Saint Mother Teresa Parish

St. James Church

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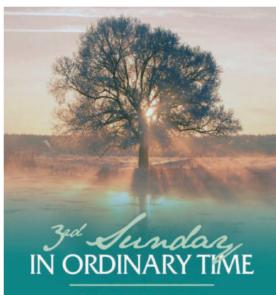
Website www.BMTDepew.org

Masses at St. James Church

Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Holydays Listed in the Mass Schedule



"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor." - Lk 4:18a

Our Vision Statement

"to be a blessing to one another." Pope John Paul II

Our Mission Statement

Our goal is to bring people together to Christ with the help of our patron saint, Saint Mother Teresa. Our current mission is to give life to our new parish. Our strategy is to help all parishioners, especially our younger members, to discover their own personal calling and to share their talents and graces by becoming socially connected and a blessing to one another.

Contacts:

Pastor: Rev. David Richards, 683-6522
Parochial Vicar: Rev. Aaron Kulczyk
Deacon: John Hendricks
Trustees: Robert Ruhland and Kenneth Eschberger
Business Office: Janet Corda, Ext. 200
Parish Secretary: Sandra King, Ext. 201
Faith Formation Office : Debbie Pirog, CRE, Ext. 208
Faith Formation Secretary: Jessica Damian, Ext. 207
Building & Grounds: Dale Earsing, Ext. 210
Music Director: Susan Loniewski, Organist
Caring and Sharing Ministry: Janet Corda ext. 200
Prayer Shawl Ministry: Beth Bauer, 681-5844
Cemeterian: Deacon John Hendricks, 683-5031.

Rectory Office Hours

Monday-Wednesday-Friday: 9:00 AM—2:00 PM Tuesday-Thursday: 10:00 AM—2:00 PM

If the rectory is closed, please leave a message. It will be answered in a timely manner. Thank You for your kind understanding.

New Parishioners

You are more than welcome in our Catholic Community. Please call the rectory to register.

Baptisms

Please call the rectory to schedule a Pre-Baptismal class. Ceremony at your pleasure, during or after Mass.

Marriages

Please consult with the pastor at least six months before anticipated date.

Confessions

Beginning December 1st on Wednesdays and Fridays at 6PM

Letters of Recommendation

Issued to registered parishioners who support their church and have received the Sacrament of Confirmation and are

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, January 23, 2022—Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 AM Annette Borgosz req. by Jerry Brogowski 11:00 AM Edward Dziedzic req. by Sue Kuzemsky

Monday, January 24, 2022—Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church 6:30 PM Mothers' Day Intention

Tuesday, January 25, 2022—Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle 8:00 AM For Parishioners 7:00 PM Eucharistic Holy Hour

Wednesday, January 26, 2022—Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops 6:00 PM Confessions 6:30 PM Fathers' Day Intention

Thursday, January 27, 2022—Weekday 8:00 AM All Souls' Intention

Friday, January 28, 2022—Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Religious & Doctor of the Church 6:00 PM Confessions 6:30 PM Bernard F. Jankowski req. by Helmicki family

Saturday, January 29, 2022—Weekday 4:00 PM Eric Parkinson req. by Donor

Sunday, January 30, 2022—Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 AM Betty Opoka req. by Elaine Bylina 11:00 AM Lorraine Chadwich req. by children

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Please wear your masks when attending Masses.

"OUR WEEKLY GIFT TO GOD AND PARISH" COLLECTION FOR JANUARY 15/16

Weekly	\$ 4,327.00
Loose	\$ 519.50
Youth	\$ 3.00
Fuel	\$ 17.00
Building & Grounds	\$ 159.00

"MANY THANKS FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION"

January Split Club Results/Week #3

Total: \$ 425.00 Split: \$ 212.50

Bingo at: St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish Thursday, January 27th @ 7:30 PM Captain: John Lewandowski Doors open at 6:00 PM Masks are required !

Soup'er Bowl is Back!

We are once again starting a canned soup collection for our Food Pantry starting this weekend and continuing to the Super Bowl. Please place your donation on the table in front of the confessional. Soup is like a warm hug to those who are cold, hungry or

lonely. Won't you help?

Benefit Club News

I would like to thank everyone who supported our Benefit Club. We will hold another one for our Parish Fundraiser again this year. We will sell tickets after all weekend Masses starting soon. The price of the tickets is still \$35.00. More



information to follow. We were able to give the church a check for \$3,500.00. Hopefully we can raise more money this year. I would like to thank my committee who helped out! If it wasn't for all of them we would not be able to do this fundraiser. Thank you again and GOOD LUCK this year. God Bless, Stay Safe and Healthy, Doreen Morabito/Chairwoman

Bingo Workers Needed!

Join a great team of people! Volunteer to work only once a month. Call Michele Armstrong to volunteer at 684-3058. Thank You!



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the gospel today, Jesus says Hi is anointed to bring glad tidings to the poor. Yet there are different kinds of people who are poor. We are called to continue Jesus' ministry of bringing glad tidings to the poor. In my life I have had the opportunity to reach out to different kinds of people who are poor and I have learned more from the people I minister to then they have from me. When I did hospital ministry I visited a woman who was paralyzed. She could only move her head a little bit. She suffered tremendously being trapped and unable to move. I realized she was like Christ on the cross suffering yet she still believed in god and maintained her faith. What a tremendous faith! She was a great example to me of believing when all seemed lost. I also was able to work at a refugee camp in Buffalo called Vive. One man had to swim through alligator infested waters to get to the country, It made me realize what we take for granted in this country. Now I work in a nursing home. Once I worked with a man who said he had been a millionaire but that he had given his possessions to his son and now he had nothing. It made me realize that in life we lose all that we cling to and in the end we depend upon God alone. I learned in various ministries to the poor that the poor have much to share with us and that I was poor in many ways too. Let us then minister to the poor as Jesus does so that we might grow in wisdom and love.

Second Collection

Next weekend, our parish will take up a special collection for Catholic Relief Services. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry and support to displaced refugees. Please give generously to the CRSC and help Jesus in disguise. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic/relief.

Plant Your Works in the Word

One of the things about Scripture is that even the smallest word and shortest phrase can be critical to the overall message. When you take a quiet moment to rest with the Word, you find how quickly the most mundane sentence can reach out and grab you, pulling you into a deeper contemplation of some truth you hadn't even considered until then. But we often fail to act as the Israelites in the Book of Nehemiah, standing before the Water Gate "listening attentively." Whether it's at Mass during the Liturgy of the Word or at home poring over the Bible, time after time we find ourselves less mindful than we could be. Our ears accept the sounds of the words and our eyes glance over the shape of the letters. But are we mindful — truly? The best answer is hopefully at least sometimes. There are always tasks to be completed, problems weighing on our minds that we can't quite give over to God. We lose ourselves in these things instead of in Scripture. We "clock in" with Bible reading instead of "diving in." We can never forget that the words of the Lord are spirit and life. They are the soil that quickens the seed of all stewardship. There is no mindfulness, no prayer, no graciousness, no gratitude or accountability or sense of commitment unless there is the Word. So let us pray today for mindfulness, that our every action will be grounded in the law of God — giving it true spirit and life.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

Faith long Faith Formation

May our students be encouraged by the words of Martin Luther King Jr. as we live with division, mistrust and violence throughout our country. He as assassinated on April 4, 1968 in the balcony of his hotel in Memphis, TN. Mr. King was a powerful speaker, writer and leader of the civil rights movement in our country. He was a man with inner strength because his love of Jesus Christ was his source of continual inspiration. One of his favorite quotes is "We must learn to live together as brothers or perish as fools." "Even in the inevitable moments when all seems hopeless, men know that without hope they cannot really live, and in agonizing desperation they cry for Jesus, the bread of hope.

Christian Unity Octave is from January 18th—25th. For over 100 years Christians around the world have taken part in an octave of prayer for visible Christian Unity. By annually observing this week of Prayer for Christian Unity. By annually observing this week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Christians move toward the fulfillment of Jesus' prayer which he stated at the Last Supper "that they all may be one." (John 17:21)

The March of Life in Washington took place on Friday, January 21, 2022. Many from various parishes in the Diocese attended. Life is the great gift given each of us by our creator. St. Gregory the Great Parish under the pastor, Fr. Leon Biernat and his team provided a Youth Rally March and Mass for Life on January 22nd. Many people from our Diocese attended. Bishop Michael Fisher celebrated the Mass followed by a reception in the Ministry Center. The March for Life and Rosary took place on Maple Ave., Williamsville, NY. Let us continue to encourage our young people to value life at all levels.

Please Remember In Your Prayers All Those Who Are Ailing Especially:



Robert Loniewski, Gerry Killian, Theresa Little, Greg Kozurkiewicz, Jim Purpora, Brian Mendel, Sharon Thompson, Joe and Laureen Enright, Jennie Taylor, Carmela Kosobucki, Susan Lauricella, Elaine Bylina, Wendy Dobbins, Joan Niettit and Lottie Grzybek

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We wish to extend our "Deepest Sympathy" to the family of John (Jack) Maryniewski who passed away on January 16th.

"Eternal Rest Grant Unto Him O Lord And Let the Perpetual Light Shine Upon Him" Amen.

