



Light of Christ of the Northtowns

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But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. — 1 Corinthians 15:20-23



April 14, 2024

Third Sunday of Easter

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday:

8:00am: Blessed Sacrament & St. Stephen
12 Noon: St. John the Baptist

Tuesday:

8:00am: St. Paul & St. Stephen
10:00am: St. Timothy
12 Noon: St. Andrew

Wednesday:

8:00am: St. Stephen
8:30am: St. Andrew
12 Noon: St. John the Baptist
6:30pm: Blessed Sacrament

Thursday:

8:00am: Blessed Sacrament & St. John the Baptist
10:00am: St. Timothy
12 Noon: St. Andrew

Friday:

8:00am: St. Paul & St. Stephen
8:30am: St. Andrew
10:00am: St. Timothy
12 Noon: St. John the Baptist

Saturday Evening/Sunday Vigil:

4:00pm: St. Andrew & St. John the Baptist
4:30pm: St. Stephen
5:00pm: St. Paul

Sunday:

7:30am: St. Timothy
8:00am: St. John the Baptist & St. Stephen
9:00am: St. Andrew
9:30am: Blessed Sacrament
10:00am: St. Paul
10:30am: St. Timothy
11:00am: St. John the Baptist & St. Stephen
5:00pm: St. Andrew

CONFESSIONS:

Tuesday 4-5pm— St. John the Baptist

Wednesday 5:45-6:15pm— Blessed Sacrament

Thursday 11:15-11:45am— St. Andrew

Friday 9:15-9:45am— St. Timothy

Saturday : 3-4pm— St. Stephen

3:15-3:45pm— St. Andrew

4:15-4:45pm— St. Paul

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER MICHAEL

With Gratitude

Many thanks for all who have shared their talents, gifts and time in celebration of the Lent, Holy Week and Easter services. With appreciation to all who led the Stations of the Cross in our Family of Parishes. Special thanks to our music ministry, altar servers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, church decorators, sacristans, and ushers who enriched this holy season with spiritual nourishment. Thank you for contributing to the flower collection and for all who participated together in worship! May God continually bless you in your journey of faith.

May the Risen Christ strengthen us and renew our faith during this Easter Season!

FROM DEACON ANDREW'S CHAIR

Never the same

Before beginning another hour and a half long torture session, also known as a staff meeting, one of my leads mentioned that he does not read the bible like he used to. He said he used to read whole books of the bible. Now he spends his time tracing the footnotes that link the Old and the New Testaments to each other, fascinated with the details. The meeting ends and he walks out explaining what he meant to an inquisitive coworker unfamiliar with the bible.

A Deacon's wife recently told me that her prayer life tanked after her husband was ordained. She's said she is getting it back in order, with the help of friends and God's grace, but the irony was not lost on her.

A college student loses his grip on the practice of the faith but hangs onto the rosary his grandmother gave him. Finding he has some extra time in the mornings, a retiree starts to attend daily mass, offering each for his grandchildren. A husband came home after a weekend retreat on fire with the faith but finds that his enthusiasm strains relationships in the house. A man lost his faith but not his love of his mom. He started to bring his elderly mom to church every week and is now being prepared for confirmation.

We don't walk alone and we never cross the same river twice. Thank the Good Lord.

"For I know well the plans I have in mind for you—oracle of the LORD—plans for your welfare and not for woe, so as to give you a future of hope." Jer 29:11

Catholic Charities – Hope for all seasons

We continue to celebrate Christ's triumph over death and His promise of eternal life for those who come and turn their hearts to Him. Through His sacrifice and glory, He gives us every reason for HOPE. May your hearts and homes be filled with joy and overflowing gratitude for God's love for us. Appeal 2024 is ongoing. Please give today at [cwny.org/donate](https://www.cwny.org/donate) or by texting HOPE4WNY to 44321.



LIGHT OF CHRIST OF THE NORTHTOWNS WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SAINT ANDREW

Tuesday, April 16

12:00 Noon Maria Caito (by Estate)

Wednesday, April 17

8:30am Roger Novits (by Estate)

Thursday, April 18

12:00 Noon Mike & Mary DeGeorge (by Family)

Saturday, April 20

8:30am Barbara Broderick (by The Tyran Family)

11:00am **Baptism**-Calvin John Jasper

4:00pm For the Intentions of Jonathan Price (by Andrea Price)

Sunday, April 21 Fourth Sunday of Easter

9:00am Emma & Edward McGaffin (by The Marinelli Family)

10:00am **Baptism**-Jameson Michael McCarthy

5:00pm The Williamson Family (by Friends)

BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sunday, April 14 —Third Sunday of Easter

9:30am Gary Stanton (by Wife, Lucy)

Monday, April 15

8:00am All Souls in Purgatory (by Heather Johnston)

Wednesday, April 17

6:30pm Becky Hinds (by John and Mary Rozak)

Thursday, April 18

8:00am Allan Day (by Day Family)

Sunday, April 21 Fourth Sunday of Easter

9:30am Theresa O'Keeffe (by Ray and Kathy Clapp)

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit from April 14—April 20
In Memory of Cosimo Incardona

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

Monday, April 15

12:00 Noon Msgr. Dino Lorenzetti & requested intentions

Tuesday, April 16

7:00pm **Holy Name Mass Church**

Wednesday, April 17

9:10am **SJS Mass Honor Society Induction**

12:00 Noon Roger Mazikowski (by Michele Cofield)

Thursday, April 18

8:00am Living & Deceased Members
of Johnston & Mitchell families (by Family)

Friday, April 19

12:00 Noon Marilyn Malucci (by Family)

Saturday, April 20 Vigil of the Fourth Sunday of Easter

4:00pm James Strach (by Bonnie & Charlie Pritchard)

Sunday, April 21 Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00am Bernice Quigley by Ken & Jeanne Kabacinski

11:00am Walter Pilarski by Joe & Jerry

SAINT PAUL

Saturday, April 13 Vigil of the Third Sunday of Easter

5:00pm All Souls

Sunday, April 14 Third Sunday of Easter

10:00am For the Light of Christ of the Northtowns Family

Tuesday, April 16

8:00am All Souls

Friday, April 19

8:00am The Living and Deceased Members of the
Quebral Family (by Rod and Barbara Quebral)

Saturday, April 20

5:00pm Walt Pangborn (by Tom and Patty Johnson)

Sunday, April 21

10:00am Coletta Konopa (by the Quebrals)

Sanctuary Lamp ...burns this week for the Light of Christ
of the Northtowns Family

SAINT TIMOTHY

Sunday, April 14 Third Sunday of Easter

7:30 am Martin Roman (by Hazel Roman)

10:30 am David McMahan (by Joyce Seegal)

Tuesday, April 16

10:00 am Richard Korn (by Wife)

Wednesday, April 17 No Mass

Thursday, April 18

10:00 am Judy MacDonald (by Family)

Friday, April 19

10:00 am David McMahan (by Gary Stevens)

Sunday, April 21 Fourth Sunday of Easter

7:30 am Cletus Keller (by Family)

10:30 am Edward and Mary Czerniak (by Daughter)

SAINT STEPHEN

Monday, April 15

8:00am Birthday Intentions of James Panepinto (by Mom & Dad)

Tuesday, April 16

8:00am James F. Gallagher (by Fr. Martin)

Wednesday, April 17

8:00am Betty Ann Cabin (by Leiana Cabin)

Friday, April 19

8:00am NYS Trooper Joseph Gallagher (by Fr. Martin)

10:00am **School Liturgy** Wolfgang Puehler (by The Gassmanns)

Saturday, April 20 Vigil of the Fourth Sunday of Easter

4:30pm James F. Gallagher (by Fr. Martin)

Sunday, April 21 Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00am Lynn Grieco (by Stypa Family)

11:00am Rose McKeating (by McKeating Family)

**The Sanctuary Lamp, Host and Wine offerings
are available upon request**

For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither heights nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. —Romans 8:38-39



St. Andrew RC Church

1525 Sheridan Drive, Kenmore, NY 14217

APRIL CALENDAR

Ongoing

First Monday of the Month 7:00-9:00pm Marian

Ministries in McNulty Hall (Sept.-June)

Second Monday of the Month 7:00-9:00pm Holy Name

(Sept. –June)

Tuesday 9:15-11:30am SVdP Food Pantry in Loyola Room

Tuesday 12:30 pm –3:30 pm Adoration in Church

Thursday After Noon Mass Novena to Our Lady of

Perpetual Help

Wednesday 7:00-9:00pm AA Meeting in Loyola Room

Adoration & Holy Hour Last Wednesday of each month

(except June, July, & August) 6-7PM Evening in Church

Thursday 9:00am-1st & 3rd SVdP Meeting in Food Pantry

Thursday 7:30pm Bingo in McNulty Hall

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Saturday 10am Al Anon -Faith Formation Mtg. Room Door #8

Sunday 7:00pm Bingo in McNulty Hall

MARIAN MINISTRIES

Marian Ministries will meet on Monday, May 6, at 7pm. Representatives from women’s groups from other parishes within Family #17 will join us. Come to learn about each one so that we may make the best decision for our future. We’ll also enjoy tasty refreshments and the company of good friends.

Looking back...Moving Ahead

- **Saturday, April 27**— HSA School Family; Celebration of Lancer—School Families
- **Monday, May 13**—May Crowning, 6:30pm in the Church. Whether you are the oldest or the youngest, come celebrate this tradition with all the parishes in the Family.
- **Saturday, May 18**— Bon Voyage Boozy Bingo and Basket Raffle—this is for the entire St. Andrew’s Community: Parish, school, and alumni. Campus walk throughs will be available.
- **Sunday, June 2**—Celebrate the Legacy of St. Andrew’s: Mass, 12:00 noon in Church followed by Luncheon in McNulty. Bring your photos, banners, any memento you want to share (and take back home). Everyone invited-- previous clergy, staff, parish groups, all parishioners will pray and celebrate together.
- **Saturday, June 22**— Holy Name celebrates St. Andrew’s—this is for the entire St. Andrew’s Community. Campus walk throughs will be available.
- **Sunday, June 23**—Mass of Thanksgiving, 2:00 in Church with Reception and blessings after. Joseph McHenry, newly ordained to the Priesthood, will say his first local Mass at St. Andrew’s. Joe has been a member of the parish since birth and attended St. Andrew’s Country Day School. Come to wish him well and get his blessing!
- **Sunday, June 30**—Closing Mass for St. Andrew’s, 11am in Church. This will be the only Mass in our Church on this day. We need to be together... pray together...and leave together.



Blessed Sacrament

263 Claremont Avenue,

Tonawanda, NY 14223

NON-CALENDAR CALENDAR SWEEPSTAKES to Benefit BSC Roof Fund—Due to NYS Regulations and Diocesan rules we cannot offer the PA Calendar Lottery any longer which was a great and easy fundraiser for us. So..... For just \$20 you will have a chance (or chances if you purchase more than one) to win \$100 each month for 6 months. Just use the tear-off below and drop it in the offertory basket or the office mailbox or in the mail. They will all be placed in a drum and a winner will be drawn each month and your name will go back in the drum. 1st drawing on March 31 Last on August 31

NON-CALENDAR SWEEPSTAKES

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

YES WE CAN” Thank you for the wonderful array of food donated in last month’s collection. Our next collection for St. Faustina’s Pantry will be Sunday, April 21. We are requesting PASTA at this time

PARISH COUNCIL will be meeting on **Monday, April 15 at 6:00pm** in the Meeting Room of Father Cotter Hall.

Steeple Chase Roof Repair

Rain drops are falling here again at Blessed Sacrament Parish. Many of you are aware of the fact that we have had countless, major leaks in our roofs among the many buildings of our campus. Our Sacristy and Chapel area, Parish Center and School had their roofs replaced last year thanks in part to all of you and to a generous bequest. This leaves Father Cotter Hall and the Steeple Section of the Church.

This is where you, as parishioners and friends of Blessed Sacrament, come in to play. We have begun another MAJOR CAPITAL CAMPAIGN with a goal of raising sufficient funds to cover the cost of the necessary roof repairs. However, we cannot accomplish this goal without your generous support. We had signed the contract for \$128,000 but it is now \$159,992 due to the fact that they found only 1.1% of asbestos which requires parts of the roof have to be abated. The steeple repair quote is \$26,000.

We are calling this Campaign the Steeple Chase Roof Repair. We are counting on your ongoing generosity. Any amount that you can give will help us to complete this project. Thank you so very much, in advance, for your support and genuine concern for our parish!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES UPDATE:

Our Parish Goal is \$24,158.00 and we have so far donated a total of \$10,890.00. THANK YOU for your generosity.



St. John the Baptist R.C. Church

1085 Englewood Ave., Buffalo, NY 14223

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This Week at St. John's

Monday, April 15

- Faith Formation Gr. 9, RCR, 6-8pm
- BS104 Troop mtg., gym, 7-9pm
- Womens Prayer Group, chapel, 7:30-9pm

Tuesday, April 16

- Ladies of Charity, 25B, 9:30-12pm
- Mites Soccer, gym, 5:30-6:30pm
- Cub104 Den mtg., PR/26, 6-9pm
- HNS Mass & general meeting, church/RCR, 7-8:30pm
- SJS Softball practice, gym, 6:30-8pm
- Men's basketball, gym, 9-11pm

Wednesday, April 17

- Little Hoops, gym, 6-9pm
- Pastoral Council mtg., RCR, 6:30-8:30pm

Thursday, April 18

- SJS Softball practice, gym, 6-8pm

Saturday, April 20

- BS104 Basketball time, gym, 2-4pm

PARISH DRIVE CONTINUES— SANCTUARY CARPETING

A heartfelt THANK YOU to those who have donated to our new sanctuary carpeting drive! It is not too late to help us reach our goal!

You may have noticed our current sanctuary carpeting is showing signs of wear and tear. We are looking to enhance our worship space with new carpeting which we anticipate will cost approximately \$20,000. We hope you can contribute to support this special parish drive. If you are able to contribute to this specific initiative, **please place your donation in an envelope noting your name and PARISH DRIVE** so that your support is recorded within our parish data system. Thank you!

St. John's Welcomes New Parishioners

If you are looking for a parish to make your own, we would love to have you join our faith community here at St. John's. Daily Masses are Thurs. at 8am & Mon., Wed., & Fri. at 12pm. Weekend liturgies are Sat. 4; Sun. 8, & 11am. Call the rectory at (716) 873-1122 for more information.

OUTREACH FOOD PANTRY

Our Food Pantry helps many families in our community everyday and you can help refill their shelves!

The **current needs** are:

Tissues, tuna, canned chicken breast, coffee

Thank you for supporting our Parish community!

We Remember in our Prayers...

Those who are ill, and those who have died;

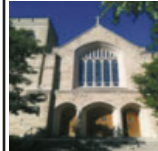
Donald Winkle, Sr., Thomas McDonald.

May they know God's love and peace.

Prayer Intentions: Prayer unites hearts and raises souls to God! If you would like to add a loved one's name to be remembered, simply fill out the form found in church and drop it in the prayer basket to the left of the Blessed Mother's altar. Intentions are remembered at every Eucharist.

NOVENA TO SAINT JOHN NEUMANN

On Wednesdays we continue to pray the novenas to Our Mother of Perpetual Help and St. John Neumann after the 12 noon Mass. All are welcome to join.



St. Paul R.C. Church

33 Victoria Blvd.

Kenmore, NY 14217-2380

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Ministry Schedule for the Weekend of April 20 & 21

LECTORS

5 PM Linda Bovino

10 AM Ryan Nye

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

5 PM Frank Saladyga

10 AM Michelle Fisher

Ann Clark

Sodality

We are changing things up a bit and having our annual potluck supper Monday April 22nd at 6:00 PM in the parish center. Please call Norma at 716-835-7541 to sign up.

St. Vincent De Paul

"I was hard pressed and was failing, but the Lord helped me." Psalm 118. You are the hands of Christ on this earth. Please help those who are failing. Give to the poor box. God bless you.

Pasta Dinner Fund Raiser

The Holy Name, Women's Sodality and Senior Group are asking their members and any other member of the parish to donate a basket or a gift of your choice for the Basket Raffle the night of the Dinner, or you may contact a business you frequent and ask for a donation for the Raffle. We will thank all businesses in our bulletin for their donation.

Donations may be dropped off at the Parish office during normal business hours starting Monday April 29th. Please check the bulletin for hours. Any questions please contact Bob Kreher 716-264-4100. God Bless St. Paul's Church and parish Family.

St. Paul's Collection

for the Week of March 24, 2024:

Regular Collection: \$6,228.00

of Envelopes: 183



St. Stephen R.C. Church

2100 Baseline Road
Grand Island, NY 14072

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday April 15

8am Liturgy— Daily Chapel
8:30am Rosary – Daily Chapel

Tuesday April 16

8am Liturgy—Daily Chapel
8:30am Rosary— Daily Chapel
6:30pm AA Mtg—F.F. Bldg. (front & back rms)
6:30pm Respect Life Mtg—Hospitality Rm
7pm Bible Study—Community Rm

Wednesday April 17

8am Liturgy – Daily Chapel
8:30am Rosary— Daily Chapel
9:30-11am Bible Study—Hospitality Rm

Thursday April 18

8am Personal Prayer Time—Daily Chapel
8:30am Rosary—Daily Chapel

Friday April 19

8am Liturgy—Daily Chapel
8:30am Rosary—Daily Chapel
10am SSS Liturgy Main Church

Saturday April 20

3-4pm Confession—Daily Chapel
4pm Rosary—Main Church
4:30pm Liturgy—Main Church

Sunday April 21

7:30am Rosary— Main Church
8:00am Liturgy—Main Church
11:00am Liturgy—Main Church

- *Children’s Liturgy of the Word during 11am Mass
- *Blood Pressure check in Library after Masses
- *Holy Land Wood Carvings available in the Narthex after Masses



Additional Easter Flower Donation in Memory of the Deceased Members of the Bartus and Sobon Families

Join us on this journey of prayer that God wants to take us on. **WHEN YOU PRAY: A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship with God** is a 7-week study beginning Tuesday April 16th at 9:30am at St. Stephen Church. We will meet in the parish library. Cost of the study guide is \$27. Fill out below registration and bring with payment on Tuesday!

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____ PAYMENT (CASH/CHECK) _____



St. Timothy R.C. Church

565 East Park Drive
Tonawanda, New York 14150

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*******ATTENTION *******

St. Timothy’s is looking for several **Eucharist Ministers to make home calls to the shut-ins**. Please stop in the sacristy either on the weekend or during the week and leave your name and phone number. You may also call the office on Tuesdays between 10am and 3pm.

We are also looking for **additional Eucharist Ministers** to help out each weekend at the Sunday 7:30am Mass. Members from other parishes are also welcome to help. If you are able to help us out, please stop in the sacristy and give us your name and phone number and availability. Thank you.

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY

The food pantry here at St. Timothy Parish is open on Mondays and Thursdays from 8:30-11am. For more information on the program, call the Heart Line at: 716-939-2018.

Wednesday, April 17 - Ladies of Charity Monthly Meeting at 6:00 pm in St. Martha’s Chapel Baby Shower and Pot Luck Dinner. We are collecting new baby items and diapers thru 4/28/2024. Items will be distributed to local charities. Baby Bottles for Babies will be placed at the doors of the church to collect spare change for the Baby Ministry at Harvest House. They can be returned to the sacristy.

April 25, 2024 - Parish Council Meeting at 7 pm in St. Martha’s Chapel.

DEVOTIONS:

Rosary before 10:00 am Mass

Novena in honor of the Miraculous Medal of the Virgin Mary will be recited on Tuesdays immediately following the 10:00 am Mass - **Please join us**.

Divine Mercy Chaplet: Thursdays after the 10:00 am Mass.

All are welcome - Bible Study Group: Tuesdays after the 10:00 am Mass in St. Martha’s Chapel.

OTHER IMPORTANT CONTACTS WITHIN THE FAMILY:

FAITH FORMATION FOR: ST. Timothy & St. Andrew’s:
Judy Papaj (716) 875-9430 ext 118

PLEASE NOTE: Any articles for the bulletin must be emailed and received 12 days before the Sunday Bulletin that it will be appear in. Our e-mail address is : office@sainttimothyparish.org

LIGHT OF CHRIST OF THE NORTHTOWNS SCHOOL NEWS & EVENTS

ST. ANDREW
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
ST. STEPHEN



ST. ANDREW



Everyone met on Tuesday 4/9 and shared all our break and eclipse stories. NYS testing for grades 3-8 began when we returned from break. April's Character Trait Mass will be on **Wednesday, April 24th**

On 6/22 there will be a send off to St. Andrew's sponsored by Holy Name and Alumni. More information forthcoming. This event is in its earliest stages.

Continue to send requests for items upon closure to schoolboard@standrewscds.net

Open to all

The Spiritual Pillar of the Light of Christ of the Northtowns Family of Parishes is planning a family-wide May Crowning! This will take place on Monday, May 13, feast of our Lady of Fatima (perfect!), 6:30 PM at St. Andrew Church. It is expected to last about 45 minutes so hopefully, not too late in the evening for students and families while accommodating dinner time too. This will be a May crowning only, with procession. There will be no Mass or reception. First Communicants are invited to wear their first Communion attire. While we would love to fill St. Andrew with many, many families - all parishioners are invited to join us for this wonderful tradition! A flier is being sent out after Easter break. Please reach out to me with any questions and if you'd like to assist in planning or help that evening, that would greatly be appreciated. I can be contacted at this email: EAREISER@roadrunner.com God bless you during this joyous Easter season!



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

From Father Michael, a special THANK YOU goes out to the 8th grade students who led the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday! You graciously shared your time, talent and devotion to portray Jesus' journey to Mount Calvary and death on the cross. Blessings as you complete your education here at St. John's!

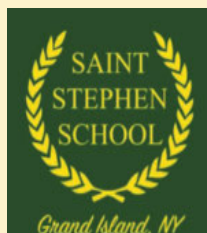
Shadow Days and School Tours Available!

Attention prospective families with students entering Pre-K 3 to Grade 8! We are now enrolling for the 2024-2025 school year. Shadow days are available for students in Grades 1-8; these shadow days are a great way for your child to experience a day here at St. John's and see if this is a good fit for your family! We also offer personal tours of our school to all prospective families. If you are interested in more information, please contact the school office.

A Special Thank You

Thank you to our many alumni, parishioners, benefactors, and friends who have supported our Annual Appeal. We are grateful for your support of St. John the Baptist School!

ST. STEPHEN



Wednesday, April 17, 2024

8:45am-3:05pm

Use one of the following to register:

- click this link: <https://forms.gle/qrdG6fMJ8k8kHost6>
- send an email to principal@ststephensgi.org
- call 716-773-7647 option 2

St. Stephen School
2080 Baseline Rd.
Grand Island, NY 14072

Bussing from
Ken-Ton School
District!

It's a great day to be an Eagle!



ST. STEPHEN SCHOOL DRAMA CLUB PROUDLY PRESENTS...

Disney
MOANA JR.

Based on the 2016
Disney film Moana

Book & Lyrics by
Susan Moon He Stanton

Music & Lyrics by
Lin-Manuel Miranda,
Oprah Winfrey
& Mark Mancina

Music & Orchestrations
Adapted & Arranged by
Tim Weinberger

April 26th & 27th at 7 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.
Mount St. Mary Academy
3796 Delaware Ave, Tonawanda, NY 14217

Tickets:
Presale: \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors, \$5 for children
5-17 years old, and free for 4 years old and younger.
At the door: \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors, \$5 for children
5-17 years old, and free for 4 years old and younger.



To purchase tickets
Scan the QR code or
visit www.ststephensgi.org
with any questions.

Disney's Moana Jr. is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International, New York, NY.
716-441-0668 mthinternational.com

FAITH FORMATION

NEWS & INFORMATION

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

The Confirmation Classes are preparing for their **Confirmation Liturgy on Thursday, April 25th at 7pm.** We are looking forward to the celebration!



On the weekend of April 27th and 28th our First Communicants will be celebrating their First Communion at the 4pm and 11am Masses. Keep in mind that these Masses will be fuller than normal at these times.



Please continue to pray for the youth of our Parish!

ST. STEPHEN

Generations in Faith

All Families: please be completing your lessons and CHECKLIST as all work is due back to the Faith Formation Office by May 6th – any questions or concerns, please contact the office.

First Communion Families: If you have yet to turn in your Communion Banner please drop off in the Hospitality Room this weekend, before or after Mass, in the designated bin.

Confirmation will be celebrated on April 27 at the 4:30pm Parish Mass.

Rehearsal is scheduled for April 25th at 5:30pm. Sponsors do not need to attend but all candidates should be in attendance.

ST. PAUL

SAVE THE DATE MAY 11, 2024

St. Paul's Holy Name, Woman's Sodality and Seniors are having a:

**Pasta Dinner with meatballs
also included will be deserts
along with wine, beer, soda, coffee and tea.**

**Date is Saturday May 11, 2024
St. Paul's Hall**

Time: Doors open 5:30 pm Dinner at 6:30 pm



**Cost will be \$25 per person
Live music after dinner
Baskets and 50/50 raffles**

Tickets will be available after all masses starting in April and also at Church office. Get tickets early, this events usually sells out due to limited amount of tickets.

God Bless.
Paul Catalano
Holy Name President

All proceeds to benefit St. Paul's Building Fund

ST. TIMOTHY

Supporting our Young Disciples

During the Easter season, we are reminded of the importance of prayer and support within our faith community. We kindly ask for your prayers for the children and young adults of Saint Timothy Parish who are diligently preparing to receive the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation in April and May.

These Sacraments mark significant milestones in their spiritual journey, deepening their connection with Christ and His Church.

Let us come together in prayer, asking for God's guidance, strength, and grace to accompany them and their families, and all young people and their families from across our family of parishes, on this transformative journey.

May our prayers uplift and encourage them as they prepare to receive these Holy Sacraments, and may they be filled with the joy and peace of the Holy Spirit.

Thank you for your continued support and may God bless each of you abundantly!

Celebrating Easter's 50 Days

As we continue through the glorious season of Easter, it's essential to remember that for Catholics, Easter is not just a single day but a joyous celebration lasting 50 days.

During this sacred time, our Faith Formation students, their families, and our faithful from St. Timothy Parish and across our family of parishes are invited to immerse ourselves fully in the spirit of the Resurrection and renewal.

There are various ways we can embrace and celebrate Easter throughout these 50 days. We can attend Mass regularly to partake in the Eucharist, where we encounter the Risen Christ. Additionally, we can deepen our prayer life through prayer, scripture, reflection, and participating in devotions such as the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Acts of charity and service to others are also meaningful ways to embody the Easter spirit, spreading Christ's love and joy to those in need.

Let us rejoice in the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ and embrace the fullness of the Easter season with hearts full of gratitude and hope!



FAMILY OF PARISHES EVENTS

LIFE IN THE EUCHARIST RETREAT

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Wednesdays, beginning May 1 and ending May 29

One topic per week will open up the riches of the Eucharist as Celebration, Contemplation, and Communion

Structure of the evening:

Optional time for Adoration in Church

Optional Mass (in Church) at 6:30pm

Main retreat experience in Fr. Cotter Hall 7:00pm

Optional time for Adoration in Church

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST **HOLY NAME NEWS**

Please join us on Tuesday, April 16 at 7:00pm for Mass in the church. Following Mass, we will have our general meeting at approximately 7:30pm in the Reina Community Room. We welcome the speaker for the evening, parish member, Honorable Lawrence J. Vilardo, US District Judge. His topic will be "Justice and Mercy on the Bench". There will be light refreshments available as well. All are invited, mark your calendars and join us!

SPRING BBQ

St. John's Holy Name will be having their **Spring Chiavetta's Chicken Bar-B-Q on Saturday, May 4th** between 4 pm and 6:30 pm (or until sold out). The cost is \$15 per dinner, which includes 1/2 chicken, potato salad, coleslaw, roll & butter and dessert. Drive thru only. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased at the Rectory or from any Holy Name member. The success of this Bar-B-Q helps to fund our projects at St. John's and we thank you for your support.



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ST. TIMOTHY — SPAGHETTI DINNER

We are sponsoring a **Take-Out Spaghetti Dinner on Thursday, April 18 from 4 to 6pm**. Dinner will include salad, Spaghetti with Bolognese meat sauce and garlic bread at a cost of \$12.

This dinner is **pre-order only** and can be reserved by calling Jody McGee at (716) 316-2676. Payment may be made at time of pick-up. Dinner pick-ups will be in St. Martha Chapel on April 18 from 4-6pm **ORDERS MUST BE MADE BY April 15**

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FAMILY OF PARISHES EVENTS



Get your coolers ready for some meat! *Join us at our Meat Raffle for a night of excitement and fun!*

When: Friday, April 26th
Doors open at 6pm and first spin at 7pm

Where: St. Paul's Parish Hall

Price: \$10/person OR \$70 for a table of 8

How: Tickets can be purchased at the office or by calling. You may also contact Ryan Nye at 716-238-2580 or rcnye18@yahoo.com for more information. Venmo payments available upon request

Pop and beer are included with your entry. Feel free to bring your favorite snack to share or whatever other food you'd like.

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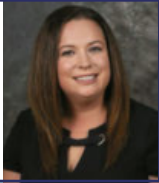
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