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MASS SCHEDULE: Saturday: 5 p.m.
Sunday: 8 a.m. & 11 a.m.
Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri.: 8 a.m.
Thurs.: 5:30 p.m.
Holy Day: 8 a.m. & 5 p.m. Holy Day Vigil: 5 p.m.
CONFESSION: Saturday 4–4:30 p.m. or by appointment

NOVENA: Wednesday 7:45 a.m., Our Mother of Perpetual Help

## LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN: At the 11 a.m. Mass, Sept.—June, children are dismissed

to study the Scripture with a parish catechist.

Religious Education: Biweekly. Grades 1-5 Tuesday evenings 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m; Grades 6-10 Thursday evenings 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m. Baptism: Baptismal preparation classes are held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6 p.m. Parents or parents-to-be are asked to call the parish office. Baptisms are celebrated on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month during or immediately following the 11 and Mass.

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Marriage: Parishioners only may be married here, and must be active parishioners for 9 months prior to scheduling a wedding. Contact the parish priest at least 6 months prior to the ceremony to make arrangements. Weddings are celebrated on Friday evenings; Saturdays at 12 noon & 2:30 p.m.

Ministry to the Sick & Homebound: Call the parish office to make arrangements for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick or to have Holy Communion brought to the home. Please notify the office of sick parishioners who are in the hospital.

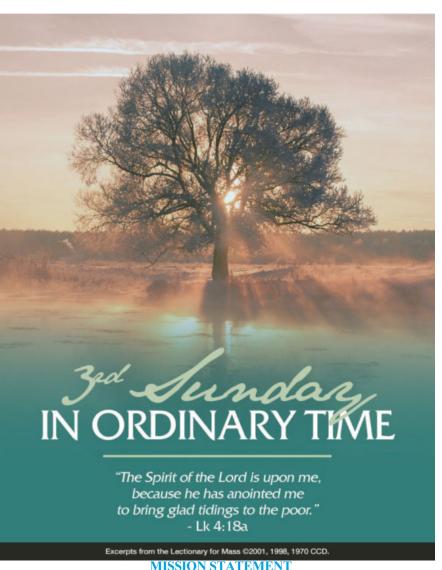
RCIA: This process is designed for adults who are: 1) interested in be coming a Catholic; or 2) are baptized Catholics wishing to complete their initiation process by receiving the sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist. Interested individuals should contact the parish office.

Letters of Recommendation: A Letter of Recommendation to

Letters of Recommendation: A Letter of Recommendation to serve as a sponsor for the Sacrament of Baptism and/or Confirmation can be given only to registered members of the parish who are confirmed, attend Mass and receive the sacraments regularly. If the requesting person is married, the marriage must have taken place in conformity with the laws of the Church.

New Parishioners: We warmly welcome you to our parish community. Please call the office to register.

PLEASE REMEMBER ST. PAUL'S IN YOUR WILL



St. Paul's Parish is a Eucharistic community of baptized followers of Jesus Christ in the tradition of the Roman Catholic Faith. We promote spiritual and personal growth by challenging all to ongoing conversion. Led by the Spirit, we celebrate the presence of Christ in our lives by proclaiming the gospel, providing Sacramental life, and striving to discover the use of our gifts in loving service.

St. Paul's is a Respect Life Parish.



Saturday, January 22: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

5:00 p.m. Karen Mondel, by her Mom and Family

Sunday, January 23: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

8:00 a.m. William Flaherty, by the Quebral's 11:00 a.m. Rose Clapps and Annette Catalano, by Baby Sister Frances

Monday, January 24: St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m. The Parishioners of St. Paul's Parish

Tuesday, January 25: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

8:00 a.m. The Parishioners of St. Paul's Parish

Wednesday, January 26: Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops

7:45 a.m. Novena

8:00 a.m. Morris Lukowsky, by the Quebral's

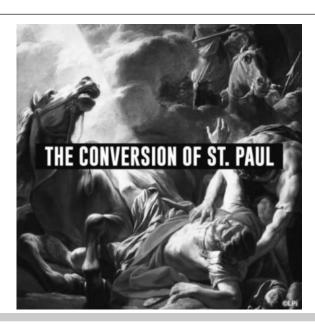
Thursday, January 27: St. Angela Merici, Virgin

5:30 p.m. Christopher Duguin, by Richard and Joanne Norton

Friday, January 28: St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer

8:00 a.m. The Parishioners of St. Paul's Parish



## **SANCTUARY LAMP**

...burns this week in loving memory of the Ruth Kaman, by the St. Paul's Book Club



## THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

## January 23 — January 29

**Sunday 23:** Religious Ed. Grade 1-5 in Parish Hall

**Monday 24:** No Sodality Meeting

**Tuesday 25:** 

Wednesday 26: 7p.m.—8:30p.m. RCIA in Parish Hall

7p.m.—Ensemble Practice in Church

**Thursday 27:** Religious Ed. Grade 6-10, in Parish Hall

Friday 28: Saturday 29:

#### IN YOUR CHARITY...



Please pray for the sick of the parish, especially Elaine Klee, Cathy Capodagli, Harry Barker, Juanita Irene, Mike Lorenzo, Anne Schmitt, Tony Manzella, Stephanie Merenda, Louis Mang, Sister Maria Lugosi, Susan Czajkowski, Dolores Quagliana,, Mellie Zuccaro, Frieh Family, Eric Glinski, Diane Lapp, and for the deceased specially Joseph Phillips. Also for the men and women in the service, for the peace in the world and for the vocations.

(Kindly notify the rectory when a name should be removed our list).

#### STEWARDSHIP IN FAITH

#### **JANUARY 9, 2022**

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Maintenance	\$2,454.00
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### **JANUARY 10, 2021**

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Maintenance	
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Income needed weekly to meet obligations .... \$8,500.00 (This amount does not include Capital Campaign.)





An extract from the "St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church: Centennial of Faith and Service"

Father Nelles was called by his superior to become Perfect General of Sacred Heart College in Wisconsin in 1900. Although only at St. Paul's two days a week, he had accomplished much in two years. His successor, Father Edmond Sturm, S.J. would do the same, assisted by Father Aloysius Pfeil. Father Sturn was also a non-resident Pastor and he remained at St. Paul's until 1903.

Father Peter Leonard, S.J. succeeded Father Sturn and, together with Father Pfeil, was instrumental in directing the parish through a very important stage of its history.

Up until 1903, little, if anything had been paid to the Mand and Keller family's original loans they had made to the parish. Although no significant debts have been incurred since then, the debt began to weigh heavily on Father Leonard. IT should also be noted that neither family had every approached the pastors for payment.

Over the last several weeks you should have seen and taken information on the Road to Renewal. Now we would like to tell you who are family is and a few things we will be doing to start the slow process. First we are family number 17 and our family includes the following parishes. St. Paul's, St. Andrew, Blessed Sacrament, St. Timothy, St. John the Baptist & St. Stephen's on Grand Island. We are not a pilot parish and we are in Phase 3 of the process. We are looking at 2024 as the year we should be working as a family. With guidance we will start sharing and working with our family in areas of sacrament preparation, Faith Formation and possibly staffing. As we start collaborating a notice will be put out to keep all parishioners updated as to the progress.

#### **BUSINESS OFFICE**

2021 tax statements will be sent out by the end of January 2022, so please, no calls to the office requesting one is necessary. Also as a reminder that all donations have to be in the business office by December 31,2021 to go on the 2021 tax statement. If received after that date they will go on the 2022 form.

Thank you for all your support,

Carolyn Nye



January 29 & 30

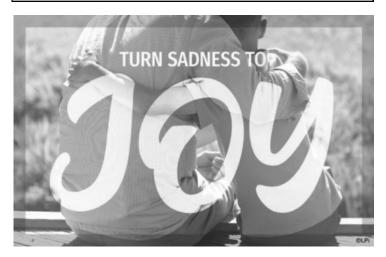
#### **LECTORS**

5 PM Linda Geary 8 AM C. Shore

11 AM Mark Della Posta

#### MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

5 PM Pat Pike 8 AM Deacon Parker 11 AM Dolores Jedrzek



# Readings for the Week

## Readings for the week of January 23, 2022

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1

Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/

Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk

3:22-30

Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/

Mk 16:15-18

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28,

29-30/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11,

12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-

6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 1

6-17/Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17

[cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/

Lk 4:21-30

#### SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor." Luke 1. Bring glad tidings to the poor by contributing to the poor box and clothing bin. You are the hands of Jesus in this world!

#### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

#### 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.

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But are we mindful — truly?

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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

## **SODALITY**

Apparently winter is catching up with WNY. The board has decided for the safety of us all will are cancelling all Sodality gatherings until March. If you're feeling down, God is waiting to hear from you and so are your friends. Don't be afraid to reach out

Please be kind to yourselves. Spread sunshine as you go and keep us all in your prayers.

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

If you attend a Catholic H.S. in grade 10 and are ready to make your confirmation, you should be registered and attending the spring session every other Thursday from 6:30pm -7:45 starting Jan. 20,2022. Please contact ---- Michel Fisher at mfisher@stpaulchurchken.org.

Do you feel you are called to serve Christ in a deeper way? Do you want to know something about the Permanent Diaconate? If you are a male between the ages of 30 and 55 and have asked yourself this question, please join us on Saturday February 12 from 9am – 12 noon to talk, pray, and discover more about the Permanent Diaconate with no commitment. We will gather at St. Rose Retreat Center, 217 Winston Rd. Buffalo, NY 14214 - Please RSVP to Deacon Howard Morgan at <a href="mailto:hmorgan@buffalodiocese.org">hmorgan@buffalodiocese.org</a> and let him know you are coming. God is calling you, will you follow?

#### CARDINAL O'HARA ALUMNI

LIVE CONCERTS: The Cardinal O'Hara High School Alumni Association will present the BBC Band concert 8 p.m. *Jan. 28* and Strictly Hip concert at 8 p.m. *March 18* at Cardinal O'Hara. Tickets for the BBC concert are \$20. The Strictly Hip tickets are \$5. A cash bar will be available. Tickets may be purchased online at www.cardinalohara.com or call 695-2600, ext. 311. Proceeds benefit the continuing restoration of the Performing Arts Center and the alumni scholarship fund.

#### SAINT OF THE WEEK EXAMPLES OF OUR FAITH

## St. Thomas Aquinas | January 28

One of the most famous members of the Dominican Order, St. Thomas Aquinas (1225 – 1274) is well-known by many for his theological work, "The Summa Theologiae." Born in Italy, his mother wanted him to become a Benedictine and had high hopes that he would eventually become abbot of Monte Cassino, where he spent much of his youth. To change his vocation, she had him kidnapped by his brothers on his way to Paris at the age of 19. He spent two years in their captivity. Despite this, nothing could shake him from his vocation to become a Dominican priest and he was eventually released. Once free, he went to Paris and then to Cologne, where he finished his studies with Albert the Great.

His greatest contribution to the Catholic Church is his writings. The unity, harmony, and continuity of faith and reason, of revealed and natural human knowledge, encompasses his writings. The *Summa Theologiae*, his last and, unfortunately, uncompleted work, deals with the whole of Catholic theology.

The patron saint of teachers, theologians and students, St. Thomas Aquinas died in 1274. His life and the impact he had on the whole Church, however, remains alive today.

## LITURGICAL LIFE

# RESPONDING Call

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## WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained:

#### Question:

Is it right to sue someone? Isn't it a way of getting revenge?

#### Answer:

Revenge is inflicting harm for harm's sake, the idea of an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, and then some. There is often a fine line between justice and mercy, between compensation and forgiveness. Unfortunately, things can happen to us that cause harm, suffering, and damage, regardless of people's intentions. When someone is hurt, especially in such a way that special care or treatment is required, the cost of that care needs to be paid.

In a perfect world, those with special needs, handicaps, or disabilities would find the help and care they need, including those who are injured or hurt. But justice is not always forthcoming, and people are not always fair. So, using the legal system to right a wrong is sometimes the only option.

In some cases, it is the only way that people can get the help they need and deserve. However, frivolous lawsuits, or 'fishing for money' is not only unfair, but immoral as well. The law is there to protect people and making use of it when necessary is a good thing.

# Olpeoming Community Events

Tuition Assistance for Private Grammar Schools. New families can now apply for scholarships for the 2022-23 school year. To start the process, families can complete a pre-application form online at <a href="http://bisonfund.com/our-">http://bisonfund.com/our-</a> scholarships. The BISON Fund provides tuition assistance to economically eligible children in K-8<sup>th</sup> grade. If selected, the scholarships can be used at any private grammar school in WNY. The deadline to apply is February 28. The average scholarship is \$1,500 and the maximum award is \$2,500. For more information, call Cindy McDonald at 716 -854-0869, ext. 1.

St. John's Open House. St. John the Baptist School (1085) Englewood Ave., Kenmore) invites new and prospective families to visit us on Sunday, January 30 from 1-3 pm to tour our campus. We invite all interested families with students entering Pre-K 3 to Grade 8 to take a tour of our school and see all that St. John's has to offer. Tours are by reservation only. Call the school at 716-877-6401 to reserve your spot.

Christ the King School (2 Lamarck Drive, Snyder, 14226) invites new and prospective families to visit us on Sunday, January 30 from 11am to 1 pm to see our campus and meet our staff. Registration for the 2022-23 school year opens on the 30th! We invite all interested families with students entering Pre-K 3 to Grade 8 to take a tour of our school and see all that CTK has to offer. All are welcome. For more information call the school at 716-839-0473 or visit www.myCTKschool.com.

Annulment Workshop on Saturday, February 5 from 9-11 am at UB North Newman Center, 495 Skinnersville Rd., Amherst. The session will include information on the recent changes in the annulment process and step-by-step help in getting started. A nominal registration fee will cover the cost of materials. For additional information, contact Barbara at 716-633-7786 or BJWTR@aol.com. Walk-ins are wel-

"God's Son, My Son": St. Joseph, a one-man play on Monday, February 7 at 7 pm at Our Lady of Pompeii Church, 129 Laverack Ave., Lancaster; presented by Michael Sacilowski, Director of Religious Education of Queen of Martyrs Parish, Cheektowaga. Through this theatrical presentation, accompany St. Joseph as he fulfills his call to be a human father to Jesus and how he strived to protect Mary and Jesus. Listen to the Patron Saint of Workers who taught our Lord the carpenter's trade and how wok can be a path to holiness.

# Kids Corner

The prophet Isaiah wrote about Jesus a long time before he was even born.

When Jesus read Isaiah's words, they described Jesus perfectly. Jesus did come to free people from sin, to help those in pain, and even to help blind people see.

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Dear God, thank you for sending Jesus to help us



Circle these words from today's Gospel:

SPIRIT CHOSEN POOR				FREEDOM SIGHT SUFFERS			JESUS TRUE			
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Look up Isaiah chapter 61 and read it with your fam-i ly. Then read Luke 4:14-

21. Jesus kept all of those promises!

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