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We at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church Parish follow the word of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We are dedicated to engaging our entire faith community in acts of worship, ministry, service and mission.

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Saturday Vigil: 4 PM
Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9 AM, 11:15 AM & 6PM
Daily Mass 9 AM
(Mon.-Thurs. Chapel, Fri., Sat., Sun. Church)
Holy Days: 5 PM Vigil, 7 AM, 9 AM, 7 PM



CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday 3:00PM, also every first Saturday of the month after 9:00AM Mass
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
First Friday: 9:30 AM—12:00 Noon
FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION
Rosary after 9:00AM Mass

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**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 8, 2019**

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 8, 2019

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2019—Vigil

4:00PM Robert P. Daigler by Alice & family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2019—SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30AM Arlene Roberts by Jay & Ellen Young

9:00AM Sen. Walter J. Floss, Jr.
by Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Carubba

11:15AM Marlene Pridgeon by Barbara & Peter Sullivan

6:00PM Edward W. Guzdek, Sr. by Mark Manna

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2019 THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Patronal Feastday of the USA (not a holy day of obligation)

9:00AM Henry Jurek by friends of Henry Jurek
Rose Marie DiVencenzo by Deb O'Neill
(CHURCH)

7:00PM Samuel Ward by his estate (CHAPEL)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2019

9:00AM Walter Owcarz by the family

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2019—St. Damasus I, pope

9:00AM Earl Edbauer (Anniversary of Death)
by wife & children

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2019—Our Lady of Guadalupe

9:00AM Jamie Badding by the family

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2019—St. Lucy, virgin and martyr

9:00AM People of the Parish by Fr. Bob
Patricia Weaver by Gerald Wild

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2019—St. John of the Cross, priest and doctor of the Church

9:00AM Lois Owcarz by the family

4:00PM Marcia Gerace by Thomas Nelson

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2019—THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30AM Francis & Fannie Bolognese
by Patricia & John Rapp

9:00AM Gerhard Diegelman by wife & family

11:15AM Angeline Diliberto by the family

6:00PM Ted Randazzo by John & Amy Persons

PLEASE NOTE: 7AM MASSES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. If you have a 7AM intention already scheduled, it will now be combined with the 9AM Mass for that date.

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS - for those who require a low gluten host, please proceed down the center aisle to receive communion and make your request known to the priest or Eucharistic minister. One or the other will have a special ciborium with low gluten hosts and will be able to accommodate you.

REFLECTION OF THIS WEEK'S READING— What does it mean to be worthy? There are a few different ways to approach this question. Today's Gospel highlights two: the way of the Pharisees and the way of John the Baptist. Our faith values good works and discipleship. Perhaps, then, we "earn" our worth by adhering to the right doctrines and following the right pious practice. The Pharisees thought they were worthy. Due to their religious pedigree and proper procedures, they were self-satisfied. John the Baptist's words to them are strong. *"Do not resume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.'"* Of course, Jesus (and John) don't omit the responsibility for moral behavior. John gives the Pharisees quite a strong warning in that regard. *"Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance ... every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."*

It's a question of attitude. Of disposition. It's a matter of the heart. If anyone would be worthy in this scenario, it's John the Baptist. Jesus himself will name him the greatest of prophets and a great man. John, however, recognizes his own lowly place in the grand scheme of things. *"The one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals."* The Pharisees take pride in being "better" than others. John embraces humility in Christ being "better" than him. We don't self-generate our own worthiness. We receive it as a gift from God.

In a few short weeks, we'll celebrate the birth of Christ. Bishop Ven. Fulton Sheen wrote about the Nativity in his "Life of Christ": "Because [Jesus] was born in a cave, all who wish to see Him must stoop. To stoop is the mark of humility. The proud refuse to stoop and, therefore, they miss divinity." God invites us to prepare our hearts this Advent. When you consider your own life, where are you looking for your worth? This Christmas, are you prepared to stoop?

Mt 3:1-12

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READINGS DURING THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]

Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13
Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10
Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17
[cf. 8]/Lk 1:5-25

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16,
18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

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VOCATION VIEW—We are urged to "prepare the way of the Lord!" God has called some men and women to show His children how to do this through their leadership as priests and religious brothers and sisters. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535.

PREPARE NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Is 35:1-6a, 10/ Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 [Is 35:4]/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11

"This is the one about whom it is written:

Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you;
he will prepare your way before you.

Amen, I say to you, among those born of women there has been none greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he." - Mt 11:10-11

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From the Pastor

What a picture the Gospel paints today. John the Baptist is preaching in the desert wearing camel's hair and a leather belt. His food is desert food, grasshoppers and wild honey. He does not have anything sophisticated in his desert life. Yet this man, living a primitive lifestyle, lacking proper food and clothes, has become an attraction and a magnet. Why? The sophisticated needed God and did not find God in their lifestyles. We heard in the Gospel that the whole of the Judean countryside and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem were going out to John in the desert. Nothing like this had ever before happened. Previously if you wanted to meet God you went to the temple in Jerusalem. Now those in Jerusalem literally turned their backs to the temple and went out into the desert to John. He was preparing for Jesus who would replace the temple as the way to the Father. A second strange thing is that they were all baptized by John. Previously, only those converting to Judaism and becoming Jews were baptized to symbolize leaving their old way of life behind. Now the whole Judean countryside and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem were being baptized by John for forgiveness of their sins. This also shows there is something new occurring and an old way of life is being left behind. Who is coming? John explains:

"One more powerful than I is coming after me. I am not even fit to carry his sandals. He it is who will baptize in with the Holy Spirit and fire" (Matthew 3)

We receive a different grace during every season of the Church year and there is a grace for us also this Advent. I think by looking at the Scripture readings this weekend we can see the graces for us. A grace for us this Advent is to make more room for Jesus in our lives.

John the Baptist prepared the whole of Judea and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem to receive Jesus. During Advent, the Church, like John the Baptist, encourages us to prepare for Jesus. Like them, we can only prepare properly for Jesus by freeing up time in our lives to spend with Jesus. It is good to remember that this time before Christmas is to be for us a holy time, a holy season. The greatest prayer is the Mass so praying at daily Mass, if it were possible to attend daily, would be a great way to make room in our lives for Jesus. We want to pray in other ways every day. Prayer should be an important part of every day. Prayer doesn't just fall out of the trees, prayer needs to be fed. We feed our prayer by reading Scripture just as when you talk to a friend you talk about what is on your mind. Read a passage from the Bible and then pray. Also the Rosary is a great prayer. As we spend time in prayer it is good to remember that God wants us to be intimate with him. The first reading today reminded us that God is like a shepherd who wants to take us up into his arms. When you pray allow God to take you up into his arms.

Advent then, is a grace for us to think about and long for the End and the Second Coming of Jesus when all of God's plans will finally be realized just as Jesus was the realization of Old Testament hopes. John the Baptist prepared the people for Jesus who would replace the temple as the way to the Father and a grace for us this Advent is the new Roman Missal whose prayers are expressed much more accurately to reflect our faith and feed our faith. Advent is a time of grace, it comes around just once before this Christmas. ~FR. BOB



DECEMBER 9TH IS THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OBSERVED. We invite you to join us at Mass as we honor Mary under the title that we were given by Pope Pius IX in the 1800's. Each country throughout the world has a patroness or patron. Our Masses are on Monday, Dec. 9th, 9AM in church and 7PM in the Chapel. (This year it is not a holy day of obligation, as the Holy Day falls on a Sunday).



GIVING TREE—The spirit of giving and helping those in need are intricate parts of our Church community. **This is our 20th year of offering the Giving Tree** for the many men, women and children in our area that desperately need our prayers and thoughtful assistance. **There has been some concern in the past that certain suggested gifts seemed unusual. It is important to note that many of the individuals on our tree have special circumstances, including:** mental illness, physical illness, chemical addictions and abusive situations at home. We thank you for your understanding and sensitivity. The list of organizations participating this year include: St. Mary's Families Frank A. Sedita Academy – School 30 - Third Grade Students BestSelf Family Connections BestSelf Recovery Connections - Erie Co. Holding Center, Alden Correctional Facility, Niagara Co. Correctional Facility St Luke's Mission West Side Ministries Compass House Vive Shelter Response to Love Center Gerard Place International Institute of Buffalo ~Human Trafficking and Mercy Comprehensive Care Center **Ornaments are available.** Please read the instructions on the front and back of the ornament and return your unwrapped gift in a holiday bag (under the Giving Tree) **NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 14th/15th.** We have committed to delivering a gift to every one of the individuals on the giving tree. Please make sure to return a gift if you take an ornament. Please call Sue Snyder at 465-8917 or Joan Clover 870-3582 with any questions.



"WARM TREE" - When all of the ornaments are taken off our **GIVING TREE**, it's time to start bringing in hats, mittens, and scarves to place on the tree. These will be distributed to those in need.



WOMEN'S CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH Retreat weekend... Don't miss out on this wonderful weekend experience! **SAVE THE DATE (February 29th-March 1, 2020).** **CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH** is a retreat experience inviting parishioners to experience personal faith renewal and Christian community in the warm environment of our parish. This opportunity is a gift from the parish community and free to all who attend. We know the Holiday Season is a busy time of year and this date may seem far away, however, we want everyone interested to have enough time to plan ahead. Watch the bulletin for further details.

ST. MARY'S CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH ALUMNI SOCIAL—Saturday, January 11th, 7-10PM, Parish Center Gym. All Alumni and significant other are invited. This is a wonderful evening to meet and connect with CRHP Alumni, share food, stories and reconnect your faith with our community. Featuring beer and wine tastings. All are encouraged to bring a dish or dessert to pass (visit St. Mary's website for details). Admission is free (free-will offering is appreciated). You must be registered to attend. RSVP to Dale Lesinski at dlesinski@divalsafety.com or return attached to the rectory or drop into the collection basket.

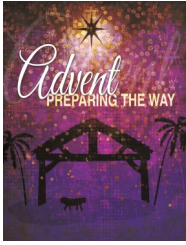
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Phone # _____

Email _____

Number attending _____

CRHP Team # (if known) _____ # Attending _____



Ready your Heart for Christmas - Our Advent Penance Service will take place on Monday, December 16th at 7:00PM in the church.

Taizé Prayer Service - Are you thinking about the mountain of holiday preparations ahead of you? Are you wondering how you can put Christ back in to Christmas? Our Advent Taizé prayer service might be just what you need to center your mind and heart on the importance of the season. Please join us on December 12th at 7:00 in the chapel.

Taizé prayer is a meditative form of prayer. Through the repetition of musical phrases over and over, the body and mind slow down enough to be able to listen to the voice of God that is planted deep within you.

Taizé prayer is traditionally held in a darkened church lit by candles. One aspect of the prayer involves icons, pictures painted by artists while in prayer, role models of greatness the church has highlighted for centuries. We see icons of Jesus, Mary, the prophets, and the saints displayed during Taizé prayer, but it is important to note that we do not worship these icons. They are merely reminders to us that we can shape our lives to reflect the sacred majesty of God. They speak to us of dying and rising in our daily lives through their living example.

The monastery at Taizé, France, has become popular, especially for young adults around the world, and as many as 10,000 people at a time gather to participate in Taizé prayer.

ADULT ALTAR SERVER TRAINING: Saturday December 14th, 10AM Meet in Room 108 of the Parish Center. Altar servers are men and women who assist the priest at the altar for the daily 9 AM Mass (Monday through Saturday) and Funerals in the Chapel and the Church. After training, servers can sign up for a two week commitment. Daily Mass is served in the first week and any scheduled Funerals are served in the second week. If you are interested in learning more about this ministry, please come to this training session. For more information, contact Dick Marchessault (221-0046 [voice or text]).

LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING—Monday, December 9th at 11AM in the Rectory. All those involved in liturgy are encouraged to attend.

OPLATEK—THE BLESSED CHRISTMAS WAFER - This wafer commemorates a custom that is many centuries old. Oplatek, from Latin "Oblatum" - the Holy Bread - is "Our Christmas Oblation." It is sometimes referred to as the Bread of Angels. Breaking and sharing this Christmas wafer in traditional ways, we make our Christmas oblation of best wishes to family and friends, accompanied by expressions of forgiveness. Thus, we share harmony and joy in Christ as the Christmas festival family of God. **The Christmas Wafer will be available after all Masses December 14/15.**

RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT APPEAL—2ND COLLECTION This weekend, your donation works for aging religious community sisters and brothers by helping to furnish medications, nursing care, and more. Please support the collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious, and give to those who have given a lifetime. Thank you for your generosity.

BEST Advent EVER Join Matthew Kelly, and the Dynamic Catholic team for BEST ADVENT EVER—a free email program that will help you enjoy a few minutes of peace and prayer each day during the hectic Holidays! Take the first step toward discovering the BestAdventEver.com



Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction During Advent Tuesdays, December 10th and 17th 7:30-8:30PM in the Chapel. Come and spend an hour with Our Lord in the Eucharist. This is a great opportunity to spend a little time in prayer or experience a little sacred silence during the busy weeks before Christmas. Join our Deacons on Tuesdays during Advent for Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction. All are welcome.



2020 MARCH FOR LIFE IN WASHINGTON, D.C. Come join fellow Western New Yorkers as they march to save the lives of the unborn. Buses will leave early Thursday, Jan. 23, expected 3PM hotel arrival in order to attend 5PM Opening Mass at the beautiful Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

Friday morning includes Mass, breakfast with speaker, noon rally, 1PM March for Life and home that evening. (Youth Rally's schedule different-see brochure.) For details and registration form, get brochure at <https://www.buffalodiocese.org/prolife-events#marchforlife> For questions, contact parishioner Gina Lauer at 570-6762. **(Note: Hotel reservation deadline is Dec. 20; registration form deadline Dec. 27.)**



"Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you; before you were born, I sanctified you."

~Jeremiah 1:5

JAMES—Pearls for Wise Living—SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY 10:30AM-noon, from Jan 5 to Mar 29. *Attend when you can.* (confirmed teens welcomed). Enjoy refreshments. Socialize. Your registration helps us to schedule an appropriate meeting place. Register soon at <https://tinyurl.com/JamesRegister> or call the Faith Formation office (688-0599).

Have You Been Confirmed? Would you like to be?

- Are you an adult (over 18) who has already been Baptized and currently receive Eucharist, but never Confirmed?
- Would you like to prepare for the sacrament of Confirmation and receive it this spring (late May or early June)?
- Contact Deacon Rick if you would like to participate in Adult Confirmation Preparation beginning in January 2020. You can reach Deacon Rick via email at rstachura@rochester.rr.com or via cell at 716-698-3182.



Women of our Parish: Daughters of Mary Mothers Group invite you to an evening of friendship, faith, and food as we celebrate the 12 Days of Christmas. Thursday, December 12 at 7pm in room 108 of the Parish Center. This is a great opportunity to invite a friend and introduce them to the St. Mary's community. Please bring a snack to share and RSVP to Elizabeth Forman at 691-6554 or daughtersofmary815@gmail.com



The Children's Choir will be singing at the 4:15PM Mass on Christmas Eve and again on January 5 at 9AM for the Epiphany. Rehearsals in Room 009 will be held on Saturday, Dec. 14 from 11:15AM-12:30PM, Dec. 21 from 11:00AM-12:30PM and Saturday, Jan. 4 from 11:00AM-12:15PM. All students in grades 2-8 are welcomed to sing for the praise and glory of God. For more information, Contact Jennifer Girzone at jlgirzone@verizon.net



ST. MARY'S
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Thanksgiving Luncheon: A Cherished Tradition

Each year, with gratitude for all that God has given, St. Mary School's entire staff and student body gathers as one with beloved school volunteers as well as rectory and faith formation staff for a Thanksgiving feast! We are especially grateful to our kitchen staff for preparing such a tasty meal and to our school parents for serving it so lovingly.



**Please Join Us for
Our 2019 Forever Young Christmas Party
Wednesday, December 11, 2019
Sean Patrick's Restaurant
3480 Millersport Highway, Getzville, NY 14068**



**Cash Bar—6:30 pm
Dinner— 7:15 pm
Entertainment by Kirk McWhorter
Back in the Day—50's and 60's
Choice of dinner (includes gratuity)
Chicken Marsala (\$28)
Salmon (\$30)
New York 10 oz. Strip Steak (\$34)
All dinners include potato soup, salad, parsley buttered potato,
vegetable medley, rolls/butter, ice cream and coffee or tea.**

Forever Young Christmas Party—Wednesday, December 11, 2019

To insure your reservation, please fill out this form to include your name, meal selections and a check made payable to *Forever Young* and mail to: Paul Weber—5821 Forest Creek Drive— East Amherst, NY 14051

Name: _____ Dinner Choice: _____

Name: _____ Dinner Choice: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

DINNER SELECTIONS INCLUDE:

Chicken Marsala (\$28)

Salmon (\$30)

New York 10 oz. Strip Steak (\$34)

Contact Paul at 689-7641 or weberpc63@gmail.com with questions or special needs.

**Calendar for the Week of
December 8th-December 14th**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8TH DONUT SOCIAL FOLLOWING
THE 7:30 & 9AM MASSES (CAF)**

8:00AM-11:30AM	RCIA (105)
8:30AM-NOON	CHILDREN'S LITURGY (110,111)
10:15-11:00AM	FFF WORKSHOPS (CH,108,112)
11:00-NOON	SMS GIRLS 3/4 B-BALL (G)
5:00-6:00PM	MS LESSONS (110,111)
7:00-8:00PM	HS LESSONS (110,111)

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 9TH IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
9AM (NC) 7:00PM (CH)**

11:00AM-NOON	LITURGY MTG. (R)
2:15-5:30PM	JUST FOR KIDS (108,110)
4:30-6:00PM	SMS BOYS 5/6 B-BALL (G)
6:00-7:15PM	SMS GIRLS 3/4 B-BALL (G)
6:30-10:00PM	NAR-ANON (008,009)
7:00-9:00PM	BOY SCOUT MTG. #92 (110,111)
7:00-9:00PM	PRAISE & WORSHIP GRP. (108)
8:00-10:30PM	MEN'S B-BALL (G)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10TH

10:00-11:30AM	LITTLE ROCK BIBLE (110,111)
NOON-2:00PM	DEPT. DIRECTORS MTG. (R)
2:15-5:30PM	JUST FOR KIDS (108,110)
2:30-4:00PM	SMS GIRLS B-BALL 6/7/8 PRACTICE (G)
5:30-7:30PM	SMS BOYS 3/4 B-BALL & 5/6 GAMES (G)
6:30-7:15PM	FFF WORKSHOPS (CAF,CH,110,111)
6:30-8:00PM	DAISY MTG. #30334 (008)
7:00-8:30PM	ST. MARY BAND RHSL. (009)
7:00-9:00PM	FINANCE COUNCIL MTG. (R)
7:30-8:30PM	CONFESSION (CH)
7:30-8:30PM	EUCH. ADORATION (CH)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11TH

2:15-5:30PM	JUST FOR KIDS (108,110)
4:30-6:00PM	SMS BOYS 5/6 B-BALL (G)
6:00-7:00PM	MS LESSONS (110,111)
6:30-9:00PM	CARITAS CHOIR RHSL. (NC)
6:30-9:00PM	CRHP CONT. COMM. (008)
7:00-8:30PM	ADULT FAITH ENRICH. (110,111)
7:30-8:30PM	HS LESSONS (110,111)
8:00-10:30PM	MEN'S B-BALL (G)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12TH

10:00-11:30AM	ADULT FAITH ENRICH. (110,111)
2:15-5:30PM	JUST FOR KIDS (108,110)
2:30-4:00PM	SMS GIRLS 6/7/8 B-BALL (G)
5:30-6:30PM	CHILDREN'S MASS RHSL. (NC)
6:00-8:00PM	HAND BELL CHOIR RHSL. (112)
6:00-8:15PM	SMS B-BALL GIRLS 6/7/8 GAME (G)
6:30-7:30PM	SMS SCHOOL CODE (CAF)
7:00-7:45PM	ADVENT TAIZE SERVICE (CH)
7:00-8:30PM	LITTLE ROCK BIBLE STUDY (102)
7:00-9:00PM	AA MEETING (008,009)
7:00-10:00PM	DAUGHTERS OF MARY SOCIAL (108)
8:00-10:30PM	MEN'S B-BALL (G)
8:00-9:00PM	VOICES OF FAITH RHSL. (NC)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13TH

8:30-NOON	PICTURE RETAKE (110,111)
NOON-3:00PM	FACULTY MTG. LUNCHEON (CAF)
2:15-5:30PM	JUST FOR KIDS (108,110)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14TH

10:00AM-2:00PM	PIECEMAKER QUILTING (CAF)
10:00AM-NOON	MEN'S B-BALL (G)
10:00AM-NOON	1ST RECON. GRP. #1 (NC)
1:00-3:00PM	1ST RECON. GRP. #2 (NC)
3:00-3:45PM	CONFESSION (NC)
4:00PM	VIGIL MASS (NC)

GIVING TREE IN ROOMS 106/107 DECEMBER 1—21.

KEY:	CAF – Cafeteria	R – Rectory
	G – Gym	SCH – School
	KIT – Kitchen	PG – Parish Grounds
	NC – New Church	PC – Parish Center
	CH – Chapel	NCF – New Church Foyer



DIOCESE OF BUFFALO OFFICE OF PRO—LIFE ACTIVITIES Telephone Hotline Numbers: Crisis Pregnancy, Abortion Alternatives & Healing, 847-2205. St. Gianna Pregnancy Outreach Centers, helping Mothers & Fathers in Need: **Buffalo**, 716-842-2229, **Chautauqua County**, 716-203-7593, **Niagara County**, 716-284-2229.

PROJECT RACHEL—A post-abortion Reconciliation Program offering forgiveness, healing and hope to women, men or anyone suffering emotionally, psychologically and spiritually from the effects of an abortion. Receive free, nonjudgmental, confidential information. Office of Pro-Life Activities/ Diocese of Buffalo. We care. Let us help you. Confidential Hotline (716) 847-2211.

WNY Postpartum Connection—For a directory of mental health and support services for pregnant and postpartum moms visit wnypostpartum.com

Every Saturday from 8:15-9:45AM the Rosary and Divine Mercy chaplet are said outside of Buffalo Women Services at 2500 Main St. for the unborn children, mothers, fathers and families. Please consider joining the Warriors of Love for a peaceful, prayerful witness to pray for the end to abortion. Come for all or part of the prayer time.



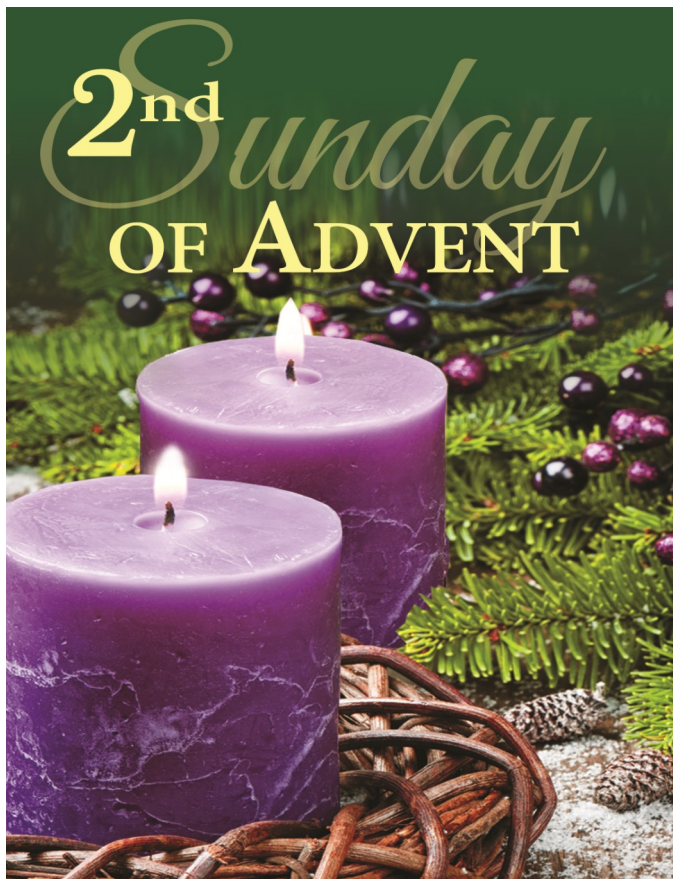
ALL YOU CAN EAT Pancake Breakfast at A. J. Jurek Legion, Smith & New Roads, E. Amherst, **Sunday, December 15th** 8AM-12:30PM. Includes: pancakes, eggs, sausage, beverage. Adults \$8, Kids \$4 under 5 free.

Buffalo Seminary SEM Entrance and Scholarship Exam: As one of the oldest girls' schools in the U.S. and the Niche.com #1 Best All-Girls and #1 Best College Prep Private High Schools in the Buffalo area, SEM invites girls in Grade 8 to the **Entrance and Scholarship Exam on December 14, 2019**. RSVP today and learn more about the 30+ scholarship opportunities at buffaloseminary.org/exam2019.

ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS GIFT GIVING THROUGH ANN MARIE ZON'S NICARAGUAN MISSION—The Nicaraguan Mission provides a wonderful way to support a needy family while giving Christmas gifts to your family/friends. **For a \$100 donation** you can give a pregnant cow to a needy family. The cow's first calf will be given to another family. The cow will serve the family for seven years providing milk, cheese and calves. **For a \$50 donation** you can give a pig which will birth 6-12 piglets twice a year. Or you can send a child to school for a full year. **\$30 supports** an elementary student, **\$50 a middle-schooler**, and **\$100 a high school student**. A \$600 donation will send a student to college for a year. Gift cards will be provided for your recipients. **Send your check made out to NICARAGUAN MISSION** to 100 Sundown Trail, Williamsville, NY 14221 For any further information call Joe Testa at 688-8357.

ELMWOOD VILLAGE's Holiday Shopping Tradition, the UUCB Holiday Arts and Crafts Show, December 14th, 10am-4pm, 695 Elmwood Ave., Buffalo 14222. offering a wide selection of unique, eclectic handcrafted gift items and collectibles: cards, art prints and originals, fine wood-working, felted accessories, jewelry, decorative glassware, ornaments, and copper garden art and more.





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We at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church Parish follow the word of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We are dedicated to engaging our entire faith community in acts of worship, ministry, service and mission.

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Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9 AM, 11:15 AM & 6PM
Daily Mass 9 AM
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Holy Days: 5 PM Vigil, 7 AM, 9 AM, 7 PM



CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00PM also every first Saturday of the month after 9:00AM Mass
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