mass.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

Used during our live-streamed Masses - *My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen*.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Virtual Classes - Livestream Masses - Texts - Emails - Smiles through masks - Social Distancing. THIS IS US 2020-2021!

As we welcome 2021, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to all who continue to keep our Parish Faith Formation programs strong.

First a huge shout out to our Parish Community for remember our families in prayer throughout the year. Please continue to pray for us.

A thank you to our parish children who created Christmas Cards for our Parish Shut ins and Homebound. We sent out 32 Cards designed by the children. Hopefully they brightened the Christmas season for our parishioners.

A thank you to those who continue to share their faith with our children, especially to our catechists and parents.

Thank you to all who have been showing up virtually every week to continue the faith formation of our parish children and teens. You have been truly amazing. I am filled with gratitude for all that you have done to share God's love.

Parents - thank you for allowing your children to take part in one more virtual classes. Thank you also for using the "Gospel Weeklies" to focus on the Sunday readings. Your faithful homes are the reason that we continue to **G**row **I**n **F**aith **T**ogether - we are truly a GIFT Community.

We are proving that COVID-19 cannot and will not stop God's love from directing our lives.

TOGETHER WE GROW IN FAITH.
TOGETHER WE LEARN.
TOGETHER WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Throughout Advent our Parish Families were invited to take part in our Advent journey celebrating Advent Angels, Saints, Days of Celebration, Customs, and Advent Calendars. Please visit our Parish Facebook page to see photos, and see about all that we did to prepare for the Birth Of Jesus. Keep your eyes out for more faith moments.

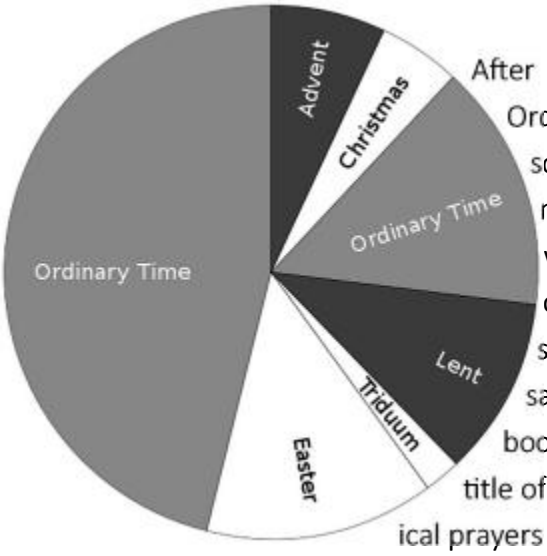
Today we celebrate the Baptism of our Lord and our usual Parish Celebration is to have a Baptism Cake celebrating all our parishioners' Baptisms. Celebrate your family Baptisms in a special way this week at home. Our Faith Formation Families will be praying for all Baptized members of our Parish community this week.

CALLING ALL CATHOLIC FAMILIES—FAMILIES IN OUR PARISH WHO HAVE NOT REGISTERED FOR FAITH FORMATION CLASSES, PLEASE CONTACT MAUREEN MYERS, OUR PARISH DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION, AT 512-8176 OR MOEY17@AOL.COM. OUR PARISH SACRAMENT PREPARATION PROGRAMS FOR RECONCILIATION, FIRST EUCHARIST AND CONFIRMATION BEGIN SOON.

Happy New Year!

Maureen Myers AKA Ms. Moe

ORDINARY TIME



After the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord the Church enters into Ordinary Time. It is probably the most misunderstood of the liturgical seasons. The word "ordinary" is the problem. In English, "ordinary" means not important or commonplace. That is not how we liturgically use the word. In Catholic liturgy, it simply means "going in order." The weeks of ordinary time are *numbered.* Now you know the secret. Relatedly, someday when you are in church ask Father Joe, Deacon Bill, or our sacristan, Josephine DiLiberti, to see the "ORDO." It is the little official book each diocese uses to ensure liturgical order. More important than the title of the season, though, is the content of the Scriptural readings and liturgical prayers we use. This is the time to ponder the teachings, miracles and parables of Jesus. It is time for us become true disciples (students) of our great rabbi (teacher) Jesus. Don't take Ordinary Time for granted. Renew your commitment to study God's WORD in detail. Do this by listening attentively at Mass, reading the Bible more (especially the Gospels), and joining our Tuesday morning call-in discussion.

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