

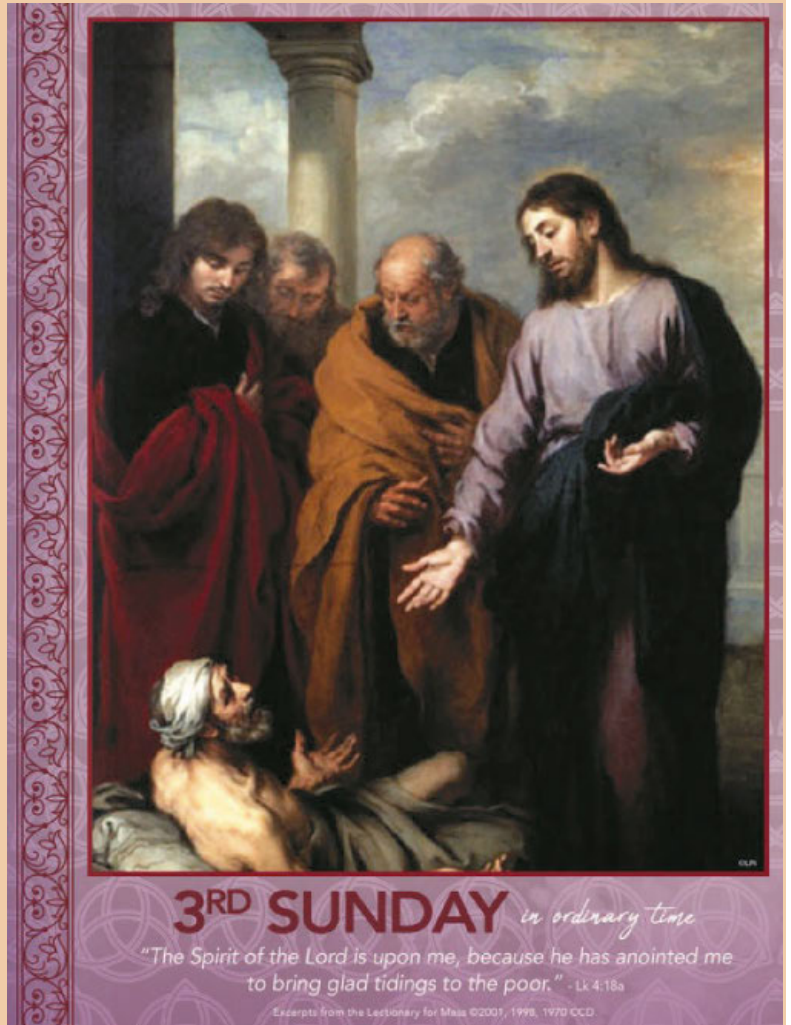
# Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph Parish



## Masses

**Saint Joseph Church  
Mother Church of the Italian Community**  
Saturday evening.....4:00 p.m.  
Sunday morning....8:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.  
Weekday (Monday - Saturday) 8:00 a.m.

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church**  
Saturday evening.....4:00 p.m.  
Sunday morning.....10:30 a.m.  
Weekday ...(Monday – Friday) 9:00 a.m.



## Sacrament of Reconciliation

**Saint Joseph Church**  
Saturday..... 3:00—3:40 p.m.

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church**  
Saturday..... 3:00—3:40 p.m.

## Novena Schedule

**Novena to St. Padre Pio**  
Tuesdays following the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph's site.

**Novena to St. Peregrine**  
Wednesdays following the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph's site.

**Novena to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel**  
Thursdays following the 9:00 a.m. Mass at Mt. Carmel site.

**Rosary For Life**  
Fridays at 8:15 a.m. at Mt. Carmel Site.



{MC} = Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church site  
 {SJ} = St. Joseph Church site

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

8:00 a.m. {SJ} For the Sanctity of All Human Life from Conception to Natural Death

**Vigil Mass**

4:00 p.m. {SJ} For the Sanctity of All Human Life from Conception to Natural Death

4:00 p.m. {MC} For the Sanctity of All Human Life from Conception to Natural Death

**Sunday, January 23 ~ Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. {SJ} Rev. John Graden, OSFS (Anniv Remb) by Oblates

10:30 a.m. {MC} Josephine Finley Vaccarella (Birth Remb) by Family

11:00 a.m. {SJ} Genevieve (Gene) Bak by Nieces Pat & Patty Gibbons

**Monday, January 24**

8:00 a.m. {SJ} Angeline, Nick & Mario Yarussi by Family

9:00 a.m. {MC} Russell DeFranco (Anniv Remb) by Murry & Angela DeFranco & Family

**Tuesday, January 25 ~ St. Francis de Sales**

8:00a.m. {SJ} Anna Fiorita by Padre Pio Prayer Group

9:00 a.m. {MC} Deacon William, Willis (Anniv Remb) by Parishioners

**Wednesday, January 26 ~ Conversion of St. Paul**

08:00 a.m. {SJ} Richard Massaro (Anniv Rmeb) by Family

9:00 a.m. {MC} Robert Laurrie (Anniv Remb) by Family

**Thursday, January 27 ~ St. Timothy & St. Titus**

8:00 a.m. {SJ} Sandra Marasco (Anniv Remb) by Husband Bob

9:00 a.m. {MC} All Souls by Dolores Laurrie

**Friday, January 28 ~ St. Angela Merici**

8:00 a.m. {SJ} Giuseppe, Angela Gaetano Bulfamante by Daughter & Sister Filippa D'Angelo

9:00 a.m. {MC} Costante Marcheschi (Anniv Remb) by Murry & Angela DeFranco & Family

**Saturday, January 29 ~ St. Thomas Aquinas**

8:00 a.m. {SJ} Vincenza & Pietro Luiero by Children & Grandchildren

**Vigil Mass**

4:00 p.m. {SJ} Donald Boyd (Birth Remb) by Family

4:00 p.m. {MC} Timothy Shiah (Anniv Remb) by Wife & Family

**Sunday, January 30 ~ Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. {SJ} Nick & Alice Antonacci by Family

10:30 a.m. {MC} Thomas & Ann Schiro by Family

11:00 a.m. {SJ} Anthony Colangelo (Anniv Remb) by Family



**WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!**

We are blessed to have you join us this weekend! If you are visiting and looking for a church home, please consider joining our Catholic Community. To register in the parish or if you regularly attend Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph, but have never registered, please call the rectory office at 282-1379 for more information.

**FR. STEW'S NEWS**

Dear Parishioners,

One of the great traditions of the Christian church is the honoring of the saints. Again, I am speaking of the Christian church and not just Catholicism. From early on the Christian community recalled not only the life of Christ but also the apostles, the martyrs and those who edified and served God's people in exemplary ways.

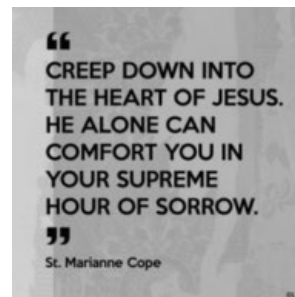
Who is a saint? I love the answer given by a child after he went to a Catholic Church for the first time with his grandmother. When he came home his mother asked him what he saw and he talked about the beautiful windows and how it was a sunny day and all the light came through the windows. His mother asked him about the windows and he said that they were pictures of saints. The mother asked him what he learned about the saints and the kid said "Saints are people who let the light of Christ shine through!"

What a great definition. It is not about the saint but about God. John the Baptist always pointed to Jesus not himself. Mother Teresa pointed to the poor and not herself. We don't worship saints as some people think. Catholics look to the saints to enliven Christ in us.

Now for the dreaded tradition of the Holy Days of Obligation when Catholics are expected to go to Mass on a day that it is not Sunday. Oh the torture of it all. Giving up another hour of the 8,760 hours you have in the year except during leap year. Holy Days are a time to celebrate special feasts of the Church. They are different for different countries and even different parts of some countries. Catholics hate that when everything isn't the same all throughout the world. Some people I know will go to Canada on a Holy Day that is not a Holy Day in Canada so that they have an excuse not to go to Mass and feel okay about it. Our national Holy Day is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8<sup>th</sup>. The other Holy Days are January 1<sup>st</sup> –the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, Ascension Thursday which is the Thursday of the sixth week of Easter, August 15 – the Assumption of Mary, November 1<sup>st</sup> –the Feast of All Saints and December 25<sup>th</sup> the Feast of the Birth of the Lord. If the Holy Day falls on Saturday or Monday the Feast Day is not celebrated as a day of obligation to attend Mass.

Since November 1<sup>st</sup> is my birthday and I have to go to Mass twice I think you guys should go at least once on your birthday. What a great idea.

Fr. Stew



**MASS READINGS**

Is 62:1-5, Ps 96:1-3, 7-10, 1Cor 12:4-11, Jn 2:1-11

At Cana in Galilee, Jesus performed the first of his signs, revealing his glory to his disciples and later to the nations. He has revealed as well the manifestation of the Spirit who distributes different gifts as he chooses

**Parish Clergy**  
 Rev. Duane R. Klizek ..... Pastor  
 Rev. Stewart M. Lindsay, OSFS ..... Senior Parochial Vicar  
 Sr. Marilyn Perkins, DC ..... Minister to the Home Bound  
 Caroline Washburn ..... Minister to the Home Bound

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**Parish Office & St. Joseph Church site**  
 1413 Pine Avenue, Niagara Falls, New York 14301  
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**Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church site**  
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**LATIN MASS FOR  
 THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD  
 ("CANDLEMAS")**

**Wednesday, February 2, 7:00 p.m. at St. Peter's Church,**  
 Lewiston NY. The fantastic attendance at our last Sung Latin  
 Mass on October 11 surprised us all. So we're doing it again-for  
 the feast of the **Presentation of Our Lord**, also known as *Can-*  
*dlemas*. Fr. Jacek Mazur will celebrate. Candles will be distribut-

ed.  
 The Harmonia Schola, directed by Rob Pacillo, and Dr. Brad  
 Wingert will provide the music (**Mass for Five Voices** by Wil-  
 liam Byrd). This Mass will be a special occasion to worship the  
 Lord in the beauty of holiness and an opportunity for evangeliza-  
 tion. Tell friends and family!

**WNY CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE**

Will be held on Saturday, March 26 at Cardinal O'Hara High  
 School, 39 O'Hara Rd., Tonawanda. We welcome the attendance  
 of priests, deacons, religious and seminarians and can use the help  
 of priests for confessions. For more information, visit: [https://](https://www.cmfofwny.org/)  
[www.cmfofwny.org/](https://www.cmfofwny.org/).

**ST. JOSEPH OUTREACH CENTER**

The Outreach Center is open to provide Food for those in need  
 within our district area. The Center is open Monday, Tuesday,  
 Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at 1402  
 Pine Avenue.

**STEWARDSHIP IN FAITH**

January 17, 2021 ..... \$ 9,945.00  
 January 16, 2022 ..... \$ 10,040.00  
 Net difference.....(+.9%) (+\$ 95.00)

**Every one of us is talented in some way. Stewardship  
 encourages us to use any talent we have to benefit an individual,  
 the Church or the community. Thank you for your generosity!**

**CEMETERY NOTICE**

**St. Joseph Cemetery gates are open:**  
**April 15 thru Sept. 30: 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.**  
**October 1 thru April 14: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**  
**Mausoleum hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**ST. PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP**



**Padre Pio Prayer Ministry**

Are you in need of prayers for yourself, a loved one or friend?  
 The Padre Pio Prayer Ministry offers prayers for anyone's needs.  
 Please call 297-6382, or 285-7141 to have your intentions added to  
 the prayer chain.

**THE POWER OF PRAYER**



The Holy Family parish Prayer Line is an important pray-  
 er chain that helps those with special personal needs/concerns  
 by providing powerful intercession by presenting needs to our  
 Heavenly Father. If you are interested in serving as part of this  
 Prayer Chain, please contact Jeanne at 297-8705. Add your prayers  
 to those in need by joining our chain; help our fellow parishioners  
 with their prayerful requests for intercession.

**MEMORIAL GIFTS AND BEQUESTS**

Gift opportunities to Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph Parish exist in many ways. Below are some examples in which an individual or a family can give to our Parish:

**Memorial gifts:** can be made to Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph Parish in a loved one's name when funeral arrangements are being made. Please speak to the funeral director for assistance.

**Bequests:** Gifts provided through wills and personal trusts have aided our parish with much needed financial support. Such gifts enable donors to make significant contributions that may not have been possible during their lifetime. Please consider making a charitable bequest to Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Parish in your will or personal trust.

Thank you for your continued support and may God bless you.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

January 29 & 30

**Lectors**

- 4:00 p.m. {MC} P. Montani
- 4:00 p.m. {SJ} C. Grant
- 8:00 a.m. {SJ} T. Zacher
- 10:30 a.m. {MC} L. Lasher
- 11:00 a.m. {SJ} J. D'Aloise

**Eucharist Ministers**

- 4:00 p.m. {MC} D. Laurrie
- 4:00 p.m. {SJ} MR Archie, K. Beltrano, M. Cutajar
- 8:00 a.m. {SJ} S. Giancola, M. Giancola,  
T. D'Andreamatteo
- 10:30 a.m. {MC} T., Marino
- 11:00 a.m. {SJ} R. Felicetti, A. Moran, T. Bove



**SPRING BIBLE STUDY**

Session 1 the Epistle of St. James on Tuesday January 25, 2022. 'It is a collection of teachings on how to meet the challenges in life with your Christian faith.' We will be meeting at the Mt. Carmel Church site. Class will start at 6:30 p.m. The session will last one hour and 15 minutes.

**COVID-19 UPDATE:  
MASK MANDATE REINSTATED  
FOR ALL COUNTIES  
DECEMBER 13, 2021**

On December 10, 2021, New York State announced a mask mandate for all indoor venues effective December 13, 2021 which will be reviewed February 1, 2022.

**Mask Mandate:**

At this time, masks are mandated for all participants in liturgies held in Catholic churches and worship spaces located in the Diocese of Buffalo regardless of vaccination status.

Parishes in the diocese are not authorized to screen for vaccinations, and so this mandate will apply to all who enter our worship spaces.

As in the past, the only exception given to this will be for clergy and other liturgical ministers when they are fulfilling a significant speaking role. (They should maintain at least six feet of physical distance from others during these limited occasions.)

This guidance will be revisited as the state reviews its policy on or about January 15, 2022 or if subsequent directives are issued by the diocese.

**BAPTISMAL CLASS SCHEDULE**

The next Baptismal Class will be on Monday, February 21 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at St. Joseph Rectory. Parents are encouraged to attend during the pregnancy. It seems to make it easier than to try and attend after the birth of the new child. **It is important to register at the rectory so that we know you are coming to the meeting.** Godparents are also encouraged to come.

**YEAR END TAX CONTRIBUTIONS**

Anyone wishing to receive a statement of their donations to the church for 2021, needs to call the rectory, even if you received one last year (282-1379) during office hours (8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.), and one will be mailed to you.

**CATHOLIC ACADEMY NEWS**

We are looking for retired teachers from the parish to sub at our school. If interested, please contact Johanna Richards, Vice-Principal at 716-238-1455 ext. 202.



**BISON**  
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**BISON Scholarship Quick Facts:**

- Average scholarship of \$1,500 and maximum award of \$2,500.
- Currently BISON has over 1,975 scholars in 81 different private schools across Western New York.
- Each family must contribute toward their child's private education.

**Income Eligibility Amounts:**

| Household Size | Total Income (Based on 2021 household income) |
|----------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| 2              | \$ 47,034                                     |
| 3              | \$ 59,292                                     |
| 4              | \$ 71,550                                     |
| 5              | \$ 83,808                                     |
| 6              | \$ 96,066                                     |
| 7              | \$108,324                                     |
| 8              | \$120,582                                     |

**STEP 1**

Complete a pre-application online at [bisonfund.com](http://bisonfund.com) between January 1, 2022 and February 28, 2022. If you have any questions, you can call BISON at (716) 854-0869 ext. 1.

**STEP 3**

If selected, complete the full application online. Enroll your child(ren) in the school of their choice and ask the school to complete the school commitment form.

**STEP 2**

Watch for notification after the BISON Lottery is held on March 1, 2022. Lottery winners will receive an email with a link directing them to complete a full application to receive the scholarship. If you're not chosen, you will automatically be placed on the BISON waitlist.

**STEP 4**

Once all the steps are completed, BISON will notify you of your scholarship amount. Watch for email notices to annually renew your BISON Scholarship in February of each year.



**BISON Contact Information:**

Cindy McDonald, Program Director

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## BURNING OF THE PALMS

If you have old blessed palm branches that you would like to have burnt for ashes on Ash Wednesday, please put them in the basket in the church vestibule by Sunday, February 20.

## FEAST DAY OF ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

Monday, January 24, is the major feast day of the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales, the celebration of the life of St. Francis de Sales (1567-1622). Happy feast day Father Stew.



## THE PRAYER OF SAINT FRANCIS DESALES

Be at Peace

Do not look forward in fear to the changes of life;  
Rather look to them with full hope as they arise.

God, whose very own you are,  
Will deliver you from out of them.

He has kept you hitherto,  
And He will lead you safely through all things;  
And when you cannot stand it,  
God will bury you in his arms.

Do not fear what may happen tomorrow;  
The same everlasting Father who cares for you today  
Will take care of you then and everyday.  
He will either shield you from suffering,  
Or will give you unflinching strength to bear it.

Be at peace,

And put aside all anxious thoughts and imagination.  
*St. Francis de Sales 1567-1622.*

## SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES QUOTE:

*"It is not those who commit the least faults who are the most holy, but those who have the greatest courage, the greatest generosity, the greatest love, who make the boldest efforts to overcome themselves, and are not immediately apprehensive*

## RAFFLE WINNING NUMBERS



| Date           | Winners | Before | After |
|----------------|---------|--------|-------|
| 1/10 Monday    | 735     | 734    | 736   |
| 1/11 Tuesday   | 380     | 379    | 381   |
| 1/12 Wednesday | 880     | 879    | 881   |
| 1/13 Thursday  | 417     | 416    | 418   |
| 1/14 Friday    | 379     | 378    | 380   |
| 1/15 Saturday  | 812     | 811    | 813   |
| 1/16 Sunday    | 998     | 997    | 999   |

## CANDLEMAS DAY+ BLESSING OF THROATS

Wednesday, February 2 is celebrated as the Feast of the presentation of the Lord in the Temple, Candlemas Day. It is also a traditional day of blessing candles and showing respect for blessed candles, symbolic of the Light of Christ. Blessed candles for home use will be available in the church sacristy and rectory office for a \$3.00 offering for a box of two.

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Thursday, February 3 is the Feast of St. Blasé, bishop and martyr. It is traditionally a day for the Blessing of Throats which will be offered at the **two morning Masses 8:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Church site and 9:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church site.** Devotion to Saint Blasé was very popular during the Middle Ages and continues to this day. We all want relief and protection from physical troubles and ailments of the throat. There are also spiritual diseases of the throat more often harmful than physical. We ask protection from these as well when we ask for deliverance, "from the evil of the unkind speech, curses, lies and cancerous rumors of gossip." As we receive the blessing, we ask through St. Blasé's intercession to be delivered from physical and spiritual evil of the throat and tongue and for the Grace to make a good confession.

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