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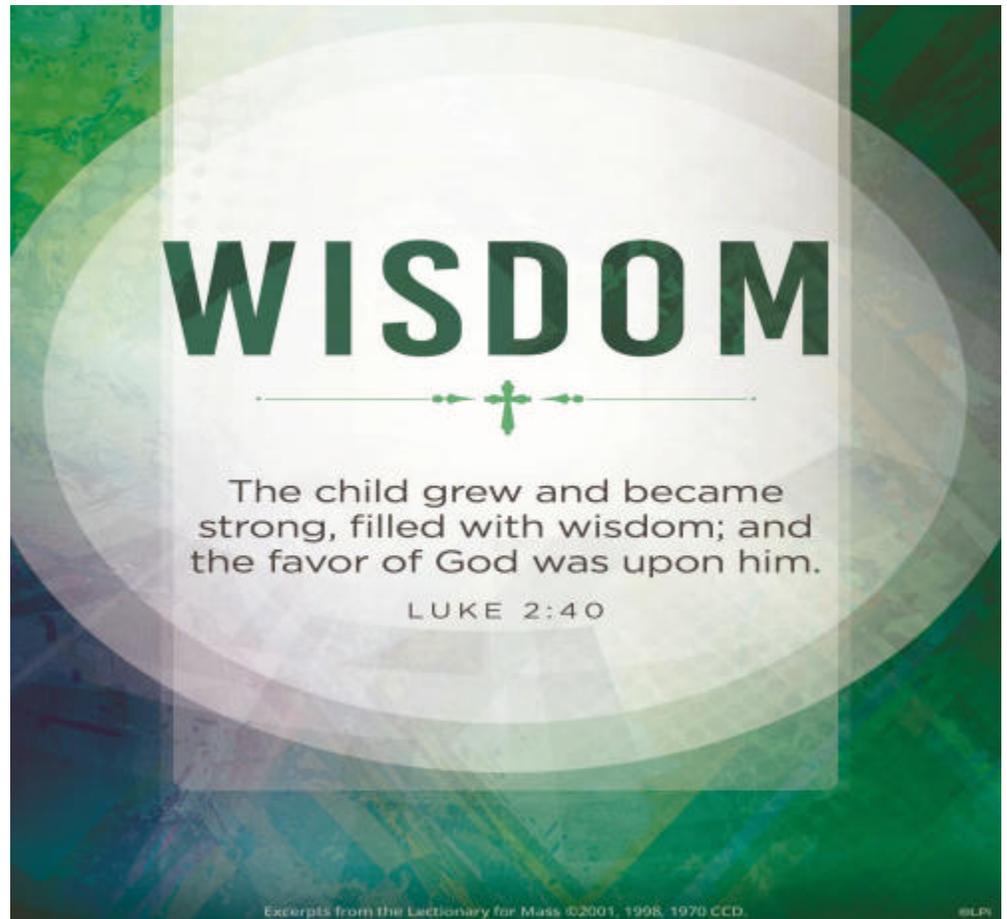
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Eucharistic Celebrations & Sacramental Life

Vigil Liturgy, Saturday: 4:00 p.m. • Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday at 3:00 p.m. Appointments also available; call the rectory.

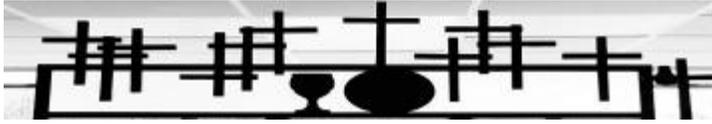
BAPTISMS: During one of the Sunday Masses. Both parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptismal meeting on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Fr. Weber Center. Please call the parish office to register.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: If anyone is ill and would like the Sacrament of the Anointing, please call the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Engaged couples are to make wedding arrangements at least eight months in advance. Pre-Cana classes are required.

EUCCHARIST TO THE SICK AND SHUT-INS: If ill or shut-in, please call the parish office if you wish that the Blessed Sacrament be brought to you.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: We welcome you into our Parish Family. Please contact the parish office to register as members of our parish family. As a member of the Church, you are accepting the responsibility of supporting God's work here through giving of yourself, your time and talents and a worthy Sunday offering to show your love for Christ and your gratitude for His many favors.

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26, VIGIL**

3:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:00pm Christmas Novena & Leslie Hoovler req. Jerry Stevens

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27, THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

8:00am Leonard Higgins req. Len & Nora Fiegl

10:00am Christmas Novena & Doris Schwartz req. Lynn Knutsen & Lois Knoop

12:00pm Charles Falcone req. Sandy Falcone

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28, THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-45

8:30am Rosary

9:00am Christmas Novena & For the Parishioners

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, ST. THOMAS BECKET, BISHOP & MARTYR

8:30am Rosary

9:00am Christmas Novena & Robert Fleischman req. Connie Weiser

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30

8:30am Rosary

9:00am Christmas Novena & Marlene Pridgeon req. Tony Pridgeon & Daughters

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, ST. SYLVESTER I, POPE

8:30am Rosary

9:00am Christmas Novena & Joseph Muhitch req. The Muhitch Family

6:00pm (Vigil) For the Staff of Christ the King Seminary req. Fr. Rob

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 2021, SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD (Holy Day of Obligation)

9:00am Anna Mae Murphy req. Estate & Family

12:00pm Christmas Novena & Patrick & Mary Fox req. Estate of Fr. John Fox

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, VIGIL

3:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:00pm Christmas Novena & Bert Trautman req. Frank Olesko

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

8:00am Marlene Pridgeon req. Husband Tony & Daughters

10:00am Joseph Muhitch req. Linda Mayne

12:00pm Christmas Novena & Hugo Florido req. The Ganci's

MINISTERIAL SERVING SCHEDULE**4:00PM SATURDAY, JANUARY 2****LECTOR:** Lisa Monaghan**8:00AM SUNDAY, JANUARY 3****LECTOR:** Presentation Reyes**10:00AM****LECTOR:** Jerry Owczarczak**12NOON****LECTOR:** Mona Klis**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

In these uncertain times, please pray especially for the sick, William (Monaghan) Adamberger, Donna Dentinger, Frances DiPasquale, Melanie - Elise Killian, John C. Loffredo, Barbara Masse, Lisa Monaghan, Pam Rudes, Donna Siudak, Sherry White, Msgr. George Yiengst.

Pray for those confined at home, medical personnel, first responders, the military and those whose livelihoods are in jeopardy.

We also remember all those who have passed from this life, especially, Arthur Haas and the friends and benefactors of St. Pius X Parish, Let us pray to the Lord.

ACCESS TO LIVE-STREAMING

<https://www.stpiusxgetzville.org>



(one does not need a Facebook account)

COVID-19 INFORMATION

St. Pius X Parish is seating at all Liturgies up to a maximum capacity of 33%.

All Masses will be offered Live Streamed

Daily - 9:00 am

Weekends

Saturday (Sunday Vigil) - 4:00 pm

Sunday - 8:00am, 10:00am & 12:00pm

Holy Days of Obligation

Vigil - 6:00pm

Holy Day - 9:00am & 12:00pm

Grace and Peace of Our Lord Jesus Christ...

Mary and Joseph were "amazed at what was being said about him," for Jesus was the fulfillment of all hopes. Yet in the Holy Family, we see the miraculous nature of every child and every family reflected...



Following the birth of Jesus, Mary and Joseph do what countless generations did before them and what parents continue to do today: they present their baby to God in a spirit of thanksgiving. There is a longing in the human heart to give our best gifts back to God, and what greater gift in the life of a parent is there than the life of their child? Of course, in Mary and Joseph's care, this is compounded by the fact that the newborn child they bring to the temple is not only the greatest gift of their lives, but also the greatest gift of God to all humanity.

While the Holy Family is often considered a unit unto itself, throughout their earthly lives, Mary, Joseph and Jesus encountered many people and doubtless looked to some for support and guidance. At the Temple, Anna and Simeon join Mary and Joseph in rejoicing at the child's birth, and also in anticipating the trajectory of His life and His role within the history of salvation as "a light for revelation to the Gentiles and the glory for your people Israel."

As part of the Body of Christ, we are also members of the Holy family of God. At times our role might be to tend the young, the sick, or the elderly in our own biological family units. At other times, we might be privileged to offer support to a young or strolling family. In the Letter to the Colossians, St. Paul tells us how to embrace the bonds of love that unite us in Christ, namely through "compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. In this way, we offer our lives to God in thanksgiving and help to build and nurture His Holy Family.

Prayer to the Holy Family ...

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, in you we contemplate the splendor of true love, to you we turn with trust.

Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic Churches. Holy Family of Nazareth, may families never again experience violence, rejection and division:

may all who have been hurt or scandalized find ready comfort and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth, make us once more mindful of the sacredness and inviolability of the family, and its beauty in God's plan.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer.

*In Christ,
Fr. Rob*

PARISH MISSION: FEBRUARY 14—17

7:00pm - 8:30pm

Coming soon! We have planned a parish Mission, "Falling in Love with God" with Father John Graden, OSFS, from DeSales Resources & Ministries as our facilitator and preacher. It is a major spiritual event in the life of our parish and promises to be moving, intriguing and a great opportunity for spiritual enrichment. You're definitely invited, encouraged, welcomed and hoped for. More information will follow but mark your calendars now!

REMINDER!

Please remember that every individual who utilizes or visits the Father Weber Center must sanitize their hands and have their temperature taken upon entering the hall. There are NO EXCEPTIONS! Let's keep St. Pius X safe.

FIRST FRIDAY

Due to the January 1st Holy Day and the New Year holiday, the Queen of Peace Healing Ministry will not be observing First Friday in January. Please join Ministry on Friday, February 5th at 12:00pm for the Exposition of the Holy Eucharist, followed by rosary at 1:30pm and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 2:30pm. At 3:00pm Fr. Rob will conclude with Benediction.

HOLIDAY BLOOD DRIVE!

Make a 2021 resolution make a difference! Donate the gift of life on December 29, 2020 between 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm in the Father Weber Center. Schedule your time at:

www.redcross.com or by calling 1-800-red-cross.

The Red Cross is testing blood donations for COVID-19 antibodies. As part of this effort, plasma from standard blood donations that test positive for COVID-19 antibodies may now help current coronavirus patients in need of convalescent plasma transfusions.

2020 Year-End Contribution Statement

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Please complete and place into the collection basket if you wish to receive a contribution summary for tax year 2020. You may also email this request to office@stpiusxgetzville.org or mail this to St. Pius X Church, 1700 North French Road, Getzville, NY 14068-1427

OUR CHURCH IS OPEN FOR ALL LITURGIES - ALL ARE WELCOME!

A Prayer for Hope After A Hard Year

God, thank you for helping us make it through this difficult year. Thank you for having carried us through the uncertainty of deep waters, through the flames of trials, and through the pain of hard losses. We are constantly aware of how much we need you, your grace, your strength and your power working through us even the toughest days.

Help us to keep our focus first on you this New Year. Please forgive us for giving too much time and attention to other things, for looking to other people before coming to you first. Help us to reflect again, on what Christmas is really all about. Thank you that you came to give us new life, peace, hope, and joy. Thank you that your power is made perfect in our weakness.

Help us to remember that the gift of Christ, Immanuel, is our greatest treasure, not just at Christmas, but for the whole year through. Fill us with your joy and the peace of your Spirit. Direct our hearts and minds towards you. Thank you for your reminder that both in seasons of celebration and in seasons of brokenness, you're still with us. For you never leave us. Thank you for your daily powerful Presence in our lives, that we can be assured your heart is towards us, your eyes are over us, and your ears are open to our prayers. Thank you that you surround us with favor as with a shield, and we are safe in your care.

We choose to be close to you today, and keep you first in our hearts and lives. Without you we would surely fail, but with you, there is great hope. Thank you for your healing power and give us the grace to overcome this pandemic. Thank you for bringing us into this New Year that will undoubtedly be filled with many challenges and opportunities. We look forward to all that God still has and will provide as we remain focused in following the call of your Son, Jesus Christ.

A Blessed New Year to you and your families.

In Christ,

Fr. Rob

ARE YOU OFFICIALLY REGISTERED AT ST. PIUS X ?

If you are regularly attending Mass at St. Pius X Parish, why not have your name added to our parish records? Adult members of your family who are no longer living at home and are self-sufficient should register separately. If you will be moving or are no longer attending Mass at SPX, call to update your information. To register for the first time or to update your records, please contact the Parish Office at 688-9143.

A copy of the parishioner registration form is also available on our website. Just type in

<https://www.stpiusxgetzville.org/membership>

SAVE TIME AND DONATE ONLINE!

Online Giving is now available for parishioners with **WeShare**, an easy and convenient way to save time and support the church. **Donating is simple, safe, and completely secure.** With WeShare, you can set up a recurring weekly or monthly transaction using your checking, savings, or credit card account. You can decide how much to give to any collection and make changes any time, day or night. Plus, you can leave your checkbook at home on Sundays.

If you would like to enroll in Online Giving, please visit <https://stpiusxrcc.weshareonline.org> If you have any questions or concerns about the program or would like help setting up your account, please call our parish office at **716-688-9143**.

OFFICIAL NOTICE

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK *in re The Diocese of Buffalo N.Y.* Case No. 20-10322. PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, On February 28, 2020, The Diocese of Buffalo N.Y., ("Diocese") filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The Bankruptcy Court has established August 14, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time) as the deadline to file proofs of claim against the Diocese (the "Bar Date"). If you have a claim against the Diocese, including, without limitation, a claim related to sexual abuse committed by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim on or before the Bar Date. Please visit <https://case.stretto.com/diocesefofbuffalo> or call 855-292-7696 for more information on how to file your proof of claim. IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY DISTRIBUTIONS TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DIOCESE'S CHAPTER 11 CASE.

NEW LITURGICAL YEAR HOURS

The Blessed Sacrament Chapel will now be open weekdays, for prayer and reflection, from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm throughout the new liturgical year. Any variations to this schedule will be announced by Fr. Rob and/or placed in this bulletin.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you—we bless you—we adore you, we glorify you,— we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you are alone the Holy one, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First Reading Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, saying “Fear not, Abram! I am your shield; I will make your reward very great.” But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what good will your gifts be, if I keep on being childless and have as my heir the steward of my house, Eliezer?” Abram continued, “See, you have given me no offspring, and so one of my servants will be my heir.” Then the word of the LORD came to him: “No, that one shall not be your heir; your own issue shall be your heir.”

The Lord took Abram outside and said, “Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can. Just so,” he added, “shall your descendants be.” Abram put his faith in the LORD, who credited it to him as an act of righteousness. The LORD took note of Sarah as he had said he would; he did for her as he had promised. Sarah became pregnant and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time that God had stated. Abraham gave the name Isaac to this son of his whom Sarah bore him.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

R. The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

Second Reading Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19

Brothers and sisters: By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; he went out, not knowing where he was to go. By faith he received power to generate, even though he was past the normal age--and Sarah herself was sterile-- for he thought that the one who had made the promise was trustworthy.

So it was that there came forth from one man, himself as good as dead, descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sands on the seashore. By faith Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was ready to offer his only son, of whom it was said, “Through Isaac descendants shall bear your name.”

He reasoned that God was able to raise even from the dead, and he received Isaac back as a symbol.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel LK 2:22-40

When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, They took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, just as it is written in the law of the Lord, *Every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to the Lord*, and to offer the sacrifice of *a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons*, in accordance with the dictate in the law of the Lord. Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord. He came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform the custom of the law in regard to him, He took him into his arms and blessed God, saying: “Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel.” The child’s father and mother were amazed at what was said about him; and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, “Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted—and you yourself a sword will pierce— so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.” There was also a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived seven years with her husband after her marriage, and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple, but worshiped night and day with fasting and prayer. And coming forward at that very time, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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