Blessed Sacrament Church

BUFFALO

1029 Delaware Avenue | Buffalo, NY 14209

JANUARY 30, 2022 | THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME!

PARISH OFFICE

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Weekdays | 9:00am-1:00pm

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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. Jan. 30 - Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time
Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/1 Cor 12:31—13:13
10:00am | All Souls

Mon., Jan. 31 - St. John Bosco, Priest
2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Mk 5:1-20
12:00pm | Claire M. & George E. O'Neill

Tue., Feb. 1
2 SM 18:9-10, 14B, 24-25A, 30—19:3/MK 5:21-43
8:00am | All Souls

Wed., Feb. 2 - The Presentation of the Lord
Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
12:00pm | Dr. Horace A. & Clara C. Battaglia
By Richard J. & Joan M. Kubiniec

Thur., Feb. 3 - St. Blaise, Bishop & Martyr; Saint Ansgar, Bishop
1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/Mk 6:7-13
8:00am | All Souls

Fri., Feb. 4
Sir 47:2-11/Mk 6:14-29
12:00pm | Lucille & Salvatore Tripi and the Tripi and Sandino Families

Sat., Feb. 5 - St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr
1 KGS 3:4-13/MK 6:30-34
4:30pm | Parishioners by Fr. Joe

Sun. Feb. 6 - Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time
Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11
10:00am | All Souls

There will be a 2nd collection on February 5th & 6th to Support the Church in Central & Eastern Europe.

JANUARY 16, 2022 COLLECTION

Weekly	$4,144.00
Monthly	$135.00
Christmas	$20.00
E-Giving	$2,015.00
TOTAL	**$6,314.00**
Church On Fire	**$157.00**

JANUARY 23, 2022 COLLECTION

Weekly	$1,274.00
Monthly	$60.00
Solemnity od Mary	$10.00
E-Giving	$1,795.00
`TOTAL	**$3,139.00**
Catholic Relief Services	**$277.00**

February Lector Schedule

Saturday 4:30pm Mass

February 5 - S. LaDuca
February 12 - R. Lehner
February 19 - F. Conti
February 26 - P. Jones

SUNDAY 10AM MASS

February 6 - P. Flaherty
February 13 - S. Falleta
February 20 - M. McCracken
February 27 - Family Mass

Livestream Mass

Join us for weekend Mass via livestream by subscribing to our You-Tube 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.

Pope's January Prayer Intentions

For true human fraternity - We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

Should you need an End-of-Year Statement, please notify the church office

Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time
A Vocation View

"Before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you." So it is with the call to ministry - we are destined for it by God before our birth. Don't miss the chance to fulfill your destiny! Contact Fr. David Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org

Ash Wednesday to Holy Week

The parish will be participating again this Lent in Operation Rice Bowl, sponsored by Catholic Relief Services (CRS). This is an opportunity for prayer, fasting and alms giving. The focus for this year is on our brothers and sisters in Bangladesh, Guatemala and Rwanda and how they are working to overcome hunger and malnutrition. The program will be from Ash Wednesday through Holy Week. Watch for forthcoming information on how to participate.

BSC BOOK CLUB will meet VIRTUALLY on Thursday, March 31st at 6:30 PM. The selection for this discussion is **"Jesuit Martyrs of North America" by Rev. John J. Wynne, S.J.**, published by St. Gregory Press. This is the story of the North American Martyrs: Jesuit missionaries among the Hurons in Canada and upstate New York. They were ritually tortured and killed in the mid-17th century during the warfare between the Iroquois and the Huron. **Cathy Jones** will be the discussion leader and can be contacted at **thecaj@roadrunner.com**. To gain **access to the link for the virtual meeting contact Kathleen McCarthy at mccarthy2937@aol.com**

Help Wanted
PT Light Maintenance Position available at Blessed Sacrament Church. Please call or email the Rectory , if interested or with questions.

GOSPEL MEDITATION -
ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE
January 30, 2022 - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Oscar Romero (1917-1980) was a "Salvadoran Roman Catholic archbishop who was a vocal critic of the violent activities of government armed forces, right-wing groups, and leftist guerrillas involved in El Salvador's civil conflict (Encyclopedia Britannica)." As a voice of the voiceless, he was an outspoken champion of the poor who were the ones most affected by the civil unrest and violence. His advocacy provoked several attempts on his life. Nonetheless, St. Oscar Romero was convinced that before all else his faith in the resurrected Christ and the values of the Gospel trumped any earthly concern or worry. He walked with complete confidence and trust. On March 24, 1980, St. Oscar Romero was assassinated while celebrating Mass. Such is often the fate of those who challenge the socio-political agendas of the day.

We may look at the example of witness of St. Oscar Romero as something extraordinary. In one sense it is. Through the power of God, an ordinary human being did extraordinary things. But, in and of himself, St. Oscar Romero was simply a humble, loving servant of God. Oscar knew not only the power of love but the risk that comes when loving unconditionally. The beauty of God's message was able to shine in and through him because he was able to step out of the way and be a vessel. One can assume that for St. Oscar Romero, one's earthly life has no merit when faith, integrity, conviction, zeal and love are jettisoned. Fear and apprehension had no grip on this man who not only saw but spoke the truth.

Do we speak the truth? It makes us feel good to speak of God as love. But have we ever considered the ramifications of this radical message? There are assaults on human life occurring daily. More and more the value and worth of a human being is being reduced and minimalized. We are becoming widgets in the production of life. In our whole simple humble ways, we too are called to be prophets. Knowing who you are and what is within your means to do, how can you make God's love real, stand up for what is right, and give witness to the sacredness of all that is around you?

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Diocese of Buffalo - Renewal Prayer

In every age, O God, you have called us to be your people, to be your Church. In this time, we begin anew to discern the pathways that will lead us, your people, closer to you. Continually Bless our journey as we proclaim your Good News, celebrate your saving presence among us, serve others with charity and justice, and steward the world you have entrusted to our care. Send your Spirit to lead and guide our Emmaus journey as we commit ourselves to the renewal of our Church. This we ask through Christ our Lord. Amen

Church on Fire: Stay With Us!

January 2022

Serving God with our Hands: Service Projects

Compass House "Socks & Undies"
January 8-February 13, 2022
Place donated socks & Undies for the homeless youth at Compass House in the designated bin at the front of the church. Donations delivered on Feb. 14th.

Food Collection
Food will be collected every 2nd Saturday and Sunday of each month. Donated food will be given to the Network of Religious Communities Food Pantry

Church on Fire: Stay With Us!

February 2022

Loving God with our Hearts: Social Events

Treats for Your Sweet: A Candlelight Wine Tasting with Tapas & Sweets
Friday, February 11, 2022: - This event is cancelled due to Covid complications with catering providers.

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Food Collection
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Knowing God with our Heads: Spiritual Services

Renewal of Marriage Vows
Saturday, February 12: 4:30 Mass and Sunday, February 13: 10:00am Mass
Families are invited to attend.

The Catherine M. and Paul W. Beltz Lecture Series

St. Ignatius of Loyola-Then and Today: "Ignatian Spirituality"
Thursday, February 24, 2022: 7:00pm
Rev. Thomas Slon, S.J, Rector, Jesuit Community of Buffalo
TO MAKE RESERVATIONS:

- **Go online @ www.BSCBuffalo.org/events**
- **After weekend Masses**
- **Contact Michael Pitek - call 716-480-8313 or email michael@thepitekgroup.com**

Church on Fire: Stay With Us!

March 2022

Knowing God with our Heads: Spiritual Services

Ash Wednesday: 12 Hour Distribution of Ashes
Wednesday, March 2, 2022 from 7:00am to 7:00pm
Mass: 5:30pm.

Ash Wednesday: Lenten Soup Supper
Wednesday, March 2, 2022 @ 6:30pm in Marian Hall

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