

#### **Eucharist:**

Saturday: 4:00pm-Wilson

5:30pm Newfane Sunday: 8:30am-Newfane,

9:45am-Olcott (Memorial Day-Labor Day)

11:00am-Wilson

Tues & Thurs: 8:30am-Newfane Mon., Wed & Fri: 8:30am-Wilson

#### **Baptisms:**

**Infant**: Parents are to call the office a few Weeks before the anticipated Baptism to make arrangements and class with Father. **Adult**: To join the Catholic faith, please

call the office.

#### **Reconciliation:**

Sat. 3:30pm Wilson, Sun. 8:00am Newfane or by arrangement with Father.

#### **Anointing of the Sick:**

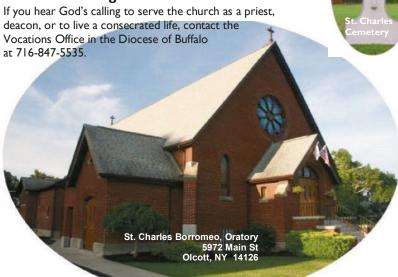
Anytime day or night. Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is offered upon request. In case of emergency call Father 716-778-9822 ext 11.

#### Holy Matrimony:

Registered parishioners who are members of our faith community are asked to notify the office at least six months prior to the anticipated wedding date.

A marriage preparation course is required of all couples.

#### Ordination/Religious life:



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#### Roman Catholic Parish

### Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: January 15 & 16, 2022

#### Mission Statement

To create a spiritual atmosphere, with a prophetic vision, that educates, empowers and challenges the community to build the Kingdom of God.

#### Parish and Faith Formation Office

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Office Hours - Monday - Thursday 9:00am-12:00n/12:30-4:00pm



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#### **New Parishioners:**

New members are warmly welcomed to our parish. You may register your family by calling the Parish Office at 778-9822.



#### **ORDINARY TIME**

Saturday, Jan 15 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Vigil

4:00pm, Wilson - St. Brendan's All Soul's Remembrance 5:30pm, Newfane - Elizabeth Hogan, req. Mickie Kramp

Sunday, Jan 16 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am, Newfane - Parishioners of St. Brendan, req. Fr. Andrew

I I:00am, Wilson - Brett Harvey, req. Clare Oakes

Monday, Jan 17 St. Anthony

8:30am, Wilson - St. Brendan's All Souls Remembrance 4:00-7:00pm, Newfane - Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday, Jan 18

8:30am, Newfane - Lord's Helpers, req. Jane Cutter

Wednesday, Jan 19

8:30am, Wilson - St. Brendan's Mother's Day Intention

Thursday, Jan 20 St. Fabian, pope

8:30am, Newfane – Richard Drake, req. Margaret Shellberry

Friday, Jan 21 St. Agnes

8:30am, Wilson - Joe Bittner, req. Tom & Pat Thurston

Saturday, Jan 22 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Vigil

4:00pm, Wilson - Joseph Kovach, req Janice Schroeder 5:30pm, Newfane - Connie Gresock, req. Mickie Kramp

Sunday, Jan 23 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am, Newfane - Denise Wagner, req. Krencik Family II:00am, Wilson - St. Brendan's Mother's Day Intention

Rosary - 20 minutes before All Weekend Masses
Divine Mercy Chaplet - 10 minutes before daily Mass
Liturgy of Hours - Daily Masses celebrated with Morning Prayers
1st Friday Devotion - Prayers to the Sacred Heart and Divine
Mercy Adoration following morning Mass in Wilson.
Adoration - every Monday (4-7pm), Newfane

**Blessed Mother Mary Novena** - Every Thursday evening 6:00pm, in Olcott (May to October)

 $\mbox{\bf Sick \& Homebound}$  - will continue after covid pandemic on the 1st Friday of the month.

**PLEASE REMEMBER** to pray for the sick especially Layton Oliphant, Jim Hamner, Gene Pacia, Heather McCoy, Cecelia Fitzsimmons, Isabel Arrendondo, Margaret Shellberry, Joseph Guido, Louise Doty, Jeffery Antoncich, **and those who have died** especially Annette Marie Frieri

**Prayer Chain:** The Prayer chain is a ministry dedicated to members who pray for the needs of others. Members pray daily for a week for each request. Office 778-9822, or Melanie 434-7695, Sandy 778-7391, Mickie 778-8694; Carolyn 778-8131, Sue 778-9323; Kathy 433-2499; Eileen 434-5978; Marcia 434-8104.

#### **PARISH NEWS**

**Prayer Shawl Ministry thanks** for the yarn donation. Also this month we're going to meet during the day! It will be Jan. 31st from 2-4pm in the conference room at the Newfane site. Please come! Questions please call Jan Kerth at 793-3354 or Carol Hartwig at 751-6300. God Bless!

**St. Blaise Blessing of the Throats** will be following the morning Mass in Newfane on February 3rd. Fr. Andrew will also bless throats at the Weekend Masses, February 5th and 6th. St. Blaise was a Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia and was martyred for his faith in the year 316. St Blaise became one of the most popular saints during the Middle Ages, being invoked as a helper in times of sickness related to the throat. The tradition of blessing the throats of parishioners with two crossed candles has been popular for centuries.

Attention 7th-12th Graders!!! Have you been waiting for an opportunity to mingle with peers and share fun and faith? Great News! St. Brendan on the Lake has teamed up with Immaculate Conception in Ransomville to form a joint youth ministry group. If you are interested in participating call Jim Cantella at (716) 534-0696. The meeting on February 10<sup>th</sup> will take place here at St. Brendan's at the Newfane site at 6:30pm.

**2022 Envelopes** are in the back of the church. If you can not find your envelopes, sign the sheet located on the table where the envelopes are, or contact the office. If you don't have envelopes and would like to have them please call the office to register to become members of our church.

Interested in Becoming Catholic? Do you know someone who is interested in joining the Catholic faith, or maybe fell behind in their sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation)? If so, this is a good time of year to begin inquiry and pursuit. All who are interested are encouraged to contact the rectory office. The sacramental journey may be different for everyone, but Fr. Andrew will be available to answer your questions and determine a suitable course for you. Please share this message with anyone who may be interested in beginning or advancing in their sacramental journey of faith.

**Wintery Snow Storm**: When Newfane or Wilson schools are closed because of the weather conditions; the church and church office will also be closed.

**St. Brendan is now Live Streaming** our Mass on the weekend. Check our webpage at stbrendanonthelake.org for information on livestreaming. Remember that the general dispensation is discontinued, join us if you are able. Access depends on availability of broadcasters.

#### Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Jan 15 & 16, 2022

#### FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE 2021-2022

Jan. 16, – No Class - Martin Luther King, Jr. Jan. 23, – 8th Grade FF Mass – Class 9:30-10:30am Feb. 6, – 7th Grade FF Mass – Class 9:30-10:30am

\*Every family is required to attend Weekend Mass\*

Jan 22 & 23

Scripture Readings Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 I Corinthians 12:12-30 Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

### The Mask Mandate and the Body of Christ

Here we are just having begun the Year of Grace 2022, and to our disappointment, are still dealing with Covid 19 and the inconvenience of safety protocols that come with it. I'm sure that news of the reinstatement of the mask mandate left many of us displeased, especially after we thought it to be over and done with. In response, some parishioners have asked if we can forgo this mandate, and others have refused to wear the mask at worship. Others have refused to attend Mass as long as the mandate is in effect, and still others have expressed their objection in less prudent ways. While it can be admitted that none of us enjoy wearing the masks, it must be noted that this mandate comes from the Diocese of Buffalo and applies to all parishes, and is therefore not negotiable at the parish level. As Catholics, we sometimes have the duty to challenge civil lawmakers in defense of our morals, but we must respect Church governance.

While there are some among us who resent the mandate, there are also some who have greater cause for concern regarding the health of themselves and those with whom they are in frequent contact. Such parishioners have expressed feeling uncomfortable at Mass, and some have been deterred by those refusing to wear masks. Observing this reveals a greater pastoral concern, one not only dealing with protecting our bodies from viruses, but with protecting the Body of Christ from divisiveness and other attitudes that sadden its communion. It goes without saying that we are enduring a time of frustration, fear, mixed information, tension and many other things, but we cannot forget that it is our duty to be Christ to our fellow members of His body, and to sustain our communion with them. This is a higher priority than winning scientific arguments or making our positions known through impactful gestures. Only through compassion and solidarity can the Body of Christ remain unified, and this unity is crucial at a time when there are many things driving us apart. As we tire of wearing our masks, and some of us feel confident in the face of the pandemic, we must remember that also in our family are those who have more serious vulnerabilities and those who have lost loved ones to the pandemic. It should not be expected that they be on the same level of comfort and confidence, and it is our duty to be mindful of their concerns, and to help them to feel welcome at the Eucharistic table.

Remember that when Jesus was about to undergo His passion He prayed to the Father that the unity among all of His people would be brought about by His sacrifice (John 17:21). We also know that Jesus is our Good Shepherd, always seeking out those who stray from the flock. It is our duty to have the same concern for keeping the flock together. Jesus, being completely without sin, underwent a brutal punishment to heal the divisions that sin has caused. I'm sure we'd agree that wearing a mask is a much smaller imposition then what Jesus endured.

Mindful of our duty to maintain compassion, solidarity, and communion, I ask that you respect the current requirement. Of course, while some of us may have breathing difficulties, or might need little "breathing breaks," this is understandable and permissable, but may our unity remain our greater concern. In solidarity and compassion, let us assist each other in moving beyond this tough episode with Christ as our guide.

Thank you for your cooperation, Fr. Andrew

#### **Ministries**

4:00pm-Wilson
Lector
Janet Johnson
Eucharistic Minister
Maureen Scalzo
Altar Servers
Danielle

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5:30pm-Newfane Lector Amy Schuler Eucharistic Minister Katie Shaw Lou Michel Altar Servers Jacob Lundy

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8:30am-Newfane
Lector
Pat Thurston
Eucharistic Minister
Cindy Robertson
Liz Secord-Smith
Altar Servers
Mathew & Brianna
Kline

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II:00am-Wilson
Lector
Kaela Doty
Eucharistic Minister
Sandy Walch
Altar Servers
Mary & Sophia

#### **COLLECTION**

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Tax Statement

If you would like to receive your tax statement for the year 2021, you can fill out this form and drop in the collection baskets, or mark your envelope 'Tax Statement'

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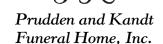
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