



Unified in Spirit & Faith

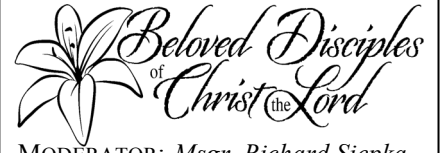
Saint Martha Parish

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 09/15:	8:00AM
	*10:00AM
MONDAY 09/16:	8:15AM
TUESDAY 09/17:	8:15AM
WEDNESDAY 09/18:	8:15AM
THURSDAY 09/19:	8:15AM
FRIDAY 09/20:	8:15AM
SATURDAY 09/21:	5:00PM (Sunday Vigil)
SUNDAY 09/22:	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)

Office Hours:

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

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".

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

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

- SUN 09/15 24TH 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 09/16 -8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)
 -5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
 -Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

 -YOGA 9-10AM (gym)
 -OUTDOOR ROSARY 6PM (side parking lot)
- TUES 09/17 -8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)
 -5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
 -Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)
- WED 09/18 -8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)
 -5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
 -Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)
- THUR 09/19 -8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)
 -5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
 -Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)
 -OLBS Meet the Teacher Night/Parent Mtgs
 -20 Decade Rosary 6PM (Chapel)
- FRI 09/20 -8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)
 -5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
 -Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)
- SAT 09/21 -5:00PM Sunday Vigil Mass**
 (Church / Streamed)
- SUN 09/22 25TH 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)
 -Coffee, Cider, & Donut Social after 10AM Mass

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 EDUCATION COLLECTION

Will be taken up this weekend, **SEPTEMBER 14TH & 15TH**. Catholic education is a priceless gift and benefits our Parish and the whole community. All the money collected stays right here at OLBS School! PLEASE SUPPORT THIS CAMPAIGN and the Future of our Catholic School especially during these uncertain times!!!

SEMINARIAN & DIACONATE FORMATION COLLECTION

Will be taken up next weekend, **SEPTEMBER 21ST & 22ND**. Please support the education of our Seminarians and permanent deacons.

From FR. BART:

SPAIN PILGRIMAGE

You may have seen advertising for a pilgrimage to Spain. I will be joining Msgr. Siepka as we journey through this beautiful country and tour some of its fascinating culture and countryside. We will also be visiting some of the great religious sites of Saints.

If you have an interest in joining us, please contact Saint Philips Church or use the QR code in the article below on this page.

Let us pray and care for each other ~ Fr. Bart

BDCL ANNOUNCEMENTS:



12 DAYS: May 12-23, 2025

Visiting Madrid, Avila, Toledo, Cordoba, Seville, Granada, Valencia, Montserrat and Barcelona!

hosted by REV. MSGR. RICHARD W. SIEPKA & REV. BART W. LIPIEC

\$4829 PER PERSON FROM TORONTO

(Air/land price is \$4159 plus

\$670 gov't taxes/airline surcharges)

TOUR PRICE INCLUDES: Round-trip Bus from Buffalo and Round-trip Air from Toronto, First Class/Select Hotels, Most Meals, Comprehensive Sightseeing with a Professional Tour Director, Entrance Fees, Portage, and Much More!!

FOR A FULL BROCHURE & MORE INFO, PLEASE CONTACT:

Msgr. Richard Siepka Tel: (716) 668-8370 ex 215 /
 Email: frichtrips@gmail.com or scan the QR code above to see the trip brochure and sign up.

BDCL ANNOUNCEMENT

This past Monday, September 9th, after two months of discussion and wide consultation within the Diocese, the final decisions for mergers in the Road to Renewal process were announced. Many of the original recommendations were reconsidered and some changes were made to better serve the future needs of the Church.

St. Martha Parish is recommended to be closed as a worship site and merge with St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, although Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament School will continue on the campus for the time being. It will be discussed as to what portions of the campus may be sold as well. Our Lady of Pompeii is scheduled to become a secondary worship site and merge with St. Mary of the Assumption Parish. St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish will also merge into St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, but their property will be closed and sold. Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish in Bowmansville will leave our Family and join Family 15 in Clarence and Williamsville. St. Philip the Apostle Parish will remain open. Also, we will be welcoming St. John the Baptist Parish in Alden into the Beloved Disciples of Christ the Lord Family.

We will be forming Transition Teams at each Parish experiencing merger to discuss details and help determine the best way to commemorate the Parishes and celebrate the long tradition of those places forced to close. As we navigate through this difficult time of transformation in our Diocese, the clergy of our Family and all the members of our Family Council extend their heartfelt empathy and support for each of you. The decisions that have been made are not easy and can stir up a range of emotions, from sadness, to anger, to uncertainty. It's important to acknowledge these feelings and remember that change, while challenging, often brings new opportunities for growth and unity. Only together can we grow and build a stronger, more unified community of faith, grounded in our shared values and mission. No one is happy about the need to close Parishes, but the current financial state of our Diocese and ever-increasing fewer numbers of priests to serve our Parishes has forced us to make these radical changes to allow

the rest of the Church to grow and continue its mission of spreading the Gospel. We are with you in tears and in prayer. It is the hope of all involved that we will be able to work together to form a vibrant future for the Church in our communities.



Who will you invite



ALPHA is coming to our Family of Parishes Beginning **Tuesday, September 17th** from 6PM-8PM at St. Philip the Apostle (950 Losson Rd, Cheektowaga).

Each 90-minute session has 3 parts: a light supper, a video on a topic pertinent to the meaning and purpose in life (especially in a Catholic context), and discussion.

Register to attend by calling 716-668-8370 x 229 and leave your name and phone number.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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, SEPTEMBER 16TH** 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.

YOGA is Back @ ST. MARTHA

Classes will be offered on the following six Mondays from 9-10AM in the school gym on: ♦Sept 16th, ♦Oct 7th & 21st, ♦Nov 4th & 18th, and ♦Dec 9th. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat. It is a gentle class and suitable for beginners and experienced. Pre-registering is suggested, but not required. To sign up, call Rosanne at the Rectory (716) 684-6342, Ext. 200. For more information or questions, contact Jane Schmitt @ (716) 984-6282. **Please Note:** If the Lancaster School District closes for weather, the class will be canceled.



SYMPATHY

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

✠ **Eleanor H. Asztemborski**
✠ **Judith G. Logan**



First Day of Fall FAMILY MASS

Catholics celebrate the Fall Equinox to recognize the connection between nature and faith and to celebrate all of God's Creation. We will celebrate the first day of fall with a Family Mass on **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND** 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. Please sign up through the St. Martha Facebook page or email Mrs. Szpylman at jszpylman@stmarthadepew.org or Ms. Kucewicz at skucewicz@school.olbsdepew.org. We ask that you sign up by Tuesday, September 17th. We want you to take a walk in nature this week with your family and bring into the church something you found outside in nature; (a leaf, stick, flower, rock, etc). Join us for a social after mass where we will be serving coffee, donuts, and cider. **See you next Sunday!**

church. Below is our "**Wish List**"..., which comes in handy when particular products run low, but ANY donations are always appreciated.

- Dish Soap
 - Laundry detergent
 - Rice-a-Roni
 - Toothpaste
 - Shampoo
- *AS ALWAYS, IF THERE IS A NEED AND THE FOOD PANTRY MAY BE OF ASSISTANCE, PLEASE CALL US AT 716-206-0387.

~ A VOCATION VIEW ~

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Sept 15, 2024
Jesus challenges us to take up our cross and follow Him.

Is he leading you to the sacrificial life of a religious sister or brother, or the priesthood? Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 to start the conversation or visit buffalovocations.org.

2025 Mass Intentions Book OPENS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH

- ▶ Please DO NOT come in or call to schedule masses before 9/30/24.
 - ▶ Masses can only be scheduled from January 1st through May 31st, 2025.
 - ▶ We are limiting total Mass requests to 3 per person. ▶ We accept Cash or check (payable to: *St. Martha Parish*) for \$15.00 per mass.
- Please pick up a GREEN REQUEST FORMS which will be at the church entrances beginning the weekend of SEPTEMBER 28TH & 29TH or at the rectory. Office hours are 9AM - 4PM Monday thru Friday (closed daily from 12pm-1pm for lunch). If you are unable to come into the office, please include payment with the form and either:
- ▶ Drop it through the Mail Slot on the rectory front door
 - ▶ Mail to: *St. Martha Parish, 10 French Rd, Depew, NY 14043*
 - ▶ Place it in the weekend collection basket

*Please make sure to include alternate dates just incase a date is already filled. Requests will be filled on a first come first serve basis. *Note that mass times and availability are subject to change. We will keep you informed.*

Please Note for Reserved Masses:

The 10:00AM Sunday Mass Time is reserved on the FIRST & SECOND SUNDAY of each month for the Guild & Holy Name.

All weekend Masses are reserved for "All Parishioners" on MOTHER'S DAY and EASTER.

HOLY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY, and HOLY SATURDAY are also reserved.

THANK YOU FOR COOPERATION & GOD BLESS YOU!

✠ ST. MARTHA MASS INTENTION ✠

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

St. Cornelius, Pope & St. Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs
8:15AM LANNIE RODEMEYER - Family

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

8:15AM PATRICIA MAZIERSKI - Family

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

8:15AM STANLEY WYPIJ -
Patrick & Pamela Wypij & Family

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

8:15AM GEORGE D. CIESLAR, JR. - sister, Joyce

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest & St. Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companions, Martyrs
8:15AM THERESA A. NEFF - Stanley A. Slowinski

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist
5:00PM CIAMBOR FAMILY - Ron & Velma Baginski
(Sunday Vigil)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00AM BARDOL FAMILY - Bardol & Ludwig Family
10:00AM THERESA GORENKO - Family

LECTORS: SEPTEMBER 21 & 22

5:00PM Dave Thomas
8:00AM Gail Lucarelli
10:00AM Pat Scharmach

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