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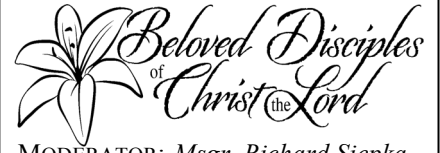
Saint Martha Parish

Creating Our Church for The Next Generation

10 French Road, Depew, New York 14043

St. Martha Parish Website: www.stmarthadepew.org

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.

All Masses are Live-streamed.

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

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE:

1 ST SUNDAY of LENT 03/09:	8:00AM
	*10:00AM
MONDAY 03/10:	8:15AM
TUESDAY 03/11:	8:15AM
WEDNESDAY 03/12:	8:15AM
THURSDAY 03/13:	8:15AM
FRIDAY 03/14:	8:15AM
SATURDAY 03/15:	5:00PM (Sunday Vigil)
2 ND SUNDAY of LENT 03/16:	8:00AM
	*10:00AM



LENT

7:30PM Stations of the Cross



✚ **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

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 NOON - 1PM)

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

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Office Hours:

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

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Email: nkindred@school.olbsdepew.org

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DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Mrs. Jessica Szpylman

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✚ 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".

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 9, 2025

"At a Glance"

THIS WEEK @ St. Martha Parish

🕒 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

This Sunday, March 9th @ 2AM!

Don't forget to Spring Forward 1 Hour

Saturday before you go to bed!



SUN 03/09 First Sunday of LENT

-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 03/10 -8:15AM Daily Mass (Church / Streamed)

-Daily Rosary @ Noon (Church)

-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

TUES 03/11 -8:15AM Daily Mass (Church / Streamed)

-5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)

-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

WED 03/12 -8:15AM Daily Lenten Mass (Church/Streamed)

-Daily Rosary @ Noon (Church)

-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

THUR 03/13 -8:15AM Daily Lenten Mass (Church/Streamed)

-Daily Rosary @ Noon (Church)

-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

-20 Decade Rosary 6PM (Chapel)

FRI 03/14 -8:15AM Daily Lenten Mass (Church/Streamed)

-Daily Rosary @ Noon (Church)

-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

 -Lenten Fish Fry 4-7PM (Drive-Thru ONLY)

-Stations of the Cross

@ 7:30PM (Church)



SAT 03/15 -5:00PM Sunday Vigil Mass

(Church / Streamed)

SUN 03/16 Second Sunday of LENT

-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 & Donut Parish Social after both Masses



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 COLLECTION:

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

HOME MISSIONS

The collection for the Black, Native American, and Hispanic Ministry Collection is being taken up THIS weekend, **MARCH 8TH & 9TH**. Please support our home missions!

APPEAL 2025 ~ PLEASE GIVE!



Help for all, help from all. Spring isn't the only thing on its way! HOPE Day 2025 is coming! Our annual Appeal's one-day "above and beyond" 24-hour fundraising effort is moving up this year

and will be held on **Wednesday, March 19**. Be sure to follow us at ccwny.org, and on our Facebook and Instagram pages for more details on how you can contribute, help spread the word, and to track our progress on HOPE Day! *Patron of the 2025 campaign, Saint Vincent de Paul, pray for us!*

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:



PRAYER for LENT

Jesus Christ, Lord and Redeemer, we who have been baptized into your death hope to be raised to new life in you. Send your Holy Spirit upon us this Lent so that we might have the courage to take up our cross each day, to fulfill our duties with great love and to hope always in your Word. May this sacred season strengthen us to live as people dead to sin and alive in you. Amen.

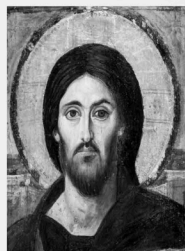
BAKED GOODS/FINGER FOODS NEEDED!!

For our Lenten retreat **on Monday, March 10th**. They can be dropped off between 5PM-6:30PM at St Mary of the Assumption (1 St. Mary's Hill, Lanc). *Please use the Parish Center Doors (to the right of the school building) to bring in the donations.*

VIRTUS Training Reminder

Friendly reminder to all our Virtus Trained Volunteers – please don't forget to go to www.virtus.org to read this month's training bulletin. Thank you!!

BDCL LENTEN RETREAT



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/>

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.

St. Martha Parish Thirty Day Lenten Prayer Challenge

You are invited to join the St. Martha Parish Community to undertake a 30 day prayer challenge during Lent.

A prayer challenge is undertaken to deepen one's spiritual connection with God by dedicating focused time to prayer, mirroring Jesus' time in the desert, allowing for reflection, repentance, and personal renewal. These are key aspects of the Lenten season; essentially, it's a way to intentionally grow closer to God through dedicated prayer practice.

A challenge can encourage individuals and families to establish a regular prayer practice that hopefully will continue past the Lenten Season.

Our Parish Community will be praying on the Gospel of Luke. We will begin this Prayer Challenge on the weekend of March 15th & 16th. It will continue and take us into Holy Week. You will be given materials on the beginning weekend which will instruct you on which passages from Luke to read each day. The materials also explain different methods of meditation that might help you get started on your journey to a better relationship with God.

Each week at the beginning of Mass you will hear a recap of the passages you have prayed on and a reflection question to help you delve further into what you have read and prayed on.

PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING THE ST. MARTHA PARISH 30 DAY LENTEN PRAYER CHALLENGE, BEGINNING NEXT WEEK!

MARCH FAMILY MASS



Our next St. Martha Parish Family Mass will be on **SUNDAY, MARCH 16TH** at the 10AM Mass. We are looking for children to act as greeters, readers, gift bearers, and ushers. Please scan the QR code to signup! Join us for a coffee & donuts social after both Masses.



Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament FISH FRY FUNDRAISER

EVERY FRIDAY
during LENT
4:00PM-7:00PM!!

DRIVE THRU ONLY



Menu:

Beer Battered Fish Fry \$15

(Served with homemade macaroni salad, coleslaw, fries, & bread)

Kid's Meal \$6

(Homemade macaroni & cheese, fries, applesauce)

Homemade Clam Chowder \$5

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. Thank you!

SYMPATHY

OUR PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCES TO THE
FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF:

✠ **Bonnie J. Komanski**

✠ **Robert Koenig, Brother of**
Parishioner, Rosemary Murphy



CONNECTLIFE BLOOD DRIVE

St. Martha.

Thank you so much for recently sponsoring a blood drive with ConnectLife. We truly appreciated all of your hard work and support of our mission! You had 16 units collected, which helped save the lives of 48 local patients!



Thank you for making an IMPACT in so many lives - ConnectLife

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

We are most grateful for our parish's continued support of our pantry, which 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.

Knights of St. John "21 CLUB"!

GET YOUR TICKET before the EARLY BIRD BONUS DRAWING for \$100.00 on MARCH 15TH! 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! The final drawing on the 21st week is for one (1) Grand Prize Award of \$1000.00, plus 2nd prize award of \$500.00, 3rd prize award of \$500.00, 4th prize award of \$300.00, 5th prize award of \$200.00, and 6th prize award of \$100.00. The cost is \$20.00/ticket.

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

YOGA, Prayer & Meditation (Date Change)

A Yoga, Prayer, and Meditation class will be held from 2-4PM on **SUNDAY MARCH 23RD** in the Parish Center at **St. Mary of the Assumption elementary school (1 St Mary's Hill, Lancaster, 716-683-6445, stmarysonthehill.org)**. Join in on a practice of Body, Mind, and Spirit during this holy season of Lent, to give us an opportunity to draw closer to God. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat. No experience needed. For more details contact Jane Schmitt @ (716) 984-6282 or janeschmitt@hotmail.com.

VOCATIONAL VIEW

First Sunday of Lent – March 9, 2025

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. In times of solitude, you too can hear the voice of God. Take some time to listen this Lent. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5540 or visit buffalovocations.org

✠ST. MARTHA MASS INTENTION✠

MONDAY, MARCH 10

8:15AM ANTHONY (TONY) STANG -
Judy Egner & Pat Zatko

TUESDAY, MARCH 11

8:15PM PATRICIA SCHNETTLER - Audrey Scibor

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12

8:15PM STANLEY & LEONA JASINSKI -
daughter, Adrienne

THURSDAY, MARCH 13

8:15AM KASINSKI FAMILY - Klyczek Family

FRIDAY, MARCH 14

8:15AM ART & HELEN HAUSER and STANLEY &
ALFRIEDA WOJCIK - Dan & Donna Wojcik
7:30PM **Stations of The Cross**

SATURDAY, MARCH 15

5:00PM LARRY LUCARELLI - Family
(Sunday Vigil)

SUNDAY, MARCH 16

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00AM SAMUEL & FRANCES EMMANUELE -
Family
10:00AM FLORENCE & VINCENT LIPKA and
JULIA & STEPHEN ZATKO and
FAMILIES - Pat Zatko

LECTORS: MARCH 15 & 16

5:00PM PJ Glauber
8:00AM Gail Lucarelli
10:00AM *Family Mass*



BDCL Family & Diocesan News:

Diocesan Youth Rally

Young people in grades 8-12 are invited to **No Matter WHAT: A Day for Catholic Teens** on **Sunday, March 30th from 12-5:30PM** at Hilbert College in Hamburg! Gather with teenagers from across the Diocese of Buffalo for an interactive day with national speaker Paul J. Kim! The day concludes with Mass with Bishop Michael Fisher. Register today at <https://tinyurl.com/NoMatterWHAT2025> scan QR code. \$25 per Participant *Payable by Credit Card, Debit Card, or Parish Check (check with your youth leader)* **Registration Deadline: March 17, 2025**



Tuition Assistance & Scholarship Opportunity

Our Lady of Pompeii Holy Name Society is offering tuition assistance for children entering fourth grade, in a Catholic grammar school, this coming Fall 2025. A second opportunity will be for children, who will be graduating from eighth grade this year and who will be entering a Catholic High School, this coming Fall 2025. The third opportunity will be for 12th grade students, graduating from High School this May/June 2025, who will be entering college or trade school in the fall of 2025. (The college, or trade school, does not need to be Catholic affiliated!) For Information, and applications, for these programs visit: <https://www.olpparish.com/holy-name-society.html>. Our Lady of Pompeii Business Office will also have applications/information available. Completed applications, and all associated paperwork, must be received no later than the end-of-business, on Monday, April 28, 2025. These opportunities are available to all children, of registered members of the six parishes of the "Beloved Disciples of Christ the Lord" parish family. (Families must be registered with their parish, prior to May 1, 2024.) Please take advantage of this opportunity. We are here to help! God Bless!