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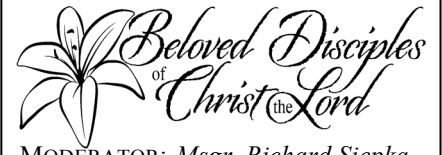
# Saint Martha Parish

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).

All Masses are Live-streamed.

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

## THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE:

1 <sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY of LENT 03/16:	8:00AM	
	*10:00AM	
 MONDAY 03/17:	8:15AM	
TUESDAY 03/18:	8:15AM	
WEDNESDAY 03/19:	8:15AM	
THURSDAY 03/20:	8:15AM	
FRIDAY 03/21:	8:15AM	
SATURDAY 03/22:	5:00PM	(Sunday Vigil)
2 <sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY of LENT 03/23:	8:00AM	
	*10:00AM	

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](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 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

**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".

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

*"Setting Our Minds on Things Above"*

MARCH 16, 2025

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



**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

**Happy**  
**St. Patrick's Day!**

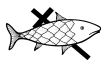
**MON 03/17** -8:15AM **Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)  
 -Daily Rosary @ Noon (Church)  
 -Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

**TUES 03/18** -8:15AM **Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)  
 -5 Decade Rosary after Morning Mass (Chapel)  
 -Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

**WED 03/19** -8:15AM **Daily Lenten Mass** (Church/Streamed)  
 -Daily Rosary @ Noon (Church)  
 -Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

**THUR 03/20** -8:15AM **Daily Lenten Mass** (Church/Streamed)  
 -Daily Rosary @ Noon (Church)  
 -Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)  
 -20 Decade Rosary 6PM (Chapel)

**FRI 03/21** -8:15AM **Daily Lenten Mass** (Church/Streamed)  
 -NO School, *Professional Development Day*  
 -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 03/22** -5:00PM **Sunday Vigil Mass**  
 (Church / Streamed)

**SUN 03/23** **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 Mass**  
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**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, 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!

**APPEAL 2025 ~ PLEASE GIVE!**

**Help for all, help from all. HOPE Day is this Wednesday!** Our annual Appeal's one-day "above and beyond" fundraising effort is Wednesday, March 19. Last year, donors gave \$434,778 in just 24 hours! Be sure to follow us at [ccwny.org](http://ccwny.org), and on our Facebook and Instagram pages for details on how you can contribute or help spread the word this Wednesday, and to track our progress on **HOPE Day!** Patron of the 2025 campaign, Saint Vincent de Paul, pray for us!



**PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:**



**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, which 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 this weekend. It will continue and take us into Holy Week. You will be given materials this 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 THIS WEEK!**

# BDCL Family Holy Week Schedule



## Lenten Penance Services

Monday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at St. Martha 3PM & 7PM

Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at St. Mary's 3PM & 7PM

**Palm Sunday - April 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>**

*Masses - Usual Weekend Schedules*

**Holy Thursday - April 17<sup>th</sup>**

### Masses:

- 6:30PM Our Lady of Pompeii
- 7:00PM St. John the Baptist
- St. Mary of the Assumption
- St. Philip the Apostle
- 7:30PM St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta
- Adoration at ALL Parishes until 10PM



**Good Friday - April 18<sup>th</sup>**

### Solemn Liturgical Service

- NOON St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta
- 1:30PM St. Martha**
- 3:00PM Our Lady of Pompeii

### Stations of the Cross

- NOON St. John the Baptist
- 6:30PM St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta
- 7:00PM St. Philip the Apostle

### Taizè Service

- 7:00PM St. Mary of the Assumption

### Tenebrae Service

- 7:30PM **St. Martha**
- 8:00PM Our Lady of Pompeii



**Holy Saturday - April 19<sup>th</sup>**

### Blessing of the Baskets

- 10:00AM St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta
- 11:30AM Our Lady of Pompeii
- NOON St. Martha, St. John the Baptist, St. Mary of the Assumption, St. Philip the Apostle**



### Easter Vigil

- 8:00PM St. Martha & St. Mary of the Assumption**
- 8:30PM St. John the Baptist & St. Philip the Apostle



**Easter Sunday - April 20<sup>th</sup>**

### Masses:

- 6:30AM St. Mary of the Assumption (outdoors at Westwood Park)
- 8:00AM St. Martha & St. John the Baptist**
- 8:30AM St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta
- 9:00AM St. Philip the Apostle
- 10:00AM** Our Lady of Pompeii, **St. Martha**, St. Mary of the Assumption
- 11:00AM St. John the Baptist & St. Philip the Apostle
- 11:30AM Our Lady of Pompeii
- NOON St. Mary of the Assumption

## SYMPATHY

OUR PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCES TO THE  
FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF:

✠ **Clifford Phalen**



## 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.

## BDCL STATIONS OF THE CROSS

### Frídays 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

- 03/21 Shrine/Scriptural Stations
- 03/28 Everyone's Way of the Cross Stations
- 04/04 Marian Stations
- 04/11 Living Stations

## Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament FISH FRY FUNDRAISER

**DRIVE THRU ONLY**  
**EVERY FRIDAY**  
**during LENT**  
**4:00PM-7:00PM!!**



### Menu:

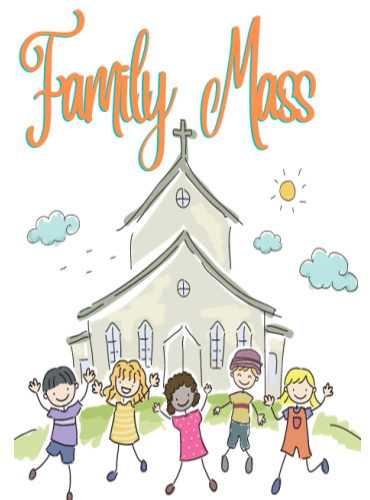
- Beer Battered Fish Fry \$15**  
(Served with homemade macaroni salad, coleslaw, fries, & bread)
- Kid's Meal \$6**  
(Homemade macaroni & cheese, fries, applesauce)
- Homemade Clam Chowder \$5**

## St Martha APRIL FAMILY MASS

Our next St. Martha Parish Family Mass will be on **SUNDAY, APRIL 6<sup>TH</sup>** 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.



## 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.

- **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 WE MAY BE OF ASSISTANCE, PLEASE CALL THE PANTRY AT 716-206-0387.

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

**GET YOUR TICKET!! The EARLY BIRD BONUS DRAWING for \$100.00 is 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! 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.

## 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!

## 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 30<sup>th</sup> 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**



### **† Savior † Servant † Friend**

We invite you to join us for the **2025 LENTEN ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERIES** on **Wednesdays at Noon.**

- March 19<sup>th</sup> - LISTENER**, Rev. Will McCabe  
Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta (496 Terrace Blvd, Depew)
- March 26<sup>th</sup> - ENCOURAGER**, Rev. Paul Steller  
Lancaster Presbyterian Church (5461 Broadway, Lanc)
- April 2<sup>nd</sup> - PROTECTOR**, Bishop John Mack  
St. Mary of the Assumption (1 St. Mary's Hill, Lanc)
- April 9<sup>th</sup> - COMFORTER**, Pastor Kelly Negus  
Holy Mother of the Rosary Polish National Catholic Cathedral (6298 Broadway, Lanc)

Free will donations accepted to benefit local food pantries. Make checks payable to *Lancaster Depew Ministerium*.

## Tuition Assistance

The Our Lady of Pompeii Holy Name Society is offering tuition assistance for Catholic grammar school students entering 4<sup>th</sup> Grade, 8<sup>th</sup> Grader students going to Catholic High Schools, and those going to college or a trade school (does not have to be Catholic) in the fall.

Applicant's family must be registered members of the BDCL Family of Parishes no later than May 1, 2024.

Apply online at: [olpparish.com/holy-name-society.html](http://olpparish.com/holy-name-society.html) or by picking up an application at the Our Lady of Pompeii Business Office. Deadline is April 28<sup>th</sup>!

## VOCATIONAL VIEW

*Second Sunday of Lent – March 16, 2025*

Count the stars, Abraham was told, and "just so will your descendants be." Priests don't have children of their own, but think of how many spiritual descendants you would have through baptizing, hearing confessions, and teaching the Gospel. If this "spiritual fatherhood" sounds fulfilling, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5540 or visit [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org).

## † ST. MARTHA MASS INTENTION †

### **MONDAY, MARCH 17**

8:15AM STANLEY WYPIJ, JOSEPHINE  
SACILOWSKI, & PATRICIA ATLAS -  
Patricia Wypij

### **TUESDAY, MARCH 18**

8:15PM JULIA & ANDREW LIPIEC - daughter, Theresa

### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19**

*St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
8:15PM PEARL HINCA & RICHARD BAGINSKI -  
Niece

### **THURSDAY, MARCH 20**

8:15AM PATRICIA SCHNETTLER - Francine Fahrer

### **FRIDAY, MARCH 21**

8:15AM TONY STANG - Paul & Phyllis Tripi  
7:30PM **Stations of the Cross**

### **SATURDAY, MARCH 22**

5:00PM WILLIAM HEIDLE - Family  
(Sunday Vigil)

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 23**

*THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT*

8:00AM RICHARD LaBEND - wife, Gloria  
10:00AM STEPHENSON FAMILY - Judy Egner

## LECTORS: MARCH 22 & 23

5:00PM Steve Muise  
8:00AM Charlene Mahony  
10:00AM Donna Speyer

