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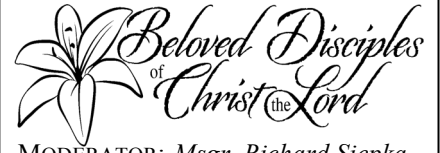
# Saint Martha Parish

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**

### MASS SCHEDULE:

SUNDAY 02/11: 8:00AM

\*10:00AM

MONDAY 02/12: 8:15AM

TUESDAY 02/13: 8:15AM

**ASH WEDNESDAY 02/14: 8:15AM 12:10PM & 7:30PM**

THURSDAY 02/15: 8:15AM

FRIDAY 02/16: 8:15AM

**7:30PM Stations of the Cross**

SATURDAY 02/17: 5:00PM (Sunday Vigil)

SUNDAY 02/18: 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: 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: JoAnne Puccio

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**Office Hours: Mon-Fri 7:30AM - 2:30PM**

WEBSITE: [school.olbsdepew.org](http://school.olbsdepew.org)

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DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

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#### ✚ 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 PASTOR APPROVAL & NON-parish news is also subject to "available space".

❄ **WINTER WEATHER NOTE:** If Lancaster Schools CLOSE so will ALL activities at St. Martha/OLBS (Adoration, Yoga, Mtgs., Rosary,...etc.)

✚ **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:** MON - FRI @ NOON DURING LENT (starts 2/15), 5-DECADE ROSARY 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 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### FEBRUARY 11, 2024

## "At a Glance"

### ***THIS WEEK @ St. Martha Parish***



**SUN 02/11 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)

**MON 02/12 -8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)  
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)  
-HOLY NAME Mtg 6:30PM (café)

**TUES 02/13 -8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)  
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)  
-YOGA 9-10AM (gym)

**WED 02/14 Ash Wednesday** ✠  
**-8:15AM, 12:10PM, & 7:30PM**  
**Ash Wednesday Masses** (Church / Streamed)  
-NO Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)  
-Lenten Fish Fry 4-7PM (Drive-Thru ONLY)



**THUR 02/15 -8:15AM Daily Lenten Mass** (Church / Streamed)  
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)  
-Daily Rosary 12 Noon (Church / Streamed)  
-20 Decade Rosary @ 6PM (Chapel)

**FRI 02/16 -8:15AM Daily Lenten Mass** (Church / Streamed)  
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)  
-Daily Rosary 12 Noon (Church / Streamed)



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



-Stations of the Cross @ 7:30PM  
led by St. Martha Lectors (Church)

**SAT 02/17 -5:00PM Sunday Vigil Mass** (Church / Streamed)

**SUN 02/18 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)

### **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 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!



### **APPEAL 2024!**

In addition to supporting Catholic Charities, **Appeal 2024** also benefits the **Fund for the Faith**. Established in 1937 by Bishop John Duffy, the Fund for the Faith provides spiritual nourishment throughout our Diocese today. Proceeds provide ministry support services that are instrumental to the vitality of our faith experience, such as hospital chaplaincy, formation of priests and deacons, pro-life ministry, marriage prep and so much more. Support Catholic Charities and the Fund for the Faith by visiting [ccwny.org/donate](http://ccwny.org/donate) or texting HOPE4WNY to 44321.

### **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 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>**. Your gift will help educate seminarians, assist poor parishes, and supply liturgical vestments and sacred vessels. Help the Church in Poland!

### **From FR. BART:**



## **LENT**

### What is The Purpose of Lent

There are many elements to the season of Lent - prayer, fasting, or living a more virtuous life. The gospels throughout this season of Lent tends to deflate egos and to deflate our inflated sense of self while challenging us to any self deceit about the quality of our lives as followers of Christ. The gospels hit us again and again with demands which we not only fail to live up to, but which we come to recognize are quite beyond us. The gospel passages are meant to trouble us, to confront our illusions about ourselves, "Remember, you are dust..." From this perspective Lenten penance may be more effective if we fail in our resolutions than if we succeed. For its purpose is not to confirm us in our sense of virtue, but to bring us home to a radical need for God's salvation.

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

### **LENTEN ANNOUNCEMENTS:**



### Daily Rosary During Lent

During this season of Lent we will once again be offering the daily Rosary recitation **MONDAY thru FRIDAY at 12 NOON**. It will also be available on our streaming service. A wonderful opportunity to share in the spirit of Lent by setting aside some time to reflect on the mysteries of Christ life through the Rosary.

## Ash Wednesday Masses

6:45AM St. Mary of the Assumption  
 8:00AM Sacred Heart of Jesus  
**8:15AM St. Martha**  
 8:30AM Our Lady of Pompeii  
 St. Mary of the Assumption  
 9:00AM St. Philip the Apostle  
 Noon St. Mary of the Assumption  
 St. Philip the Apostle  
**12:10PM St. Martha**  
 5:00PM Sacred Heart of Jesus  
 6:30PM St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta  
 7:00PM Our Lady of Pompeii  
**7:30PM St. Martha**



### Lenten Fish Fry

**BEGINS** on Ash Wednesday & Every  
 Friday during LENT From 4PM-7PM  
 ~DRIVE THRU ONLY~

Menu Available - Cash or Credit Card Accepted

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



### Stations of The Cross

**During Lent on Fridays at 7PM**  
 @ Our Lady of Pompeii,  
 @ Sacred Heart of Jesus, and  
 @ St. Mary of the Assumption  
**During Lent every Friday at 7:30PM** in church  
 @ **St. Martha** (Led by our various ministries)

### Lenten Penance Services

Both at **3:00PM & 7:00PM**  
**MARCH 14<sup>TH</sup>** @ St. Philip the Apostle  
 (950 Losson Rd, Cheektowaga)  
**MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup>** @ St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta  
 (496 Terrace Blvd, Depew)



## Lenten Parish Mission UNCONDITIONALLY

"Finding Jesus in the Eucharist"

Mark your calendars for our BDCL Family 2-Day Parish Mission on **MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup> & 12<sup>TH</sup>, 7PM** at St. Philip the Apostle Parish (950 Losson Rd, Cheektowaga). Presented by Catholic Inspirational speaker and Author, Greg Wasinski. Topics are •*Why We Believe What We believe*, •*Gifts and Attributes of Jesus We receive in the Eucharist*, •*Living Daily as a Disciple*. Free will donations accepted. Refreshments follow each night.

## **REFRESHMENTS NEEDED!!**

Baked goods are needed for the reception that will follow the Family of Parishes Lenten Mission. The Mission will be held on March 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>. It will take place at St. Philip the Apostle Parish this year. St. Martha Parish will be responsible for some of the refreshments for Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup>. We are asking parishioners if they could bring a "baked good" to the Mission on Monday night. All six parishes in the family will be participating and supplying refreshments for the event. Thank you in advance and hope to see everyone there!

## **PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

### SYMPATHY

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

✠ **Mary Ann Gullo**  
 ✠ **Marilyn Faulise**



### FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

We are most grateful for our parish's continued support of our pantry's efforts. Your help is critical to the pantry's success. We serve approximately 125 families and our shelves empty quickly. Barrels for donations are located in the vestibule of the church. Below is the "**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.*

### **Altar & Rosary Guild 2024 ANNUAL CASH RAFFLE TICKET SALE!**

**Ticket sales after ALL weekend Masses.** Tickets are just \$1.00 each or a book of 6 for \$5.00. There will be two (2) Early-bird drawings for \$100.00 each on *Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>* and *Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>*. The main drawing will be held on **SUNDAY, MAY 19<sup>TH</sup>** after the 10AM Mass. **GET YOUR TICKET(S) NOW** to have a chance at the early bird drawings and THESE PRIZES: 1<sup>st</sup> Prize \$600.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize \$300.00, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize \$150.00. *Thank you for your continued support of our Guild!*

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

**Get your Ticket NOW before the Early Bird Drawing!!**

This is a weekly drawing for \$100.00 each week for 20 weeks Plus and an Early Bird Bonus drawing on February 14<sup>th</sup> for \$100.00. 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 First drawing is on March 17, 2024. The cost is \$20.00/ticket. For 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.

## HOLY NAME MEETING

Our next general meeting is this **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12<sup>TH</sup>**, in the cafeteria. Rosary starts at 6:30PM followed by the meeting & fellowship as we prepare to enter the season of Lent. Hope to see you there!

## SENIOR MEETING

On **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12<sup>TH</sup>**, 1:30PM at the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church on George Urban Blvd. (next to the fire hall). Come join us for "PACZKI DAY". ALL ARE WELCOME!

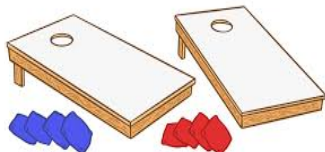
## YOGA @ ST. MARTHA

Classes will be offered on the following Tuesdays from 9-10AM in the school gym on:  
◆Feb 13<sup>th</sup>, ◆March 5<sup>th</sup>, ◆March 19<sup>th</sup>,  
◆April, 2<sup>nd</sup>, ◆May 7<sup>th</sup>, ◆May 21, ◆June 4<sup>th</sup>,  
and ◆June 18<sup>th</sup>. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat. It is a gentle class and suitable for beginners and experienced alike. 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 is closed for weather, the class will be canceled.



## CORNHOLE MADNESS IS BACK!

A Family of Parishes event at St. Martha's returns for a second year on **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24<sup>TH</sup>** running from 6PM to 11PM in the School Gym. Admission is \$15 and includes 2 slices of pizza and a beverage. You are welcome to bring your favorite snacks for your table. Cornhole entry is \$5 per tournament. Cash prizes to the winners. 50/50 Drawing. This event is for Adults 21 years and up. Ticket sales continue after all masses this weekend - February 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>. Exact cash or check preferred. Or, call Pat Reinbold @ (716) 822-5480. Plan on joining in on an evening of **COMPETITION, FUN, and CAMARADERIE!!!**



## SAVE THE DATE

St. Martha Parish will be hosting another Blood Drive with Connect Life this year on **SATURDAY, MARCH 16<sup>TH</sup>**. Please mark your calendar and come down to donate LIFE! Watch for more details as the date approaches.



## St. Gianna Molla BABY SHOWER

### SAVE THE DATE...March 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>

We will once again be sponsoring a "Baby Shower" to collect much needed baby items and financial donations for the *St. Gianna Molla Pregnancy Outreach Center* (an outreach of the Pro-Life Office of the Diocese of Buffalo). Please watch the bulletin for more details!!

## St. Martha SENIOR GROUP TRIP

We are participating in a 3 day, 2 night excursion **JULY 9<sup>TH</sup> - 11<sup>TH</sup>** to see "Daniel" at the Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA. This is a bible story performed on stage. For further information or flyer on this one and other trips available, call or text Les Wrobel at (716) 491-1961. Hope you can join us!

**VOCATIONS** ~ Today St. Paul tells us to "do everything for the glory of God." Most people serve God with their leisure time. Some are called to a full-time life of service to God, Church, and neighbor. If you feel that calling, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org).

## ✠ ST. MARTHA MASS INTENTION ✠

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

8:15AM JERRY KLEIN - wife, Pat

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

8:15AM MARY GREENE - Family

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

#### ASH WEDNESDAY



8:15AM BLANCHE SORGI - In Memory  
12:10PM FR. ALFONSO ALVARADO & PRIESTS -  
Family  
7:30PM NORBERT & DOLORES SULLIVAN -  
Kathleen Lipiec

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

8:15AM ROBERT CZECH -  
wife, Patricia & daughter, Anita

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

8:15AM TOM SCIBOR - Audrey  
7:30PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS - Led by Lectors

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

5:00PM MARY LYNN HEIDLE - Family  
(Sunday Vigil)

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

#### THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00AM Deceased Members of the KNIGHTS of  
ST. JOHN, COMMANDERY 204  
10:00AM TED & RITA TRZASKA & ED & BETTY  
PACHLA - Deacon Jim & Diane Trzaska

### LECTORS: FEBRUARY 14 Ash Wednesday

12:10PM Charlene Mahony  
7:30PM Diane Trzaska

### FEBRUARY 17 & 18

5:00PM Bob Kucewicz  
8:00AM Tim Mahony  
10:00AM Patricia Zatko