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Spirit & Faith

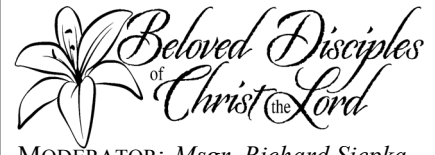
Saint Martha Parish

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.

Masks are optional in the church. All Masses are Live-streamed.

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

MASS SCHEDULE:

6TH SUNDAY of Easter 05/05: 8:00AM
 *10:00AM May Crowning
 MONDAY 05/06: 8:15AM
 TUESDAY 05/07: 8:15AM
 WEDNESDAY 05/08: 8:15AM
 7:00PM Holy Day Vigil
 THURSDAY 05/09: 8:15AM Ascension of the Lord
 FRIDAY 05/10: 8:15AM
 SATURDAY 05/11: 5:00PM (Sunday Vigil)
 7TH SUNDAY of Easter 05/12: 8:00AM
 *10:00AM Mother's Day



✚ **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:** 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.

RECTORY OFFICE 716-684-6342

(FAX 716-684-1853)

E-MAIL: INFO@STMARTHADEPEW.ORG

OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY: 9:00AM – 4:00PM;
 TUESDAY: 9:00AM – 4:00PM;
 WEDNESDAY: 9:00AM – 4:00PM;
 THURSDAY: **CLOSED** (Holy Day);
 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

SCHOOL 716-685-2544 (FAX 716-685-9103)

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

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PRINCIPAL: Nancy Kindred

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FAITH FORMATION 716-685-2546

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Mrs. Jessica Szpylman

Email: jszpylman@stmarthadepew.org

✚ 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".

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 5, 2024

“At a Glance”

THIS WEEK @ St. Martha Parish



SUN 05/05 *6TH Sunday of EASTER*

-5 Decade Rosary @ 7:25AM (Church)

-8:00AM Sunday of Easter Mass

(Church / Streamed)

-5 Decade Rosary @ 9:25AM (Church)

-10:00AM Sunday of Easter

MAY CROWNING FAMILY MASS

(Church / Streamed & Parking Lot, radio 95.1FM)

-Coffee & Donuts after Family Mass (café)

-GARDEN ANGELS Sign-up this Weekend!



MON 05/06 **-8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)

-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

-SENIOR FITNESS CLASS 12:30PM (gym)

TUES 05/07 **-8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)

-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

-YOGA CLASS 9AM (gym)

WED 05/08 **-8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)

-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

-7:00PM Ascension of the Lord

Holy Day Mass (Church / Streamed)

THUR 05/09 *Ascension of the Lord*

Holy Day Of Obligation

-8:15AM Holy Day Vigil Mass

(Church / Streamed)

-NO Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

-Rectory Office CLOSED

-20 Decade Rosary @ 6PM (Chapel)



FRI 05/10 **-8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)

-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

SAT 05/11 **-5:00PM 6th Sunday of Easter Vigil Mass**

(Church / Streamed)

SUN 05/12 *7TH Sunday of EASTER*

-5 Decade Rosary @ 7:25AM (Church)

-8:00AM Sunday of Easter Mass

(Church / Streamed)

-5 Decade Rosary @ 9:25AM (Church)

-10:00AM Sunday of Easter 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. 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!

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS!

Have you ever sat at Mass thinking, “*I have some great thoughts and ideas regarding our Parish and the future of our Family of Parishes! How can I get involved?!*”

Beginning this weekend and continuing through Sunday, May 12th, nominations will be accepted for those interested in serving on the Council beginning this September.

There are openings for FOUR ADULT MEMBERS and TWO YOUTH MEMBERS! The length of term for three of the Adult Council member positions is three years with the fourth being for one year. The Youth members are for one-year terms each.

The St. Martha Parish Council is an advisory and visionary body for our Parish as we relate to our Family of Parishes. Council members need not be experts in Canon Law, but rather have a keen interest and commitment to St. Martha Parish, and a desire to help our Parish grow and thrive.

Parish council meets once a month from September through June...and the qualifications to run are simple:

✓ **Adult Candidates** must be fully initiated Catholics, at least 18 years of age, and active, registered members of St. Martha Parish.

✓ **Youth Candidates** must be active, registered parishioners who are at least 16 years of age and not have reached their 18th birthday prior to the beginning of the term of office (September 2024)

Please prayerfully consider nominating yourself or another qualified parishioner for this worthwhile ministry!

Questions can be directed to any PC Member:

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| •JoAnne Puccio | •Elizabeth Renner |
| •Donna Speyer | •Linda Steinel, |
| •Dave Thomas | •Jim Richert |
| •PJ Glauber | •Ryan Panfil |
| •Dave Grzybowski | •Vinnny Pasini |
| •Brain Chambrone | •Charlene Mahony |

MAY CROWNING FAMILY MASS

There will be a Family Mass on **SUNDAY MAY 5TH** at the **10:00AM Mass**. The Family Mass will include May Crowning. The children of the parish will serve as the Greeters, Ushers, Lectors, Gift Bearers, Leaders of the Our Father, and they will also crown Mary at this special mass on May 5th. If your child would like to participate, please contact Mrs. Szpylman at jszpylman@stmarthadepew.org or Ms. Kucewicz at skucewicz@school.olbsdepew.org. You can also sign up using the link on the St. Martha Facebook page. There will be donuts and coffee served in the cafeteria after mass. Please join us for this special Family Mass!



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

On **THURSDAY, MAY 9TH** we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord, a Holy Day of Obligation. Below is the Beloved Disciples of Christ the Lord Family of Parishes Holy Day Mass Schedule.

Vigil ~ Wednesday, May 8:

7:00 pm **St. Martha**

Holy Day ~ Thursday, May 9:

8:00 am Sacred Heart of Jesus

8:15 am **St. Martha**

8:30 am St. Mary of the Assumption,
St. Teresa of Calcutta

9:00 am St. Philip the Apostle

Noon St. Mary of the Assumption,
St. Philip the Apostle

5:00 pm Sacred Heart of Jesus

6:30 pm Our Lady of Pompeii

7:00 pm St. Mary of the Assumption



Mothers Day is May 12th

*"The best gift you can give your mother
is to sit with her in church."*

Join us at church on **SUNDAY, MAY 12TH** to express appreciation and gratitude towards our mothers and all the women who God has placed in our lives who sacrifice for our good and who nurture and love us unconditionally. Our weekend masses on Mother's Day are at 5:00PM on Saturday, 8:00AM and 10:00AM on Sunday. Mother's will receive a special gift at the 10:00AM Mass. Make sitting with your mother at church on Mother's Day the beginning of a very special day for her and for you!

Time is Running Out to Get Your ANNUAL CASH RAFFLE TICKET!

The Altar & Rosary Guild is selling tickets after weekend Masses! Tickets are just \$1.00 each or a book of 6 for \$5.00. The drawing will be held on **SUNDAY, MAY 19TH** after the 10AM Mass. GET YOUR TICKET(S) NOW to have a chance at the early bird drawings and THESE PRIZES: 1st Prize \$600.00, 2nd Prize \$300.00, and 3rd Prize \$150.00. Thank you for your support of our Guild!

SENIOR FITNESS CLASSES!

St. Martha Parish is sponsoring a free senior fitness class with exercises tailored to people 65 and over. For all those who registered, the next class will be on **Monday, May 6th in the school gym from 12:30-1:15PM** and continue on the following Mondays: May 20th, and June 3rd & 10th. Please Note: No one can enter into the gym until after 12:20PM.

YOGA @ ST. MARTHA

Classes offered on the following Tuesdays from 9-10AM in the school gym on: ♦**May 7th**, ♦**May 21**, ♦**June 4th**, and ♦**June 18th**. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat. It is a gentle class and suitable for beginners and experienced. 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 closes for weather, the class will be canceled.

HELP NEEDED!

Once again, we are looking for help with this year's National Association of Letter Carriers **STAMP OUT HUNGER FOOD DRIVE** scheduled for **SATURDAY, MAY 11TH**. We could use your help in the Cafeteria between the hours of 11:00AM and 5:00PM. You do not have to commit for the entire day, any amount of time would be appreciated. Unfortunately, the drop off of donations depends on the routes of each mail person. These carriers volunteer their time during this collection. If you have any questions, please call the pantry @ 716-206-0387. Thank you!



FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Thank you for your continued support of the pantry. Your generosity is the backbone of our efforts. We could not continue this ministry without your help. We have seen an increase in the number of families we serve. Our shelves empty quickly. Barrels for donations are located in the vestibule of the church. Below is our **"Wish List"** which comes in handy when particular products run low, but ANY donations are always 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 THE FOOD PANTRY MAY BE OF ASSISTANCE, PLEASE CALL US AT 716-206-0387.**



GARDEN ANGELS

Do you like to be outdoors? Do you love to work in the garden and get your hands dirty? If you answered YES, then consider joining the St. Martha Garden Angels. The Garden Angels are a group of volunteers who help maintain the beautiful flowerbeds and gardens on the St. Martha Parish grounds during the garden season.

In spring Garden Angel Volunteers can help prepare the ground for planting, plant flowers, and help to lay down mulch. Through the summer, volunteers are needed to help water, weed, prune, and generally maintain the garden bed. In the fall, volunteers help clean up and remove plants.

Garden Angel Volunteers can do as much or as little as they are able. Most of the work can be done according to your own schedule.

This is a nice way to serve together with family or friends and for a student to fulfill required volunteer hours. We thank Garden Angels who have served in the past and encourage you to consider volunteering again this year. New Garden Angels are warmly welcome! Many volunteers are needed. If you would like to help, please fill in the sign-up sheet in the back of the church.

If you would like more information, please call Debbie Steck, 716-684-3864 or email debbie.steck@yahoo.com.

ATTENTION GOLFERS



Save the date! The St. Martha Parish Golf Outing returns on **MONDAY, AUGUST 12TH** with a 10AM shotgun start at the Batavia Country Club, 7909 Batavia-Byron Road in Batavia. The cost is \$125. Included is golf, cart, range balls, 4 Beverages, Hotdog or hamburger w/ refreshment at the turn and a Steak Dinner with Draft Beer/Pop afterward. All players have an exclusive chance to win an \$800 Golf Gift Certificate from Woods to Wedges @ The Dome. All proceeds will be donated to the Response to Love Center in Buffalo. For further information, call Wally @ 716-684-0281.

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTION **SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE**



Too many children in the Buffalo-area lack a safe, comfortable bed to sleep in. Our goal is to change that. Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP) is a national charitable organization with over 230 chapters across the U.S. that builds and delivers beds to kids ages 3–17 years at no cost to that child's family. Research has shown that as many as 10,000 kids in the Buffalo area lack a safe, comfortable place to sleep. Currently, SHP Buffalo services target zip codes in the City of Buffalo where the need is greatest. SHP-Buffalo is an entirely volunteer organization. Dedicated volunteers build the beds from scratch at our workshop located at Eastern Hills Mall, then deliver them to homes and set up the beds fully outfitted with new mattresses and new bedding. As a 501(c)(3) non-profit charity, we rely on donations to purchase tools and materials to

build beds and buy new mattresses. From start to finish, each bed costs approximately \$250, each bunk bed \$500.

SHP also accepts donations for **NEW** bedding for the beds. Here at St. Martha Parish we will be collecting **NEW TWIN-SIZE BEDDING** (mattress pads, sheets, comforters, blankets, and pillows) **Beginning the weekend of MAY 18TH & 19TH**. We will have a BIN in the back of the church to accept donations. We look forward to your support so SHP-Buffalo can make their motto come true: **NO KID SLEEPS ON THE FLOOR IN OUR TOWN!**

To learn more about this mission and how you can help or volunteer, please contact Jerry Sheldon, President at (716) 570-3449 or at jerry.sheldon@shpbeds.org or Betsy DiVita, Vice President at (716) 609-1622 or at betsy.divita@shpbeds.org. Thank you for any support you can give!

SUNDAY, MAY 5 Intention Correction

The 8:00AM Mass is for **SR. JEAN BECKER, OSF** [not Baker]. We apologize for the error in the bulletin.

✠ ST. MARTHA MASS INTENTION ✠

MONDAY, MAY 6

8:15AM ADAM SPIDER - Cane Family

TUESDAY, MAY 7

8:15AM ANTHONY STABLER - Gram

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

8:15AM MONTY & MARIE WILDMAN - Daughter

7:00PM MURRAY STODDART - John & Ann Wall
(Holy Day Vigil)

THURSDAY, MAY 9

ASCENSION of the LORD

8:15AM JAMES & WENDY BARDOL - Bardol Family

FRIDAY, MAY 10

8:15AM BETTY KILANOWSKI - Grandchildren

SATURDAY, MAY 11

5:00PM BOB RUSINEK - Wife & Children
(Sunday of Easter Vigil)

SUNDAY, MAY 12

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

(Mother's Day)

8:00AM ALL MOTHERS

10:00AM ALL MOTHERS

LECTORS: MAY 9, 11 & 12

7:00PM PJ Glauber

5:00PM PJ Glauber

8:00AM Tim Mahony

10:00AM Linda Ratajczak