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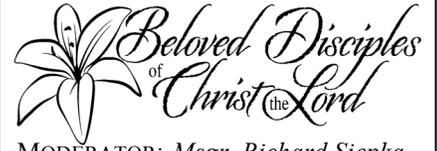
Saint Martha Parish

Creating Our Church for The Next Generation

10 French Road, Depew, New York 14043

St. Martha Parish Website: www.stmarthadepew.org

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:

4 TH SUNDAY 03/10:	8:00AM
	*10:00AM
MONDAY 03/11:	8:15AM
TUESDAY 03/12:	8:15AM
WEDNESDAY 03/13:	8:15AM
THURSDAY 03/14:	8:15AM
FRIDAY 03/15:	8:15AM
	7:30PM Stations of the Cross
SATURDAY 03/16:	5:00PM (Sunday Vigil)
5 TH SUNDAY 03/17:	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). 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 (ALSO STREAMED), 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 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 10, 2024

"At a Glance"

THIS WEEK @ St. Martha Parish

🕒 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

This Sunday, March 10th @ 2AM!

Don't forget to Spring Forward 1 Hour

Saturday before you go to bed!



SUN 03/10 *Fourth 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)

MON 03/11 -8:15AM Daily Mass (Church / Streamed)

-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

-Daily Rosary 12 Noon (Church / Streamed)

-SENIOR FITNESS CLASS 12:30-1:15PM

(gym) *You must be registered to attend!

TUES 03/12 -8:15AM Daily Mass (Church / Streamed)

-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

-Daily Rosary 12 Noon (Church / Streamed)

WED 03/13 -8:15AM Daily Mass (Church / Streamed)

-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

-Daily Rosary 12 Noon (Church / Streamed)

THUR 03/14 -8:15AM Daily Lenten Mass (Church / Streamed)

-Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)

-Daily Rosary 12 Noon (Church / Streamed)

-20 Decade Rosary @ 6PM (Chapel)

-HOLY NAME Mtg 6:30PM

FRI 03/15 -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 the Holy Name Society (Church)

SAT 03/16 -5:00PM Sunday Vigil Mass (Church / Streamed)

SUN 03/17 *Fifth 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 &

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

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!



APPEAL 2024!

HOPE when hope feels lost. We know that asking for help can be a difficult thing to do, and that's why our staff works extra hard to make Catholic Charities a welcoming environment, enveloping those who come to us in their times of need with dignity and respect. One client shared, "I admire how staff is welcoming and non-judgmental in all situations. I appreciate all care and concern shown for my children and their wellbeing." When you support the Appeal, you support this level of care. Give today and help provide HOPE to those in need. Visit ccwny.org/donate or text HOPE4WNY to 44321.

LENTEN ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Lenten Parish Mission

UNCONDITIONALLY

"Finding Jesus in the Eucharist"

2 DAY PARISH MISSION

MARCH 11 - 12, 2024

7:00 PM



Topics:

- Why We Believe What We Believe
- Gifts & Attributes of Jesus We Receive in the Eucharist
- Living Daily as a Disciple

Presented by
Catholic, Inspirational,
Speaker & Author
Greg Wasinski

Sponsored by the Roman Catholic Family of Parishes



Our Lady of Pompeii | Sacred Heart of Jesus | St. Martha
St. Mary of the Assumption | St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta | St. Philip the Apostle

Free Will Donations Accepted
Refreshments Follow Each Night

Mission will be at: **St. Philip the Apostle Parish**

716-668-8370 ~ 950 LOSSON RD ~ CHEEKTOWAGA, NY 14227
www.bdcfamily.org

REFRESHMENTS NEEDED!!

Baked goods are needed for the reception that will follow the Family of Parishes Lenten Mission held on March 11th & 12th at St. Philip the Apostle Parish this year. St. Martha Parish will be responsible for some of the refreshments for Monday, March 11th. 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!

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 Fish Fry

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



BDCL Lenten Penance Services

Both at 3:00PM & 7:00PM

MARCH 14TH @ St. Philip the Apostle
(950 Losson Rd, Cheektowaga)

MARCH 20TH @ St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta
(496 Terrace Blvd, Depew)



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

FIRST RECONCILIATION

The following students made the Sacrament of First Reconciliation here at St. Martha Parish on March 2, 2024:

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| ♦Seraphina Basher | ♦Carter Landseadel |
| ♦Cruz Beebe | ♦Michael Menth |
| ♦Chloe Bridenbaker | ♦Pierson Mogle |
| ♦Jenson Campling | ♦Ethan Park |
| ♦Carmen Ciacone | ♦Ava Reitmeier |
| ♦Owen Coyne | ♦Julianna Reitmeier |
| ♦Nicholas Detlef | ♦Eva Sabal |
| ♦Sean Diebold | ♦Cody Szpylman |
| ♦Olivia Dunn | ♦Aubree Weldon |
| ♦Jayce Galioto | ♦Declan Wetzal |
| ♦Annabelle Gorden | ♦Benjamin Wurstner |
| ♦Arlen Kaniecki | |



SYMPATHY

OUR PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCES TO THE
FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF:

✠ Arthur Malczos



SENIOR MEETING

Our next meeting is on **MONDAY, MARCH 11TH at 1:30PM** at the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church on George Urban (next to the fire hall). COME JOIN US. ALL ARE WELCOME!

ST MARTHA BABY SHOWER



The weekend of **MARCH 16TH & 17TH** our parish will once again host a baby shower to benefit the newest location of the St. Gianna Molla Pregnancy Outreach Center. This is an outreach of the Pro-Life Office of the Diocese of Buffalo. Although any and all new donations are needed,

the following are consistent needs:

- 👉 Diapers/Pull-ups
- 👉 Baby Wash and Lotion
- 👉 NB - 4T clothing (3T and 4T clothing are often hard to come by, warm clothing is especially needed)
- 👉 Wipes
- 👉 Bottles

Financial donations are also always appreciated. Checks can be made out to: *St. Martha Parish*. So many of us have been blessed. This shower offers us an opportunity to share our blessings with others.

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, March 11th in the school gym from 12:30-1:15PM** and continue on the following Mondays: March 18th, April 15th & 22nd, May 6th & 20th, and June 3rd & 10th. Please Note: No one can enter into the gym until after 12:20PM and if the Lancaster School District closes for weather, the class will be cancelled.

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 10th* and *Sunday, April 14th*. The main 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!*

HOLY NAME

Gentlemen: as we look ahead to spring just a reminder, our next Holy Name meeting is **THURSDAY, MARCH 14TH**. Come pray the rosary with us @6:30 followed by the meeting, 50/50, food & fellowship!



**CONNECTLIFE
BLOOD DRIVE**
Saturday, March 16th
from 10AM - 2PM

Do you know about these benefits to donating blood? One, your body burns 500 calories to help replenish the blood you donate. Two, regular blood donations can help improve blood flow leading to better heart health. Three, donating blood helps boost your immune system. Join us Saturday, March 16th on the ConnectLife bus in the parking lot here at St. Martha Parish. In 20-30 minutes you can give a gift that can help up to 3 other people. Give blood, give life! Get a *Pint for a Pint* - All March donors will receive a coupon for a FREE pint of Perry's Ice Cream. To make an appointment:

- ♦ Scan the QR code ⇨ ⇨ ⇨ ⇨ ⇨ ⇨ ⇨ ⇨
- ♦ Call 716-529-4270 or
- ♦ Visit ConnectLifeGiveBlood.org and enter sponsor code: 000921.



THE GUILD SENDS THANKS!

The St. Martha Altar and Rosary Guild thanks Paul from Penn Dixie Fossil Park in conjunction with the Science Museum for coming to our parish and explaining the solar eclipse to us. It was very informative. Everyone who attended received a free pair of special glasses to view the eclipse. A special thank you to Dan Cane and Joey's Pizza for donating the pizza. We had a great time.

Knights of St. John "21 CLUB" TICKETS

A weekly drawing for \$100.00 each week for 20 weeks. 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.

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!

- Dish Soap
- Laundry detergent
- Rice-a-Roni
- Toothpaste
- Shampoo

*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 offered on the following Tuesdays from 9-10AM in the school gym on: ♦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. 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.

CALLING ALL SINGERS

If you love to sing and have a couple of hours in your Tuesday afternoon schedule, come and join us. The St. Martha Choir is looking for women and men of all ages. Rehearsal times have changed to Tuesday afternoons from 3:30-5PM. We hope that more people, that don't drive in the evening, can join us at this new day and time. You don't need any previous experience or the ability to read music. There is always someone to help you if you have questions or problems. All we ask is that you love to sing and are dedicated to coming to rehearsals and singing at the 10AM Mass on Sundays and special occasions. We rehearse September to mid June. We provide the music, the resources, and the fun. Come and see what you have been missing. Be part of the St Martha Choir family. If you have any questions or concerns, please call Jill at 716-684-1825. Hope to see you this week!



St. Martha SENIOR GROUP TRIP

We are 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!

VIRTUS Training Reminder

Friendly reminder to all our Virtus Trained Volunteers – please go to www.virtus.org to read this month's training bulletin. Thank you!!

Our Lady of Pompeii's

SPAGHETTI DINNER - MARCH 10th

Take out begins at 11:30AM. Dining room opens NOON-4PM. Spaghetti & Meatballs, Bread & Butter, Salad & Dessert. \$13.00 Adults \$10.00 Seniors or Children. Tickets available at the door.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS:



OLBS SUMMER CAMP

JULY 8TH ~ AUGUST 16TH 8AM-3PM

(Doors open at 7:45AM). Academic, fun, and creative activities for students who will have completed PK-3 to Grade 4. Cost is: 1 child \$300/week, 2 children \$500/week, 3 children \$750/week, and onetime nonrefundable registration/supply fee of \$45/child. Featuring FREE breakfast & lunch, weekly themes, morning academics, afternoon adventures, and arts & crafts. Prevent the "Summer Academic Slide"! More information, call 716-685-2544.

✠ ST. MARTHA MASS INTENTION ✠

MONDAY, MARCH 11

8:15AM Deceased Members of the PTAK & LUSIAK FAMILIES - Thomas & Stephanie Ptak

TUESDAY, MARCH 12

8:15AM GEORGE D. CIESLAR, JR. - sister, Joyce

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13

8:15AM KASINSKI FAMILY - Klyszek Family

THURSDAY, MARCH 14

8:15AM BLANCHE SORGI - In Memory

FRIDAY, MARCH 15

8:15AM PAUL PRUSAKOWSKI - In Memory
7:30PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS -
Led by the Holy Name Society

SATURDAY, MARCH 16

5:00PM CECELIA (T.C.) RZEPECKI & SCOTT
(Sunday Vigil) RZEPECKI - Joann Zawistowski & Children

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
(St. Patrick's Day)



8:00AM RITA & CARL BRAUNSCHEIDEL - Family
10:00AM STEVEN PAUL ZATKO - wife, Pat

LECTORS: MARCH 16 & 17

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