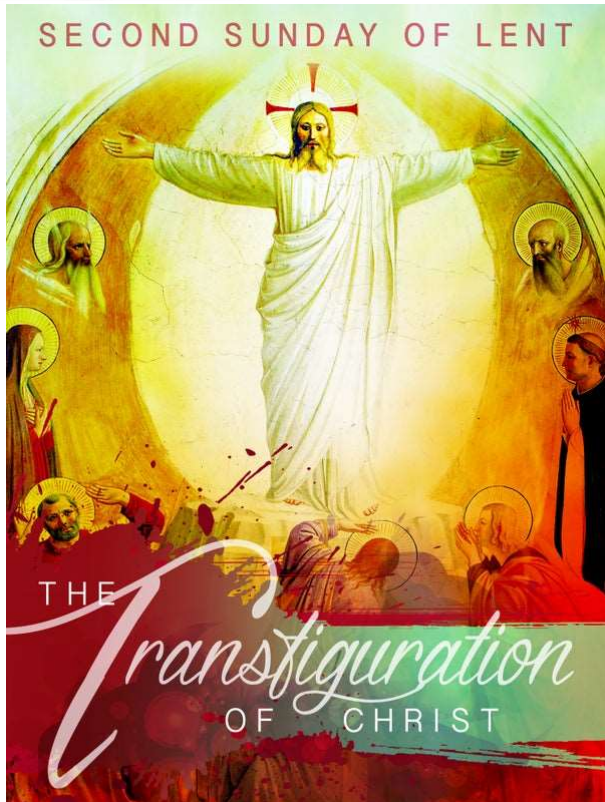




# Akron Clarence Roman Catholic Community

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February 25, 2024 | 2nd Sunday of Lent



## ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE: 716-688-9380

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Monday – Friday 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM

St. Teresa of Avila Church  
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716-542-9103

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716-759-8554

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6919 Transit Road Swormville, NY 14051  
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Rev. Thomas M. Mahoney, Pastor

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Rev. Arthur E. Mattulke, Senior Parochial Vicar

Rev. Joseph N. Franz, Parochial Vicar

Deacon Richard Stachura

Deacon Thomas Friedman

Deacon Ronald Adamczak

Deacon Arthur Sullivan

Deacon Peter Donnelly

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Saturday Evening/Sunday Vigil

4:00 PM St. Teresa & St. Mary's

5:15 PM Our Lady of Peace & Nativity of BVM

### Sunday Morning

7:30 AM St. Mary's

8:00 AM Our Lady of Peace & Nativity of BVM

9:00 AM St. Mary's & St. Teresa

10:00 AM Our Lady of Peace & Nativity of BVM

11:00 AM St. Mary's

### Weekday Masses

St. Mary's: Monday – Saturday 9:00 AM

*(Monday-Thursday in Chapel; Friday-Saturday in Main Church)*

Nativity of BVM: Monday, Wednesday – Saturday 8:00 AM.  
Tuesday 9:00 AM

Our Lady of Peace: Monday – Thursday 8:00 AM, Friday  
6:30 AM

St. Teresa: Monday – Tuesday 8:00 AM, Wednesday 5:30  
PM, Thursday – Friday 8:00 AM, Saturday 9:00 AM

### **St. Teresa of Avila Mass Schedule**

#### **Saturday, February 24**

4:00 pm Joseph Ernst by Sheila & John Ernst

#### **Sunday, February 25**

9:00 am Geraldine Benker by The Benker Family

#### **Monday, February 26**

8:00 am Nancy O'Donnell by Maureen Metzger

#### **Tuesday, February 27 – St. Gregory**

8:00 am In Memory of John Hawes by Mom

#### **Wednesday, February 28**

4:30 pm Deitrich Birkholz – Birthday Blessings by the  
Flumerfeldt Family

#### **Thursday, February 29**

8:00 am Baby Josh & The Schueler Family by Sr. Gerard &  
Sr. Ruth

#### **Friday, March 1 – World Day of Prayer**

8:00 am Dennis D. Vandermark by Mattulke Family

#### **Saturday, March 2**

9:00 am Intentions for Mothers

4:00 pm Theresa Nowicki by Family

#### **Sunday, March 3**

9:00 am William D. Lantz by Chuck & Jaye Triaga

### **St. Mary's Swormville Mass Schedule**

#### **Saturday, February 24 - Vigil 4:00PM**

Barbara Schwarz by Edie & Joe Kibler

#### **Sunday, February 25 – Second Sunday of Lent**

7:30AM Phil, Barbara, Carl, Barb (living intentions)  
by Mary Barrie

9:00AM Sandi Vitthuhn by St. Mary's Quilters

11:00AM John Walter by the Burger Family

3:00PM CRHP Mass

#### **Monday, February 26**

9:00AM Charles McCarrell by Marcia McCarrell

#### **Tuesday, February 27 – St. Gregory of Narek**

9:00AM Donald Alessi, Jr. by the Bartolomei Family

#### **Wednesday, February 28**

9:00AM Sr. Suzanne by the Nahigian Family

#### **Thursday, February 29**

9:00AM Nadira Persad (special intention) from a friend

#### **Friday, March 1 – World Day of Prayer**

9:00AM Jackie Narachi by the SMS Faculty & Staff  
**And** Anthony Maritato, Sr. by the family

#### **Saturday, March 2**

9:00AM Louise LaMarca by Tom & Janice Archer

4:00PM Nancy Wallace by Family & Friends

#### **Sunday, March 3 – Third Sunday of Lent**

7:30AM Kristina Young by Marcia McCarrell

9:00AM Larry Megan by wife Elizabeth

**And** Chester Syput by Jack & Terri Hallnan

11:00AM Alexis Cedeño by Dolores

### **Our Lady of Peace - Mass Intentions**

#### **Saturday, February 24**

5:15PM Mary Suchan – Mary & Joseph Jagodzinski

#### **Sunday, February 25 – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00AM Barbara Wrazien – The Wrazien Cousins

10:00AM Romeo C. DiPirro – wife, Dorothy

#### **Monday, February 26**

8:00AM James Dundon – Louise & Ann

#### **Tuesday, February 27**

##### **St. Gregory of Narek**

8:00AM Lois Stock – Lois Meyers

#### **Wednesday, February 28**

8:00AM Mary Suchan – Maureen McEwan

#### **Thursday, February 29**

8:00AM Catherine St. Pierre – Mark & Karen Molitor

#### **Friday, March 1**

6:30AM Dominic & Nancy Paianini – The Family

#### **Saturday, March 2**

5:15PM Fr. John Mergenhagen

#### **Sunday, March 3**

8:00AM Roger Little – Cathy & Tim Karda

10:00AM Lynn Wiess – John & Denise Stappenbeck

### **Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass Schedule**

***Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7, restores the Sunday and Saturday Vigil offering of Holy Communion as both bread and wine.***

#### **Saturday, February 24**

5:15PM Cristina Ventry—Carolyn Nenni  
Simone Minneci—Wife & Children

#### **Sunday, February 25—Second Sunday of Lent**

8:00AM Ralph & Eleanor Coogan & John & Bertha  
Ward— Family

Christopher Smaka—Mark Miller

10:00AM Donald Stinson—Mother, Elizabeth Thurston  
Maria Boccabella—The Damiani Families

#### **Monday, February 26**

8:00AM Msgr. Raymond Paa—Jean Paa

#### **Tuesday, February 27—St. Gregory of Narek**

9:00AM Dennis P. Farrell—Margaret Moog

#### **Wednesday, February 28**

8:00AM Joan Mahoney—Fr. Tom Mahoney

#### **Thursday, February 29**

8:00AM Marie Huller—Mike & Kathy Deakin

#### **Friday, March 1—World Day of Prayer**

8:00AM Mary & Albert Copozzi —Sharyn & Bill Miller

#### **Saturday, March 2**

8:00AM All Souls—Nativity Parishioners

5:15PM Mary Adessio—Janet Vito

Rosemary Enstice[100th Heavenly Birthday]  
—Daughter Mary

#### **Sunday, March 3—Third Sunday of Lent**

8:00AM Ralph & Pearl Coogan— The Family

Joseph & Kataline Nemeth—The Family

10:00AM Angelo Natalie—The Family

Anthony Farace—The Family

## The Second Sunday of Lent

### Family of Parishes Lenten Penance Service Wed, Feb 28 at 7:00 pm - St. Mary's Main Church

Readings for the week of February 25, 2024

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38 Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

## St. Francis High School

4129 Lake Shore Road Hamburg, NY

We are proud to announce that this year's musical will be *Mamma Mia*.

March 8 and 9 at 7:00 PM  
March 10 at 3:00 PM

Tickets for *Mamma Mia* are \$13.00 each and are available online at [www.stfrancishigh.org](http://www.stfrancishigh.org) or through the main office of the school, 716-627-1200.

All seats are reserved so visit or call early for the best selection.

## ST. FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL

St. Francis High School **Upcoming Events** on the following date(s):

- **Sat., March 2, 2024 : 8:30am– 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Practice Exam:** this is for anyone who has a current 7<sup>th</sup> grade boy now who are interested in applying to St. Francis High School in the fall of 2024.

**Tue., March 12, 2024: 6:30pm – STEM Night:** this event is open to all boys currently in grades 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Lots of fun activities for everyone

Register for both events at

[www.stfrancishigh.org](http://www.stfrancishigh.org)

Any questions please contact us at 716-627-1200 ext 455 or vial email: [admissions@stfrancishigh.org](mailto:admissions@stfrancishigh.org)

St. Francis High School is located at 4129 Lake Shore Rd., Hamburg, NY 14075

## 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



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[www.bdcfamily.org](http://www.bdcfamily.org)

## SAINT PATRICK'S NETWORKING EVENT

A business networking event for Catholic adults 21+  
All proceeds benefit the Young Adult Professionals (YAP).

THUR. MARCH 14, 2024 AT 6:00PM

**DOC SULLIVAN'S**  
THE ABBEYFALE ROOM • SOUTH BUFFALO

\$30 Pre-sale / \$40 at Door  
For Information and Tickets:  
<http://tinyurl.com/yap2024>





Office Hours: T, Th, F  
8:30 am - 12:30 pm

Weekly Events Calendar  
Posted on the Bulletin  
Board in the vestibule and  
on the Website.

**FORMED LENTEN PROGRAMS**


Get your ready-made plan for Lent when you opt in to reflection emails. By signing up for our Lenten reflection series, you'll receive an email each day with a short video on the Eucharist. Throughout Lent and Easter, you'll also receive 10 new episodes of our children's art show! Looking for more Lenten resources for the whole family? Download an interactive calendar, find answers to frequently asked Lenten questions, and much more. Please take advantage of these great programs on Formed.org.

**2024 WNY Catholic Men's Conference**

The 2024 WNY Catholic Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, March 9 at Cardinal O'Hara High School, 39 O'Hara Rd, Tonawanda, NY. Doors open @ 8:00AM and the conference begins @ 9:00. Come for a day of prayer, fellowship, and spiritual growth. We will have talks by Deacon John Gaulin, a nationally renowned speaker and Fr. Brian Zielenieski who will encourage and energize us with the mission Christ gave us. We'll also see a presentation by Mark Price who will speak to us in his role as St. Joseph. Lunch will be provided.

**ANOINTING MASS**

An Anointing Mass will be held on Wednesday, March 6th, at 7 pm at St. Teresa of Avila. Fr. Art Mattulke, Fr. Joseph Franz and Fr. Walter Szczesny cordially invite those afflicted with any ailment or in need of special healing to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Confessions will be heard prior to Mass from 5:30 to 6:30 pm. Please note that the regular Mass time of 5:30 is changed to 7 PM.

 On February 18th we welcomed Colt Amos Keppler into our faith community through the saving waters of Baptism. Colt is the son of Brittani & Charles Keppler. Congratulations and God's richest blessings to the entire family!

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Religious Education Classes Resume  
10:00 - 11 am Grades K-6  
10:00 - 11:15 am Grades 7-10

**Mark Your Calendars**

**Confirmation Retreat**  
March 2nd - 12:30-8:30 - St. Mary of Swormville  
**First Holy Communion Retreat**  
March 23rd - St. Mary of Swormville


**PRAYER QUILTS**

St. Teresa's Women's Guild Quilters have made & delivered 1060 quilts over the past nine and half years to shut-ins, the ill, and to those who have suffered a loss or experienced a difficult time. Recently, the quilters have also been making blankets for the homeless at the request of Sister Mary Johnice, the director of the Response to Love Center located in Buffalo's east side. The quilters meet every Wednesday at the First Methodist Church. If you know of someone who should receive a prayer quilt please contact Mary Ellen at 716-542-1124, Mary at 716-542-2081 or the parish office at 716-542-9103.

**ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Join us every Friday in Lent from 8:30 am to 6:30 pm. Adorers may talk to God, pray from a prayer book, read a spiritual reading, pray the rosary, or just sit with God for one minute, one hour, or any length of time. A sign-up sheet for adoration times is on the table in the vestibule. Stations of the Cross begin at 7 pm.

 Join Us in Welcoming a new couple to our St. Teresa's Family! During the month of February we were blessed with the addition of Peter & Carole Fischer

 Q. Why was the broom late for school?  
A. It overswept!  
Q. How does the Man in the Moon cut his hair?  
A. Eclipse it!





# Our Lady of Peace Church

10950 Main St., Clarence, NY 14031

P. 716.759.8554 ~ Email: [office@olpclarence.org](mailto:office@olpclarence.org)

Rectory office: M-Thursday 8:30AM-2:30PM and Friday 8:30AM-12Noon

## A Message From Father Walter

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

In Mark's story of the transfiguration, Peter does not know what to say or how to react to the incredible scene he has witnessed. All he can offer is the weak suggestion of setting up three booths or shrines to commemorate the event (similar to the custom of building such structures as part of the Jewish feast of Tabernacles of Booths). But the transfigured Christ asks more of us than memorials of wood and stone, brick and mortar. He seeks to be a living presence that illuminates human hearts and transforms human history. He asks those who follow him to mirror that presence in their own lives of "transfiguring" despair into hope, sadness into joy, anguish into healing, estrangement into community.

Fr. Walt

[pastor@olpclarence.org](mailto:pastor@olpclarence.org)

## LECTORS

### Saturday, March 2

5:15 PM Richard Hahn

### Sunday, March 3

8:00 AM Catherine Karda

10:00 AM Lynn Kubiak

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

### Saturday, March 2

5:15 PM Patricia Andzel, Robert Andzel, Jane Brunner, Maureen McEwan

### Sunday, March 3

8:00 AM Julie Rivett, Frank Rivett, Lew Wargo

10:00 AM Becky Florentino, Gene Florentino, Jim Kubiak, Ron Andrews

## Our Lady of Peace Annual Lenten Sacrifice Collection

Our Lady of Peace Parish has a wonderful tradition of choosing a Charitable Organization as a recipient of our Lenten Sacrifice Collection. For the past several years we have chosen the Response to Love Center in Buffalo under the direction of Sister Johnice as the worthy recipient of our donations. Sister Johnice stated that for this Lent of 2024 the donations will be directed to "Phil's Room"...part of their campus where "new clothes weave threads of dignity and hope for those facing tough times. The shelves of Phil's Room need replenishing." *Please see the whole article and pictures on our Bulletin Board. You will be able to place your donation envelope in the "white wooden model Church" located in our center aisle or in the collection basket anytime during the Lenten Season.*

## Second Collection

There will be a second collection next weekend for the Black & Native Missions. Please give generously. Thank-you!



## Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 7PM

3/01...With Jesus Today

*by Sister Chris Koellhoffer, I.H.M*

3/08...Stations of the Cross for Our Time

*from the Diocese of Orsory, Ireland*

3/15...Everyone's Way of the Cross

*by Clarence Enzler*

3/22...Were You There? by Deacon Paul Crafts

## Communion Service after Stations of the Cross

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays from 3:45PM-4:45PM

*(except Holy Saturday)*

*\*Each Wednesday during Lent 4-6PM*

*2/28, 3/6, 3/13, 3/20, 3/27*





*In Loving Memory*

**Sister Suzanne Hitzges, OSF**

Beloved Educator, Mentor, and Friend

St. Mary's Faith Community mourns the loss of our beloved Sr. Suzanne Hitzges, OSF, who passed away on Saturday, February 10, 2024.

Sr. Suzanne joined the faculty of St. Mary School in 1994 as Librarian and Spanish teacher. She retired in 2016 after faithfully serving the students of St. Mary's for 22 years. Sr. Suzanne was a special person in hundreds of children's lives. She accepted each child as an individual gift from God, motivated all to do their best, provided respite when needed, inspired a love of reading, and encouraged a relationship with Jesus through prayer.

As director of the RCIA program at St. Mary's, Sr. Suzanne was responsible for bringing many adults and families to the Catholic faith. She also shared her deep spirituality through her mentorship in the Christ Renews His Parish program.

Sr. Suzanne embodied the spirit of a joyful servant and lover of Creation, evangelizing by example. Her gardening skills (and ability to find volunteers) made St. Mary's campus beautiful. She was present at most parish and school functions, sharing her love of community and God. Sr. Suzanne Hitzges' smile, laugh, work ethic, ability to chat, and selfless manner will be fondly remembered by all who knew and loved her. Eternal rest grant unto Sr. Suzanne Hitzges, OSF, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

**PENANCE SERVICE**

Family of Parishes Lenten Penance Service—Wednesday, February 28 at 7pm, at St. Mary's (main) Church.



**Stations of the Cross**—will take place Friday mornings after 9am Mass and on Friday evenings 7pm. Both take place in the main Church. Living Stations of the Cross is March 15th at 6:30pm in the gym.

The Parish Office will close at noon on Thursday, February 29th.

**Info for Sacramental Emergencies:** When calls are received after hours, (716-688-9380) choose Ext 5 - a text message/beep is then sent to the priests. They will then get back to you.



**Hope & Healing Connections** (grief support group) Experiencing loss? Death of a spouse, child, or other loved one. Divorce. Miscarriage. Adoption/foster care loss. Monthly support group for anyone experiencing grief. You are welcome to share, or just listen and make connections. Led by Judy Malinich (parishioner) and Heidi Rotella (licensed therapist). First Mondays of the month. **Next meeting will be March 4th, 6-7:30pm, St. Mary's Parish Center, Room 105.**

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**Men's weekend March 9th – 10th**  
Patrick MacDiarmid – (716) 864-8347 [pgmacdiarmid@yahoo.com](mailto:pgmacdiarmid@yahoo.com)  
Greg Honsberger – (716) 713-2222 [honsbergreg@yahoo.com](mailto:honsbergreg@yahoo.com)  
**Register online [stmaryswormville.org](http://stmaryswormville.org)** - Because you deserve to live with purpose and peace.

# APPLY NOW FOR FALL



Enrollment is now **OPEN** in  
Montessori PreK - Grade 8 for the  
2024-2025 school year! Scan the  
code to join our SMS family.



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## Forgiveness...

The first place we learn about forgiveness is from our family. We spend so much time with those we live with that even the most loving of homes can have moments of disagreement. When forgiveness is openly shared at home, children develop an understanding that in turn helps them relate to the forgiveness received by God, our loving Father through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We should all view the Sacrament of Reconciliation as a time of joy and healing that comes from God's mercy. Even if your children have not yet made their first Reconciliation, when they see reconciliation modeled in their families, they will learn the value of forgiveness. Be sure to speak your apologies aloud and show your forgiveness of each other. For all who are eligible, set time aside as a family to go to confession.



"Love one another as I have loved you." **John 15:12**

In these beginning weeks of Lent, how can you model forgiveness to your children and to each other? Our scripture verse from John tells us to love as Jesus loved. Forgiveness and love go hand in hand. To love as Jesus loved us, means we have to ask for forgiveness and to forgive in return.

## Join Us:

**Family of Parishes Lenten Penance Service** – This is a great opportunity for reconciliation, especially for families! It will be held on **Wednesday, February 28 at 7pm** in the Church.

**What's Lent All About?** Join the Youth Ministry Team as they share a different topic each week to grow in faith and Friendship with Jesus during the Lenten season. Activities and discussions are planned for families with teens in grades 6-12. **Sundays Feb.25 and March 3, 10, 17 at 7pm.**

**Pray and Play** – St Mary's School fifth grade students present the living Stations of the Cross on **Friday, March 15 at 6:30pm**. Bring your families to experience this beautiful enactment of Jesus's last moments. Afterwards, enjoy fellowship, games, and treats with other families in our parish.

Catholic Education office (716)688-0599 [familyfaith@stmaryswormville.org](mailto:familyfaith@stmaryswormville.org)



## Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

### Adult Altar Servers Needed

Please consider this special ministry to serve at Funeral Masses. Funerals are usually held at 10:30 AM on weekdays and Saturdays. Please contact Otto Misso @ 716-812-2590 for details.

### Parish Council Members Needed

For further information or to volunteer, please contact:

Bruce Zgoda, (716) 310-7422, [bmz4848@aol.com](mailto:bmz4848@aol.com)  
Bernie Kolber, (716) 830-2925, [bkolberdds@yahoo.com](mailto:bkolberdds@yahoo.com)  
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Mike Cucinotta, (716) 310-2861, [mcucinotta@roadrunner.com](mailto:mcucinotta@roadrunner.com)



# MISSION 26

Make Lent special this year

### 7 Engaging Speakers

Devotions - Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy  
Adoration and Reconciliation  
Activities & time for fellowship

**Friday March 15th 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm**

Msgr Paa Center registration

**Saturday March 16th 9:00 am to 4:00 pm**

Lunch provided

**Sunday March 17th 11:00 am to 4:00 pm**

Pizza lunch at 11:30

Registration & Information : Jeanne (716) 479-0900

Email: [nativityofmarymission@gmail.com](mailto:nativityofmarymission@gmail.com)

Walk-ins welcomed Friday night Msgr Paa Center



THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL!



The Gala is Nativity's largest fundraiser – by far - last year we raised \$90,000! The in person event will be held at Salvatore's on Saturday March 16th. Our committee has been hard at work, making new plans and this year's Gala will be a whole new level of fun!



ONLINE BIDDING FOR SILENT AUCTION WILL BEGIN WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13TH AT 8AM

NBVMGALA.GIVESMART.COM  
ALL DONATIONS ARE RESTRICTED TO USE FOR THE SCHOOL ONLY

# Nativity of Mary School Gala

## HOW CAN YOU HELP?

WE HAVE BEEN HARD AT WORK ASKING FOR DONATIONS FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES. HOWEVER – OUR BIGGEST AND BEST ITEMS COME FROM PERSONAL CONTACTS. WHO DO YOU KNOW THAT WOULD SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL, AND A CAUSE THAT YOU CARE ABOUT? PERSONAL CONTACTS ARE WAY MORE POWERFUL WHEN ASKING FOR DONATIONS.

DO YOU OR A RELATIVE HAVE A VACATION HOME THAT YOU COULD DONATE A WEEK (OR A WEEKEND) TO US THAT WE COULD AUCTION OFF? DO YOU OWN OR RUN A BUSINESS WHERE YOUR VENDORS WOULD SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL? WILL YOUR EMPLOYER SUPPORT US? WOULD YOU, OR YOUR EMPLOYER OR BUSINESS BE INTERESTED IN SPONSORING THE EVENT? NO DONATION IS TOO SMALL!

BASKET DONATIONS ● GIFT CARD DONATIONS ● JOIN US AT THE GALA

If you can help in any way with donations or sponsorships, please  
Email: [nativitygala@gmail.com](mailto:nativitygala@gmail.com)

Call/Text Erik Hoertz at (716) 408-6167

TICKETS & SPONSORSHIPS CAN BE PURCHASED THROUGH OUR GALA WEBSITE:  
[NBVMGALA.GIVESMART.COM](http://NBVMGALA.GIVESMART.COM)

PRAYER – CRAFTS – LIVE WAY OF THE CROSS – FELLOWSHIP

# LENT Family Event SUNDAY, MARCH 3

After 10:00am Mass  
(11:00am - 12:30pm)  
Nativity School cafeteria

GRADES 1-5  
CHILDREN & FAMILIES

## ALMSGIVING

We will collect urgently needed donations for the

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NATIVITY  
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FAITH FORMATION



## Stations of the Cross

**Our Lady of Peace, St. Teresa of Avila, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Fridays at 7:00 pm

**St. Mary's Swormville** Fridays after 9:00 am Mass and at 7:00 pm (Church) & March 15 at 6:30 pm —Living Stations of the Cross (Gym)

### St. Teresa of Avila

5771 Buell St., PO Box 168, Akron, NY 14001

Phone: 716-542-9103

stteresasofakron@verizon.net

**Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction**  
- Second Friday of the month 7:30 - 8:30 pm.

**Confession: Saturday 2:30-3:30 pm**

**Also the 1st Saturday of the month 8:15-8:45 am**  
**& Vigil of Holy Days 3:30-4:15 pm**

**Rosary: First Saturday Prior to 9 am Mass**

**Family Faith Formation 716-542-9103 Ext. 2**  
Margaret Wood

### Trustees

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Please Keep In Your Prayers: Baby Josh, Paul Schifferle, Gloria Kintzel, Karen Fox, William Eberhard, Barbara Ford, Susan Hegetsweiller, Bob Larouere, Linda Chaffee, Richard Jordan, Joe Vasi, Sterling McCarriagher, Jean Ottney, Shirley Lantz, Rita Whelan, and Laura Gray.

### St. Mary's Swormville

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**Holy Days: 5:00pm Vigil, 7:00am, 9:00am & 7:00pm**

**Eucharistic Adoration: First Friday, 9:30am-noon**

**Confession: Saturday 2:30-3:30pm**

Also the 1st Saturday of the month after 9:00am Mass

**Anointing Mass: Last Saturday of month after 9:00am Mass**

**Rosary: Monday-Saturday 8:30am (before 9:00am Mass)**  
& Wednesday 7:00pm (Chapel)

**St. Mary's School Pre K-8 716-689-8424**

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**Please pray for those on our sick list:** Kathy Kent, Gene Santercole, Tom Archer, Ashley Meinhold, Kim Fassel, Paul Kluczynski, Joyce Zoerb, Maria Iacono, John Kraus, Delphine Levesque, James Ingham, Erin Milazzo, Bob Brown and Tim Gallivan.

## Our Lady of Peace Church

10950 Main St., Clarence, NY 14031

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Director of Religious Education

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**Eucharistic Adoration: Every Wed. 7AM-6PM**

**Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet: Wed. 5:30 - 6PM**

**Confessions: Saturday from 3:45 - 4:45PM**

**Every Wednesday during Lent 4-6PM**

**Let us pray for the following on our sick list:** Maria A., Mary Celine Aaron, Joan Antonicelli, Eleanore Cammarata, Austin Beatty, Brandon, Jack Blodgett, David Bogden, David Burke, Rosemary Caito, Charisse Callahan, Joan Chatman, Christi Carson, Theresa Chapman, Stephen Cislo, Lauren Conrad, Daniel Cortese, Sharon Covert, Rick Cousineau, Jim Cummings, Donald, Jack, Darlene Feinen, Carol & Ken Fox, Kevin G., Gabe, Gary Grapentrog, Heidi, Ian Harden, George, Mark Hilbert, Jackie, Jackie S., Kay Jelfer, Dan Kelly, John Kulo-szewski, Mark Korpanty, Laurie, Mary Lidkea, Sister Marcia Klawon O.S.F., Sister Ann Helene Koenig OSF, Steve L., Paul Meir, Al Meister, Kathy McHugh, Kevin McNama-

### Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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**Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesdays 7:30-8:30**

with Divine Mercy Chaplet @ 8:00pm

**Confession: Saturday 3:45-4:45pm**

**Nativity of Mary School Pre K-8 716-633-7441**

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Mrs. Nicole Richard – Principal

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**Please keep in prayer the people on our sick list:**

Patricia LaVell, Thomas Downing, Carole Zintl, Mary Downing, Michael Hartman, Deanne Hutchinson Pinto, Stanley Sielski