



Roman Catholic Faith Community

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Serving as Christ taught THROUGH FAITH, HOPE, & LOVE.



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28th

SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said in reply,
"Ten were cleansed,
were they not?
Where are the other
nine? Has none but
this foreigner
returned to give
thanks to God?"
- Lk 17:17-18

**October
9,
2022**

Weekly Giving
10/2/22

Regular: \$9,280.50
Loose: \$333
Online: \$1,229
Total: \$10,842.50

Seminarian &
Deaconate
Formation: \$91

Respect Life: \$339

**Upcoming
Second
Collections**



The Rectory hours for
Monday, October 10th
will be from 9:00 am until Noon.

Buffalo Bills Tailgate Party

Sunday, October 16th from 4 - 7 pm
Parish Center Main Hall
Tickets: \$5 to cover the cost of pizza
Final Chance to buy your ticket to this fun event!
Sales end Thursday 10/13.
You do need a ticket for this event.
Open to Parishioners, Family, & Friends
Adults only
BYOB & snacks for the game



October 23

**ST. PHILIP
THE APOSTLE
CHURCH**

Pastor: Msgr. Richard Siepka

MASS TIMES

Daily:

Mon.-Thurs.: 9:00 am

Friday: Noon

Weekend:

Saturday

4:30 pm

Sunday

8:30 am, 10:30 am,
& Noon

RECTORY

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

9:00 am - Noon

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Friday

9:00 am - Noon

Phone: 716-668-8370

Parish Secretary x 210

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Email: loaves@spaparish.org

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Due by Friday at Noon
one week before the
published Sunday.
Please email to:
lauren@spaparish.org

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outreachspa@spaparish.org

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 8

Confessions every Saturday from 3:30 pm - 4:00 pm

4:30 pm Bigos & Janczak Families

- Larry & Veronica Bigos

Robert Taube - Ron & Marge Szprygada

Sunday, October 9

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am Teresa Mayer - Lancaster Middle School
Music Department

10:30 am Stanley Wiczek - Family

Noon Irene Redlinski - Maryann Molenda

Monday, October 10

9:00 am Donna Nowicki - John & Judy Galeuski

Tuesday, October 11

St. John XXIII

9:00 am Irene Piechowicz - The Peck Family

Wednesday, October 12

9:00 am Julianna Prestia - Pat & Chet Okonczak

Thursday, October 13

9:00 am All Fathers

Friday, October 14

Noon Stephen, Eleanor, & Stephen P.
- Verostko Family

Saturday, October 15

St. Teresa of Jesus

Confessions every Saturday from 3:30 pm - 4:00 pm

4:30 pm Matthew Lane - Bingo Committee

Deceased Members of the

Edmund Gawronski Family

- Gary & Diane

Sunday, October 16

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am JoAnn Sayles - St. Philip's Social Club

10:30 am Ronald A. Sikora (Anniversary)

- Ronald J. & Janice Sikora

Noon Tony Jubulis - Sue Sieroslowski

SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for:

ANGELO M. SORCI

Requested By: Wife, Trudy Sorci



The lamp that is hanging behind where the readings are read is our Sanctuary Lamp. It is lit for a special intention each week from Sunday to Saturday. We do still have some open weeks for your intentions in 2023.



St. Philip's Social Club
 next meeting is:
October 8th
7:30 pm
Parish Center Main Hall
All adult Parishioners
are welcome!

The next Prayer Shawl Ministry
meeting will be held on
October 11 at 6:30 pm
in the Main Hall
of the Parish Center



WEDDINGS
 Arrangements are made with the Rectory & Pastor with at least 6 months notice.

BAPTISMS
 Arrangements are made with the Rectory. A Letter of Recommendation for the Godparent or each Godparent is required before scheduling a date. Attendance to a Baptismal preparation class is also required within the past 3 years at our Parish.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

For Parishioners:
 These are issued to members of our Parish who are registered and practice the faith through Mass attendance and receiving the Sacraments.

For Sponsors not from Our Parish:

They should be Baptized, Confirmed, and a practicing Catholic. Out of town college students should receive a letter from their Campus Minister. Military personnel should receive the letter from their Chaplain.

FUNERALS

Scheduled through a Funeral Home or the Rectory. Normally scheduled every day but Sunday at 10:00 am.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

To become a member of our Parish, please contact the Rectory to register or head on to our website under "Our Parish," "Parishioners," and click on "New Parishioners." *For current Parishioners, please remember to inform the Rectory if you change your information or if you will no longer be attending our Parish.*

PRAYER SHAWLS

There are always blessed Prayer Shawls available in the Rectory for anyone suffering from any illness.



Our Fifth Tent Event was hosted by the St. Philip's Ladies Club after the Noon Mass on October 2nd.
Orange Juice and donuts were served.
Thank you to all who stopped by and to the Ladies Club for hosting!

Community Day of Service

In conjunction with the Diocesan 175th Anniversary, our Parish will be having a food collection to benefit the **food pantry at our Family Parish of St. Martha's.**

We are requesting that you bring your donation only on Oct. 22 and 23 at each Mass.

We are looking for donations of crackers, coffee, Knorr sides, and dish and/or laundry soap.

Students from Faith Formation grades 7-10 will be packing and getting the boxes ready to deliver to St. Martha's immediately after the Noon Mass.

WE THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

"For I was hungry and you gave me food..."
- Matthew 25: 35-36





REMEMBER *in your prayers*

THOSE IN
POOR HEALTH

Skender Capullari,
Eileen Dehn,
Felicia Dziekan,
Marilyn Farmer,
Robb Flowers,
Margaret Fouchie,
Tom Hochulski,
Dianne Jagiello,
Deborah Jax,
Roger Johansson,
Angela Joy Kaznica,
Leah Kostorowski,
Daniel Lawicki Sr.,
Arlene McCusker,
David McGuire,
Dennis Mock, Richard,
Notartomas Family,
Paul Pronti,
Sister Ann Helene,
Virginia Smaczniak,
Ron & Karen Strozyk,
Mary Thorpe,
Delphine Wachowiak,
Helen Walkowiak,
Jeffery Wind,
Carlo Zovotti



FAITH FORMATION

Office Hours Monday - Thursday: 8:00 am - Noon; Friday: Closed
Phone: 716-668-3344 *Email:* spareled@spaparish.org
Directors - Grades 1-6: Ronald Szczerbiak *Grades 7-10:* Sharon Pikul

Good Sunday Morning!

I knew a young man who started high school confident he would not fit in. He remembered how he was teased in middle school. He was always chosen last for the team.

He felt so out of place!

I wish his experience was rare. Many teens find it hard to fit in with friends because of weight, acne, insecurity, the wrong clothes...the list goes on. You might feel the same way. That's why this week's Gospel is so important. The Samaritan leper was a double outcast: he had leprosy and because of his ethnic background. Notice how Jesus reacted to those outcasts. He stopped, noticed their pain and healed them.

That means they could now fit in.

People would welcome them, care about them.

Notice that the Samaritan was the only one who returned to thank Jesus.

The point for us:

First, when you feel left out, call out to Jesus in prayer. Call out by talking to an adult who you trust. Call out by getting involved in serving others who suffer. You'll find that he'll answer your prayers. You'll find a place to fit in.

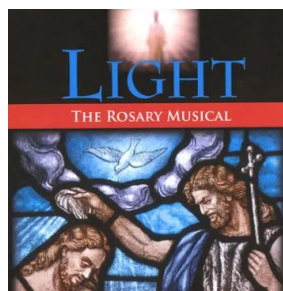
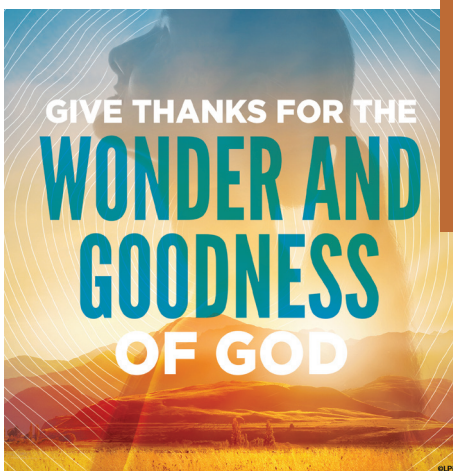
Second, Jesus points out that the outcast has more faith than anyone. That means we all need to respect and learn from the people we think don't fit in!

REMINDER:

Gr. 9 classes begin this week. Hopefully, you're working on your community service hours. It's never too early to begin!

Gr. 10 Confirmation Retreat is scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 30 from 10:30-5pm starting with Mass and finishing in the Parish Center.

*Peace,
Sharon Pikul*



Quiet Waters Presents LIGHT: THE ROSARY MUSICAL

Wednesday, October 26 at 7 pm
St. Philip the Apostle Church
950 Losson Rd. Cheektowaga

There will be a "good will" offering at the close of the service.

Quiet Waters, a troupe of talented youths and adults whose ministry is to promote the Holy Rosary, will be enacting a musical version of the Rosary based on the Luminous Mysteries.

We are happy to have them back to lead us in praying the rosary. We encourage you to attend this beautiful service.



Quiet Waters



2021 Annual Report

Dear Parishioners of Saint Philip the Apostle Parish,

This Annual Report presents the financial condition of Saint Philip the Apostle Parish for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2021, and was prepared by our newly established Parish Finance Council, a group of lay Parishioners who advise the Pastor on financial matters affecting the Parish. Three years of data are presented to enable a comparison with our pre-Covid-19 pandemic results. Transactions are generally recorded on a cash basis as prescribed by the Diocese of Buffalo. We pray that this Report will help you understand how your contributions and gifts to our Parish are used and accounted for and will encourage your continued generosity.

In spite of the challenges presented by the Covid-19 pandemic, we were able to safely re-open our Church for public worship at full capacity, closely following the guidelines of the Diocese of Buffalo and the Erie County Health Department along the way. We are truly grateful to our dedicated staff and volunteers who have provided the necessary assistance and support to accomplish this task, and thank you for your patience and cooperation complying with our necessary safety protocols. Your continued generosity and responsiveness during these difficult years have allowed us to provide and sustain our basic ministries. We are especially grateful to all who continue to send in their contributions online through WeShare (established during the pandemic) or by mail.

Despite a significant decline in our main revenue source, Sunday and Holyday collections, and sustaining an operating deficit of \$196,066, St. Philip's ended the 2021 fiscal year with an overall net surplus of \$218,178. This was made possible by proceeds from Federal COVID Relief Programs (\$74,840), significant unrealized gains in our long-term investments (\$302,568), and other capital related items and extraordinary receipts (\$36,836).

This Report also includes selected statistical data regarding our Parish life, and a list of capital projects that will need to be completed in the near future to adequately preserve our facilities, as well as other capital updates and improvements under consideration. Going forward, our goals include formulating and publishing an Annual Operating Budget and establishing and administering a more detailed 5-year Capital Project Plan with priorities and projected timelines.

We are confident that with your continued generosity, St. Philip's is well positioned financially to support our mission of loving God and others, providing our faithful the Sacraments, drawing our Parishioners and others into our liturgical life, teaching the Catholic Doctrine, and promoting the practice of good works in our Parish and community.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Msgr. Richard Siepka (ex-officio), Jim Calamita, Rich Cymerman, Warner Doyle, Jim Dziekan, Robb Flowers, Elaine Rudnicki

Financial Highlights

- Despite challenging economic times and incurring operating losses in Fiscal Years (“FY’s”) 2020 and 2021, total receipts exceeded total expenditures for all FY’s 2019-2021. Fund balance (cumulative receipts over expenditures since inception) increased by a total of \$525,171 during FY’s 2019-2021 and amounted to \$2,456,032 at August 31, 2021.
- After experiencing an operating surplus of \$49,718 in FY 2019, operating losses of \$139,887 and \$196,066 occurred in FY’s 2020 and 2021 respectively. Several major capital and extraordinary items as described in more detail below more than offset the operating losses resulting in net surpluses for all 3 fiscal years reported.
- After a decrease in Sunday & Holyday collections of \$120,286 (-18.5%) from FY 2019 to FY 2020, collections remained steady but again much lower than pre-pandemic levels in FY 2021.
- St. Philip's received an Employee Retention Credit of \$14,883 in FY 2021 under the Federal CARES Act, which encouraged businesses and organizations to keep employees on their payroll during the pandemic.
- Loan proceeds from the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP), another incentive to help organizations keep their workforce employed during the COVID-19 crisis, amounted to \$119,914 during FY's 2020-21. Revenue from the forgiveness of one of the two loans in the amount of \$59,957 is recorded as revenue in FY 2021. Forgiveness of the other loan in the same amount occurred in December 2022 and will be reported in FY 2022.
- Unrealized gains on long-term investments added \$4,984, \$72,859 and \$302,568 to our Parish fund balance in FY's 2019-2021 respectively.
- Other major miscellaneous extraordinary receipts include a bequest receipt of \$300,000 in FY 2020 and \$25,000 from the sale of a Parish truck in 2021.
- Diocesan and School Assessments increased a total of \$16,415 (10.4%) from 2019 to 2020.
- Upon this Rock receipts exceeded disbursements by \$31,914 for FY's 2019-2021. There remains \$104,274 already received and available to use for future Catholic Education Subsidies and Capital Improvements as earmarked by our Parish at the commencement of the program in 2017.
- Major capital renovations, repairs, and improvements during FY's 2019-2021 included removal of the asbestos and sealing the windows in the Msgr. Jasinski Center (\$77,000), new doors and replacement doors in the Msgr. Jasinski Center (\$13,000), and driveway and parking lot sealing and striping (\$15,000).

St. Philip the Apostle Church

Balance Sheet

August 31,

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
ASSETS			
Cash	\$ 803,718.44	\$ 838,602.56	\$ 684,380.79
Investments	1,716,675.26	1,415,263.72	1,341,727.91
Restricted Cash - PPP Loan Proceeds	-	43,944.70	-
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 2,520,393.70</u>	<u>\$ 2,297,810.98</u>	<u>\$ 2,026,108.70</u>
LIABILITIES			
SBA PPP Note Payable	\$ 59,957.00	\$ 59,957.00	\$ -
Other Parish Special Collections	3,628.95	-	-
Other Liabilities	776.05	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>64,362.00</u>	<u>59,957.00</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCE			
Assigned for Veteran's Outreach	11,242.22	11,452.22	7,226.03
Assigned for Upon this Rock Purposes	104,273.72	97,580.91	102,056.33
Assigned for Emergency Needs	72,584.98	67,529.14	65,061.15
Unassigned	2,267,930.78	2,061,291.71	1,851,765.19
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	<u>2,456,031.70</u>	<u>2,237,853.98</u>	<u>2,026,108.70</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	<u>\$ 2,520,393.70</u>	<u>\$ 2,297,810.98</u>	<u>\$ 2,026,108.70</u>

St. Philip the Apostle Church
Stmnt. of Activity (Income Statement) for the Year Ended August 31,

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
RECEIPTS			
Regular Receipts			
Sunday & Holyday Collections	\$ 531,606.66	\$ 531,172.40	\$ 651,458.36
Donations	529.62	10,942.48	5,486.88
Total Regular Receipts	532,136.28	542,114.88	656,945.24
Auxiliary Parish Receipts			
Votive Candles	2,234.69	4,547.72	8,112.63
Bingo	-	28,000.00	66,000.00
Parish Ministries	12,650.00	6,873.00	21,351.00
Parish Fundraisers	6,661.00	7,729.00	10,125.67
Stole Fees	7,825.00	9,600.00	6,800.00
Other Auxiliary Receipts	6,936.04	13,554.34	16,244.10
Total Auxiliary Parish Receipts	36,306.73	70,304.06	128,633.40
Total Religious Education Receipts	6,739.00	6,817.15	9,979.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	575,182.01	619,236.09	795,557.64
OPERATING EXPENDITURES			
Salary & Payroll Expenditures			
Regular Clergy	33,729.47	33,370.06	32,813.49
Extra Clergy	10,220.00	6,270.00	9,490.00
Regular Help	193,611.34	143,488.53	179,555.07
Fringe Benefits	58,674.34	92,724.09	90,262.80
All Other Salary & Payroll Expenditures	11,877.94	25,592.34	7,261.81
Total Salary & Payroll Expenditures	308,113.09	301,445.02	319,383.17
Parish Supplies Expenditures			
Sanctuary	9,819.82	5,127.14	9,084.37
Office Supplies & Postage	9,170.53	6,275.84	5,852.80
Building & Cleaning Supplies	6,888.01	4,845.12	5,481.51
All Other Parish Supplies	7,975.74	2,696.68	5,331.32
Total Parish Supplies Expenditures	33,854.10	18,944.78	25,750.00
Total Parish Printing Expenditures	7,134.13	14,431.68	14,905.26
Total Parish Utilities Expenditures	34,652.11	32,941.21	28,097.10
General Parish Expenditures			
Upon This Rock	22,482.22	36,725.25	18,477.25
Diocesan Assessments	171,804.96	174,978.00	158,563.49
Insurance	26,009.20	17,037.30	16,448.23
Maintenance & Repairs	68,178.71	56,513.26	44,139.54
Parish Fundraisers	3,440.00	3,740.00	896.10
All Other General Parish Expenditures	17,386.09	34,733.95	33,394.14
Total General Parish Expenditures	309,301.18	323,727.76	271,918.75
Total Religious Education Expenditures	78,193.73	67,632.44	85,785.74
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES	771,248.34	759,122.89	745,840.02
OPERATING SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	(196,066.33)	(139,886.80)	49,717.62
CAPITAL / EXTRAORDINARY ITEMS			
Capital Improvements			
Upon This Rock Deposits	(19,558.90)	(55,047.02)	(9,656.42)
Memorial Walkway	29,175.03	32,249.83	48,173.54
Unrealized Gain on Long-term Investments	2,220.00	1,570.00	2,030.00
Bequests	302,567.61	72,859.27	4,983.50
Nonrecurring Federal COVID Relief Programs	-	300,000.00	-
Sale of Parish Truck	74,840.31	-	-
	25,000.00	-	-
TOTAL CAPITAL / EXTRAORDINARY ITEMS	414,244.05	351,632.08	45,530.62
NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$ 218,177.72	\$ 211,745.28	\$ 95,248.24

St. Philip the Apostle Parish (2019 - 2021)

Participating in our Faith

	<u>9/20-8/21</u>	<u>9/19-8/20</u>	<u>9/18-8/19</u>
Registered Families	2,704	2,688	2,664
Infant Baptisms	16	19	27
RCIA Catechumens	0	3	0
First Reconciliations	23	22	27
First Holy Communions	20	27	44
Confirmations	41	42	45
Marriages	1	3	9
Funerals	74	49	60
Students in Religious Education (Gr. 1-6)	150	170	175
Students in Religious Education (Gr. 7-10)	80	90	120

Financial Stewardship

	<u>9/20-8/21</u>	<u>9/19-8/20</u>	<u>9/18-8/19</u>
Parishioners using envelopes	847	983	972
Parishioners giving electronically through WeShare	124	-	-
Parishioners contributing via envelopes and WeShare	28	-	-
Average Annual Contribution per Family	\$517.01	\$519.51	\$639.26

Future Capital Project Needs and Proposals Under Consideration

<u>Project</u>	<u>Estimated Cost Range</u>
Repair and Paint the Concrete Exterior of the Church (Completed in July 2022)	\$10,000 - \$20,000
Church Lighting Upgrades (Completed in July 2022)	\$2,000 - \$10,000
Parking Lot Lighting Upgrades (Completed in July 2022)	\$2,000 - \$10,000
Replace Church Roof (Completed in September 2022)	\$75,000 - \$150,000
Refurbish and Stain Church Ceiling	\$50,000 - \$115,000
Refurbish and Stain or Replace Pews	\$30,000 - \$160,000
Exterior Enhancements	\$10,000 - \$20,000
Replace Msgr. Jasinski Center Roof	\$90,000 - \$120,000
Resurface Parking Lot	\$150,000 - \$225,000
Install Air Conditioning in Msgr. Jasinski Center	\$85,000 - \$125,000

**Do you have a desire to get more involved in our Parish life?
We are always looking for volunteers for all of our Ministries.
Please contact the Rectory and share your talents today!**

Men's Club 

Ham-n-Egger

and basket raffle



Sunday, November 6th
9:00 am until sold out
Parish Center Main Hall

St. Philip the Apostle Parish
950 Losson Rd. Cheektowaga

Treat yourself to a meal of ham, egg, & cheese on a buttered hard roll with your choice of beverage (coffee, tea, milk, juice) for the reasonable price of only **\$3.50**.
Sandwich on its own is \$3.25.

Fruit filled turnovers will also be available for \$2.
All menu items can be wrapped to go.
Basket winners need not be present.

Make it a point to join us for some good food and company!



PART-TIME BOOKKEEPER

St. Philip the Apostle Parish
950 Losson Rd. Cheektowaga

Apply by emailing your resume to:
lauren@spaparish.org or dropping it in our mailbox at the Rectory by October 28th.

Approximately 20 hours per week.
Salary negotiated based on experience.

The Parish Bookkeeper oversees the business & accounting operations of the Parish. Maintains financial bookkeeping system including accounts payable, receivable and cash receipts. Balances accounts, ledgers and reconciles bank statements. Prepares financial statements. Prepares budget and reconciliation against budget. Prepares and maintains all aspects of Human Resources associated with the employees. Additionally, some minimal business management responsibilities.

Minimum Requirements: Associate degree in Accounting from an accredited college or university required. Two years in hands on accounting. Preferred knowledge & training in a full range of accounting/financial matters, general business management and understanding not-for-profit issues. Should know Microsoft Word and Excel. Knowledge of PDS is preferred but not required.

The Rosary is a marvelous prayer to bring peace to our world and to our families.

Please join us during the month of October from Monday to Thursday in Church each week at 8:30 am for a communal recitation of the Rosary.

It will be a wonderful way to honor Mary, our dear Blessed Mother. Please feel free to stay and join us for daily Mass afterwards if your schedule allows.



QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading: 2 Kgs 5:14-17

In the healing of Naaman from leprosy, we hear how Naaman became a believer in the one God of Israel.

How have you experienced God's presence in your life?

Second Reading: 2 Tm 2:8-13

Paul teaches Timothy the importance of perseverance and commitment to one's faith in Christ.

When have you decided to remain faithful, even when it was hard?

Gospel: Lk 17:11-19

Jesus seems disappointed that of the ten lepers he healed, only one of them, a foreigner (the Samaritan), thanked him.

How can you show gratitude to God today? During the week?

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I live by the mercy of Jesus, to whom I owe everything and from whom I expect everything.

—ST. JOHN XXIII

Family HAPPENINGS

Family #9

Sacred Heart of Jesus
5337 Genesee Street
Bowmansville, NY 14026
(716) 683-2375
sacredheartshrine.org

St. Mary of the Assumption
1 St. Mary's Hill
Lancaster, NY 14086
(716) 683-6445
stmarysonthehill.org

Our Lady of Pompeii
129 Laverack Ave.
Lancaster, NY 14086
(716) 683-6522
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St. Philip the Apostle
950 Losson Rd.
Cheektowaga, NY 14227
(716) 668-8370
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St. Mother Teresa
of Calcutta
496 Terrace Blvd.
Depew, NY 14043
(716) 683-2746
blessedmotherteresa
parishdepew.org

St. Martha
10 French Rd.
Depew, NY 14043
(716) 684-6342
stmarthadepew.org


**ROAD TO
RENEWAL**
Real **Presence.**
Real **Hope.**
Real **Mission.**



Wedding Anniversary Mass for couples celebrating their 25th, 50th, 60th, & 70th Wedding Anniversaries this year will be held at St. Joseph Cathedral on **Sunday, October 23rd at 10:30am** by Bishop Mike Fisher.

After Mass the couples will have the opportunity to take a professional photo with the Bishop, they will receive an 8 x 10 photo from our office (no charge) also we will gather for brunch at St. Anthony of Padua Church center, 160 Court Street, Buffalo, NY behind Buffalo City Hall following the Mass and pictures. For questions, call the office at (716) 847-2205.

Call our Rectory to sign up to attend by Tuesday, October 11.



**Diocese of Buffalo
175th Anniversary Mass**
Eastern Erie Vicariate

**Tuesday, October 18th at 7pm
Church of the Annunciation**
7580 Clinton St. Elma

Come join Bishop Mike Fisher and the priests from our Vicariate as they celebrate the 175th Anniversary of our Diocese at a very special Mass. All are invited to attend.

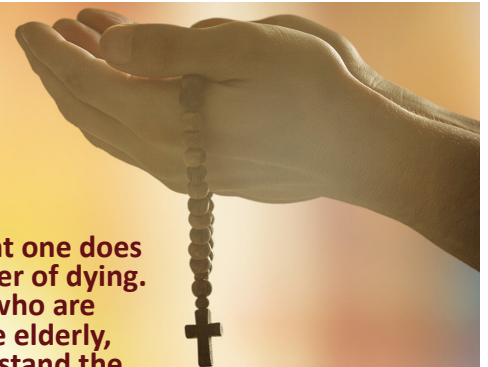
Communal Anointing of the Sick

Thursday, October 20
6:00 pm

St. Martha Parish
10 French Rd., Depew

In order to receive this sacrament one does not have to be in imminent danger of dying. It may be received by those who are seriously ill, facing surgery, the elderly, even sickly children who understand the meaning of the sacrament.

Those individuals who are to be anointed will be given a name tag and directed where to sit. Family members may sit with the person to be anointed. People will be seated every other pew in order to give Fr. Bart and the other priests room to come to every person to be anointed. Communion will also be brought to each person in the pews. Masks are not required but may be worn for your own comfort and safety.



MENTAL HEALTH CARE FOR CATHOLICS
MONDAY, OCTOBER 17 AT 7 PM
OUR LADY OF POMPEII CHURCH

**TAKING CARE OF ONESELF ENABLES US TO BE
OF BETTER SERVICE TO OTHERS!**

Caring for one's mental health is often overlooked and misunderstood, yet it is integral to the overall health of a person.

Through the broad scope of respecting life, this presentation will introduce the counseling profession and how it supports the mental health needs of a community and how the ethics of counseling align with tenets of Catholicism and where they differ.

Presented by David Moran, Ph.D.