



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 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:

	5 TH SUNDAY 03/17:	8:00AM
		*10:00AM
	MONDAY 03/18:	8:15AM
	TUESDAY 03/19:	8:15AM
	WEDNESDAY 03/20:	8:15AM
	THURSDAY 03/21:	8:15AM
	FRIDAY 03/22:	8:15AM



LENT

	SATURDAY 03/23:	5:00PM (Palm Sunday Vigil)
	PALM SUNDAY 03/24:	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

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FAITH FORMATION 716-685-2546

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Mrs. Jessica Szpylman

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✚ 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 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 17, 2024

"At a Glance"

THIS WEEK @ St. Martha Parish



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!

- MON 03/18 -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 03/19 -8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)
 -Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)
 -YOGA 9AM-10AM (gym)
 -Daily Rosary 12 Noon (Church / Streamed)

- WED 03/20 -8:15AM Daily Mass** (Church / Streamed)
 -Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)
 -Daily Rosary 12 Noon (Church / Streamed)

- THUR 03/21 -8:15AM Daily Lenten Mass** (Church / Streamed)
 -Eucharistic Adoration 9AM - 3PM (Chapel)
 -Daily Rosary 12 Noon (Church / Streamed)
 -20 Decade Rosary @ 6PM (Chapel)

- FRI 03/22 -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 Parish Council (Church)

- SAT 03/23 -5:00PM Palm Sunday Vigil Mass**
 (Church / Streamed)

SUN 03/24 Palm Sunday



- 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. 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!



ST MARTHA BABY SHOWER

This weekend - MARCH 16TH & 17TH our parish is once again hosting 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.

APPEAL 2024!



Did you know? St. Patrick is our 2024 Appeal patron saint! St. Patrick is known for his unwavering faith and tenacious drive

to spread the Gospel. As we celebrate his feast day this Sunday, we pray that we, too, can be steadfast in our mission and have the same zeal for Christ's work through us as St. Patrick did. May we follow his example. St. Patrick, pray for us! Make an Appeal donation today at ccwny.org/donate or by texting HOPE4WNY to 44321.

LENTEN ANNOUNCEMENTS:

BDCL 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 Fridays at 7:30PM in church

@ St. Martha (Led by our various ministries)

OLBS Lenten Fish Fry

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



BDCL Lenten Penance Service

MARCH 20TH @ St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta
 (496 Terrace Blvd, Depew) at 3:00PM & 7:00PM



BDCL Family Holy Week Schedule



Palm Sunday - March 24th

Usual Weekend Mass Schedule

Our Lady of Pompeii - Sat 4:30PM, Sun 10 & 11:30 AM

Sacred Heart of Jesus - Sat 4PM, Sun 8:30AM

St. Martha - Sat 5PM, Sun 8 & 10 AM

St. Mary of the Assumption - Sat 7PM, Sun 10AM & NOON

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta - Sat 4PM, Sun 8:30AM

St. Philip The Apostle - Sat 4:30PM, Sun 9 & 11 AM

Holy Thursday - March 28th

Masses:

6:30PM Our Lady of Pompeii
St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

7:00PM Sacred Heart of Jesus

St. Martha

St. Mary of the Assumption

St. Philip the Apostle

Adoration at all Parishes until 10PM



Good Friday - March 29th

Solemn Liturgical Service

NOON Sacred Heart of Jesus

1:30PM **St. Martha**

3:00PM Our Lady of Pompeii

Stations of the Cross

NOON Sacred Heart of Jesus

6:30PM St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

7:00PM St. Philip the Apostle

Taizè Service

7:00PM St. Mary of the Assumption

Tenebrae Service

7:30PM **St. Martha**

8:00PM Our Lady of Pompeii



Holy Saturday - March 30th

Blessing of the Baskets

10:00AM Sacred Heart of Jesus, St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

11:30AM Our Lady of Pompeii

NOON St. Martha, St. Mary of the Assumption, St. Philip the Apostle

Easter Vigil

8:00PM Sacred Heart of Jesus & St. Mary of the Assumption

8:30PM St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta



Easter Sunday - March 31st

Masses:

6:30AM St. Mary of the Assumption (outdoors at Westwood Park)

8:00AM **St. Martha**

8:30AM Sacred Heart of Jesus & St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

9:00AM St. Philip the Apostle

10:00AM Our Lady of Pompeii, **St. Martha**, St. Mary of the Assumption

11:00AM Sacred Heart of Jesus & St. Philip the Apostle

11:30AM Our Lady of Pompeii

NOON St. Mary of the Assumption



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR POSITION

St Martha Parish has an opening for our full-time Maintenance Supervisor position. The Maintenance Supervisor is responsible for the care and upkeep of our buildings and grounds including cleaning, minor repairs, snow and garbage removal, attention to emergency and security situations, and facility set ups. This position requires a basic knowledge of cleaning, hand and power tools as well as our snow plow and fork lift (with mechanical aptitude), a valid NYS Driver's License in good standing, the ability to lift 50 lbs. minimum, stooping, standing, walking, bending etc. It also requires the ability to work well with others, supervise staff as well as volunteers, and written and oral communication skills. Resumes can be sent to: *Father Bart Lipiec c/o the Rectory, 10 French Rd, Depew NY 14043.*

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 18th in the school gym from 12:30-1:15PM** and continue on the following Mondays: 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!*

Knights of St. John "21 CLUB" TICKETS

The First drawing is this Sunday, March 17, 2024. Get your ticket, just \$20.00/ticket, for a chance to win the weekly drawings for \$100.00 each week for 20 weeks. Then 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.* 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!

- Crackers
- Cereal
- Coffee
- Knorr Sides
- Pancake Mix & Syrup

***AS ALWAYS, IF THERE IS A NEED AND WE MAY BE OF ASSISTANCE, PLEASE CALL THE PANTRY AT 716-206-0387.**

ALTAR & ROSARY GUILD

[Note date change] Our April meeting has been changed to **TUESDAY, APRIL 2ND at 6:30PM in Meeting Room A.** It is our ***Election Night*** and don't forget a \$5.00 gift for our ***"Rolling for the Green"*** dice game event. PLEASE PLAN ON ATTENDING!

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!

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!



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

 *The purpose of Eucharistic Adoration is to provide us with an opportunity to spend time with Our Lord. It is an opportunity to console Jesus, to converse with Jesus and to bring Him our concerns, our grief, worries, our pain and our sins, as well our joys. When we spend quiet time with Jesus, we allow Him to speak to our hearts and give us peace. It is a special blessing to our parish family and to each of us to be able to have Eucharistic Adoration. We prayerfully invite and urge everyone to take advantage of this blessing.*

BDCL Family Adoration Schedule:

(This schedule may change for Holy Days & Holidays)

- Our Lady of Pompeii ~ First Fridays: Noon - 6 pm
- Sacred Heart of Jesus ~ First Fridays: 8:30 am - 8 pm
- St. Martha ~ Monday to Friday: 9 am - 3 pm in the Chapel & First Fridays: 9 pm - Midnight in Church
- St. Mary of the Assumption ~ First Fridays: 12:30 - 2:30 pm
- St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta ~ Tuesdays: 7:00 - 8:00 pm

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MEAT RAFFLE

OLBS school is hosting a parish meat raffle on **SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH**. \$10 a ticket or \$70 a table. Doors open at 6PM with the First spin at 7PM. TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AFTER ALL MASSES or contact us at play@school.olbsdepew.org to reserve your spot!!



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.

~ VOCATIONS ~

Fifth Sunday of Lent – March 17, 2024

We are the people of God's New Covenant, and the Covenant is renewed at every Mass. Who will continue to lead this profound act of worship? If God is asking you to consider the priesthood, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

✚ ST. MARTHA MASS INTENTION ✚

MONDAY, MARCH 18

8:15AM JOSEPHINE SACILOWSKI & PATRICIA ATLAS - Patricia & Stanley Wypij

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:15AM HAROLD & MARY PAUL - Paul Family

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

8:15AM TOM SCIBOR - Audrey

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

8:15AM JAMEY RODEMEYER - Family

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

8:15AM ANNA GLAUB - Glaub Family

7:30PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS -
Led by the Parish Council

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

5:00PM LARRY LUCARELLI - Lucarelli Family
(Palm Sunday Vigil)

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

8:00AM GERALDINE MULARSKI - Koscielny Family
10:00AM Deceased Members of the STEPHENSON FAMILY - Judy Egnor



LECTORS: MARCH 23 & 24

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