



## MISSION STATEMENT

*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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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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**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
DECEMBER 15, 2019**

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 15, 2019**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2019—Vigil**

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

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2019**

9:00AM Genevieve Donatelli by daughter Deanna

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2019**

9:00AM Henry Jurek by Melonie Bineszewski  
John Tocco by the family

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2019**

9:00AM Ruth Rowe (anniversary of death)  
By her estate

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2019**

9:00AM People of the Parish by Fr. Bob  
Janet Clare by the family

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2019**

9:00AM Daniel & Clare Wesolowski  
by Mary & Dave Bartlett

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2019—St. Peter Canisius,  
priest and doctor of the Church**

9:00AM M/M John Nugent & family by Kiki Singer

4:00PM Dolores Habermehl by Claude & Jody Imagna

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2019—FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

7:30AM Margaret DeJohn by the family

9:00AM Anna Slazyk by granddaughter Deanna

11:15AM Wilfred & Joan Kraft by the family

6:00PM Amanda Slisz by the family

**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. Both will have a special ciborium with low gluten hosts and will be able to accommodate you.



**WELCOME BACK**—We are happy to welcome Father Jack Mattimore as our weekend associate.

**REFLECTION OF THIS WEEK'S READING**—Who did you come to see? A version of this question is posed by Jesus many times in the Gospels. He asks it of Andrew and John when they begin to follow him. He asks it of Mary Magdalene in the garden of the resurrection. He asks it in today's Gospel. *"What did you go out to the desert to see?"* There is something innately human about "seeing." Animals have eyes — some with much more powerful vision than our own — but that's not the kind of seeing Jesus is talking about. We could phrase the question several other ways. "What are you looking for?" "What are you longing for?" "Whom do you seek?"

It is in seeing for ourselves that our suspicions or hypotheses are confirmed, that our desires discover their fulfillment, and that we can rest for a moment in certainty. John the Baptist sought certainty of Jesus' identity. *"Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?"* Jesus sends word to him based on the testimony of sight, observations of the mighty deeds Jesus has begun to work. *"Go and tell John what you hear and see."*

God recognizes our desire to see. In the Incarnation, the Word is made flesh. The invisible is made visible. The supernatural is made manifest in an infant who can do little more than the most natural of movements as he feeds, cries, sleeps. We don't need to wait for Christmas to see God. The work of God is all around us. Those blinded by sin *"regain their sight."* People overcome backgrounds of poverty and violence to make world-changing contributions. Addicts grow and heal. Truth is spoken, and people listen. Let's pray for the grace to see God's movement in our lives this week. How have you seen the work of God?

Mt 11:2-11

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**READINGS DURING THE WEEK**

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [4]/Mt 21:23-27  
Tuesday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:1-17  
Wednesday: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 [cf. 7] Mt 1:18-25  
Thursday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 [cf. 8]/Lk 1:5-25  
Friday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and 10b]/Lk 1:26-38  
Saturday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-45

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**VOCATION VIEW**—John the Baptist urged his followers to turn from their sins and renounce anything that was keeping them from doing God's will. If God is calling you to priesthood or religious life, what can you turn from in order to hear the call more clearly and answer more readily? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535.

**PREPARE NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

Is 7:10-14/ Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7c, 10b]/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24  
Behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." - Mt 1:20-21



# From the Pastor

A man was arrested a couple of weeks before Christmas and brought into court. When the judge asked the man what he was charged with, he answered, "doing my Christmas shopping early." The judge replied, "that's not an offense. How early were you doing this shopping?" the man answered, "Before the store opened."

In our gospel today, John the Baptist was in prison. John got in trouble with the king for condemning the king's immoral lifestyle. While in prison, John sends his disciples to Jesus to ask, "are you the one who is to come?" In other words, "are you the Messiah, the Savior, the one who is to establish the kingdom of God in our land, or are we waiting for someone else?" Jesus gave them just a verbal answer but evidenced that he was the awaited one. The miracles Jesus worked fit the description of the prophets that he was the one, especially Isaiah whom we heard from in today's first reading.

What was the point of John's question? John had leapt with joy within his mother's womb when Mary came to visit. John had pointed out Jesus as the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Why now is he asking, "are you the one who is to come?" There are 2 possible explanations as to why John asked this question:

1) Perhaps, John was feeling discouraged being in prison, locked up as he was, possibly contemplating his own execution. Maybe he was getting a little impatient, saying to himself, if you are the Messiah, and have come to establish the kingdom where is it? If you have come to proclaim liberty to captives, why am I still in prison? Was he losing faith? Was he losing hope?

2) Perhaps, John may have sent his disciples to ask the question of Jesus, "are you the one who is to come" so that they could discover for themselves that Jesus was the Messiah. John had already pointed Jesus out to them, but now he wanted them to convince them further.

At any event, whether John's faith was getting weak, or whether John was trying to inspire in his disciples, we all know how our own faith is challenged when we pray and we try to do good and life beats us down. "Why do good people suffer?" "Why do bad people seem to get away with murder?"

There's no one good answer, or even a combination of good answers to these profound questions. Yet, St. James gives us one approach to an answer. He tells us we too need to be patient when life seems unfair. God will even things out and those who have been faithful to his word will enjoy happiness beyond our ability to imagine. Patience is especially hard to people in our society today because we have become so used to so many conveniences. St. James uses the image of the farmer, who has to wait for the harvest as an example of patience. In spite of all the instantaneous conveniences we have in our modern day, there are still things we have to wait for: the birth of a child, for the baptism of a child, for a child to grow up, to develop a talent, to get to college degree. Patience takes faith, faith that God is at work creating something wonderful, even when I don't see it happening.

Jesus gave us evidence that the kingdom has arrived. But we need patience to wait for its completion. With each "Our Father" we pray, "Thy Kingdom Come." Like John in prison, we too must keep believing that Jesus is the answer to that promise. He is more than an answer, Jesus is the guarantee of that promise. Through the eyes of faith, we have this guarantee in the Eucharist we now celebrate. "He who is to come" comes to us now. In this faith, we look forward to being able to celebrate his birth once again with the hope his birth gives us and that is our joy at this time. **So as our liturgy this Guadete Sunday celebrates, "Let us Rejoice".....+JMJ.....Fr. Bob!!!!**



**Deadline is this weekend to bring gifts in.** 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

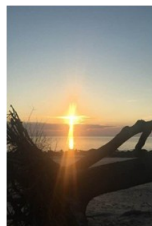
questions.

**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.



**"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.

**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.**



## WOMEN'S CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH.

We, Team 34, have been praying for you, eagerly anticipating you joining us for the Women's Retreat. We developed a special bond during our retreat and would like to give you the same experience. We have planned a refreshing week-end of spiritual renewal and look forward to sharing our journeys in Christ. Our goal is to make this brief time for you a spiritual experience filled with relaxation, prayer, reflection, laughter and song. These retreats over the years have not only led to personal conversion but have also led to lasting faith friendships..Is this your year? Contact Jennifer Barry (716-316-7459) or Anne Hoover (716-534-0815) for questions or to reserve YOUR spot.

**ST. MARY'S CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH ALUMNI SOCIAL**—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 at the website [www.stmaryswormville.org](http://www.stmaryswormville.org) or return attached to the rectory or drop into the collection basket.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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.

**RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT APPEAL**— Donation total so far is \$4,339. 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*

**Today is "Gaudete Sunday"** or "Rejoice Sunday." Why? What is all the rejoicing about? More than two hundred years ago a man named Isaac Watts wrote the words to a Christmas carol which, no doubt, you have heard every Christmas since you were born. The first verse reads: *Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King; Let every heart prepare him room, And heaven and nature sing.*

Do you ever wonder if that is really true? Is there joy in the world because Jesus was born? Yes! There is joy and happiness, celebration and song, excitement and honest-to-goodness merriment. There is hardly a nook or a cranny, hardly a country on the entire earth that doesn't have at least some Christian people who join in celebrating Jesus' birth. Almost as though the liturgy can't wait to celebrate the presence of the Savior, the Word of God today tells us to rejoice.

How will you put that word into practice as we enter this second half of the Advent season?

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### CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

#### Sacrament of Penance

Parish Penance Service: December 16th 7PM (Church)

#### Individual Confessions:

December 18th 4:00-5:30PM (Church)

December 2st 2:30-3:45PM (Church)

#### Christmas Eve

*All Masses are in the church unless otherwise noted*

4:00PM in the Chapel

4:15PM - Children's Mass

6:30PM, 9:00PM, & Midnight Mass

#### Christmas Day

9:00AM & 11:15AM

#### Feast of the Solemnity of Mary, January 1st

#### Holy Day of Obligation (In the Church)

Tuesday, December 31st Vigil Mass 5:00PM

Wednesday, January 1st 9:00AM & 11:15AM

All in the Church



**Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction During Advent Tuesday, December 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 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.)**



"Any country that accepts abortion, is not teaching its people to love, but to use any violence to get what it wants." ~St. Mother Teresa



**Senior Card players.** We will get together on **Friday, December 20** in room 105 of the Parish Center from 1PM to

4PM. Cards will be played and refreshments served. Bring a friend and join us for a pleasant afternoon. All are welcome. Questions, call Ronnie at 741-8281.

### 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](mailto:rstachura@rochester.rr.com) or cell at 716-698-3182.



### Children's



**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 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](mailto:jlgirzone@verizon.net)



**In observance of Christmas & the New Year,** the Rectory Office hours are Tuesday, December 24th 8:30AM-Noon, Wednesday, December 25th, closed, Tuesday, December 31st, 8:30AM-Noon and Wednesday, January 1st closed.





SMS welcomed back fifty alum, spanning graduation years 1951-2019, for our 3rd annual Alumni Mass and Reception. Several alum participated in the Liturgy as lectors, Eucharistic ministers, altar server and singers. Guests received a special blessing at Mass and enjoyed reconnecting, sharing memories, and plenty of refreshments. See you next year!



**Save the Date!**  
**School OPEN HOUSE for 2020—2021**  
**Sunday, January 26, 2020**  
**12:15 PM—2:00 PM**



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#### MULTIPLE CHANCES TO WIN – ACADEMIC LOTTERY TICKETS

Perfect gifts and stocking stuffers for friends, family, coworkers and the person who “has everything”! Tickets are still available for the Academic Lottery to support St. Mary School for **\$25** each. There are 15 chances to win cash prizes totaling **\$12,000!** Weekly prizes are **\$500** and there will be a bonus drawing of **\$2,500**. For tickets, please see a school family or call **716-689-8424** (do not use number on tickets). Deadline for purchase is **December 20<sup>th</sup>**. *St. Mary's HSA appreciates your support!*

Winning number determined by a drawing at St. Mary School. These numbers are not affiliated with the New York State Lottery. Winner need not be present to win.



**ST. GIANNA MOLLA PREGNANCY OUT-REACH**—Please consider donating new or gently used clothing for babies and toddlers. Our greatest need is always newborn and 3 month sizes, but we gladly accept sizes through 4-T. Thank you and God bless you for helping those in need. Clothing may be dropped off in the designated crib in the church foyer. Info: Kim Fassell 741-3324 or Rosanne Saccoccia 741-9825.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the following parishioners who attend Mount St. Mary Academy and received 1st quarter honor roll status: Mary Catherine Burger, Mary Quinn, Breanna Masci, Abigail Karaszewski, Ashley Masci, Ava Rosenecker and Kathryn Zuchlewski.

**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).

**2020 CHURCH CALENDARS** will be available December 21/22. Thank you to The Urban Bros. Funeral Home for sponsoring these yearly calendars.

**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.



#### LOOKING AHEAD TO THE EPIPHANY

The **blessing of the home** is a popular Epiphany custom. Using chalk, many households mark their entrance door with the year and with the inscription CMB, the initials of Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar, the names of the three wise men in legend. The inscription also stands for *Christus Mansionem Benedicat*, which means "Christ, bless this home." The popular form the inscription takes is **20+C+M+B+20**. It remains above the doorway until Pentecost.

**Calendar for the Week of  
December 15th-December 21st**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15TH**

8:00AM-11:30AM	RCIA (105)
8:30AM-NOON	CHILDREN'S LITURGY (110,111)
10:15-11:00AM	FFF WORKSHOPS (CAF,CH,108,112)
11:00-NOON	SMS GIRLS 3/4 B-BALL (G)
11:00AM-1:00PM	FFF SRVC. PROJECT (110)
5:00-6:00PM	MS LESSONS (110,111)
7:00-8:00PM	HS LESSONS (110,111)

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 16TH**

2:15-5:30PM	JUST FOR KIDS (108,110)
4:30-6:00PM	SMS BOYS 5/6 B-BALL (G)
6:00-8:00PM	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	BAPTISM CLASS (102)
7:00-9:00PM	PARISH PENANCE SERVICE (NC)
8:00-10:30PM	MEN'S B-BALL (G)

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17TH**

10:00-11:30AM	LITTLE ROCK BIBLE (110,111)
2:15-5:30PM	JUST FOR KIDS (108,110)
2:30-4:00PM	SMS GIRLS B-BALL 6/7/8 PRACTICE (G)
5:30-6:30PM	CHILDREN'S MASS RHSL. (NC)
5:30-7:30PM	SMS BOYS 3/4 B-BALL & 5/6 GAMES (G)
6:30-7:15PM	FFF WORKSHOPS (CAF,CH,110,111)
7:00-8:30PM	ST. MARY BAND RHSL. (009)
7:30-8:30PM	CONFESSION (CH)
7:30-8:30PM	EUCH. ADORATION (CH)

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18TH**

2:15-5:30PM	JUST FOR KIDS (108,110)
4:00-5:30PM	CONFESSION (NC)
4:30-6:00PM	SMS BOYS 5/6 B-BALL (G)
6:00-7:00PM	MS LESSONS (110,111)
6:00-8:30PM	GIRL SCOUT MTG. #34176 (112)
6:30-9:00PM	CARITAS CHOIR RHSL. (NC)
6:30-9:00PM	CRHP MTG. #34 (CAF)
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 19TH**

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	SMS BOYS 3/4 B-BALL (G)
6:00-9:30PM	MEN'S SCRIPTURE SHRG. (CAF,KIT)
7:00-8:30PM	LITTLE ROCK BIBLE STUDY (102)
7:00-9:00PM	SMS BAND & CHORUS CONCERT (NC,111)
7:00-9:00PM	AA MEETING (008,009)
7:30-9:00PM	VOICES OF FAITH RHSL. (110)
8:00-10:30PM	MEN'S B-BALL (G)

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20TH**

9:00-11:30AM	CENACLE OF DIVINE MERCY (109)
1:00-4:00PM	SENIOR CARD GROUP (105)
2:15-5:30PM	JUST FOR KIDS (108,110)

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21st**

10:00AM-NOON	MEN'S B-BALL (G)
11:00AM-12:30PM	CHILDREN'S CHOIR RHSL. (NC)
2:30-3:45PM	CONFESSION (NC)
4:00PM	VIGIL MASS (NC)

\*\*\*GIVING TREE IN ROOMS 106/107 DECEMBER 1-21.\*\*\*

<b>KEY:</b>	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](http://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.

**St. Mary's High School** offers an after-school Driver Education Program that is open to students from all local high schools. The spring session will begin on February 10th, 2020, and continue through June 6th, 2020. The cost for the program is \$600 per person. Registration materials are available online at [www.smhlancers.org](http://www.smhlancers.org)

**MONTHLY FAITH ENRICHMENT SPEAKER SERIES:** Rev. Msgr. Frederick Leising ADVENT AND CREATION: WHO IS GOD? WHO ARE YOU? **Monday, December 16, 2019 from 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM.** Our Lady of Pompeii Parish, 129 Laverack Ave, Lancaster, NY 14086 (716) 683-6522 [www.olpparish.com](http://www.olpparish.com) Msgr. Leising's presentation will ready our hearts for the birth of Christ! Refreshments follow! All are welcome!



**Catholic Charities can be a light at the end of the tunnel.** If you have a child ages 12-17 who is displaying chronic behaviors such as: noncompliance, verbal and/or physical aggression, truancy, school failure, curfew violations, running away, illegal substance abuse and/or criminal activity in two or more environments (home, school and/or community), consider our Multisystemic Therapy Program (MST) in Erie, Niagara, Cattaraugus and Allegany counties. MST is an intensive, family-focused intervention provided in the natural environment of the youth. Interventions are research-based and the program offers 24/7 availability. For more information on Catholic Charities' MST program, call 716-204-0555, ext. 330 or visit [www.ccwny.org](http://www.ccwny.org). In other WNY counties, office-based counseling is always available to families.

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# Third Sunday of ADVENT



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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

**EUCARISTIC ADORATION**

First Friday: 9:30AM—12:00 Noon

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