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Matthew 28:19



Our Lady of Pompeii | St. John the Baptist | St. Martha St. Mary of the Assumption | St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta St. Philip the Apostle



<u>Dearly Departed</u>
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# Beloved Disciples Comist Lord Roman Catholic Family of Parishes Confirmation Class

ARE YOU AN ADULT (18+) WHO IS BAPTIZED & RECEIVED FIRST EUCHARIST IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH BUT NEVER RECEIVED THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION?

5-week Course: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm Sundays September 14, 21, 28, October 5, & 12 at St. Mary of the Assumption Church

For more information or to register, please contact Becky Hoag, Director of Faith Formation at 716-683-8564 or email becky@stmarysonthehill.org

This 5-week course is for adults aged 18+ who have received the Sacraments of Baptism & Holy Communion. Confirmation, a Sacrament of Initiation, strengthens the baptized in faith & in their commitment to living it out. It also strengthens them to be witnesses of Christ by word and deed, and to spread and defend the faith. This course will cover the essentials of the Catholic faith, including sacred scripture, the Creed, and prayer. The Confirmation Liturgy will take place sometime in October or November.

# May 18 2025

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Bulletin Submissions due by Friday at Noon one week before the published Sunday. Please submit to your Rectory or scan below to submit:





#### Weekday Mass Schedule

8:15 am St. Martha

8:30 am *Tues. - Fri*.

St. John the Baptist

9:00 am Mon. - Thurs.

St. Philip the Apostle

12 Noon St. Mary of the Assumption (Chapel)

Fri. Noon St. Philip the Apostle

7:00 pm *Mon*.

St. John the Baptist

#### Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday

First Saturday 8:30 am - St. John the Baptist

4:00 pm St. John the Baptist,

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

4:30 pm Our Lady of Pompeii, St. Philip the Apostle

5:00 pm St. Martha

7:00 pm St. Mary of the Assumption

Sunday

8:00 am St. Martha, St. John the Baptist St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

9:00 am St. Philip the Apostle

10:00 am Our Lady of Pompeii, St. Martha,

St. Mary of the Assumption

11:00 am St. John the Baptist, St. Philip the Apostle

11:30 am Our Lady of Pompeii

Noon St. Mary of the Assumption

Our Lady of Pompeii Sat 3:30 pm

St. John the Baptist Sat 3 - 4:00 pm

St. Martha Sat before 5 pm Mass

**St. Mary of the Assumption** Sat 6 - 6:30 pm

onfessions St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Sat 3 - 3:30 pm

**St. Philip the Apostle** Sat 3:30 - 4 pm

Our Lady of Pompeii First Fridays Noon - 6 pm

St. John the Baptist

First Fridays 9 am - 5 pm Mondays 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm

St. Martha

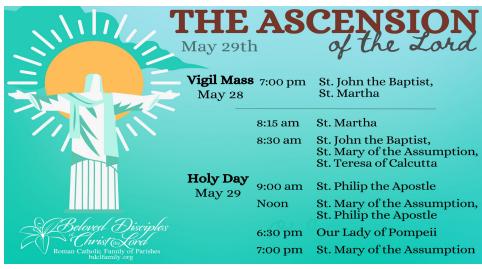
Mon - Fri 9 am - 3 pm; Holy Days Subject to Change (Chapel) First Fridays 9 pm - 10 pm (Church)

St. Mary of the Assumption

First Fridays 12:30 - 2:30 pm

**St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta** Tuesdays 7 - 8 pm

St. Philip the Apostle Last Tues (May - Oct) 6:30 - 7:30 pm



Monday, May 26th the SJB Daily Mass will be at 9:00 AM (instead of the usual 7:00PM).





### St. John the Baptist Lawn Fete GROCERY BOOTH 2025

Our Lawn Fete this year will be featuring a
Grocery Booth and we need your help to stock it!
We will be collecting certain non-perishable
goods from now until the week before our event.
Thank you for your support!
A tote marked "Lawn Fete Grocery Booth"
will be available in the back of church.

May 17 - 23: Paper Products toilet paper, napkins, paper towels, plates, plastic cups, tissues, etc.

May 24 - 30: Personal Care Items toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, soap, body wash, deodorant, etc.

May 31 - June 6: Canned Goods & Condiments soup, vegetables, fruit, gravy, tuna fish, salad dressing, mayo, ketchup, mustard

There will be no daily Masses at St. Martha Parish from May 12 - May 23. Weekend Masses will continue on the regular schedule.



## Pur (Parishes

Our Lady of Pompeii
129 Laverack Ave.
Lancaster, NY 14086
(716) 683-6522
olpparish.com
Mon - Thurs: 9 am - 4:30 pm

St. John the Baptist 2021 Sandridge Rd. Alden, NY 14004 (716) 937-6959 stjohnalden.com

Fri: 9 am - 3 pm

Tue - Thurs: 8:30 am - 1:30 pm

St. Martha
10 French Rd.
Depew, NY 14043
(716) 684-6342
stmarthadepew.org
Mon - Fri: 9 am - 4 pm
Closed Noon - 1 pm
Food Pantry: 716-206-0387

St. Mary of the Assumption
1 St. Mary's Hill
Lancaster, NY 14086
(716) 683-6445
stmarysonthehill.org
Mon/Tues/Thurs: 9 am - 4 pm
Wed/Fri: 9 am - 3 pm

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta 496 Terrace Blvd. Depew, NY 14043 (716) 683-2746 blessedmotherteresa parishdepew.org

Mon - Thurs : 10 am - 3 pm Friday : 10 am - 2 pm

St. Philip the Apostle
950 Losson Rd.
Cheektowaga, NY 14227
(716) 668-8370
spaparish.org
Mon - Thurs: 9 am - 4 pm
Closed Noon - 1 pm
Fri: 9 am - Noon



# Other Events

#### SJB - Holy Name

Next Meeting: 5/18
after 8 am Mass
St. John's School Cafeteria
All men of the Family of
Parishes are welcome.

#### SMA - Cemetery Tour

May 18 at 1pm

St. Mary of the Assumption
Join us for a historical
presentation in our Parish
Center and then for an
optional walking tour of the
cemetery.

#### SPA - Ladies Club

Next Meeting: 5/19 at 6pm St. Philip's Church & Parish Center Annual Mass & Installation Banquet

#### SMA - Ladies of Charity

May 21 at 1 pm

Our Lady of Pompeii

Marian Room, Door #4

We are holding our first ever

"Meet and Greet" for lunch
and to tell about what the
Ladies of Charity. All ladies
are invited. If you would
like more information please
contact Holly Walter at
bballmomma99@yahoo.com
or 716-656-9583.

#### SMA - Coffee Can Fundraiser

May 31 & June 1
after Masses
St. Mary of the Assumption
Help support the Society of
St. Vincent de Paul in raising
funds to help the less fortunate.





#### St. Mary of the Assumption Coffee Hour Information:

The sun is shining and it's getting warmer outside that means it's time for Sunday morning coffee, goodies and fellowship! Summer coffee hours will return Sunday, May 25th. Our hospitality team is looking for volunteers to help serve following the 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 Noon Masses, cleanup crew following the noon mass and bakers. You choose which day and time you'd like to help, arrive 10 minutes prior to Mass to get things set up and 10 a.m. volunteers stay long enough to clean up and prepare for the noon Mass. Clean up volunteers follow the coffee hour for the Noon Mass, tidying up the pavilion and storing the supplies for the following weekend. Do you prefer to stay behind the scenes? Everyone loves home-made baked goods, bake your favorite recipe to share with fellow parishioners. All volunteers are welcome to sign up once or as often as you'd like. Contact Elaine if you are interested in assisting with our coffee hours: edristoj@aol.com or 716-683-8611.











### THE CHOSEN SEASON 5 WATCH PARTY!

WHEN: JUNE 16, 23, 30, JULY 7, 14, 21, 28, AUGUST 4

WHERE: ST. MARY'S PARISH CENTER

TO SIGN UP: SCAN THE QR CODE OR EMAIL/CALL BECKY HOAG, DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION becky@stmarysonthehill.org / 716-683-8564

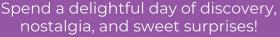


**SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN-UP!** 



Monday, June 16 9:00 am - 6:30 pm \$100 per person

Reservation & Payment due by May 30. No Refund for cancellation.



#### **Our stops include:**

Jell-o Gallery & LeRoy House Lunch at D&R Depot Restaurant Batavia Downs (\$15 Free Play) Oliver's Candies

For Booking or more info, please contact Chris Isbrandt at 716-668-6722

Leaves from St. Philip's Parking Lot behind Church 950 Losson Rd. Cheektowaga



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Find out more about our Family of Parishes and submit your information to join one of our Parishes by scanning the OR code below or stop by your Rectory to find out more!



For information on our Schools & Cemeteries. Live Stream opportunities, Letters of Recommendation, Funerals, Baptisms, Weddings, Collection Envelopes, and adding a name to our Sick List, please see your Rectory or scan the QR code below.





Tuesday, May 27 6:30pm

Please join us for quiet meditation and music as we spend an hour in the Presence of the Lord.



Eucharistic Adoration on the last Tuesday of every month fróm May to October.



950 Losson Rd | Cheektowaga spaparish.org





#### Sunday:

Acts 14:21-27 Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 (see 1) Rv 21:1-5a Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

#### Monday:

Acts 14:5-18 Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16 Jn 14:21-26

#### Tuesday:

Acts 14:19-28 Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 Jn 14:27-31a

#### Wednesday:

Acts 15:1-6
Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5
In 15:1-8

#### Thursday:

Acts 15:7-21 Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10 Jn 15:9-11

#### Friday:

Acts 15:22-31 Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12 Jn 15:12-17

#### Saturday:

Acts 16:1-10 Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5 Jn 15:18-21

#### Next Sunday:

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4) Rv 21:10-14, 22-23 Jn 14:23-29



#### WONDERWORD

How to play: All the puzzlewords appear in the puzzle-horizontally, vertically, diagonally and even backward. Find them, circle each letter of the word and strike it off the list. The leftover letters spell the Wonderword



**WONDERWORD ANSWER** 

AIRES, AMERICA, ARGENTINA, BELOVED, BERGOLIO, BUENOS, CATHOLIC, CHARISMATIC, CHARITY, CHURCH, DISCIPLE, GOD, FRANCISCUS, GRACE, JESUIT, JESUS, JORGE, LAUDATO SI, MAJOR, MARIO, MARY, MARTA, MERCY, MINISTRY, PAPACY, PETERS, REGINA, ROME, SOVEREIGN, SPIRITUAL, SQUARE



#### Acts 14:21-27

Despite facing many hardships, Paul and Barnabas succeeded in preaching the good news of Jesus crucified and risen from the dead. How do you work through personal setbacks?

#### Rv 21:1-5a

At the start of his final vision, John sees the age to come in which God comes to dwell with his people on earth and all tears, pain and even death itself is gone. Who in your life needs to hear this incredible message of hope?

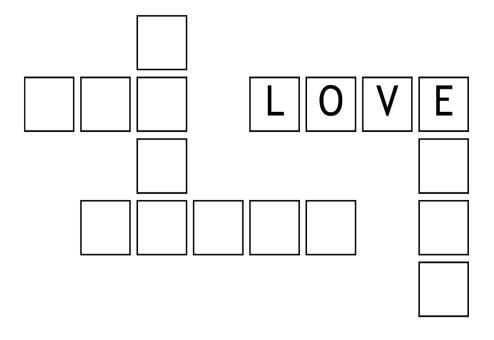
#### *Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35*

Jesus modeled for his disciples how to love one another. Do you have friends or co-workers who show you how to love others?



Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:

### You must love each other.



Sharing the Gospel

Jesus gave his disciples a new rule.

He told them they had to love each other, just like he loved them. What did Jesus mean? Jesus was very patient with his friends. He forgave his friends when they let him down. Jesus comforted his friends when they were afraid.

Most of all he helped them grow closer to God.

Dear God, help me to love my friends like Jesus did. My Weekly Mission

I will follow Jesus and forgive those who have hurt me.

### Our Schools

Our Lady of the
Blessed Sacrament
PreK - 3rd
20 French Rd.
Depew, NY 14043
716-685-2544
olbsdepew.org

St. John the Baptist
PreK3 - 8th
2028 Sandridge Rd.
Alden, NY 14004
716-937-9483
stjohnsalden.com

St. Mary of the Assumption
PreK3 - 8th
2 St. Mary's Hill
Lancaster, NY 14086
716-683-2112
smeschool.com

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Our Lady of Pompeii
716-683-6522
faithformation@
olpparish.com

St. John the Baptist 716-937-6959 x 103 faith.formation@ stjohnsalden.org

<u>St. Martha</u> 716-685-2546 jszpylman@ stmarthadepew.org

St. Mary of the Assumption 716-683-8564 becky@stmarysonthehill.org

<u>St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta</u> 716-683-2746 x 208

St. Philip the Apostle 716-668-8370 x 510 spareled@spaparish.org





Would you like to request an intention at one of our Parishes?

Stop by the Parish Rectory of where you wish to have your intention said at and they will be happy to assist you in making your request.

> Donation: Mass Intentions \$15/Mass

Sanctuary Lamp \$10 to \$15/week Please check with your Rectory

### Sanctuary Lamp

Week Of: May 18 - 24

Carol Sentz from Mietlicki Family

**In Loving Memory of** Robert Nowicki from Mom, Dad, Ann Marie

**SMT** Sr. Mary Alisette from Kuczmarski Family

**SPA** John & Bernice Falk from Daughters

OLP - Our Lady of Pompeii SJB - St. John the Baptist SMP - St. Martha SMA - St. Mary of the Assumption SMT - St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta SPA - St. Philip the Apostle

Saturday, May 17

4:00 pm SJB - Gordon & Eileen Weisbeck - Nancy Weisbeck SMT - Dennis Keefe - Diane Keefe & Family

4:30 pm OLP - Agnes & Ed Necel- Peggy Necel

Sharon Zynda - Richard Zynda
SPA - Norma McNally Pirie - Daughter, Marilyn
5:00 pm SMP-Loraine & Raymond Koscielny-Koscielny Family

7:00 pm SMA - Brian's Father - Jim & Marian Snyder

Sunday, May 18

Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00 am SMP - Stanley & Theresa Zak - Children & Grandchildren SJB - Deceased Holy Name Society Members - Holy Name Society SMT - Bernice & Helen Chojnacki - Halicki Family SPA - Arlene Benbenek - Terry Dusza

8:30 am

9:00 am 10:00 am OLP - Louis Salvator Sr. - The Family Diane Golpl - Seamus McCarthy

SMP - 65th Wedding Anniversary of Don & Joan Glinski Family

SMA - Mary Ann Helinski - Family

11:00 am SJB - Bill Brown - Wife

**SPA - Lorraine & Edward Stachewicz** 

Margaret & Edmund Gawronski - Diane & Gary Gawronski 11:30 am OLP - Bob Hoffman - Geri; Shirley Stefaniak - The Everett Family

SMA - Suzann H. Johnson (Happy Repose of Soul) Noon

Monday, May 19

8:15 am SMP - NO MASS

9:00 am SPA - Richard & Dorothy Bosinski - Family

12 Noon SMA - Faithful Departed

7:00 pm SJB - Nick Sortino - Helen Sortino

Tuesday, May 20

8:15 am SMP - NO MASS

8:30 am SJB - Lino W. Cometto III - Nonna Alvina

9:00 am SPA - Eugene & Frances Czajka - Family

12 Noon SMA - George Stilb - Estate

Wednesday, May 21 St. Christopher Magallanes

8:15 am SMP - NO MASS

8:30 am SJB - Daniel Kwiatkowski - Family

9:00 am SPA - Robert Markiewicz (Wedding Anniv.) - Cathy, Tracey, & Mike

12 Noon SMA - Sandy King - Estate

Thursday, May 22

St. Rita of Cascia

8:15 am SMP - NO MASS

8:30 am SJB - Joyce Kirszenstein - Tom

9:00 am SPA - Rita Blamowski - Blamowski Family

12 Noon SMA - Mary Notartomas - Family

Friday, May 23

8:15 am SMP - NO MASS

8:30 am SJB - Betty Walter - Family

12 Noon SMA - Bill Kotansky - Ed and Linda Walkow **SPA - All Fathers: BDCL Parishioners** 

Saturday, May 24

4:00 pm SJB - In Remembrance of Dorothy Pautler - Don Pautler

SMT - Edward Bylina - Donna Oleszek 4:30 pm OLP - Mae Nestico - Pat & Mary Beth Farruggio

Richard & Dorothy Swinarski - Karen Lagowski

SPA - Larry Hertel - Victor & Loretta Carbone 5:00 pm SMP - Mark Wybieracki - Bellucci Family

7:00 pm SMA - Barbara Schaefer - Family

Sunday, May 25 Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00 am SMP - Peter & Helen Wasiuta - Paul Wasiuta & Family

SJB - Leah Bellito - Wrest Family

8:30 am SMT - Dorothy Guarino & Genevieve Staebell - Judy & Kathy

SPA - Kary Kornaszewski - Louise, Debbie, & Family 9:00 am

10:00 am OLP - Patricia Walter - Family Terry Distefano - Distefano Family

SMP - Frank & Leona Chowaniec - Family

SMA - Robert Miner - Liz Czechowicz

11:00 am SJB - Thomas Frys & Harry Penasack
SPA - Jane & Bruno Pilecki - Zeller Family

11:30 am OLP - George & Judy Brown - Brown Family Tony Lorusso - Lorusso Family

SMA - Carol Richter - Cathi, Stan, & Family Noon

### Weekly Giving - Sunday, May 4

#### St. John the Baptist St. Mary of the Assumption

Regular: \$11,795.52 Regular: \$3,131.70

OSV: \$1,813.25 CPL: \$7,981.95 Fuel: \$10 Hunger Bowl: \$70 Easter: \$35 Special Projects: \$195 Home Mission: \$20

Building Fund: \$25 Cemetery Care: \$125 Latin America: \$5

Latin America: \$100

#### Our Lady of Pompeii

Not Reported St. Martha

Not Reported

St. Mother Teresa

Regular: \$3,611.73 Easter: \$225 Capital Improvement: \$245

Cêmetery Upkeep: \$402 Home Mission: \$592.10

#### St. Philip the Apostle

Regular: \$7,328.82 Loose: \$559.65 Online: \$4,852 Easter: \$146 Flowers: \$10 Home Mission: \$133 Ascension: \$15



Anna, Frank, Jonathan, Ken, Samantha, Karen Ast, Alice Barrett, Erik Binkowski, Eric Edward Boswell, Lamar Butler Jr., Roger Chiuppi, Joanne Conboy, Thaddeus Conway, Lt. Gabriella Czech, Donnalee Dauria, Eric Davies, Matt Davis, Ann Detzler, Irene Domagala, Richard Domagala, Daniel Domino, Christopher Dowd, David Ezzo, Rosa Fahy, Pat Farruggio, Robert Ginter, Adrianne Graber, Gladys Hens, Michael Hens, Ben Ignasiak, Judy Incorvia, Irene Jaskier, Barbara Jochiniack, Anthony Karam, Rachel Karpinski, Thomas Kasic, Jack Kintzel, Janet Knott, Karen Kowalec, Chris Krajewski, Jessica Kryszak, Robert Kryszak, Barb L., Carol Lenihan, Diane Liptak, Cecelia Loomis, Carol Majka, Meghan McLaughlin, Cindy Moulding, Tim Musielak, Zenon Norek, Ian Nowicki, Chelsea, Debi and David Passalugo Sr. & family, Ellen Piortkowski, Tom Pirog, George Pusitaeri, Mary Rambach, Lisa Rogers & family, Anthony Scalfaro, Michael Sikorski, Marlene Smith, & family, Mary Pat Smith, Esther Van Splunder, Judy Staskiewicz, Joseph Stock, Mary Joe Allen-Stock, James Streicher, Michelle Tobolski, Judy Wagner, Janice Weber, Patricia Williams, Ron and Mark Wojciechowski, Kate Wojcik, Beth Wojtasiewicz, Edward Wojtasiewicz, Kim Wolcott Hudson, John, Jaylyn, Grace Ackerty, Stanley Babula, Judith Baumgart, Robert Becker

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Dorothy Bycina, Sam Chapman, Diane Dumansky, Don Eggert, Joe & Laureen Enright, Barb Fox, Lorraine Hoffman, Gerry Killian, Dave Kornacki, Carmela Kosobucki, Greg Kozurkiewicz, Theresa Little, Robert Loniewski, Susan Loniewski, Carol Majka, Samantha Marzec, Dana Miller, Joan Niertit, Larry Pignataro, Debbie Pirog, Thomas Pirog, Jim Purpora, Karen Schaller, Donald Schwartz, Grace Schwartz, Richard Schwartz, Terri Skurzewski, Kurt Swiderski, Jennie Taylor, Sharon Thompson, and Rose Zalenski.

Brenda B., Raymond Barczak, James & Irene Bonsack, Skender Capullari, Josephine Dublino, Felicia Dziekan, Marilyn Farmer, Rosie Flowers, Mitzi Fuller, Diane Gilhooly, Ann Marie Gleber, Alyssa Kelchin, Kathy Kirk, Mary Jane Lang, Daniel Lawicki Sr., Janet Leighbody, Theresa Lisowski, Terri Mazur, Dennis Mock, Gina Mormul, Paul Pronti, Sister Ann Helene, David Sheridan, Strozyk Family, Paul Verostko, Delphine Wachowiak, Helen Walkowiak, Carlo Zavatti, Judy Schmidt

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June 8 Catholic Communications

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