



Unified in 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 New Live Stream You Tube Page!" (No subscription is necessary to view here.) 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:

SUNDAY 01/21:	8:00AM
	*10:00AM
MONDAY 01/22:	8:15AM
TUESDAY 01/23:	8:15AM
WEDNESDAY 01/24:	8:15AM
THURSDAY 01/25:	8:15AM
FRIDAY 01/26:	8:15AM
SATURDAY 01/27:	5:00PM (Sunday Vigil)
SUNDAY 01/28:	8:00AM
	*10:00AM

❄ **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) or Mary Ann (716-681-5722). If you can't be there for your Hour call Sandie (716-395-3007) or Mary Ann.

✚ **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@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

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

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

WEBSITE: school.olbsdepew.org

PRINCIPAL: Nancy Kindred

Email: nkindred@school.olbsdepew.org

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

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 21, 2024

"At a Glance"

THIS WEEK @ St. Martha Parish



SUN 01/21 **3RD SUNDAY in Ordinary Time**

- 5 Decade Rosary @ 7:25AM (Church)
- 8:00AM **Sunday Mass** (Church / Live Streamed)
- 5 Decade Rosary @ 9:25AM (Church)
- 10:00AM **Sunday Mass** (Church / Live Streamed & Parking Lot, radio 95.1FM)

MON 01/22 -8:15AM **Daily Mass** (Church / Live Streamed)
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

TUES 01/23 -8:15AM **Daily Mass** (Church / Live Streamed)
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

WED 01/24 -8:15AM **Daily Mass** (Church / Live Streamed)
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

THUR 01/25 -8:15AM **Daily Mass** (Church / Live Streamed)
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)
-20 Decade Rosary @ 6PM (Chapel)

FRI 01/26 -8:15AM **Daily Mass** (Church / Live Streamed)
-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

SAT 01/27 -5:00PM **Sunday Vigil Mass**
(Church / Live Streamed)

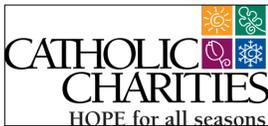
SUN 01/28 **4TH SUNDAY in Ordinary Time**
-5 Decade Rosary @ 7:25AM (Church)
-8:00AM **Sunday Mass** (Church / Live Streamed)
-5 Decade Rosary @ 9:25AM (Church)
-10:00AM **Sunday FAMILY Mass** (Church / Live Streamed & Parking Lot, radio 95.1FM)
-OLBS School OPEN HOUSE!! (see page 2)

ST. MARTHA PARISH STEWARDSHIP

We offer an online giving option! Just click on the *donate now* button on our website www.stmarthadepew.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 is HERE!

HOPE when you are in need. A single mom with two disabled children recently moved to the area from out of state.

The woman, who suffers from some severe health challenges and cannot work, was struggling to make ends meet. This past fall, she came to Catholic Charities, and staff worked to provide her with the resources needed to help her family through these difficult times, including providing presents for her children this past holiday season. Your gift to the Appeal makes hope for this family, and so many more, possible. Visit ccwny.org/donate or text HOPE4WNY to 44321 today.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

The special collection for Catholic Relief Services is being taken up next weekend, JANUARY 27th & 28th. Your compassion helps those in need around the world. Every gift you give helps a child thrive, brings hope to a family, and rebuilds a community.

2024 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

LAST CHANCE to PICKED UP at Church!

The remaining boxes will be moved to the Rectory Monday, where they will only be available during office hours, so please pick up your 2024 weekly offertory envelope box at the back of the church this weekend!

From FR. BART:

Along the Way...

FITNESS CLASS

Prior to COVID Saint Martha Parish was pleased to sponsor a fitness class for people 65 and over. We are very happy to be able to do this again. We have a fitness instructor who is adept at working with people 65 and older tailoring fitness and exercises to meet their needs. If you are interested in attending this fitness class at no cost I would ask you to please contact the rectory and leave your name with our secretary (716-685-6342, ext 200). The class will be limited to 20 people. Once we know how many are interested, we will proceed and will keep you informed as to when the classes will begin.

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

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

2024 Mass Intentions STILL AVAILABLE

There are still several 8:15AM weekday Mass Intentions available in 2024 in the months of January, February, June, July, November, and December. Please stop by the rectory if you would like any of the available masses (No number limits). We accept cash or check (payable to: St. Martha Parish) for \$15.00 per mass.

SENIOR MEETING

On **MONDAY, JANUARY 22ND** at 1:30PM at the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church George Urban Blvd (next to the fire hall). *If the area schools are closed due to the weather we will not have a meeting.* ALL ARE WELCOME. If you need further information please call Pat at (716) 684-2858.

SYMPATHY

OUR PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCES TO THE
FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF:

✠ **Francis Usinski**



Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament SCHOOL



OLBS will be kicking off Catholic Schools Week with a FAMILY MASS at 10AM on **SUNDAY, JANUARY 28TH** and we will be hosting our first Open House for our Early Education program immediately following.

Families looking for Pre-K 3, Pre-K 4, or Kindergarten are encouraged to sign up using the QR code, or at this link:

<https://forms.gle/5aQppWASCuasPybM7>

Current families are also welcome to sign up to take a look at their child's next class level?

If you have any questions, you can call the main office at 716-685-2544, or email: info@school.olbsdepew.org.

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OLBS PRE-K 3 - GRADE 5 SCHOOL
Brighter World One Child at a Time

All Current and Prospective Families with a child entering Pre-K 3, Pre-K 4, or Kindergarten in Sept. 2024 are invited to attend!

Open House

Sunday, January 28, 2024

- 10:00 AM - Family Mass @ St. Martha Church
- 11:00 AM - Coffee, Juice, Donuts
- 11:30 AM - Open House

PRE-K 3, PRE-K 4, KINDERGARTEN

- Join in a Scavenger Hunt to tour the classrooms
- Meet the Teachers!
- Q & A with:
 - The Principal
 - School Board Members
 - Current Families

To RSVP, scan the QR code or use the link: <https://forms.gle/5aQppWASCuasPybM7>

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Affordable Tuition at a fraction of the cost of Daycare!
- ✓ Established Curriculum, Field Trips!
- ✓ Certified, Caring Teachers
- ✓ Safe, Nurturing Environment
- ✓ Strong Sense of Community
- ✓ Daily classes in; Spanish, Technology, Art, Physical Education, Music and Library
- ✓ Suzuki Strings beginning in Kindergarten
- ✓ Extended Day - After School Program



SAVE THE DATE

St. Martha Parish will be hosting another Blood Drive with

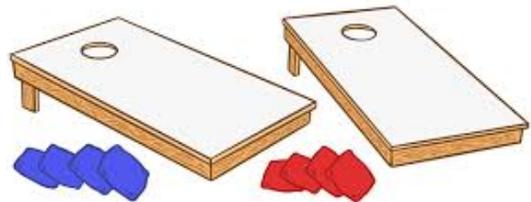
Connect Life this year on **SATURDAY, MARCH 16TH**. Please mark your calendar and come down to donate LIFE! Watch for more details as the date approaches.

SENIOR TRIP

St. Martha Senior Group is participating in a 3 day, 2 night excursion **JULY 9TH -11TH** 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!

CORNHOLE MADNESS IS BACK

Sat, February 24th ~ SAVE THE DATE!!!



Cornhole Madness at St. Martha's returns for a second year, running from 6PM to 11PM in the School Gym for Adults 21 years and up. Tickets will be \$15/person and covers entry, 2 slices of pizza, & a beverage. The Game Fee will be \$5/game. More details to come. Plan on joining in on an evening of **COMPETITION, FUN, and CAMARADERIE!!!**

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.

YOGA @ ST. MARTHA

Classes are starting up again in the New Year! They will be offered on the following Tuesdays from 9-10AM in the school gym on: ♦Feb 13th, ♦March 5th, ♦March 19th, ♦April, 2nd, ♦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 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 scheduled will also be canceled.



Knights of St. John "21 CLUB" TICKETS are STILL AVAILABLE

This is a weekly drawing for \$100.00 each week for 20 weeks Plus and an Early Bird Bonus drawing on February 14th for \$100.00. 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 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.

2023 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you RECEIVED A STATEMENT LAST YEAR you will automatically be sent one again this year. If you DID NOT receive one last year and need one - either **emailing your request with your name, address, and Parish envelope**

number to: info@stmarthadepew.org or Call the Rectory @ 716-684-6342 [ext 200] and leave a message with your name, address, and Parish envelope number.

[Please NOTE: By law, any contributions to be used as a 2023 tax deduction must be either postmarked or in the hands of the parish no later than December 31st of 2023. Checks received by the parish on or after January 1, 2024 and dated for 2023 are not eligible to be claimed for a 2023 tax deduction.]

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR CHARITABLE GIVING!

VOCATIONS ~ Two vocation stories in one week! Jonah is called to preach repentance in the first reading, and in our Gospel Jesus calls four fisherman. Ordinary people.... like you. If you're being called to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

✠ ST. MARTHA MASS INTENTION ✠

MONDAY, JANUARY 22

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

8:15AM SHARON MAHONY - Jean Speyer

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

8:15AM KEN HERBERGER - Tom & Thea

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24

St. Francis de Sales, Bishop, Religious Founder & Doctor

8:15AM TOM SCIBOR - Tom & Thea

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

8:15AM JOHN PASQUARIELLO - Adrienne Pasquariello

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26

St. Timothy & St. Titus, Bishops

8:15AM GEORGE L. CHAMBERS - Brian Miller

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

5:00PM PAUL PRUSAKOWSKI - In Memory
(Sunday Vigil)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
(National Catholic Schools Week begins)

8:00AM JAMES LUCZAK - Family
10:00AM DAVID KLYCZEK - Family

LECTORS: JANUARY 27 & 28

5:00PM Dave Thomas
8:00AM Art Movalli
10:00AM Diane Trzaska