

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: (Vigil) 4 PM
Sunday: 10:30 AM
Tuesday & Thursday: 8 AM
Holy Day: Please consult
bulletin.

DEVOTIONS

Holy Rosary: Before daily Masses
Divine Mercy Chaplet:
After daily Mass & 15 min. before
weekend Masses
Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament: Tuesdays after
8 AM Mass until 10:00 AM & Every
First Friday of the month 6-8 pm
including confessions

TRUSTEES

Mr. Al Frosolone
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MASS SCHEDULE

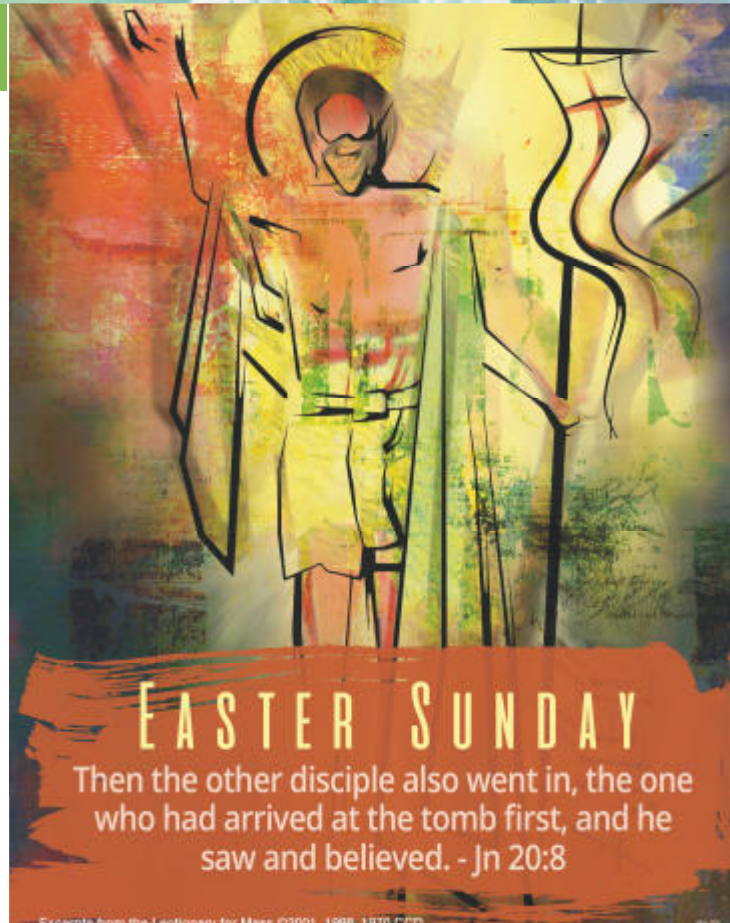
Saturday: (Vigil) 5:30 PM
Sunday: 7:15 AM, 9 AM & 12 PM
Monday-Friday: 12:10 PM.
Holy Day: Please consult bulletin

DEVOTIONS

Novena to our Lady of the
Miraculous Medal:
Mondays 12 PM
Novena to St. John Neumann:
Thursdays after the 12:10
PM Mass
Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament: First Saturday of the
month following 5:30 Mass until
8:00 pm
TRUSTEES: Ms. Carmela
Borgese & Mr. Frederick P.
Case, Jr.

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MISSION STATEMENT

At Divine Mercy Parish, in the spirit of our Christian charity and Catholic faith, we dedicate ourselves to imitate the life and ministry of our Merciful Savior Jesus Christ, who lives in our midst. Through spiritual and corporal works of mercy, we share our faith, build up the community and extend a warm welcome to our friends and visitors. We strive to share our blessings and help the less fortunate.

PASTOR

Rev. Jacek P. Mazur

PERMANENT DEACONS

David P. Slish (DM)
Benjamin R. Marino (SM)

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

COORDINATOR

Ms. Julie Belkota

CHOIRMASTER & ORGANIST

Gary A. Sage

We wish to welcome all visitors, members and children who are worshiping with us today. We pray that worshiping with us will give you a sense of fellowship with Christ and with us as God's people, as well as comfort and strength for all your needs. If you have no church of your own, we invite you to join us. But above all, we invite you to come worship with us at any time.

MISSION STATEMENT

At St. Mary of the Cataract R.C. Parish, in the Spirit of St. John Neumann, our mission is to provide the local community and the faithful visiting the majestic Falls with the opportunity to experience the presence of Jesus in our midst and in the Sacraments. We dedicate ourselves to teach our Catholic Faith and how to live it daily. We strive to share our blessings and help the less fortunate.



**DIVINE MERCY
MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

Saturday, April 3 - Holy Saturday

10:00 AM **Blessing of the Easter Baskets**

Sunday, April 4 - Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

10:30 AM +Robert Koperski, req. by Linda Edwards
Intentions Included in Our Easter Novena

Tuesday, April 6

8:00 AM For the Souls of All the Faithful Departed
& for All the Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, April 8

8:00 AM +Mary Ann Zak, req. by Napoleon Family
Living & Deceased Parishioners of Divine
Mercy Parish & St. Mary of the Cataract,
req. by Fr. Mazur

Saturday, April 10 - Sunday of Divine Mercy

4:00 pm +Robert Koperski, req. by Brother in Law
Mark
For the Souls of All the Faithful Departed
& for All the Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, April 11 - Sunday of Divine Mercy

10:30 AM +Rozalie Gmar, req. by Dorothy & Paul
+Wanda & Jan Niemiec, req. by Family




**This Week the Sanctuary
Candle at Divine Mercy
will burn in loving
memory of:**

Anthony & Mary Gornicki
req. by **Ann Smith &
Antoinette & Dave Louden**



**ST. MARY OF THE CATARACT
MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

Saturday, April 3 - Holy Saturday

12:00 PM **Blessing of the Easter Baskets**

5:30 PM +Rose Koelle, req. by Patti & Bill Rougeux
& Family
The Aldrich Family - The Stender Family

Sunday, April 4 - Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

7:15 AM +Leona Frank, req. by Family
9:00 AM +Ersilia Alvini, req. by Lucia Centofanti
12:00 PM +Gerard Ashby, req. by Family

Monday, April 5

12:00 PM Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal
12:10 PM +John Goodall, req. by Family

Tuesday, April 6

12:10 PM +Harold DesPres, req. by Wife Anne

Thursday, April 8

12:10 PM +Brian O'Laughlin, req. by Peter & Lynn
DeLoreto & Joseph & Margaret DeLoreto

Friday, April 9

12:10 PM +Eric Siegel

Saturday, April 10 - Sunday of Divine Mercy

5:30 PM +Rose F. Koelle, req. by Patti & Billy
Rougeux & Family

Sunday, April 11 - Sunday of Divine Mercy

7:15 AM Donald Aldick, req. by the Stender Family
Fr. Mazur, req. by the Stender Family
9:00 AM +George Slipko, req. by Son Alfred
12:00 PM Madison Martino, Mary DeLoreto



DIVINE MERCY & ST. MARYS OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
FOR THE EASTER HOLIDAY ON MONDAY APRIL 5TH.



Best wishes to All Parishioners, may the blessings of the Lord guide you, protect you and be with you on Easter and always



Have a Healthy, Blessed and Warm Easter!

-Fr. Jacek Mazur

“Would you like Prayers said for anyone Family or Friend that you know of who is sick (seriously ill) or dying” The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be said daily for their intentions by the 21 Members of The Divine Mercy Cenacle Group. Call 297-2738 to request Prayers! Leave message.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, APRIL 11TH

Please join us for Mass, Adoration, Confession, Prayer - Silent Adoration Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet throughout the afternoon.

See schedule posted on doors in Church

Beginning in 2015, [The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y., Inc.](#) (“Foundation”) began soliciting donations to its “Upon this Rock” (“UTR”) capital and endowment campaign. The UTR campaign raised funds for many purposes, including soliciting funds for making essential upgrades to classroom facilities and technology of Christ the King Seminary (“CKS”), expanding CKS’s role as a center of retreat and religious celebration, and establishing an endowment fund for CKS. Unfortunately, in early 2020, CKS’s Board of Trustees determined that CKS would close at the end of the 2020-2021 academic year. CKS’s closure will make it impossible for the Foundation to use the UTR funds raised for CKS for their original intended purposes. However, under New York law, when the original purposes for which funds are donated become impossible to achieve, those purposes can be modified in a manner consistent with original intent by the New York State courts. For many years, CKS provided education and formation for ordained and lay ecclesial ministers in the Diocese of Buffalo and beyond. Accordingly, the Foundation has asked the New York State Supreme Court for the County of Erie to approve a modification of the purposes of UTR funds raised for CKS so that those funds can be used to support the education and formation for ordained and lay ecclesial ministry in the Diocese of Buffalo, as determined in the discretion of the Foundation’s Board.

If you have donated to UTR and would like to be heard regarding this requested modification, you may send a letter to: The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y., Inc., attention Executive Director, 795 Main Street, Buffalo, N.Y. 14203 or an email to donor.info@frcdb.org. Copies of letters or email received by the Foundation will be provided to the Court. You may also make a formal filing in the legal proceeding entitled *Matter of the Modification of Endowment Funds of The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo N.Y., Inc.*, Erie County Index No. 814747/2020. In order for your submission to be available for the Court’s consideration, please be sure to send any letter or email, or make any filing, no later than Friday, April 9, 2021.

Please join us at St. Mary’s in praying the Rosary for our Country and our Holy Catholic Church, on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday at 11:40 AM, and on Friday following the 12:10 Mass. Holy Mother of God, pray for us.

Please keep our Military in your prayers:

Christopher Ganczewski, Roy David Collin, Peter Cali, Thomas Human, Maria Morinello, David Alvarez, Michael Ferusi, Kathryn Mitchell,



Please pray for our sick Divine Mercy & St. Mary’s Parishioners: Ryan Cali, Rebecca Cali-Cuddahee, Marie Venti, Cheryl Ryan, Loretta Dominick, Stephanie Borelis, Pauline Dempsey, Hugh Mellan, Ginny Sukmanowski, Cindy Rodenas, Sandy Krajkowski, Eugene Piotrowski, Jamison Hokanson, Donna Robbins, Joseph Inzana, Peter Sinclair, Gabby Parisi, Lori Kozera, Julia Harrigan, Todd Schwartz, Rosemarie Pyra



This Week the Sanctuary Candle at St. Mary’s will burn in loving memory of:

Harris & Mary Williams

req. by the Williams Family



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Who are you? This question was most assuredly asked of Jesus on the day of resurrection and it is a question asked of each of us. Our identities can be described in so many ways. We can start with our gifts and our talents, expertise and unique personality expressions. We can describe things we like and things we prefer to set aside. As descriptive and captivating as these can be, none come close to our essence, our real and true self. While accurate in their own right, the self who lives and interacts with the world is the self we want others to see, the one we project. But there is much more to us just as there is much more to Jesus.

Jesus could describe himself based on all of the same criteria we use for ourselves. After all, Jesus is totally human. With all that people witnessed and all that Jesus knew about his physical human self, his divinity also shined forth. There was so much more to know about him. Whereas once Jesus was transfigured on top of a mountain before his disciples' eyes, so today he is transfigured before our eyes as he reveals his resurrected self as the Christ. Alleluia, Christ is risen! His glorified presence stands before us showing us that we are all much more than we see ourselves to be and show to others. We have a depth, purpose, and essence that go way beyond the superficial treasures of our existence to the very core of who we are.

Within each one of us is a spark of Divine Love where creature and Creator meet, and we are known uniquely by the name God whispers to us. It is not the earthly name that was given to us but the one that flows from Divine Power and claims us as one who is special and chosen in God's eyes. This is the self that will rise one day with the eternal Christ of God and live eternally as God provides. This is the self that when free from all superficial constraints layered upon it in this life can discover and know freedom in a way never possible before. This is love lifting us up and transforming us into who we really are, not who we want or need ourselves to be. Who are you? A special, unique child of God who has been fashioned in God's image, sustained by the power of God's love and kept eternally with the Blessed Trinity in heaven. Get to know this deeper, truer self as it is who you really are.

The word "Alleluia" is written in a large, stylized, gothic-style font. The letters are filled with a pattern of small dots, giving it a textured appearance. The word is centered at the bottom of the page.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday & Sunday before each Mass and by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Arrangements to be made in advance. A pre-baptismal instruction is required for all parents prior to the date of baptism. Call the parish office for application. Godparents must present a letter of recommendation.

MARRIAGE

Congratulations! Arrangements must be made at least 6 months in advance. Couples are required to attend a Pre-Cana Conference, or equivalent pre-marriage preparation program. A parish Pre-Cana program is available. Contact the parish office for information.

NEW PARISHIONERS

You are welcome! Contact the parish office.

VISITATION OF SICK/CARE FOR THE SICK

Parishioners who are in spiritual need may contact Fr. Mazur at 282-0059 or 284-6641. Please notify the parish office of parishioners confined to their home or hospital.

RCIA: RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

We welcome those wishing information and instruction:

- ◆ Non - baptized persons desiring the Sacrament of Baptism for themselves or their children
 - ◆ Those seeking the fullness of faith as members of the Catholic Church
 - ◆ Those Catholics wishing to complete the Sacraments of First Eucharist and/or Confirmation
- Please call 946-1403 for more information

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Gladly given to those registered members of the parish (*at least 3 months*) who have received the 3 Sacraments of Initiation; practice their faith regularly and support the parish through their sharing of time, talents and treasures.

Are you struggling with addiction of any kind and in need of a support system and/or just someone to talk with confidentially? Please call 284-6641 for more information.

WLOF 101.7 FM You can listen to our pastor, Fr. Jacek Mazur on Tuesdays at 8:00pm or Sundays at 11:00am as he speaks about aspects of the message of Divine Mercy as revealed by Jesus to St. Maria Faustina. Or you can listen by logging to: www.stationofthecross.com, under: PODCASTS click: Divine Mercy in my Soul.

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