



# Blessed Sacrament Church

BUFFALO

1029 Delaware Avenue | Buffalo, NY 14209

NOVEMBER 21, 2021 | OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

## WELCOME!

### PARISH OFFICE

1035 Delaware Avenue  
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### MASS SCHEDULE

#### DURING RE-OPENING PHASE

Sat. | 4:30pm, Sun. | 10:00am

#### WEEKDAYS

Mon., Wed., Fri. | 12:00pm/Noon

Tues., Thur. | 8:00am

#### CONFESSION

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

### NEW PARISHIONERS

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

#### MOVING AWAY

Our parish will miss you! Please notify our office and call us at 716-884-0053 to give us your new address.

### CATHOLIC ACADEMY

#### OF WEST BUFFALO

1069 Delaware Ave., Buffalo, NY 14209  
716-885-6111  
Sister Gail Glenn, S.S.J., Principal



### PARISH STAFF

#### PASTOR

Rev. Joseph D. Porpiglia

#### DEACON

Deacon William J. Hynes

#### SACRISTAN

Josephine Di Liberti

#### DIR. OF FAITH FORMATION

Maureen A. Myers 884-0053

#### MUSIC MINISTRY

Tony Domzal, Music Director  
Cory Gallagher, Cantor

#### PARISH TRUSTEES

Paul F. Jones  
Mary C. McCracken

#### PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Michael P. Pitek III

### SACRAMENT INFORMATION

#### 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 prior to the wedding

date. No weddings may be scheduled at, or near, the times set for parish liturgies (confession, Saturday afternoon Mass, etc.).

#### HOMEBOUND & HOSPITALIZATION

Please notify the Parish Office if you know someone who is in the hospital, nursing home facility, or homebound and in need of visitation.

**Mass Intentions**

Sun., Nov 21 - Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe  
Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37  
10:00am | Parishioners by Fr. Joe

Mon., Nov. 22 - Saint Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr  
Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Lk 21:1-4  
12:00pm | Lucille & Salvatore Tripi & the Tripi  
and Sandino Families

Tue., Nov. 23 - St. Clement I, Pope & Martyr  
Dn 2:31-45/Lk 21:5-11  
8:00am | All Souls Intentions by Christ the King Parish

Wed., Nov. 24 - Saint Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest,  
and Companions, Martyrs  
Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Lk 21:12-19  
12:00pm | Dr. Horace A. & Clara C. Battaglia  
by the Family

Thu., Nov. 25 - St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin &  
Martyr; & Thanksgiving Day  
Dn 6:12-28/Lk 21:20-28  
8:00am | Claire M. & George E. O'Neill

Fri., Nov. 26  
Dn 7:2-14/Lk 21:29-33  
12:00pm | Lucille & Salvatore Tripi & the Tripi  
and Sandino Families

Sat., Nov. 27  
Dn 7:15-27/Lk 21:34-36  
4:30pm | Parishioners by Fr. Joe

Sun., Nov 28 - First Sunday of Advent  
Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36  
10:00am | All Souls Intentions by Christ the King Parish

**COLLECTIONS**

Weekly	\$1,320.00
Monthly	\$5.00
Fuel	\$70.00
All Souls Day	\$150.00
Christmas	\$10.00
Holy Days Contribution	\$45.00
E-Giving	\$820.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,420.00</b>
Human Development	\$10.00
Catholic University	\$10.00

**November Lector Schedule**

**SATURDAY 4:30PM MASS**

11/6 - P. Jones  
11/13 - R. Lehner  
11/20 - S. LaDuca  
11/27 - F. Conti

**SUNDAY 10AM MASS**

11/7 - P. Flaherty  
11/14 - M. McCracken  
11/21 - M. Pitek  
11/28 - J. Turner

**Livestream Mass**

Join us for weekend Mass via livestream by subscribing to our YouTube channel (Blessed Sacrament Church Buffalo). You will be notified when we are livestreaming. Another option is to visit our webpage before Mass and clicking the livestream button. Thank you for joining us in prayer.

**Tuesdays with God's Word**

Please join us by phone each Tuesday at 8:30am. We discuss the upcoming Sunday's readings. Simply call 716-214-3776. No previous Bible study is required. You are welcome anytime.

**Spiritual Communion Prayer**

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.

**There will be a 2nd collection next Sunday, November 28, 2021 for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development**

**Faith Formation Update**

**"All Are Welcome"**

'Church is not a place you go to, It is a Family you belong to.'

Let Us Pray-Growing In Faith Together through PRAYER: Faith Formation registration forms for Grades PreK High School are available on our Parish Website. If you have children in need of faith formation and or Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist or Confirmation and have not registered yet please call our Parish Faith Formation Director Maureen Myers or the Rectory 884-0053.

**Reaching Out**

If anyone knows of any families who need the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist, Confirmation or RCIA please invite them to contact The Rectory or Maureen Myers for more information.

**November Calendar for Faith Formation-Faith at Home**

**Today** - 10:00 AM -Christ the King Family Mass followed by Learning Session in St Joseph's Hall.

**November 28**-First Sunday of Advent- Prepare Advent Wreath in homes

**The Angel Tree Project "LIVE" AGAIN**

The Angel Tree Project provides Christmas gifts for children with an incarcerated parent. This year we will be returning to the pre-Covid way of participating. Beginning in late November gift tags, with gift ideas, will be available in the back of the church. Each gift will be individually wrapped and returned to Blessed Sacrament no later than December 12th. In addition to your generosity of purchasing gifts, we need a number of volunteers for the following: Contact caregivers to verify child's information; Distribute gift tags after Mass November, 27, 28 and 12/4-5 as well as sign up volunteers to deliver the gifts; and Pick up and deliver gifts at Blessed Sacrament beginning 12/15. For questions or to volunteer to help, please contact Tad O'Rourke at 716-868-9866. Thank you in advance for your generosity of spirit with your participation in this year's Angel Tree.

**GOSPEL MEDITATION  
ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

November 21, 2021

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

We often come to life expecting all of the pieces of the puzzle to nicely fit together. We want and expect harmony, order, and fairness, the achievement of rewards for good behavior, good health, and happiness. We can more easily accept death when it comes naturally after a good long life, but have a real difficulty comprehending the meaning of it all when it is cut short. Willing to put in a good measure of effort, we desire positive results. When things go wrong and life gets hurtful, unjust, and downright ugly, we become unsettled and can quickly fall into despair. This is especially true if we are people of faith who believe in a God who sees things on our terms and works in favor of our life agenda. What happens to our faith when we find ourselves sitting in a mess?

Does it help to know that God understands and that hardship, failure, disappointment, injustice, confusion, and all of life's ugliness do not make faith irrelevant or irrational? God is wonderfully and surprising creative! He turns the tables on not only our understanding of life, but of what it means to be a king. God sends us a king who is not exempt from life's ills but embraces them. The king that God gives to us knows what it means to be poor, suffer insults, be ridiculed, face rejection, endure suffering, be betrayed, and face a most unjust and horrific death. This is our king. Jesus is not a king of prestige or grandeur but a king who brings light to darkness, hope to despair, sinners to mercy, and new life out of death. Christ dances before us pleading with us to hold on, cling to love, avoid being negative, stop feeling cheated, and be strong in faith! There may be hardship and disappointment now but there are more surprises to come.

Once we understand this truth, we will also understand that we are on a most incredible and awesome universal journey to Christ and becoming one in Christ. We all carry within us the image of God, the image of our suffering king. The One who lives in us also lives in all of our brothers and sisters. Failing to see this universal Divine Presence in all is one of the greatest mistakes we can make, for we also fail to see God, our king, as well. There are many things that can bring hardship to life. If we keep our head about us and do not lose hope, we can persevere and strive for the greatest degree of justice possible. Even though there are ample things that can challenge our faith, we also know that our deepest joy comes from union with God and our brothers and sisters. One day, the fullness of that joy will be ours to have when we are all eternally one with Christ our King forever.

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***A Prayer for Community***

Dear God, we thank you for this opportunity to gather together.

Although some (or all) of us may be virtual, we know that you are in our midst. Help us hear your voice.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit to work among us: opening our ears to hear, our hearts to receive, and our minds to accept your words.

You are the God of peace who brings comfort to all. Come, O Lord, and make us more like you.

Transform us into your likeness. Guide us as we build community. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen

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**Articles for the following bulletins are needed by the dates listed below:**

Sun., Dec. 5th, - Mon., Nov 29th, 10.am

Sun. Dec.19th, - Mon., Dec 13th 10am

Sun., Dec 26th, - Fri., Dec. 17th, 10am

Sun., Jan 2nd, - Mon., Dec. 27 10am



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