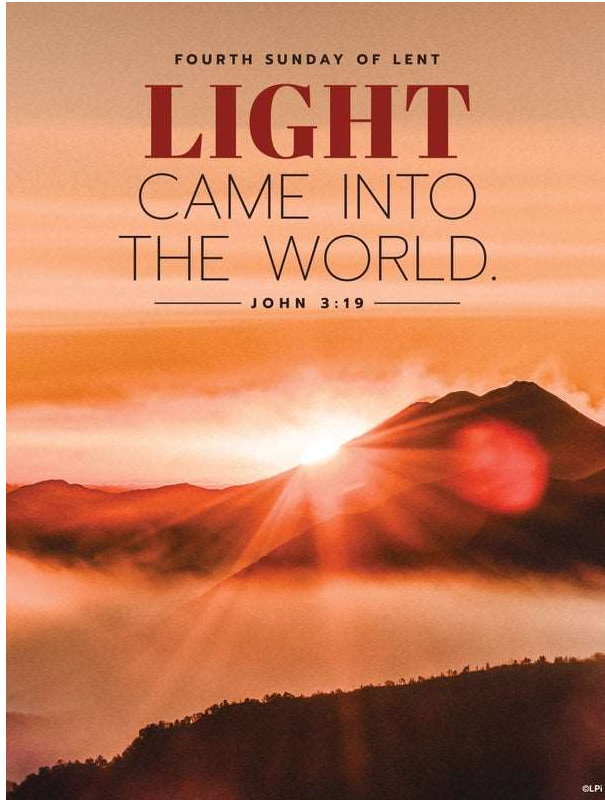




Akron Clarence Roman Catholic Community

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March 10, 2024 | 4th Sunday of Lent



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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, March 9 – St. Frances

4:00 pm Florence Raykowski by Rich Raykowski

Sunday, March 10

9:00 am Lorraine Sylvester by Genieve Wojcik

Monday, March 11

8:00 am Marlene Hoerner by the Flumerfeldt Family

Tuesday, March 12

8:00 am Intentions for Mothers

Wednesday, March 13

7:00 pm Living & Deceased Members of the Aylin, Dahill, Dubiel & Noll Families by the Dahill Family

Thursday, March 14

8:00 am In Memory of Alfred Slazak by the Slazak Family

Friday, March 15

8:00 am Intentions for Fathers

Saturday, March 9 – St. Frances

9:00 am Leonard Rejewski by the Flumerfeldt Family

4:00 pm Msgr. Williamson on the Anniversary of His Priestly Ordination by the St. Teresa Women's Guild

Sunday, March 10

9:00 am Kathleen Hansgate by the Flumerfeldt Family

Our Lady of Peace - Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 9

St. Francis of Rome, Religious

5:15PM Lynn Weiss – Rita Hartman & The Family

Sunday, March 10

8:00AM Mary & Norbert Staszak – Lynn & Dave Kozinski

10:00AM Holy Name members Living & Deceased

Monday, March 11

8:00AM The Del Monte Family

Tuesday, March 12

8:00AM Gene & John Mann – Kathleen Mann

Wednesday, March 13

8:00AM Rita Wayman - Gemma Moell

Thursday, March 14

8:00AM Mary Schwendler – Bob & Karla Schwendler

Friday, March 15

6:30AM Eric & Barbara Niess - The Family

Saturday, March 16

5:15PM Bob Hartmann – The Family

Sunday, March 17

8:00AM Paul – repose of the soul

10:00PM Mary Crammer & Tammy Black – The Family

St. Mary's Swormville Mass Schedule

Saturday, March 9 - Vigil

4:00PM Kathleen Morrissey
by Marie Tokasz & Jacob Seymour
And Sandra Casimino by the Berdysiak Family

Sunday, March 10 – Fourth Sunday of Lent

7:30AM Sam Ward by his estate
9:00AM Jamie O'Donnell by the Bonanno Family
11:00AM Cliff Fee by Ed & Marie Leising
3:00PM CRHP Mass

Monday, March 11

9:00AM Rev. Peter J. Gemuengt (former pastor and anniversary of death) by Fr. Tom
And Msgr. Richard T. Nugent by Kiki Singer

Tuesday, March 12

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

Wednesday, March 13

9:00AM Conrad Lauer by the family

Thursday, March 14

9:00AM Thomas G. Mudra by Jim & Jane O'Donnell

Friday, March 15

9:00AM Richard Sherry by Maryellen Burger

Saturday, March 16

9:00AM Louis & Joan Daigler by the Schule Family
4:00PM Phyllis Wicks by Jack & Terri Dunbar

Sunday, March 17 – Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30AM Robert & Dorette Zilliox by Kiki Singer
9:00AM Yvonne Bonnie O'Sullivan by the Mangaser Family
11:00AM Donald Alessi, Jr. by Vera & Vince Philippone

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass Schedule

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7, restores the Sunday and Saturday Vigil offering of the Eucharist as bread and wine

Sanctuary Candle Dedication:

March 8-March 14—Bernard Hamsher [Healing] - Susan & Joseph Gugliuzza

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 9

5:15PM Mariannina LaFornara—Nicolo LaFornara
Ian Tugwell—Kathy Janson

Sunday, March 10—Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00AM Kenneth & Jack Coogan—The Family
James Casey Jr.—The Family
10:00AM William Karl—The Karl Family
Emil "Ed" Deutschman—Marian Deutschman

Monday, March 11

8:00AM Paul & Elvis Sheehan—Sheehan Family

Tuesday, March 12

9:00AM Timothy Eisenhauer—Gary & Mary Lou Lesser

Wednesday, March 13

8:00AM All Souls — Nativity Parishioners

Thursday, March 14

8:00AM Margaret Paa—Jean Paa

Friday, March 15

8:00AM Frank Mika—Arlene Nikiel

Saturday, March 16

8:00AM All Souls—Nativity Parishioners
5:15PM Lawrence Vito—Wife, Janet
Iain Tugwell—Lois & Bob Maines

Sunday, March 17—Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00AM John J. Reilly — Susan Riley
Joan Stangle.—Mary Downing
10:00AM Helen Pelysko—Meiler Family
Stacey Scott—The Family

The Fourth Sunday of Lent

Readings for the week of March 10, 2024

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21

Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54 **Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Weekend Mission 26

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

Walk-ins welcomed Friday night Msgr Paa Center

Spring Craft Fair set at Cardinal O'Hara

More than 80 local crafters and vendors will take part in the annual Spring Craft Fair on Saturday, March 23, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Cardinal O'Hara High School in the Town of Tonawanda. Admission is \$2, with children under age 12 free. Proceeds from the fair will support Freshman Class activities. For more information, go online at www.cardinalohara.com or call the school 695-2600 ext. 312.

Taizé Prayer Service – Give yourself a mini-retreat! Plan on attending the Lenten Taizé Prayer Service on Thursday, March 14th at 7:00PM in St. Mary's church. Taizé prayer involves singing and listening to the Word of God in a peaceful, meditative, candlelit atmosphere and uses icons as a focus for contemplative prayer. Take some time this Lent to experience Taizé.

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

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St. Mary of the Assumption | St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta | St. Philip the Apostle

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Refreshments Follow Each Night

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

716-668-8370 ~ 950 LOSSON RD ~ CHEEKTOWAGA, NY 14227
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BURIED TREASURE:



An evening of games of chance and the Buried Treasure Sweepstakes, will take place Friday, April 26 in the gym at Cardinal O'Hara High School, 39 O'Hara Road, Town of Tonawanda. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. The grand Sweepstakes prize is \$5,000 along with additional cash prizes ranging from \$1,000 to \$50. Sweepstake tickets are \$30 each and you need not be present to win. Admission tickets for Casino Night only are \$10 and include food, beer, pop and wine. Proceeds provide funds for scholarships and capital improvements. For more information or tickets, call the O'Hara Advancement Office at 716 695-2600 Ext. 311 or 312.

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 BOTTLE NEIGHBORHOOD • 1000 WEST 10TH ST.

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

HALL OF FAME: Cardinal O'Hara High School will induct alumni into its Distinguished Hall of Fame and its Athletic Hall of Fame as well as one supporter of the school as an honorary member at a ceremony April 20 at Banchetti's by Rizzo in Amherst starting at 5 p.m. followed by dinner and the ceremony. Alumni being honored are: Michael Prendergast '69 (posthumously), Mary (Hartnett) Holzerland '70, Rev. Patrick Fleming '73, William Tucker '77, Lawrence Tarasek '79 and Honorable Susan Eagen '89. Being inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame are, Jackie Feggans '08, James Ewing '08, Donel Cathcart '15 and Summer Hemphill '16. William Tepas will receive honorary induction into the Hall of Fame. Tickets are \$60 available on the Web site, www.cardinalohara.com or call the Advancement Office, 716-695-2600.



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.

2024 Catholic Charities Appeal

is underway. Letters have been mailed to each family. If you did not receive a donation card and would like one, they are available on the table at the back of the church.

HOPE when hope feels lost. We know that asking for help can be a difficult thing to do, and that's why the 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 Catholic Charities Appeal, you support this level of care. Give today and help provide HOPE to those in need. Visit www.ccwny.org/ donate or text HOPE4WNY to 44321.

**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. Confession will be heard from 6-6:30 pm



He says "Doc I have been having really strange dreams for the last month". Doc asks "Ok. What are the dreams?". Bloke says "It's like there is a football World Cup going on. Every night I see a football match but with donkeys! It's driving me crazy! That's all I think about all day". Doc smiles, thinks for a while, and says "Ok. Here is a prescription. Take 2 pills tonight before sleeping and you won't have any of those dreams any longer." Bloke thanks the doctor profusely, gets up and walks to the door. He pauses, turns around and asks the doc "Doc if it is ok, can I start the medicine from tomorrow night?". Doc looks puzzled and asks him "Why? Why not tonight?". Bloke looks down and whispers "Tonight is the final

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

Mark Your Calendars

First Holy Communion Retreat
March 23rd - St. Mary of Swormville

Congratulations to our 2nd Graders who received their 1st Reconciliation on Saturday! Please pray for these children as they continue their preparation for 1st Communion.

Easter Plant Sale



The St. Teresa Events Committee will be selling Easter Plants for pick-up or as memorials. Order forms are available in the vestibule. Thank you for your support!

Laetare Sunday, March 10th

Today is the halfway mark of the Sundays of Lent. Laetare Sunday is the Church's way of giving us a "shot in the arm" as we approach the darkness and horror of the days through Good Friday and Holy Saturday. It's an opportunity to savor and keep in the back of our minds what awaits us on Easter Sunday — the reality that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead, and that our hearts will always be filled with joy!

St. Teresa's Cookie Social Hour at Brothers of Mercy, Saturday, March 16. Volunteers bring a small plate of cookies and meet at Brothers on the third Saturday of each month from 10 - 11 am. For information, call Sheila Ernst at 716-542-1144.



Remember a loved one, living or deceased in a special way with a Mass. Contact the parish office to reserve a date, 716-542-9103.



Our Lady of Peace Church

10950 Main St., Clarence, NY 14031

P. 716.759.8554 ~ Email: office@olpclarence.org

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

A Message From Father Walter

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

In his encounter with Nicodemus, Jesus challenges him, and us, to re-think our understanding and vision of God: to see God as a living entity who is present in every encounter, every moment, every heart – especially when God seems most absent, when we feel no reason for hope or joy. Jesus reveals a much bigger God than we can imagine: a God who does not condemn but loves, who does not punish but lifts up, who does not destroy but reconciles. God is not about death but about life. Redemption begins with God; reconciliation and healing are God's work, filled with possibilities that are as limitless as they are undeserved.

Fr. Walt

pastor@olpclarence.org

LECTORS

Saturday, March 16

5:15 PM Patricia Andzel

Sunday, March 17

8:00 AM Patrick Flynn

10:00 AM Dominic Cortese

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, March 16

5:15 PM Katie Giansante, Barb Gyasi, Vincent Lombardo, Maureen McEwan

Sunday, March 17

8:00 AM Judy Walkowiak, Ronald Walkowiak, Lew Wargo

10:00 AM Gene Florentino, Becky Florentino, Lori Sebian, Ron Andrews

The Home, Garden & Tool Raffle Committee is asking for your help!



Our BIGGEST Church fundraiser of the year is For donations.

We are in need of completed Theme Baskets.

We are looking for volunteers for Kitchen Help, Raffle Ticket Sales, etc. during the evening of the event. Donated items can be dropped off before and after weekend Masses with ticket sales parishioner in the Narthex or any weekday in the rectory. Volunteer sign up sheets are also in the Narthex or you may call Mark Baron @ 716.864-2023.

Save the Date!! Saturday, April 27th

All proceeds from the Home, Garden and Tool Raffle stay within Our Lady of Peace Church.

Please come join the FUN!



Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 7PM

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


*Each Wednesday during Lent 4-6PM
3/13, 3/20, 3/27


Our Lady of Peace Annual Lenten Sacrifice Collection

Our Lady of Peace Parish has chosen the Response to Love Center in Buffalo under the direction of Sister Johnice as the recipient of our donations. Sister Johnice stated that donations will be directed to "Phil's Room". The shelves of Phil's Room need replenishing." **Place your donation in the "white wooden model Church" or in the collection basket anytime.**




The St. Mary's Forever Young Group's next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, March 13th at 7pm** in the parish center. The guest speaker will be John O'Hare, Clarence Historian, who will speak about the history of Clarence. Refreshments will be served. All senior parishioners are invited to join us. Questions? Call Anne Perry at 716-984-3350.

 We invite all women to a **Daughters of Mary** gathering on **Monday, March 18** from 7:00pm - 9:00pm. in room 110/111. We invite you to read, "Awake, Not Woke: A Christian Response to the Cult of Progressive Ideology" by Noelle Mering, published by Tan Books and be a part of a powerful discussion. Tea and sweet treats will be served – this is a perfect opportunity to invite a friend to experience the community of St. Mary's. To be added to the Daughters of Mary email list call Elizabeth Forman at (716) 691-6554 or email daughtersofmary815@gmail.com

 **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 **9:00 AM** March 15th at 6:30pm in the gym.

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. A priest will then get back to you.

 **Calling all Scouts!!** Please join us for our annual Scout Mass to be held on Sunday March 17th at 11am in the Church. All scouts and adult leaders (Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, American Heritage Girls, etc.) are encouraged to wear their uniform to Mass, as well as bring their Troop/Pack flags with bases. Please bring flags to the Church for pre-placement, then meet by 10:40 am in the school gym to line up for procession into the Church when Mass begins. Please contact Margaret Terrill with any questions (mterrill44@yahoo.com, 716-908-7684).

Friendship Supper—We are again preparing to honor and celebrate the special and symbolic gathering of our Lord's Last Supper by sharing in our parish "Friendship Supper", held in the Parish on Holy Thursday, March 28th at 5:30pm followed by 7pm Mass in the church. **Volunteers are needed!** If you can help, please call Janice O'Brien at 716-688-9380 or note on form below. Make RSVPs by calling the Parish Office or placing the completed form below in the collection basket.

NAME _____
PHONE # _____
of Adults _____ # of Children _____ Dish you bring _____
I would be willing to help: <input type="checkbox"/> Set up <input type="checkbox"/> Serve <input type="checkbox"/> Clean-up

SUPPORT OUR FAITH COMMUNITY'S

Largest Fundraiser



RAFFLE TICKET SALE AFTER ALL MASSES MARCH 9th & 10th

CONTRIBUTE TO THE WINE & GIFT CARD TREE

Take an ornament off the tree in the vestibule this weekend and purchase a gift card to a local restaurant or retailer of your choice, or a \$20- \$25 bottle of wine. Please return by 3/25 to help us fill out our selections for the auction!



SCAN ME

VISIT [SPRINGFORSUCCESS.COM](http://SpringforSuccess.com) FOR MORE INFORMATION

AUCTION 1ST CHANCE RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE AT ALL MASSES ON MARCH 9TH & 10TH \$50 EACH/ \$125 FOR 3 CHANCES
CHOOSE: ~A 7 NIGHT STAY IN HILTON HEAD, SC~
~3 DAYS, 2 NIGHTS STAY IN ELLICOTTVILLE ~
~ OR \$1500 CASH~

 **ALL YOU CAN EAT Pancake Breakfast at A. J. Jurek Legion, Smith & New Roads, E. Amherst, Sunday, March 17th, 8AM-12:00PM.** Includes: pancakes, eggs, sausage, & a beverage. Adults \$10, 12/U \$4, U/5 free.

All you can eat Pancake Breakfast-St. Pius X Church, 1700 N. French Rd, Getzville. Sun, March 24, 8:30am-noon. Breakfast also includes eggs, sausage, home fries, juice & coffee. Also raffling off a Giant Chocolate Bunny! Adults \$8, \$7 Seniors, 12 & Under \$2.

EASTER FLOWERS—Each year we invite parishioners to make a donation toward Easter Flowers in memory or in honor of their loved ones. If you would like to make a donation, use envelopes provided by the envelope company or please fill out the form below, enclose it in an envelope marked "Easter Flowers" and place it in the collection basket or send to the parish office. A list of contributors & honorees will be displayed by the Easter Flowers. (Please print).



YOUR NAME _____

In memory of _____ OR in honor of: _____

APPLY NOW BEFORE SEATS FILL!



Enrollment is now **OPEN** for
Montessori Pre-K (ages 3-6) &
traditional Kindergarten for this Fall.
Scan the code to join our SMS family.



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SERVING THE ENTIRE FAMILY.

Transform Your Heart... Throughout Lent, we are called not only to abstain from luxuries but also to a true inner conversion of the heart. Throughout these 40 days, we become intentionally focused on ways to strengthen our relationship with Jesus. Taking time away from social media or certain foods is meant to be a sacrifice that helps to redirect our attention from our own desires. That intentional sacrifice may lead to creating new habits for prayer and service, transforming the way we share our love with Christ. Take a moment to reflect on your heart and its readiness for a renewed relationship with Jesus.

“For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be.” **Matthew 6:21**

Our treasure is to be with Jesus. How much room do you give Him in your heart? In what ways has your relationship with Him grown so far this Lent? If you find that you need a more significant change of heart, who can you turn to, to guide you closer to Jesus?

Come Closer to Jesus:

What's Lent All About? The Youth Ministry Team shares a different topic each week gaining a deeper understanding of the Lenten season. Activities and discussions are planned for families with teens in grades 6-12. **Sundays, March 10th and 17th at 7pm** in the Parish Center. Walk ins welcome or sign up found on the St Mary website.

Walk with Jesus: St. Mary's Pray and Play – St Mary's School fifth grade students present the living Stations of the Cross on **Friday, March 15 at 6:30pm**. Experiencing the Stations helps us grow closer to Jesus during Lent and throughout the year. Family activities are planned following the Stations. Sign up found on the St Mary website <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F054CABA72FA7FD0-walk#/> walk ins welcome

Growing in Faith through the Word – Scripture study for adults. Join members of our Catholic Education Team as we focus on Lent and the Passion Narratives. This 3 week study runs on **Wednesdays, March 6, 13, and 20 from 10:30 to noon at Nativity of the Blessed Mary Church on Harris Hill in the Rectory conference room**. Walk ins welcome <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F054CABA72FA7FD0-44683099-growing#/> sign up found on the St Mary website

Catholic Education office (716)688-0599 familyfaith@stmaryswormville.org



Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Fourth Sunday of Lent

Knights of Columbus Thoughts for the Week "The Church's invitation to join the Eucharistic Revival isn't just another program. It's a plea for each and every disciple's heart to be re-ignited with a greater love for Christ in the Eucharist. Renewed love for the Eucharist will transform our lives and the very shape of the Church in our country." *Father Patrick Mary Briscoe, Dominican Friar and Editor of Our Sunday Visitor*

Dedicate the Sanctuary Candle

The red Sanctuary Lamp burns to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ. It is a mark of honor to remind the faithful of the presence of Christ, and is a profession of their love and affection. If you wish to have the Sanctuary Lamp burning in memory of a loved one, to honor a special occasion, or a special intention make arrangements with the Parish Rectory Office. The cost of the candle is \$10.00. It will burn for one week, beginning on a Friday and completing the Thursday of the following week. The memorial or intention will be published in the Bulletin.

Who Was the Real **SAINT PATRICK?**

Sunday, March 17, immediately following 10 am Mass
Nativity School Gym

Join us for 10 am Mass then head over to the school gym for this special speaker event (approximately 11:15 am - 12:30 pm).

Youth Minister, Adam Jarosz, will unveil interesting facts about the life of the *real* Saint Patrick: his struggles, conversion story, and battles with both human and spiritual enemies. You don't want to miss it!

This event is presented as part of our Faith Formation program for Grades 9 & 10, however all ACRC youth and families are very welcome to attend!



NATIVITY
OF THE BLESSED
VIRGIN MARY
FAITH FORMATION



MISSION 26
Weekend

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

Walk-ins welcomed Friday night Msgr Paa Center



NATIVITY OF MARY GALA

NEXT SATURDAY, MARCH 16TH

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PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS TODAY

GOLDEN TICKET: The Golden ticket winner will choose as their prize ANY live auction item, BEFORE the live auction begins! *** Limited ***

SILENT BIDDING: Opening Wednesday, March 13th. We have a little bit of everything! Golf, Art, Getaways, Concerts, and so much more!!



50/50 RAFFLE & BASKET RAFFLE



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

THE LINK FOR THE LIVESTREAM WILL BE ON THE NATIVITY PARISH AND SCHOOL WEBSITE

IF YOU CAN'T ATTEND THE GALA, TUNE IN AND WATCH THE LIVESTREAM BEGINNING AT 8PM ON SATURDAY 3/16.



CAPPELLINO CADILLAC



PURCHASE NOW!

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

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

Dick Campbell & Wally Smith

Please Keep In Your Prayers: Lucas Lowe, Baby Josh, Paul Schifferle, Gloria Kintzel, Karen Fox, William Eberhard, Barbara Ford, Susan Hegetsweiller, Bob Larouere, Linda Chaffee, Richard Jordan, Joe Vasi, Sterling McCarragher, 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 the month after 9:00am Mass

Note: On March 30th, no 9am Mass (will be prayer service)

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, Joyce Zoerb, Maria Iacono, Delphine Levesque, James Ingham, Erin Milazzo, Bob Brown, Tim Gallivan, Richard Kubiak, baby Reed Hausrath, Roseanne Hoffner, Donald Herberger, Jerry Metz, baby Franco Joseph Licata and Rita & Don Manno.

Our Lady of Peace Church

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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, Sandy Coon, 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, John & Maryann, George, Mark Hilbert, Jackie, Jackie S., Kay Jelfer, Dan Kelly, John Kuloszewski, Mark Korpanty, Laurie, Mary Lidkea, Sister Marcia Klawon O.S.F., Sister Ann Helene Koenig OSF, Steve L., Colin McCabe, Paul Meir, Al Meister, Kathy McHugh, Kevin McNamara, Candace Morse, Pam Murray, Peter Rizzo, Joan O'Brien, David P., Carmine Purdie, P.A.T., Paulette Sadus, Ron Sarafin, Donna Schmidle, Eleanor Smith, Steve, Thomas L., Frank & Dolores Tobin, Vince, Judy Vogt, Mary Ellen Wagner, Paul Willard, Ron Weiss, Msgr. Wetter & Genevieve Wojcik.

Pray for Deceased Parishioners

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Confession: Saturday 3:45-4:45pm

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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