



Unified in Spirit & Faith

Saint Martha Parish

Creating Our Church for The Next Generation

10 French Road, Depew, New York 14043

Parish Website: www.stmarthadepew.org



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

"Be Brave! Hope Will Mend Our Broken Hearts" LENT

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.

✚ ***SATURDAY MASS - @ 5:00PM** (Parking Lot/Church)

✚ ***SUNDAY MASSES - @ 8:00AM & 10:00AM** (Parking Lot/Church)

***Tune your radio to 95.1FM.** (You can also view the Mass on our website with a smartphone using your phone data.) **Please stay in your car in the parking lot and there is limited seating in church with mask required!**

***Please note:** We are still live-streaming Masses each weekend. The obligation to attend Mass is still temporarily abrogated and we encourage the vulnerable to not attend, but to watch Mass on the live stream. See below...

✚ **LIVE STREAM MASSES** - Monday - Friday @ **8:15AM**, *Saturday @ **5:00PM Vigil**, and Sunday @ **8:00AM & 10:00AM**. Visit www.stmarthadepew.org and click on "Watch & Listen" to view "live" at the appropriate time or click "Archive" and click on what you want to view.

✚ **ROSARY** - Live Streamed @ 12PM Monday thru Friday during Lent.

✚ **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** in Church with masks & social distancing required: **Monday through Friday from 9AM-3PM**. For information or to make a prayer request, contact Pat (684-2596) or Mary Ann (681-5722)

✚ **NOCTURNAL ADORATION:** On the first Friday of each month from 9PM-midnight in church. For information contact Jerry Okun at 684-4907.

✚ **FUNERALS & WEDDINGS:** ONLY A LIMITED NUMBER OF PEOPLE CAN BE IN ATTENDANCE at this time with social distancing/masks.

✚ **THE FOLLOWING ARE UPON REQUEST:**

ANOINTING OF THE SICK contact Fr. Bart, 684-6342 ext. 202

CONFESSIONS - by appointment only, contact Fr. Bart

BAPTISMS contact the rectory for classes & dates

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION contact the rectory

✚ **YOUTH MINISTRY:** WWW.STMARTHADEPEW.ORG/YOUTH

Mrs. Koerner (681-5229), EMAIL: olbsyouthgroup@roadrunner.com.

✚ **PARISH BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS** - Any article for the bulletin should be e-mailed to thebulletinlady@roadrunner.com by the MONDAY prior to the weekend for the announcement. Always include contact info for any questions. As always, **ALL ANNOUNCEMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO PASTOR APPROVAL & NON-parish news is also subject to "available space"**.

RECTORY 684-6342 (FAX 684-1853)

E-MAIL: INFO@STMARTHADEPEW.ORG

OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY:
9:00AM – 4:00PM;

TUESDAY: CLOSED

Only 1 visitor at a time will be allowed, please call ahead, Social Distancing and Face Mask required!

PASTOR: Rev. Bart W. Lipiec (ext 202)

PERMANENT DEACON: Jim Trzaska (ext 250)

SECRETARY: Gail Foster (ext 200)

BOOKKEEPER: Susan Koprucki (New ext 203)

FOOD PANTRY: (ext 218)

MAINTENANCE DEPT: (ext 217)

BULLETIN EDITOR: Anne Mazurek (901-4440)

PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR: Robert Kucewicz

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Jill Muise (684-1825)

SCHOOL 685-2544 (FAX 685-9103)

WEBSITE: school.olbsdepew.org

PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Debbie Szczepanski

FAITH FORMATION 685-2546

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Mrs. Jessica Szpylman

Email: jszpylman@stmarthadepew.org

*ALL MASSES are Live Streamed / Limited seating in church with mask and social distancing required.

MASS SCHEDULE:

SUNDAY 03/21/21 to SUNDAY 03/28/21

SUNDAY: 8:00AM & 10:00AM *Parking Lot/Church*

MONDAY: 8:15AM *Church*

TUESDAY: 8:15AM *Church*

WEDNESDAY: 8:15AM *Church*

THURSDAY: 8:15AM *Church*

FRIDAY: 8:15AM *Church*

7:30PM Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY: 5:00PM *Parking Lot/Church*

PALM SUNDAY: 8:00AM & 10:00AM *Parking Lot/Church*



MARCH 21, 2021

"At a Glance"

This Lenten Week @ St. Martha Parish



SUN 03/21 **Fifth Sunday of LENT**

-8:00AM & 10:00AM Masses

(Live Streamed / Parking Lot / Church -
Masks & Social Distancing Required)

MON 03/22 -8:15AM Daily Lenten Mass (Live Streamed /
Church - Masks & Social Distancing Required)
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Church -
Masks & Social Distancing Required)
-Rosary 12 Noon (Live Streamed)

TUES 03/23 -8:15AM Daily Lenten Mass (Live Streamed /
Church - Masks & Social Distancing Required)
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Church -
Masks & Social Distancing Required)
-Rosary 12 Noon (Live Streamed)
-**CONFESSION 6-7:30PM** (Church -
Masks & Social Distancing Required)

WED 03/24 -8:15AM Daily Lenten Mass (Live Streamed /
Church - Masks & Social Distancing Required)
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Church -
Masks & Social Distancing Required)
-Rosary 12 Noon (Live Streamed)

THUR 03/25 -8:15AM Daily Lenten Mass (Live Streamed /
Church - Masks & Social Distancing Required)
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Church -
Masks & Social Distancing Required)
-Rosary 12 Noon (Live Streamed)

FRI 03/26 -8:15AM Daily Lenten Mass (Live Streamed /
Church - Masks & Social Distancing Required)
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Church -
Masks & Social Distancing Required)
-Rosary 12 Noon (Live Streamed)
-**Stations of the Cross 7:30PM**
(Live Streamed / Church)



-**Drive-Thru Lenten Fish Fry 4-7PM**
(Please follow signs for traffic flow)



SAT 03/27 -5:00PM Palm Sunday Vigil Mass
(Live Streamed / Parking Lot / Church -
Masks & Social Distancing Required)



SUN 03/28 PALM SUNDAY
-8:00AM & 10:00AM Masses
(Live Streamed / Parking Lot / Church -
Masks & Social Distancing Required)



CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Hope for All Seasons

St. Martha Parish is taking up the Collection for the 2021 Catholic Charities Appeal this weekend, March 20th & 21st if you have not yet donated by mail.

From THE PASTOR:

Along the Way...

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT ~ MARCH 21ST

In today's reading from Saint Paul we hear these very powerful lines spoken about Jesus, "Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered." Think about this for a moment. Christ, Our Savior learned obedience to God from suffering. Many of us ask "why must we suffer". Ultimately, the answer to that question lies with God but we are given a glimpse into the answer. In suffering we find ourselves stripped of any pretense that we are completely autonomous, that we control our own destiny. Although we do exercise some measure of control of our lives, in the end they belong to God. Learning that is a humbling experience but sometimes a necessary one.

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

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 hope always in your Word.

May this sacred season strengthen us to live as people dead to sin and alive in you.

Amen.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Lent & Holy Week SCHEDULE

- †DAILY MASS: 8:15AM Monday through Friday
- †WEEKEND MASSES: SAT 5PM, SUN 8AM & 10AM
- †ROSARY: 12PM Monday - Friday (live streamed only)
- †STATIONS OF THE CROSS: 7:30PM Fridays of Lent
- †PALM SUNDAY MASSES:
 - VIGIL - Saturday, March 27th at 5PM
 - PALM SUNDAY - March 28th at 8AM & 10AM
- †HOLY WEEK:
 - MONDAY, TUESDAY, & WEDNESDAY -
8:15AM Mass (church)

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:

Note: The collection basket will only go around once at Masses, so special collection donations must be in a labeled envelope to be put in the basket with the weekly collection. Thank you.

12PM Rosary (live streamed only)
 HOLY THURSDAY - April 1st 7PM Mass
 GOOD FRIDAY - April 2nd 12PM Stations of the Cross,
 2:30PM Solemn Liturgical Service
 HOLY SATURDAY - April 3rd 12PM Blessing of Food (drive-
 through style in the parking lot)

†EASTER MASSES:

VIGIL - Saturday, April 3rd 8PM Mass
 EASTER - Sunday, April 4th 8AM & 10AM Masses

**LENTEN CONFESSIONS
 EASTERN ERIE VICARIATE**

- St. Gabriel Church, Elma -**
 Weekdays 7:30AM;
 Tuesdays & Fridays 11AM;
 Saturdays 3PM
- St. George Church, West Falls -**
 Saturdays 4-4:30PM;
 Holy Saturday 10-11:00AM
- St. Martha Church, Depew -**
 Tuesdays, March 23rd & 30th 6-7:30PM
- Queen of Heaven, West Seneca -**
 Saturdays 3-3:40PM;
 Fridays 6:15-7PM;
 Wednesday, March 31st 6:30- 8PM
- Resurrection Church, Cheektowaga -**
 Tuesdays, March 23rd 6-7PM;
 Monday, March 29th 6-7PM;
 Saturdays 3-3:45PM
- Our Lady of Pompeii Church, Lancaster &
 Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta Church, Depew**
 (Confessions @ Our Lady of Pompeii)
 Tuesdays 5:30-6:30PM;
 Thursdays 5:30-6:30PM;
 Saturdays 3:30-4:30PM
- Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, Bowmansville -** Saturdays 3-
 3:50PM
 7:30AM before 8AM Daily Mass
 Monday, March 22nd at 6PM
- Church of the Annunciation, Elma -**
 Monday, March 29th 5-7PM;
 Wednesday, March 31st 5-7PM.

NEWLY BAPTIZED
 WE WELCOME INTO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY THIS NEWLY
 BAPTIZED CHRISTIAN AND OFFER CONGRATULATIONS
 TO THE PARENTS OF:
 ✨ **Amelia Paige Drzewiecki**

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

THE NEED IS STILL GREAT! Donations can be dropped off during the week outside the Pantry Door #5 on the School side of the parish driveway between the hours of 8AM and 10AM weekdays. To set up another drop off time, please call Ken @ 684-7770. Thank you for your support!

Sacrament of First Reconciliation

On Saturday, March 20th at 11AM we celebrate First Reconciliation with Father Bart & Father Lou Klein from Queen of Martyrs. Please keep the children receiving this Sacrament in your prayers this weekend:



- Abel Granger
- Kiley Honsberger
- Grace Houck
- Isaac Kaczmarek
- Dylan Kasniak
- Joshua Kieser
- Abigail King
- Genevieve King
- Mckenzie King
- Sydney Kosmoski
- Lukas Malek
- Rebecca Mason
- Ella Mohr
- Brayden Noworyta
- Sophie Orłowski
- Anthony Piccolo
- Nathan Richthammer
- Arianna Rozbicki
- Emery Sherman
- Matthew Szpylman
- Leah Ta
- Roselina Tennant
- Violet Wickett
- Avery Ziewicki

SCHOOL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

LENTEN FISH FRY



~ DRIVE-THRU ONLY ~
Every Friday during LENT from 4PM-7PM

- Haddock Beer Battered Fish Fry..... \$12.00**
 (Homemade Macaroni Salad, Coleslaw, Fries, Rye Bread)
- Kid's Meal \$5.50**
 (Homemade Macaroni & Cheese, Fries, Applesauce)
- Homemade Clam Chowder \$4.50**

Virtual SPRING FLING

BIG Money Raffle

Get your Tickets NOW!! Spring Fling tickets will be SOLD IN THE VESTIBULE AFTER ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND!!

\$50 each with a \$75 option that allows entries into all basket raffles and 50/50 drawings.

SATURDAY, APRIL 17TH @ 7:00PM.

Featuring 50 Cash Prizes for a \$50.00 donation
\$15,000 in Total Prizes...

- \$5,000 Grand Prize!!!
- \$2,500 2nd Prize,
- \$1,500 3rd Prize,
- \$1,000 4th Prize,
- \$500 5th & 6th Prize,
- \$250 7th-10th Prize,
- \$100 11th-30th Prize,
- \$50 31st-50th Prize.

Also: a "Spring Showers of Prizes" pack available for an additional \$25 donation, which includes one (1) entry in each basket raffle and one (1) entry in the 50/50 drawing. Basket Raffles include: Sunshine Super Basket valuing \$300, Spring Break Camping Package valuing \$250, Gift Card Bouquet valuing \$150,

and Blooming Lottery Tree with \$100 in scratch-off tickets.

For all the details and/or a ticket application please check out our online application @ <https://www.stmarthadepew.org/News-Events/OLBS-School-Spring-Fling> or pick up an application in the church vestibule.

JOB POSTING for School Principal

Send resume to: Rev. Bart W. Lipiec, Pastor

Type of Employment: Full-Time

Salary: Commensurate upon experience/education

Employer: St. Martha Parish/OLBS School

Department: School

Location Address: 10 French Rd., Depew, NY 14043

Employer website: www.stmarthadepew.org

Brief Job Description: Provide professional leadership to OLBS School and relationship to St. Martha Parish.

Facilitate educational curriculum & staff development.

Essential Duties & Responsibilities: Provide leadership for future school model. Collaborate with school, parish, and local community.

Qualifications: Required Education/Experience:

Please specify level of education required (eg. high school diploma, associate's degree, bachelor's degree etc.) and years of experience required, if applicable.

- Master's Degree, 5-10 years Educational /Administrative experience.

Desired Skills

- People skills
- Collaborative Management skills
- Communicative Administrator

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How to Apply: **By E-Mail:** info@stmarthadepew.org **no later than APRIL 16, 2021**

DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENT:

UPON THIS ROCK

Beginning in 2015, The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y., Inc. ("Foundation") began soliciting donations to its "Upon this Rock" ("UTR") capital and endowment campaign. The UTR campaign raised funds for many purposes, including soliciting funds for making essential upgrades to classroom facilities and technology of Christ the King Seminary ("CKS"), expanding CKS's role as a center of retreat and religious celebration, and establishing an endowment fund for CKS. Unfortunately, in early 2020, CKS's Board of Trustees determined that CKS would close at the end of the 2020-2021 academic year. CKS's closure will make it impossible for the Foundation to use the UTR funds raised for CKS for their original intended purposes. However, under New York law, when the original purposes for which funds are donated become impossible to achieve, those purposes can be modified in a manner consistent with original intent by the New York State courts. For

many years, CKS provided education and formation for ordained and lay ecclesial ministers in the Diocese of Buffalo and beyond. Accordingly, the Foundation has asked the New York State Supreme Court for the County of Erie to approve a modification of the purposes of UTR funds raised for CKS so that those funds can be used to support the education and formation for ordained and lay ecclesial ministry in the Diocese of Buffalo, as determined in the discretion of the Foundation's Board.

If you have donated to UTR and would like to be heard regarding this requested modification, you may send a letter to: The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y., Inc., attention Executive Director, 795 Main Street, Buffalo, N.Y. 14203 or an email to donor.info@frcdb.org. Copies of letters or email received by the Foundation will be provided to the Court. You may also make a formal filing in the legal proceeding entitled *Matter of the Modification of Endowment Funds of The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo N.Y., Inc.*, Erie County Index No. 814747/2020. In order for your submission to be available for the Court's consideration, please be sure to send any letter or email, or make any filing, no later than Friday, April 9, 2021.

✠ ST. MARTHA MASS INTENTION ✠

MONDAY, MARCH 22

8:15AM JAMEY RODEMEYER - Family

TUESDAY, MARCH 23

8:15AM DANIEL A. KOWALSKI - Blanche Sorgi

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24

8:15AM MARY NOTARTOMAS - Husband & Children

THURSDAY, MARCH 25

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

8:15AM RAYMOND R. MENDEL - Daughter

FRIDAY, MARCH 26

8:15AM JUDITH POITRAS - Aubry Family

7:30PM *Stations of the Cross*

SATURDAY, MARCH 27

5:00PM JOHN "JAKE" SUWALA - Pat Zatko & Judy Egner

[Mass in parking lot, church, & Live-Streamed]

SUNDAY, MARCH 28

PALM SUNDAY OF THE

PASSION OF THE LORD

8:00AM MARY PIEROWICZ - Jeff & Diane

[Mass in parking lot, church, & Live-Streamed]

10:00AM CONRAD DOMALSKI - Family

[Mass in parking lot, church, & Live-Streamed]



LECTORS: MARCH 27 & 28

5:00PM PJ Glauber

8:00AM Conrad Young

10:00AM Patricia Scharmach