

Therefore,
go and make disciples

of *All*
nations

Matthew 28:19



Beloved Disciples
of *Christ the Lord*
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St. John the Baptist | St. Martha
St. Mary of the Assumption Hill & Our Lady of Pompeii Campus
St. Philip the Apostle



August
3
2025



Dearly Departed

*SMA - Leona S. Sorri, Johann Haas,
John F. Toolen*



Newly Baptized

*SJB - Kyson Joseph Andrew Jankowiak,
Karson Benjamin Christopher Jankowiak*

*SPA - Aria Marie Coty,
Joseph Robert Manganaro*

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**DON'T MISS
A THING**

RE-REGISTER AT ONE OF OUR
FAMILY PARISHES

Please take a moment to re-register at one of our remaining Parishes. This simple step helps us ensure we have your most current contact information and confirms your desire to stay part of our Family of Parishes. Updating your records allows us to stay connected, provide collection envelopes if needed, and verify attendance should you ever require a Letter of Recommendation.

*Thank you for helping us maintain accurate records
and keeping our faith community thriving!*

*Are you part of one of
our closing or merging
Parishes?*



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Rev. Paul Steller

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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	<i>Tues. - Fri.</i> St. John the Baptist
9:00 am	<i>Mon. - Thurs.</i> St. Philip the Apostle
12 Noon	St. Mary of the Assumption, Hill Campus in the Chapel
<i>Fri. Noon</i>	St. Philip the Apostle
7:00 pm	<i>Mon.</i> St. John the Baptist

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday

<i>First Saturday</i>	8:30 am - St. John the Baptist
4:00 pm	St. John the Baptist
4:30 pm	Our Lady of Pompeii Campus, St. Philip the Apostle
5:00 pm	St. Martha
7:00 pm	St. Mary of the Assumption Hill Campus

Sunday

8:00 am	St. Martha, St. John the Baptist
9:00 am	St. Philip the Apostle
10:00 am	Our Lady of Pompeii Campus, St. Martha, St. Mary of the Assumption Hill Campus
11:00 am	St. John the Baptist, St. Philip the Apostle
11:30 am	Our Lady of Pompeii Campus
Noon	St. Mary of the Assumption Campus



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

St. Martha Sat before 5 pm Mass

St. Mary of the Assumption Hill Campus

Sat 6 - 6:30 pm

Our Lady of Pompeii Campus Sat 3:30 pm

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

Confessions

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 Hill Campus

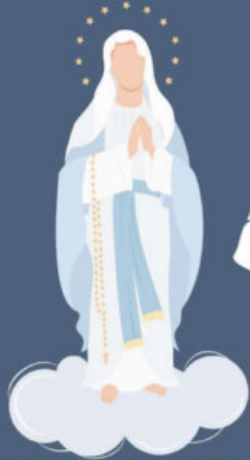
First Fridays 12:30 - 2:30 pm

Our Lady of Pompeii Campus First Fridays Noon - 6 pm

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



Adoration






VIGIL MASS - AUGUST 14

7:00 pm St. Martha,
St. John the Baptist


HOLY DAY - AUGUST 15

8:15 am St. Martha
8:30 am St. John the Baptist
9:00 am St. Philip the Apostle
9:30 am Our Lady of Pompeii Campus
Noon St. Mary's Hill Campus,
St. Philip the Apostle
7:00 pm St. Mary's Hill Campus
Outdoors with Ice Cream Social After

ASSUMPTION
of **MARY**
St. Mary's Feast Day



Mass Schedule



Updated 7/27/25

UPDATED

<p>Daily</p> <p>8:15 am 8:30 am Tues. - Fri. 9:00 am Mon. - Thurs. 12 Noon Fri. Noon 7:00 pm Mon.</p>	<p>St. Martha St. John the Baptist St. Philip the Apostle St. Mary of the Assumption (Chapel) St. Philip the Apostle St. John the Baptist</p>
<p>Weekend</p>	
<p>Saturday</p> <p><i>First Saturday</i></p>	<p>8:30 am St. John the Baptist 4:00 pm St. John the Baptist, Our Lady of Pompeii Campus 4:30 pm St. Philip the Apostle 5:00 pm St. Martha 7:00 pm St. Mary of the Assumption Hill Campus</p>
<p>Sunday</p>	<p>8:00 am St. Martha, St. John the Baptist 9:00 am St. Philip the Apostle 9:30 am Our Lady of Pompeii Campus 10:00 am St. Martha, St. Mary of the Assumption Hill Campus 11:00 am St. John the Baptist, St. Philip the Apostle 11:30 am Our Lady of Pompeii Campus Noon St. Mary of the Assumption Hill Campus</p>

Starts 9/6 & 9/7

Mass Intention & Sanctuary Lamp

Both are meaningful ways to offer prayers for loved ones or special intentions.



Mass Intentions are mentioned during the liturgy and remembered by the priest throughout the Mass. Mass Intention offerings go to the priest who celebrates the Mass.

Sanctuary Lamps burn near the tabernacle to honor Christ's presence. Though always lit, intentions are offered for a full week. (Note: Not all parishes offer this.) Donations for this request cover candle and other Mass costs.

These intentions can be requested by anyone—for birthdays, anniversaries, prayers of thanksgiving, and especially in remembrance of deceased loved ones.

Have a special prayer you'd like prayed for?

Stop by your Rectory during Office Hours and request your Mass Intention or Sanctuary Lamp! Some Parishes offer ways to make your request if you are not able to make it during office hours. Check with yours to find out your options.

Our Parishes

St. John the Baptist
 2021 Sandridge Rd.
 Alden, NY 14004
 (716) 937-6959
 stjohndalden.com
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
Hill Campus
 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*

Our Lady of Pompeii Campus
 129 Laverack Ave.
 Lancaster, NY 14086
 (716) 683-6522

St. Philip the Apostle
 950 Losson Rd.
 Cheektowaga, NY 14227
 (716) 668-8370
 spaparish.org
*Mon - Weds: 9:30 am - 2:30 pm
 or by appointment*

Other Events

SMA - Coffee Hour

Every Sunday
after 10 am & Noon Mass
St. Mary of the Assumption
Stop by for coffee, treats,
and fellowship! Contact
Elaine at: edristoj@aol.com
or 716-683-8611 to volunteer.

SMP - Rosary

St. Martha Parish
5-Decade: Monday-Friday
after 8:15 am Mass in the
Chapel
Saturdays @ 4:25 pm,
Sundays @ 7:25 am &
9:25 am in church.
20 Decade: Thursdays @ 6 pm
in the Chapel.
Outdoor Rosary: 1st and 3rd
Mondays at 6 pm until Oct.
20 by the statue of Mary.

Rosary for the Unborn

Prayers are offered each week
in front of the West Seneca
Planned Parenthood, located
in the Wimbledon Plaza on
Center Road. Please come
and join in prayer on Tuesdays
at 11:00am, Wednesdays at
11:30am, Thursdays and
Saturdays at 10:00 am.
Parking is not permitted in
the Wimbledon Plaza, please
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CONTACT

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and cover letter to:

parish.office@stjohnsalden.org @

St. John the Baptist Church
2021 Sandridge Rd.
Alden, NY 14004



Celebrate
St. John the Baptist Church
175th Anniversary!
Sunday, October 26th, 2025: Mass at 3 PM
 Bishop Michael W. Fisher, Main Celebrant
Dinner and Dancing to Follow at the School
Tickets for Dinner/Dance \$25
 Available beginning August 1st at the Rectory
 (Seating is limited—get yours early!)



ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION
175TH ANNIVERSARY
MASS & RECEPTION
AUG | 17 | 2 PM
 St. Mary of the Assumption will celebrate its 175th anniversary with a special Mass led by Bishop Michael Fisher on August 17, followed by a community reception with food and fellowship.

 1 St Marys Hill, Lancaster, NY 14086

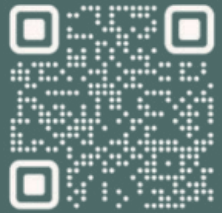
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Find out more about our Family of Parishes and submit your information to join one of our Parishes by scanning the QR code below or stop by your Rectory to find out more!



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.





Weekly Readings

Sunday:

Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23
Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 (1)
Col 3:1-5, 9-11
Lk 12:13-21

Monday:

Nm 11:4b-15
Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17
Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday:

Nm 12:1-13
Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13
Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday:

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14
Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9
2 Pt 1:16-19
Lk 9:28b-36

Thursday:

Nm 20:1-13
Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9
Mt 16:13-23

Friday:

Dt 4:32-40
Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21
Mt 16:24-28

Saturday:

Dt 6:4-13
Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 and 51
Mt 17:14-20

Next Sunday:

Wis 18:6-9
Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 (12b)
Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12
Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40



Think About the Readings?

Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23

The author of Ecclesiastes speaks of the futility of an anxious heart and restless mind. What helps to ground you in your day-to-day living?

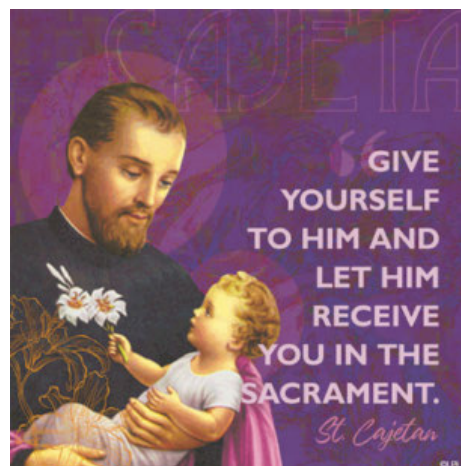
Col 3:1-5, 9-11

Paul encourages the Colossians to put to death the “old self” (bad behavior) and to live into the “new self” (life in Christ). What could you do this week to practice this “new self”?

Lk 12:13-21

Jesus tells the crowds the parable of the rich fool, warning against excessive material wealth. How do you balance your material needs with “what matters to God”?

IF TODAY YOU
HEAR HIS VOICE,
HARDEN NOT
YOUR HEARTS.



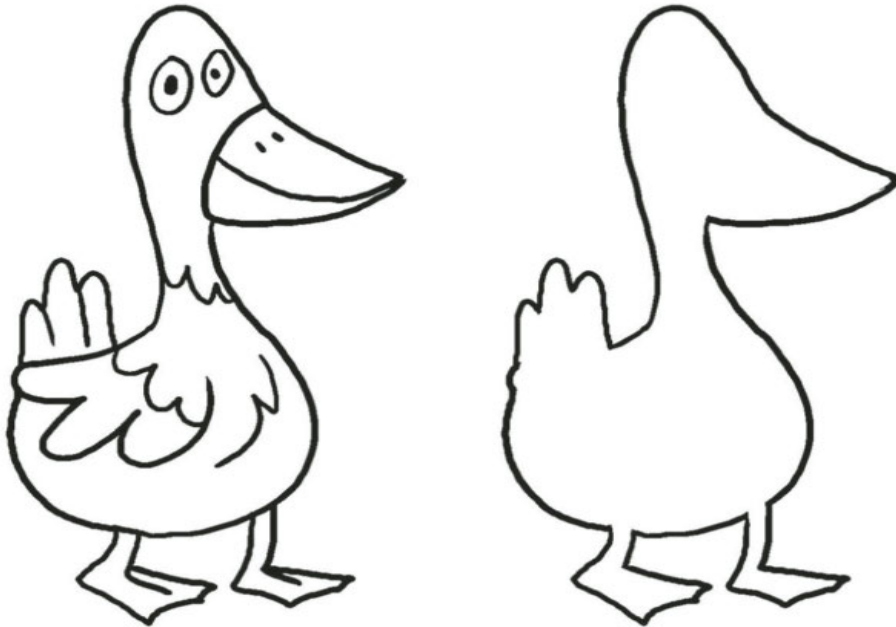
Prayer for Open Hands

*Lord, I do not know what any day holds,
I cannot take for granted
any of the gifts You have given.
Help me to use them, then,
as You would have me.
Help me to live according
to Your invitations.
Amen.*





Draw the second duck identical to the first duck.



Sharing the Gospel

When you put Jesus first in your life, you will have everything you need. Having a lot of stuff won't really make you or God happy.

God doesn't want you to keep your blessings to yourself.

God wants you to share what he has given you.

Be "rich" in only the things that God cares about.
The closer you grow with God, the happier you will be.

Prayer

Dear God, help me
to remember what
is really important
to you.

My Weekly Mission

When you get home,
pack three toys
and three books
to give to children
without any.



Our Schools

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament

PreK3 - 3rd
20 French Rd.
Depew, NY 14043
716-685-2544
olbsdepew.org

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becky@stmarysonthehill.org

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716-668-8370 x 502
spareled@spaparish.org

Mass Intentions

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

Listed As:

Location - Who it is for -
Who it is from

Sanctuary Lamp

Week Of: August 3 - 9

SJB

Madeline Gabalski
from School #34

SMA

In Loving Memory of
Louise Wozniak
from Robert and Sons

SPA

Tom Edward
from Mary Murphy

SJB - St. John the Baptist

SMP - St. Martha

*SMA - St. Mary of the Assumption
Hill Campus*

*OLP - SMA Our Lady
of Pompeii Campus*

SPA - St. Philip the Apostle

Saturday, August 2

- 8:00 am SJB - Alice Roll
- 4:00 pm SJB - Casey Kliszak - Family
- 4:30 pm OLP - Mary Miller - Peggy Necel; Edward Juszcak (Anniv.) - Family
- SPA - Raymond Gorski - Wife, Children, & Grandchildren
- 5:00 pm SMP - Maria Galante, Giuseppe Galante & Salvatore Galante
- Diego Galante & Family
- 7:00 pm SMA - Aldo & Alda Beltrami - Joseph & Elizabeth Herdzik Family

Sunday, August 3 *18th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

- 8:00 am SJB - Susan Muench - Eleanor Weig
- SMP - Julie Ann Zatko - Mom & Family
- 9:00 am SPA - Ann Peruzzini - Ed & Nancy Williams
- 10:00 am OLP - Teresa Oesteriech - Mark & Barb Blazejewski
- Rev. Edward Sheedy - Seamus McCarthy
- SMP - Members of the Altar & Rosary Guild
- SMA - Dorothy Janik - Family
- 11:00 am SJB - John Schmitt - Dorothy Schmitt
- SPA - Annmarie Saad - Lynn Lauricella
- 11:30 am OLP - George Hess, Tom & Minnie Farruggio - Farruggio Family
- Noon SMA - Lillian Snyder - Jim & Marian Snyder

Monday, August 4 *St. John Vianney*

- 8:15 am SMP - Tony Stang - Rick & Emily Mekelburg
- 9:00 am SPA - Caryn Brown-Reardon - Family
- 12 Noon SMA - Dino Bargnesi- Love the Kaite Family
- 7:00 pm SJB - Pearl Dahl - Joe & Darlene Dahl

Tuesday, August 5

- 8:15 am SMP - Sharon Cervi - Louis Cervi
- 8:30 am SJB - Matthew & Dorothy Czechowski
- 9:00 am SPA - Mika & Jakubowicz Families - Family
- 12 Noon SMA - Happy Heavenly Birthday Katie Wilkinson - Your Family

Wednesday, August 6 *Transfiguration of the Lord*

- 8:15 am SMP - Clifford P. Phalen - Kensy Family
- 8:30 am SJB - Poor Souls in Purgatory
- 9:00 am SPA - Rick Mejak Jr. - Kathy Kirk
- 12 Noon SMA - Herbert Wutz- Family

Thursday, August 7

- 8:15 am SMP - 60th Wedding Anniversary; Thomas J. and Stephanie A. Ptak
- 8:30 am SJB - Fr. Gary Kibler
- 9:00 am SPA - Donna Goldback - Kathy
- 12 Noon SMA - Andrew Makula- John Jarmuz

Friday, August 8 *St. Dominic*

- 8:15 am SMP - In Memory of Joan Kowalski
- 8:30 am SJB - Albert & Estelle Palistrant
- 12 Noon SMA - Frank & Phyllis Mucha- Family
- SPA - All Mothers; BDCL Parishioners

Saturday, August 9

- 4:00 pm SJB - Madeline Gabalski - Anna Walters
- 4:30 pm OLP - Dcn. Dave Rotterman - Seamus McCarthy
- Frank & Frances Benasz - Carol Bednasz
- SPA - Stephen P. Verostko - Mom & Dad
- 5:00 pm SMP - Pat Schnettler - Judy and Pat
- 7:00 pm SMA - Emilia Przywuski- Love the Kaite Family

Sunday, August 10 19th Week in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am SJB - Dec. & Liv. Mem. of the Holy Name Society - Holy Name Society
SMP - Special Intention for Healing; Agnes Bowers - Mom, Lisa Nogal
- 9:00 am SPA - Maria Ahcuri - Kids & Grandkids
- 10:00 am OLP - Josephine Salvatore - Family
Anthony Distefano - Distefano Family
SMP - Members of the Holy Name Society
SMA - Alfonso & Rita Alongi- Mr. & Mrs. Michael Nicknerz
- 11:00 am SJB - John Hamm- Jeff Hamm
SPA - Linda Grabowski - Friend, Jackie
- 11:30 am OLP - Michael Schalberg
Gervase & Jordan Families - Everett Family
- Noon SMA - Herbert Wutz- Family

Weekly Giving - Sunday, July 20

St. John the Baptist	St. Mary of the Assumption	St. Philip the Apostle
Regular: \$7,406.25	Regular: \$4,718.60	Regular: \$7,144.50
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Building: \$95	Hunger Bowl: \$20	Online: \$2,761
Mission CoOp: \$5	Special Projects: \$35	Peter's Pence: \$20
	<u>St. Martha</u>	Ret. Medical: \$15
	Not Reported	Emergency Needs: \$6



Envelope Reminders

If you forgot your envelope:

Feel free to use any envelope from home—or ask an Usher if your Parish has extras available at church.

If you haven't received envelopes and would like to:

Please contact your Rectory.

For your regular collection:

You're welcome to give weekly, monthly, or annually—whatever works best for you. You may combine multiple into one check. We do not enter these by the date on the envelope.

For second or special collections:

Please write a separate check for each.
These collections are counted and sent individually,
it helps us greatly when they are kept separate.



Keep in your Prayers

*This list is for Parishioners of our Parishes that are in need of prayers.
Names will be on this list for two months and then removed.*

*To place someone on this list, please call 716-668-8370 x 330 and
follow the message of what information to leave or head onto our online
submission form at:*

form.jotform.com/bdclfamilymarketing/sick-list

Sister Ann Helene, Megan Bodnarchuk, Joanne T. Conboy, Suzanne D'Amato,
Ann Detzler, Frank & Mary Lou Dexter, Debbie Fay, Tim Freeman,
Greg Gable, Herb Geissler, Ann Marie Gleber, Laura Giblin, Chris Haag,
Deborah Herlan, Susan Hoiden, Joan Imiola, Monica Karaszewski,
Barbara Kidder, Kathy Kirk, Diane Larka, Joseph J. Len, Robert Loniewski,
Jodi Narloch, Kelly Ostermeier, John & Karen Schaller,
Martin & Kathleen Solecki, Ron & Angie Soper, Carole Stevens,
Strozyk Family, Helen Walkowiak, Ken Warren, Jerry Wick

Upcoming
Second Collections

August 3

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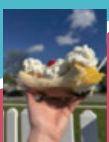
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