



Unified in Spirit & Faith

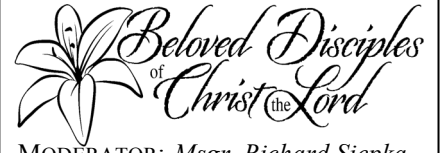
# Saint Martha Parish

Creating Our Church for The Next Generation

10 French Road, Depew, New York 14043

St. Martha Parish Website: [www.stmarthadepew.org](http://www.stmarthadepew.org)

BDCL Family Website: [bdclfamily.org](http://bdclfamily.org)



MODERATOR: Msgr. Richard Siepka  
IN SOLIDUM: Rev. Bart Lipiec,  
Rev. Lukasz Kopala

**MISSION STATEMENT** ~ The St. Martha Parish Community recognizes both friend and stranger as an honored guest. We strive to welcome each person as St. Martha welcomed Jesus. Embracing our Roman Catholicism, we live in faith, hope, and charity, guided by the Holy Spirit and sustained by the sacraments. We commit ourselves to serve our neighbors and others and thus strengthen the Church for the next generation.

\*Please note: We live-stream all Masses and encourage the vulnerable (those who are at an enhanced risk, sick, or caring for others who are at risk or sick) not attend, but to watch Mass on the live stream. See below...

✚ **LIVE STREAM** - MASSES are LIVE STREAMED - Just visit [www.stmarthadepew.org](http://www.stmarthadepew.org) and click on "Watch & Listen" and "Click here to Reach Our Live Stream You Tube Page!" (No subscription is necessary to view here.) Please direct any issues or questions to [jszpylman@stmarthadepew.org](mailto:jszpylman@stmarthadepew.org).

**Masks are optional in the church. All Masses are Live-streamed.**

\* **Parking Lot in car participation - tune radio to 95.1FM**

### **THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE:**

SUNDAY 02/16:	8:00AM	
	*10:00AM	
MONDAY 02/17:	8:15AM	Presidents' Day
TUESDAY 02/18:	8:15AM	
WEDNESDAY 02/19:	8:15AM	
THURSDAY 02/20:	8:15AM	
FRIDAY 02/21:	8:15AM	
SATURDAY 02/22:	5:00PM	(Sunday Vigil)
SUNDAY 02/23:	8:00AM	
	*10:00AM	

✚ **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: MONDAY - FRIDAY 9AM to 3PM** in the Chapel. (NOTE: Chapel will be CLOSED on Holy Days & Holidays & if the Lancaster Schools close for weather - See "At a Glance".) For information or to make a prayer request, call Pat (716-684-2596). If you can't be there for your Hour call Sandie (716-395-3007).

✚ **NOCTURNAL ADORATION:** On the FIRST FRIDAY of the Month from 9PM-10PM in church. For information call Jerry Okun at 716-684-4907.

✚ **ROSARY:** 5-DECADE ROSARY Monday-Friday after 8:15AM Mass in the Chapel & Saturdays @ 4:25PM and Sundays @ 7:25AM & 9:25AM in church. 20-DECADE ROSARY Thursdays @ 6:00PM in the Chapel. (Any questions, call Joyce 716-683-5398).



✚ **CONFESSIONS** - Saturday before Mass if a priest is available.

✚ **THE FOLLOWING ARE UPON REQUEST:**

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK** contact the rectory  
**BAPTISMS** contact the rectory for classes & dates  
**LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION** contact the rectory.

### **RECTORY OFFICE 716-684-6342**

(FAX 716-684-1853)

E-MAIL: [INFO@STMARTHADPEW.ORG](mailto:INFO@STMARTHADPEW.ORG)

#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

MONDAY: **CLOSED** Presidents' Day;  
TUESDAY: 9:00AM - 4:00PM  
WEDNESDAY: 9:00AM - 4:00PM  
THURSDAY: 9:00AM - 4:00PM  
FRIDAY: 9:00AM - 4:00PM  
(Closed daily from 12 Noon - 1PM for lunch)

**Rev. Bart W. Lipiec** (ext 202)

**Permanent Deacon Jim Trzaska** (ext 250)

SECRETARY: Rosanne Depczynski (ext 200)

BOOKKEEPER: Melissa Mudd (ext 203)

ST. MARTHA PANTRY: 716-206-0387

Hours: Mon 6-8pm, Wed & Thurs 9am-Noon, & Sat 10am-Noon.

MAINTENANCE DEPT: (ext 217)

BULLETIN EDITOR: Anne Mazurek (716-901-4440)

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Jill Muise (716-684-1825)

PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR: Brian Chambrone

### **SCHOOL 716-685-2544 (FAX 716-685-9103)**

#### **Office Hours:**

**Monday-Friday 7:30AM - 2:30PM**

WEBSITE: [school.olbsdepew.org](http://school.olbsdepew.org)

PRINCIPAL: Nancy Kindred

Email: [nkindred@school.olbsdepew.org](mailto:nkindred@school.olbsdepew.org)

### **FAITH FORMATION 716-685-2546**

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Mrs. Jessica Szpylman

Email: [jszpylman@stmarthadepew.org](mailto:jszpylman@stmarthadepew.org)

#### **✚ PARISH BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS -**

Articles for the bulletin should be e-mailed to [thebulletinlady@roadrunner.com](mailto:thebulletinlady@roadrunner.com) by the MONDAY prior to the weekend for the announcement. Include contact info for any questions. ALL ANNOUNCEMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO FR. BART'S APPROVAL & NON-parish news is also subject to "available space".

## THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### FEBRUARY 16, 2025

## "At a Glance"

### THIS WEEK @ St. Martha Parish



#### SUN 02/16 **6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY in Ordinary Time**

- 5 Decade Rosary @ 7:25AM (Church)
- 8:00AM Sunday Mass (Church / Streamed)
- 5 Decade Rosary @ 9:25AM (Church)
- 10:00AM Sunday Mass  
(Church / Streamed & Parking Lot, radio 95.1FM)

#### MON 02/17 **PRESIDENTS' DAY**



- 8:15AM Daily Mass (Church / Streamed)
- 5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
- NO School this Week ~ *Mid-Winter Break*
- Rectory Office **CLOSED**
- NO Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

- #### TUES 02/18
- 8:15AM Daily Mass (Church / Streamed)
  - 5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
  - Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

- #### WED 02/19
- 8:15AM Daily Mass (Church / Streamed)
  - 5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
  - Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

- #### THUR 02/20
- 8:15AM Daily Mass (Church / Streamed)
  - 5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
  - Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)
  - 20 Decade Rosary 6PM (Chapel)

- #### FRI 02/21
- 8:15AM Daily Mass (Church / Streamed)
  - 5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
  - Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

- #### SAT 02/22
- 5:00PM Sunday Vigil Mass  
(Church / Streamed)

#### SUN 02/23 **7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY in Ordinary Time**

- 5 Decade Rosary @ 7:25AM (Church)
- 8:00AM Sunday Mass (Church / Streamed)
- 5 Decade Rosary @ 9:25AM (Church)
- 10:00AM Sunday FAMILY Mass  
(Church / Streamed & Parking Lot, radio 95.1FM)

### **ST. MARTHA PARISH STEWARDSHIP**

We offer an online giving option! Just click on the *donate now* button on our website [www.stmarthdepew.org](http://www.stmarthdepew.org). Your donation can be one time only, weekly, or monthly!

### **SPECIAL COLLECTION:**

**Please Note:** The collection basket will only go around once at Masses, so any special collection donations must be in a labeled envelope and put in the basket with the weekly collection. Please do not combine contributions on one check or in one envelope. Thank you!



### **HOPE for all, Help from all APPEAL 2025 ~ PLEASE GIVE!**

In addition to supporting Catholic Charities, Appeal 2025 also benefits the Fund for the Faith. Established in 1937 by Bishop John Duffy, the Fund for the Faith provides spiritual nourishment throughout our Diocese today. Proceeds provide ministry support services that are instrumental to the vitality of our faith experience, such as hospital chaplaincy, formation of priests and deacons, pro-life ministry, marriage prep and so much more. Support Catholic Charities and the Fund for the Faith by visiting [ccwny.org/donate](http://ccwny.org/donate) or texting HOPE4WNY to 44321.

Patron of the 2025 campaign, Saint Vincent de Paul, pray for us!

### **CHURCH IN CENTRAL and EASTERN EUROPE & CATHOLIC LEAGUE**

This special collection for the *Church in Central and Eastern Europe & Catholic League for Religious Assistance to Poland* is being taken up this weekend, **FEBRUARY 15<sup>TH</sup> & 16<sup>TH</sup>**. Your gift will help educate seminarians, assist poor parishes, and supply liturgical vestments and sacred vessels. Help the Church in Poland!

### **PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

#### **FEBRUARY FAMILY MASS**

We will celebrate the next Family Mass at St. Martha Parish on **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23<sup>RD</sup>** at the 10:00AM Mass. All children of the parish are invited to serve as lectors, greeters, gift bearers, ushers, and to proclaim the Lord's Prayer. We will be handing out a magic color, scratch off calendar for Lent which begins on March 5<sup>th</sup>.

Please sign up through the St. Martha Facebook page or email Mrs. Szpylman at [jszpylman@stmarthadepew.org](mailto:jszpylman@stmarthadepew.org), Ms. Kucewicz at [skucewicz@school.olbsdepew.org](mailto:skucewicz@school.olbsdepew.org) or Mrs. Glaub at [cglaub@school.olbsdepew.org](mailto:cglaub@school.olbsdepew.org). **We ask that you sign up by Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup> if you would like to read at mass.**

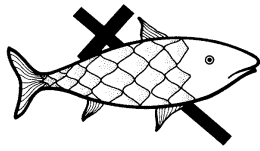
Please consider joining us on February 23<sup>rd</sup> and participating in one of the ministries at mass. The children have received many compliments from the parishioners on their participation at the Family Masses! We will also have a donut and coffee social after the Sunday masses that week.



### **GIVE LIFE!!**

The *ConnectLife Bus* will be at St. Martha's parish for our spring blood drive on **SATURDAY MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup>, from 10AM-2PM**. Each pint donated can help up to 3 people! You can make an appointment by scanning the QR code from the flyers on the church entrance doors or by going online @ [connectlifegiveblood.org](http://connectlifegiveblood.org) or call 716-529-4270 for assistance. God created us to share life with one another. Here's a beautiful opportunity to help someone in need! *Sponsored by the BDCL Respect Life committee.*

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament  
**FISH FRY FUNDRAISER**



Begins on  
**ASH WEDNESDAY,  
 MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup> and Every  
 Friday during LENT!**

**SEE THE INSERT IN THIS WEEK'S  
 BULLETIN!**

***Knights of St. John "21 CLUB"!***

GET YOUR TICKET before the EARLY BIRD BONUS DRAWING for \$100.00 on MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup>! Call Peter Becker at 716-867-3448, ask any Knight of St. John, or pick up a ticket at the Rectory during office hours. This is a weekly drawing beginning on April 20, 2025 for \$100.00 each week for 20 weeks, plus the Early Bird Bonus drawing on MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup>! The final drawing on the 21<sup>st</sup> week is for one (1) Grand Prize Award of \$1000.00, plus 2<sup>nd</sup> prize award of \$500.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> prize award of \$500.00, 4<sup>th</sup> prize award of \$300.00, 5<sup>th</sup> prize award of \$200.00, and 6<sup>th</sup> prize award of \$100.00. The cost is \$20.00/ticket.

**SYMPATHY**

OUR PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCES TO THE  
 FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF:

✠ **Theresa Stein**



**FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS**

We are most grateful for our parish's continued support of our pantry's efforts. Your help is critical to its success. We serve approximately 125 families and our shelves empty quickly. Barrels for donations are located in the vestibule. Below is our weekly "Wish List" which comes in handy when particular products run low, but ANY donations are always welcome and appreciated.

- Crackers
- Cereal
- Coffee
- Knorr Sides
- Pancake Mix & Syrup

\*AS ALWAYS, IF THERE IS A NEED AND WE MAY BE OF ASSISTANCE, PLEASE CALL THE PANTRY AT 716-206-0387.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

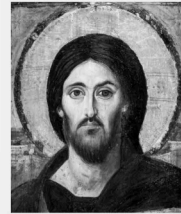
**Now Open to End of 2025**

Please fill out a GREEN REQUEST FORMS located at the church entrances or at the Rectory Office. Drop off in the collection basket or through the slot on the rectory door. Requests will be filled on a first come first serve basis. **Please Note the following Masses are Reserved:** The 10:00AM Sunday Mass Time is reserved on the FIRST & SECOND SUNDAY of each month for the Guild & Holy Name. Masses also reserved on FATHER'S DAY weekend, ALL SOULS, HOLY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY, HOLY SATURDAY, EASTER, THANKSGIVING, and CHRISTMAS.

**BDCL Family & Diocesan News:**

**SAVE THESE DATES**  
**BDCL FAMILY OF PARISHES**  
**LENTEN MISSION**

Be inspired and challenged as you pray, reflect, and share with Deacon Greg Feary as he guides us through the great questions asked by Jesus.



**Who do you say that I am?**

... and other questions Jesus asks  
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Join us for two evenings to ponder a few of the questions Jesus asks his disciples to discover the meaning and challenge they offer our discipleship.

We begin with the most important and central of these questions, *Who do you say that I am?*

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Monday, March 10 and Tuesday, March 11  
 7:00 - 8:30 pm

*Refreshments to follow each evening*

**Saint Mary of the Assumption Church**  
 1 St. Mary's Hill  
 Lancaster, New York 14086  
 716-683-6445 <https://stmarysonthehill.org/>

**SAINT JOSEPH'S DAY TABLE**

*Celebrate a wonderful  
 TRADITION with us!*



Please join the Beloved Disciples of Christ the Lord family of Parishes for a special meatless potluck

dinner on **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:30PM at St. Mary of The Assumption Parish Center (2 St. Mary Hill, Lancaster).** Everyone is invited to this free family event! If you would like to participate in the potluck, we ask, if you can, bring a dish to pass that consists of a dessert or fruit; salad or vegetable dish; or a meatless main dish casserole or pasta. Fish/seafood is acceptable. **So we can plan accordingly, let us know if you will be attending by March 1<sup>st</sup>, by completing the RSVP form at the back of the church and return by dropping it off at the rectory or in the box labeled "St. Joseph's Day".**

**PASS THE CHALICE**



The Beloved Disciples of Christ the Lord is pleased to introduce the Pass the Chalice program, which increases awareness of the need for more priestly vocations in our Diocese. The program, guided by the Mary, Mother of Vocations Ministry, Inc., encourages families to make a personal commitment to pray for vocations daily by hosting the chalice in their home for one week and pray a series of daily devotionals and reflections encourage vocations

to the priesthood and call upon the Holy Spirit to stir within the hearts of those whom the Lord is calling to serve as priests. The two chalices are originally from the Parishes of St. Martha's and St. Philip's where they were used to celebrate countless Masses. Family parishioner, Mr. John Crinzi, refurbished both Chalices.

To sign up please scan the QR code with the camera on your mobile device, visit the BDCL website [www.bdclfamily.com](http://www.bdclfamily.com), or contact Brian Wild, OLP Chalice Coordinator, at (716) 393-6155 or email: [bkwild14@gmail.com](mailto:bkwild14@gmail.com).



<https://forms.gle/ZvFMjnTbye8tfmAA>

## ASH WEDNESDAY BDCL MASSES

*From dust you came and to dust you will return*

### MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup>

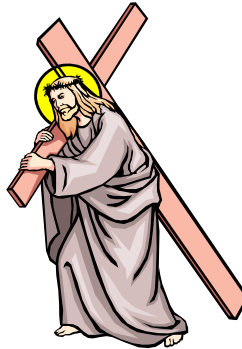
- 6:45AM St. Mary of the Assumption
- 8:15AM **St. Martha**
- 8:30AM Our Lady of Pompeii
- St. John the Baptist
- St. Mary of the Assumption
- 9:00AM St. Philip the Apostle
- NOON St. Mary of the Assumption
- St. Philip the Apostle
- 12:10PM **St. Martha**
- 6:30PM St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta
- 7:00PM St. John the Baptist
- 7:30PM **St. Martha**



## BDCL STATIONS OF THE CROSS

### Fridays During Lent

- 6:00PM @ St. Philip the Apostle
- 6:30PM @ St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta
- 7:00PM @ Our Lady of Pompeii, @ St. John the Baptist, and @ St. Mary of the Assumption
- 7:30PM @ **St. Martha**



### Our Lady of Pompeii - 7PM in Church

- 03/07 John Paul II Stations
- 03/14 Pro-Life Stations
- 03/21 Shrine/Scriptural Stations
- 03/28 Everyone's Way of the Cross Stations
- 04/04 Marian Stations
- 04/11 Living Stations

## Tuition Assistance

For Private Grammar Schools Now Available. The **BISON Children Scholarship Fund** provides tuition assistance to economically eligible children in grades K-8. New families can now apply for scholarships for the 2025-26 school year. To start the process, families can complete a quick pre-application form online at [www.bisonfund.org](http://www.bisonfund.org). If selected in our lottery drawing, the scholarships can be used at any

private grammar school in WNY. The deadline to apply is March 31. The maximum award is \$3,000. For more information, contact Cindy McDonald at 716-854-0869, ext. 1 or [cmcdonald@bisonfund.org](mailto:cmcdonald@bisonfund.org).

## Catholic Men's Conference of WNY

Will take place on March 29 at Cardinal O'Hara High School, 39 O'Hara Rd., Tonawanda. Feature speaker will be Fr. Larry Richards. Along with the speakers, confessions, adoration, and breakout discussions will be offered. Priests that can be available to hear confessions between 11am-1pm are needed. Please call 716-868-5871.

## VOCATIONAL VIEW

### Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 16, 2025

Proclaiming Jesus' Name and His Gospel isn't easy. Sometimes it even brings retaliation. Jesus promises that those who bear insult for His name will be rewarded greatly in heaven. How is God calling you to proclaim His Name? If it's through a Church vocation, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5540 or visit [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org)

## ✠ ST. MARTHA MASS INTENTION ✠

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17

*(Presidents' Day)*

8:15AM JERRY KLEIN - Pat

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

8:15PM SHARON CERVI - Louis Cervi

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

8:15PM RAYMOND & EUGENIA MENDEL - Daughter

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20

8:15AM BERNACKI & WYPIJ FAMILY - Patricia Wypij & Family

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21

8:15AM DAVID KLYCZEK - Family

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22

*The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle*

5:00PM LUCY NEBRICH - Husband  
*(Sunday Vigil)*

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

### SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00AM JULIA ZATKO - Sharon Herko  
10:00AM Living and Deceased of the COYNE & BOWER FAMILIES - Coyne Family

## LECTORS: FEBRUARY 22 & 23

- 5:00PM Dave Thomas
- 8:00AM Pat Zatko
- 10:00AM Family Mass

