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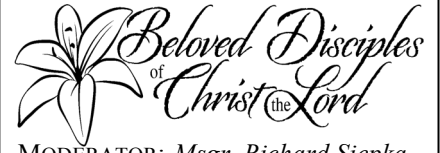
# Saint Martha Parish

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 02/09:	8:00AM
	*10:00AM
MONDAY 02/10:	8:15AM
TUESDAY 02/11:	8:15AM
WEDNESDAY 02/12:	8:15AM
THURSDAY 02/13:	8:15AM
♥ FRIDAY 02/14:	8:15AM
SATURDAY 02/15:	5:00PM (Sunday Vigil)
SUNDAY 02/16:	8:00AM
	*10:00AM



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

(FAX 716-684-1853)

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

✚ **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.

## THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### FEBRUARY 9, 2025

## "At a Glance"

### THIS WEEK @ St. Martha Parish



#### SUN 02/09 **5<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 02/10 **-8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)

- 5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
- Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)
- ConnectLife SPECIAL SPEAKER 7PM (café)  
hosted by the Holy Name

#### TUES 02/11 **-8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)

- 5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
- Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

#### WED 02/12 **-8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)

- 5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
- Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

#### THUR 02/13 **-8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)

- 5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
- Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)
- 20 Decade Rosary 6PM (Chapel)

#### FRI 02/14 **-8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)

- 5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)
  - Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)
- May your Heart be full of LOVE!*



#### SAT 02/15 **-5:00PM Sunday Vigil Mass**

(Church / Streamed)

#### 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)

### **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!**

The 2025 Catholic Charities Appeal has started. It is important to note that all monies are used only for Catholic Charities and The Fund for the Faith. **No** monies can be used for the impending lawsuit against the Diocese.

**Catholic Charities** provides services to all in need, regardless of faith, race, and gender in areas such as food, insecurity, mental wellness, family stability and work independently and collaboratively with a wide range of human service organizations across the region.

The **Fund for the Faith** bolsters the Diocesan ministries including Catholic education, and formation programs for youth and young families in our Diocese, including marriage preparation, Parish spiritual renewal and priest and deacon formation.

Your donation can be designated for **either of or both**. Last year people were served in more than 50 programs. 82% of the monies donated are used in services and programs and only 14 % in administration, with the balance being 4% in fundraising. Donations leverage \$5 to \$6 in government contracts and grants for each \$1 raised.

Donations can be made by check, credit cards, and pledges. Please do not mail cash. Those using IRA redemptions can enjoy income tax savings (see your advisor).

A mailing has been sent out and donation cards are available in the weekly bulletin bins. As the need is always great, please consider giving **HOPE** to those in need.

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* will be taken up next 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:**

#### **SENIOR MEETING**

Our next meeting is on **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10<sup>TH</sup>** at the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church at 1:30PM. All are welcome! If the schools are closed we will not have a meeting. If you need information please call Pat at (716) 684-2858.

#### **LADIES OF CHARITY MASS**

The next Ladies of Charity MOB Mass will be held here at St. Martha Parish on **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15<sup>TH</sup>** at the 5PM Mass. We will sit together as a group if possible.

#### **HOLY NAME**

#### **HOSTS SPECIAL SPEAKER**

**ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND!!** We are excited to share that on **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10<sup>TH</sup>** we have a speaker from ConnectLife @ 7PM in the School Cafeteria. His name is *Bob Lester* and he'll speak about his daughter who was an organ & blood donor before she passed away in 2016. Come learn more about ConnectLife and be inspired!

The Holy Name general meeting will follow our special speaker.



### SAVE THE DATE

St. Martha Parish will be hosting another Blood Drive with Connect Life this year on **SATURDAY, MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup>** from **10AM-2PM**. Please mark your calendar and come down to donate LIFE! Watch for more details as the date approaches.

### OLBS School is Hiring!

If you have experience working with young children or are a retired teacher, we would love to add you to our staff! Please contact OLBS School Principal: Mrs. Nancy Kindred [nkindred@school.olbsdepew.org](mailto:nkindred@school.olbsdepew.org) or 716 685-2544. I would love to discuss one of these hiring opportunities with you!

#### PK 3 Teacher Aide:

Part-Time, Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays  
February - June 2025  
Hours: 7:00 am - 2:30 pm  
Hourly Rate: \$15.50 per hour  
Must be 21 years of age or older

#### After-School Staff:

Part-Time  
Monday - Friday  
February - June 2025  
Hours: 2:00 pm - 5:30 pm  
Hourly Rate: \$15.50 per hour  
Must be 21 years of age or older

### 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 16th if you would like to read at mass.

Please consider joining us on February 23rd 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.

### VIRTUS Training Reminder

Reminder to ALL parishioners who may be VIRTUS trained or volunteer in the parish or school to review his or her VIRTUS accounts. You need to be up to date with the bulletins and retraining modules (if assigned) by FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup> to avoid suspension. Go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). If you have any questions, please contact Principal, Nancy Kindred at the school 716-685-2544. Thank you!

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

GET YOUR TICKETS - 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 an Early Bird Bonus drawing for \$100.00 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.

### 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.

- Dish Soap
- Laundry detergent
- Rice-a-Roni
- Toothpaste
- Shampoo

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

### Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament

### FISH FRY FUNDRAISER



#### COMING SOON!!!

[Drive Thru Only]

Begins on **ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup>** and continues

Every Friday during Lent from 4PM - 7PM. Cash or Credit Card Accepted.

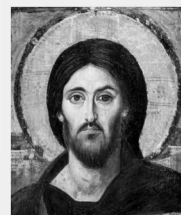
Please mark your calendars and come pick up a delicious meal while supporting OLBS School!

### 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/ZvfFMjnTbye8tfmAA>

**PAINTING PARTY**

At St. Mary of the Assumption (2 St Mary's Hill, Lancaster, 716-683-6445, [stmarysonthehill.org](http://stmarysonthehill.org)) on **FEBRUARY 16<sup>th</sup>** at **1:30PM** in the Parish Center. Join us whether you're an experienced artist or just looking to have fun. This event is for everyone. There is a \$10 entry fee for the painting. Feel free to bring your own snacks and drinks! Reserve your spot today by calling the rectory or signing up online.

**SUPPORT – WITH A SMILE**

John often turns to Catholic Charities for essential support like food and clothing. He shared that every time he reaches out, the staff is not only professional, but also genuinely caring and always ready to help with a smile. It's this kindness and commitment that makes a real difference in John's life. Your support of the Appeal ensures that John and others like him continue to receive the help and HOPE they need. Please give at [ccwny.org/donate](https://ccwny.org/donate) or text HOPE4WNY to 44321.

**VOCATIONAL VIEW**

*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 9, 2025*

Jesus is still calling fishers of men! This is the title of the classic video on vocational discernment. Watch it free at <https://vimeo.com/2845985> and then, if God is calling you to jump in the boat, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5540 or visit [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org)

**✠ ST. MARTHA MASS INTENTION ✠**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10**

*St. Scholastica, Virgin*

8:15AM ANDREA RATKOVSKY -  
Kaczmarek Family

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11**

8:15PM GERMANN & BAUER FAMILY -  
Mary & Family

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12**

8:15PM PAST & PRESENT SENIORS -  
St. Martha Seniors

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13**

8:15AM MARY GREENE - Family

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14**

*St. Cyril, St. Monk & St. Methodius, Bishop*

8:15AM FR. ALFONSO & NICARAGUAN FAMILY -  
Family

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15**

5:00PM SHARON CERVI - Louis Cervi  
(Sunday Vigil)

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16**

*SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

8:00AM MARY ANN & TED WAGNER - Family  
10:00AM THOMAS SCIBOR - Family

**LECTORS: FEBRUARY 15 & 16**

5:00PM Steve Muisse  
8:00AM Charlene Mahony  
10:00AM Pat Zatko

