



Unified in Spirit & Faith

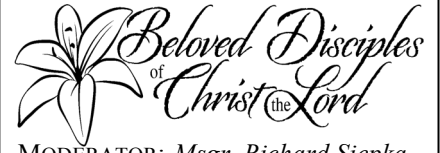
Saint Martha Parish

Creating Our Church for The Next Generation

10 French Road, Depew, New York 14043

St. Martha Parish Website: www.stmarthadepew.org

BDCL Family Website: 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 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.

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

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

MASS SCHEDULE:

SUNDAY 08/18:	8:00AM
	*10:00AM
MONDAY 08/19:	8:15AM
TUESDAY 08/20:	8:15AM
WEDNESDAY 08/21:	8:15AM
THURSDAY 08/22:	8:15AM
FRIDAY 08/23:	8:15AM
SATURDAY 08/24:	5:00PM (Sunday Vigil)
SUNDAY 08/25:	8:00AM
	*10:00AM

✚ **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: MONDAY - FRIDAY 9AM to 3PM** in the Chapel. (NOTE: Chapel will be CLOSED on Holy Days & Holidays.) 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:** The FIRST FRIDAY of the Month from 9PM-midnight in church. For information call Jerry Okun at 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). Outdoor Rosary 1st & 3rd Mondays June to October, side parking lot.



✚ **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

OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY: 9:00AM – 4:00PM;
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: Susan Koprucki (New ext 203)

FOOD PANTRY: (ext 218)

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)

Summer Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 8:30AM - 11:30AM

WEBSITE: school.olbsdepew.org

PRINCIPAL: Nancy Kindred

Email: nkindred@school.olbsdepew.org

FAITH FORMATION 716-685-2546

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Mrs. Jessica Szpylman

Email: jszpylman@stmarthadepew.org

✚ **PARISH BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS -**

Articles for the bulletin should be e-mailed to 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".

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 18, 2024

"At a Glance"
THIS WEEK @ St. Martha Parish

SUN 08/18 20TH 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 08/19 -8:15AM Daily Mass** (Live Streamed / Church)
-5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)
-OUTDOOR ROSARY 6PM (side parking lot)



- TUES 08/20 -8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)
-5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

- WED 08/21 -8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)
-5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

- THUR 08/22 -8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)
-5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)
-20 Decade Rosary 6PM (Chapel)

- FRI 08/23 -8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)
-5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

- SAT 08/24 -5:00PM Sunday Vigil Mass**
(Church / Streamed)

- SUN 08/25 21ST 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)

ST. MARTHA PARISH STEWARDSHIP

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

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:

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. Thank you!

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY
of AMERICA & OTHER
AMERICAN CATHOLIC HIGHER
EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS

This collection is being taken up this weekend, **AUGUST 17TH & 18TH**. Your gift will support Catholic University of America and other higher Catholic education students who go on to serve the nation and transform the world. Catholic University serves dioceses and parishes through innovative research initiatives and training programs, such as the Catholic Project - an initiative that aims to heal the breach of trust many have experienced as a result of the current crisis in the Church.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SYMPATHY

*OUR PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCES TO THE
FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF:*

✠ **Jeanette C. Klaja**, sister of
Parishioners, Deborah (Sidney) Panfil



FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Thank you for your continued support of the pantry. Your generosity is the backbone of our efforts. We could not continue this ministry without your help. We have seen an increase in the number of families we serve. Our shelves empty quickly. Barrels for donations are located in the vestibule of the church. Below is our **"Wish List"**..., which comes in handy when particular products run low, but ANY donations are always appreciated.

- Tissues
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Pasta/Noodles (other than spaghetti)
- Condiments (Ketchup, mustard, mayo)
- Deodorant (men's & women's)

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

OUTDOOR PUBLIC ROSARY

Will be held on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month through October. Our next outdoor rosary will be on **MONDAY, AUGUST 19TH** near the statue of Mary. We begin the rosary @ **6PM**. Bring a chair, your rosary, and a drink to stay hydrated. (We'll have bottles of water available as well). In case of inclement weather we'll move into the church. Hope to see you there! Sponsored by the Altar & Rosary Guild and the Holy Name Society.



A NOTE OF GRATITUDE

Dear St. Martha Friends,

Thank you for all the visits, cards, donations, and prayers during Tony's illness and passing. There is no doubt your love and prayers sustained us as we struggled. We are truly blest to be a part of this parish and to count you as friends, not just as fellow parishioners. Tony was touched by the depth of your compassion and we feel the same as your love surrounds us.

God bless you,

The Stang Family



A KITTY NEEDS A HOME

A parishioner can no longer care for her pet and is looking to give her 1-year-old tiger print cat to a good home. He's very cute, affectionate, and playful. He also has all his shots and is neutered. If you're interested, please contact Christine at ChristineKencel@gmail.com or 716-264-0429.

Knights of St. John Commandery 204 21 CLUB FINAL DRAWINGS

Below are the 2024 winning ticket numbers for weeks Eighteen through Twenty-one Grand Prize drawings:

Week 18 - Ticket #120 for \$100.00

Week 19 - Ticket #687 for \$100.00

Week 20 - Ticket #742 for \$100.00

Week 21 - Final Grand Prize Drawings:

Ticket #801 for \$100.00

Ticket #576 for \$200.00

Ticket #254 for \$300.00

Ticket #406 for \$500.00

Ticket #395 for \$500.00

Ticket #970 for \$1,000.00

Congratulations to all the Winners!!! Commandery 204 would like to thank all who supported "The 21 Club" this year! You helped 204 to continue its support of many charities throughout the year. Thank you again and we hope to have your support next year!

BDCL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Diocesan Recommendations Update

This past Wednesday, August 14, the Renewal Team for the Diocese of Buffalo, along with Bishop Fisher himself met with representatives of the six Parishes in our Family to discuss five counterproposals presented to amend the Diocesan recommendations for merging and closing Parishes in our Family. The clergy of our Family, priests and deacons, along with two representatives from each Parish were present. The five proposals had been submitted previously after being prepared by each individual Parish utilizing the close to 100 written recommendations that were given by the Parishioners in our Family.

The meeting with the Diocese was a very positive experience and an honest dialogue was presented defending the present status of each of the six Parishes in our Family. The Diocese heard each recommendation and understands how important each Parish community is to their Parishioners. The Diocese thanked us for our input and promised to begin to prepare the final recommendations to be completed by August 26th for further consultation with the Council of Priests, with announcements around September 1st. We will announce these final mergers and closures as soon as they become available.

This is a challenging time for all of us. Please continue to pray for the Spirit to inspire us, to give us strength, and to recognize the difficult choices that must be made to build a stronger future for our Church in Western New York.

ALPHA Information Night

Wednesday, August 21 from 6:30-7:30PM

@ St. Philip the Apostle Parish Center Main Hall (950 Losson Rd, Cheektowaga)

Our Family of Parishes is planning an Alpha program beginning in September! We need facilitators, kitchen support, and other helpers. If you are interested in learning more, please come to the one hour information session to hear what Alpha is all about & get your questions answered. This will be a great way to bring us together and we would love to have you involved!!!

Do you know someone who is away from the Church? Consider inviting them to Alpha where a meal, a video, and an information discussion will raise some of the basic teachings of the Catholic faith. To learn more about Alpha visit www.alphausa.org.



DIOCESAN & LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Join our team! Catholic Charities will once again be participating in the 2024 American Foundation for Suicide Prevention **Out of the Darkness Walk**. The walk will be held Saturday, September 21 at Canalside Buffalo. Registration begins at 8:30 am, with the program beginning at 10 am and walk to follow. Those interested in joining our team and walking with us can register via our website at www.ccwny.org. Please join us as we support AFSP's mission and show solidarity for those who have been affected by suicide.

"Heart to Heart with God" Day Retreat with Confessions and Mass on Thursday, August 22 from 10 am-4 pm at Branches Christian Rest & Renewal Center, 8251 Lower Lake Rd., Lodi (located on Seneca Lake). Do you long for a deeper, more intimate relationship with our Lord? Did you know that He has the same longing for us? Together, and inspired by the saints, Deacon Ward Nolan and Jayne Badano-Bidwell will help us discover how heartfelt prayer is the answer to transforming our relationship with God. During this day retreat, Rev. Brendan Buckley, OFM Cap. will hear confessions and celebrate Mass. More information at www.branchescenter.org, email branches1515@live.com, or call 716-901-4313.

5th Annual Rockin' the Grounds Event on Wednesday, August 21 from 5-9 pm at St. Stephen, 2100 Baseline Rd., Grand Island. This outdoor concert event is a great evening of music, basket raffles, beverages by Resurgence Brewing, food trucks, giant inflatables for the children, Giant Cash Raffle, and new Cornhole Tournament. Admission and parking are free. Bring your lawn chair and your appetites! For more information, visit www.ststephenwny.com.

Ladies of Charity Annual "Dress for Less" Style Show, luncheon and theme basket raffle on Saturday, September 28 at Grapevine Banquets, 333 Dick Rd., Depew. WGRZ News Anchor, Maryalice Demler, is this year's commentator. Doors open at 11 am for browsing the Boutique and to purchase basket raffle tickets; split club drawings also available. Style Show tickets cost \$48 each. Luncheon entrée is broccoli stuffed chicken. For additional information and tickets, call 716-895-4001. Please consider supporting the Ladies of Charity and its ministries.

Is your child age 12-17 displaying chronic negative behaviors such as noncompliance, verbal and/or physical aggression, truancy, school failure, curfew violations, running away, illegal substance abuse and/or criminal activity? **Catholic Charities Multisystemic Therapy Program** can help. MST, offered in Erie, Niagara, Cattaraugus, and Allegany counties, is an intensive family-focused intervention program that's facilitated in the youth's natural environments, including the home. Think MST might be a good fit? Call 716-597-0756, ext. 2252.

Summer Fest on August 23 & 24 at Infant of Prague, 921 Cleveland Dr., Cheektowaga. Hours on Friday are from 5-11 pm and Saturday from 12-11 pm. Live music with *Back to The Bars* on Friday; *Rockabilly Steve/Jony James* and *Hit-N-Run* on Saturday. Also basket raffle, games of chance, beer tent and more. For more information, call 716-634-3660.

~ A VOCATION VIEW ~

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 18, 2024
"Taste and see the goodness of the Lord." We do this literally in Holy Communion. Without priests, we do not have this profound encounter with our God. Answer the call to feed the flock with the Holy Eucharist! Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

✠ ST. MARTHA MASS INTENTION ✠

MONDAY, AUGUST 19

8:15AM JOSEPH & PATRICIA McALLISTER -
In Memory

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20

St. Bernard, Abbot & Doctor
8:15AM Deceased Members of the KOSICKI &
KREMPA FAMILY - Tom & Stephanie Ptak

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21

St. Pius X, Pope
8:15AM CARL & IRENE MAZUREK - Mazurek Family

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:15AM LOUIS & ALICE GERMANN - Mary Bauer

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

8:15AM TRACY & BRIAN WHEELER -
Jim & Barb Wheeler

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

St. Bartholomew, Apostle
5:00PM CECELIA (T.C.) RZEPECKI - Brian Miller
(Sunday Vigil)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00AM CAROL EHLERS-FITZPATRICK -
Friends & Family
10:00AM RENEE HARTINGER - Hartinger Family

LECTORS: AUGUST 24 & 25

5:00PM Mark Czaplicki
8:00AM Tim Mahony
10:00AM Conrad Young