

This Week's Readings - April 21, 2024

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/Jn 3:1-2/

Jn 10:11-18

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10 Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50

<u>Thursday</u>: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20 <u>Friday</u>: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6 <u>Saturday</u>: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14

Next Sunday: Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (26a)/1 Jn 3:18-24/

Jn 15:1-8

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For more information
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Parishioner, or for
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please call the Rectory or
head on to our website.

Mass Intentions

Monday, April 22

7:30 am Leo Grendisa

- Daughter & Family

11:30 am Inga Iliohan

 Patti Stephens & Gary Dickson

Tuesday, April 23

Ss. George & Adalbert

7:30 am Linda Krzal

- Family

11:30 am Fr. Romulus Rosolowski

- Lynn Deane

Wednesday, April 24

7:30 am For the People

- Fr. Greg

11:30 am Eugene Corcoran (1st Anniversary)

- Dawn Osburn

Thursday, April 25

St. Mark

7:30 am Robert Riehle

 Patti Stephens & Gary Dickson

11:30 am Anne Nicastro & April Stevens

- Vanessa Stevens

Friday, April 26

7:30 am Janice M. Sugg

- Harry & JoAnn

11:30 am Kathleen Sullivan

- Mom & Family

Saturday, April 27

4:00 pm Norma Perry

- Laura Craven

5:30 pm Kathleen Takac

- Ann Saccomano & Family

Sunday, April 28

Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00 am Barbara & Walter

Kosinski

- Diana & Susan Kosinski

9:30 am Sue Morcio,

Louis Porreca,

Rose Ellis, & Bob Styn

- Murphy Family

11:15 am Jane Giardina

- Queen of Heaven Prayer Group

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

Today, we celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Easter, traditionally referred to as **Good Shepherd Sunday**. In today's Gospel Jesus says: "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." He knows his sheep, and they know him. It is also the **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**, and we are called to fulfill our Lord's instruction to "Pray to the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest." (Lk. 10, 2). While appreciating all vocations in life, the Church calls us today to pray for vocations to the ordained ministries of priesthood and diaconate, to religious life in all of its forms, to societies of apostolic life, to secular institutes, and to the missionary life. This year marks the 61st Anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. We offer our prayers this day to the Good Shepherd, beseeching his care and direction, asking him to provide more people dedicated to serve his flock in religious vocations which are greatly needed today.

You may notice a new addition to our Sanctuary this week. It is a **new ambry**, and it is located on the wall behind the Baptismal Font, under the new statue of St. John the Baptist. The ambry holds the three sacred oils that are used in the Sacraments in our Church. The first oil is called the Oil of Catechumens or Oil of the Sanctified (OS), and it is used to anoint a person preparing for Baptism, strengthening them against to power of evil in the world. The second oil is Sacred Chrism (SC). This perfumed Chrism is used at Baptism to anoint the baptized as priest prophet and king. In Confirmation it seals the person with the Holy Spirit, and in the Ordination to the Priesthood, it sanctifies the hands of the ordained to perform his sacred duties. The final oil is the Oil of the Infirmed (OI), and it is given to provide healing and comfort in the Sacrament of the Sick. Our new ambry makes it possible to have these sacred oils more visible to our Parishioners, enhancing more fully our appreciation of them in our Sacraments. We thank the Binder family who donated the new lead crystal ambry set in memory of their mother, Deborah.

This weekend, April 20-21, Deacon Steve Schumer, President and CEO of Catholic Charities, will be at Queen of Heaven to speak at all Masses on behalf of the 2024 Catholic Charities Appeal. This year, Catholic Charities of Western New York is celebrating its 100th Annual Appeal. In years past the appeal was complete before Easter, but in recent times the drive has been extended until June 30. Last year, Parishioners from Queen of Heaven were very generous to Catholic Charities. We had 406 donors who gave \$131,928.57 to the 2023 Appeal. So far this year, 249 donors have donated \$59,303.28. I thank those who have already made their contributions. Yet, there still is a long way to go. I encourage those who have yet to make a donation to the 2024 campaign to be as generous as you are able. Our Catholic Charities workers will be in the Narthex of the Church once again this weekend to collect donations and pledges to the 2024 Catholic Charities Appeal.

God Bless! Fr. Grea



Are you visiting from another Faith?

Has it been a while since you've been to Mass in a Catholic Church?

Let us help you through the Mass...

In our song book (Missal/Hymnal), in the first 30 pages you can actually follow along with the Mass and the readings for each week can be found just after that according to the date.

All the prayers, when to stand or kneel, it is all right there to help you feel more comfortable.

Thank you for joining us for Mass!
We are glad that you are a part of our Parish for today!



SUNDAY, APRIL 21 5PM

> Held at St. Louis Church 35 Edward St. | Buffalo

Featured performers include:

- St. Joseph Cathedral Choir Led by: Tim Socha
- St. Louis Choir Led by: Frank Scinta
- Queen of Heaven Contemporary Ensemble Led by: Kevin Capanyola
- Blessed Trinity Choir Led by: Elizabeth Clay
- St. John Paul II Schola Cantorum Led by Steven Quebral

FREE EVENT - FREE WILL OFFERING ACCEPTED



Come join our over 100 voices as we showcase the different types of music talent from around our Diocese!



HOPE

WHEN WE ARE HUNGRY.

Please give to our 100th Appeal



Ways to Donate:

ccwny.org

Text HOPE4WNY to 44321 Scan Below



Parish Information

Mass Schedule

<u>Daily</u>: 7:30 am; 11:30 am <u>Saturday</u>: 4:00 pm; 5:30 pm <u>Sunday</u>: 8:00 am; 9:30 am; 11:15 am <u>Confessions</u>: 3:00 pm Saturdays <u>Holy Days</u>: See Bulletin & Website

Rectory

Weekdays: 9:00 am - Noon 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Phone: 716-674-3468 Fax: 716-674-3475

Email: rectory@qofhchurch.org

To see a particular priest, please make an appointment. Sick calls any time.

Family of Parishes #7

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Bulletin

Articles for submission may be sent to lauren@qofhchurch.org. Email for submission deadlines

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Weekly Collections

4/14/2024 Regular: \$8,325 Loose: \$1,844 **Automated Giving:** \$12,448.90 2024 Stewardship: \$22,617.90* 2023 Stewardship: \$9,756

* Automated Giving Included

School Fund: \$58 Catholic Mission: \$25

Upcoming Second Collections

April 21 **QofH School Fund**

April 28 Catholic Home Mission Appeal

Please remember in your prayers

Our Dearly Departed Anthony J. Congilosi Stacey Casey

Our Newly Baptized Brady Lawrence Bellagamba

<u>Phone</u>: 675-3714 <u>Email</u>: youthfamilyinfo@qofhchurch.org

Please Note: Visitors when School is open, you need to call or Email us to make arrangements to meet in person at the office.

Saturday Program: Apr. 20 & 27 from 9:45 - 11:15 am

Edge: Tuesday, Apr. 23 & 30 meets 7:00 - 8:30 pm in the Boardroom

Life Teen: Sunday, Apr. 21 & 28 meets 10:45 am - 12:15 pm in the Board Room

SACRAMENT PROGRAMS PREPARATION **1st Communion Rehearsals:** Apr. 23, 30, & May 7 at 6pm

1st Communion Masses: April 28 at 11:15am, May 5 at 9:30am, & May 11 at 5:30pm

Congratulations to our newly Confirmed! On April 17th Bishop Michael W. Fisher confirmed 57 young adults from our Parish Family #7: Fourteen Holy Helpers, St. John Vianney and Queen of Heaven Parishes





WE THANK YOU FOR CALLING MEN AND WOMEN TO SERVE IN YOUR SON'S KINGDOM AS PRIESTS, DEACONS, AND CONSECRATED PERSONS.
SEND YOUR HOLY SPIRIT TO HELP OTHERS TO
RESPOND GENEROUSLY AND COURAGEOUSLY TO
YOUR CALL.

MAY OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH SUPPORT
VOCATIONS OF SACRIFICIAL LOVE IN OUR YOUTH
AND YOUNG ADULTS.
THROUGH OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, WHO LIVES AND
REIGNS WITH YOU IN THE UNITY OF THE HOLY

SPIRIT, ONE GOD, FOREVER AND EVER. AMEN



FRIDAY,

MAY 3RD

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

830 pm-1030 pm Grades 6-8

TICKETS \$25 AND ARE ON SALE NOW!

Ticket price includes: DJ, pizza, refreshments, and photo booth

Rules, Regulations, and Tickets at: form.jotform.com/240734402854151

QUEEN OF HEAVEN SCHOOL GYMNASIUM

839 Mill Road

West Seneca, NY 14224

CRUISE NIGHT With Fr. Dave Richards

May 8, 2024 / 6-7pm

HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH- 85 Dakota Street, BUFFALO NY- Parish Hall







Celebrity Ascent
10 Night Sailing
0ctober 7-20, 2025
Plus 2 Nights Pre Hotel Package w/
Tour In Rome

Guest Speakers:
Maureen Capanyola- AAA WCNY
Kim Smith- Celebrity Cruises
Lefrespments will be served

RSVP by May 3,2024
MCAPANYOLA@NYAAA.COM

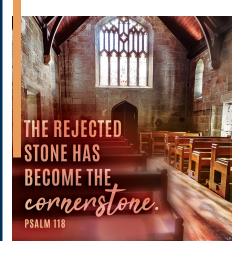
Adoration Chapel

"Who except God can give you peace? Has the world ever been able to satisfy the heart?"

~ St. Gerard

Our Adoration Chapel is open 24/7 and is looking for Adorers to sit and spend an hour each week in His presence.

For more information on becoming a weekly Adorer, check our open times and sign up on the Parish website, email us at:
adoration@
qofhchurch.org
or call Nancy at
716-907-5368.



QUESTIONS FOR THE WEEK

First Reading: Acts 4:8-12

Peter bore witness to the Sanhedrin that it was the crucified and risen Jesus who healed the crippled man and through whom we are saved.

Have you ever told someone else about your faith in Jesus?

Second Reading: Jn 3:1-2

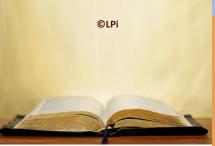
John tells us that as believers we are destined one day to be like the resurrected and glorified Jesus.

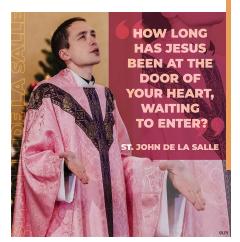
How do you think we can best prepare for such a future?

Gospel:

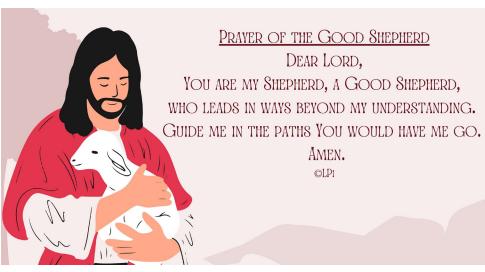
Jn 10:11-18
As the "Good Shepherd,"
Jesus speaks of the power
given to Him by the Father
to lay down His life for
His sheep.

What could you do this week for the benefit of another?









BASEBALL EXCURSION

St. Gabriels Holy Name **Baltimore at NY Yankees**



JUNE 19, 20, 21



\$450 per person double occupancy

Payment due no later than May 1, 2024 Solidifies the trip Make checks payable to Ted Szymanski 41 Rachelle Drive, Cheektowaga, NY 14227

Motorcoach leaves St. Gabriels at 8:00 am 5271 Clinton Street, Elma, NY 14059 Refreshments on the bus Stopping for lunch

Includes 2 night stay at Springhill Hotels & Suites E-Ticket includes 1 game

Free hot breakfast each morning at hotel Bus will be leaving for home around 11:00 am





