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**Jesus Christ is the same  
yesterday, today and forever!**



### Sunday Mass

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for coming to Mass today. There is nothing so important in the Christian life as coming to Mass every Sunday (or Saturday evening). It's not even close. Keeping Holy the Lord's Day – which we do above all by coming to Mass – is the first and most essential practical step in living the Christian Life. I often thank people for coming to Mass. Really the whole Mass is a word of gratitude to God the Father – to whom our praise and thanks is due. To be grateful to God is something that can direct, and often provide essential redirection, for our own interior movements. Gratitude is a healing, strengthening, guiding, and living source of light and peace. Coming to Mass is its ultimate expression. Attending Mass Sunday Mass or Saturday evening Mass every week without fail (except when significantly ill), is the single best way to stay on course in life. May we never leave this great gift aside, but always take it to heart and stay on this path to Heaven. Happy Sunday! - Fr. Mark

#### ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

7:00 AM MASS

12:00 Service of the Word with Ashes (not a Mass)

1:40 PM MASS

7:00PM MASS

### Misa Dominical

Queridos amigos,

Muchas gracias por venir a Misa hoy. No hay nada tan importante en la vida cristiana como asistir a misa todos los domingos (o sábados por la noche). Ni siquiera está cerca. Santificar el Día del Señor; lo que hacemos sobre todo viniendo a Misa, es el primer y más esencial paso práctico para vivir la vida cristiana. A menudo agradezco a las personas por venir a Misa. Realmente toda la Misa es una palabra de gratitud a Dios Padre, a quien debemos nuestra alabanza y agradecimiento. Ser agradecido con Dios es algo que puede orientar, ya menudo proporcionar una redirección esencial, para nuestros propios movimientos interiores. La gratitud es una fuente sanadora, fortalecedora, guía y viva de luz y paz. Venir a Misa es su máxima expresión. Asistir a Misa el domingo o la Misa del sábado por la noche todas las semanas sin falta (excepto cuando esté gravemente enfermo), es la mejor manera de mantenerse en curso en la vida. Que nunca dejemos de lado este gran regalo, sino que siempre lo tomemos en serio y permanezcamos en este camino hacia el Cielo. ¡Feliz domingo! - Padre Marcos

### Spiritual Reading

Here is a list of recommended books for spiritual reading:

*Happy Are You Poor* by Fr. Thomas Dubay  
*The Story of a Soul* by St. Therese of Liseux  
*Bernadette of Lourdes* by Fr. Rene Laurentin  
*Arise from Darkness* by Fr. Benedict Groeschel  
*Searching for and Maintaining Interior Peace* by Fr. Jacques Philippe  
*The Practice of the Presence of God* by Brother Lawrence  
*Francis of Assisi* by GK Chesterton  
*What does God Want* by Fr. Michael Scanlan  
*Mere Christianity* by CS Lewis  
*The Problem of Pain* by CS Lewis  
*The Sources of Christian Ethics* by Fr. Servais Pinckaers  
*Left to Tell* by Immaculee Ilibagiza  
*The Lamb's Supper* by Scott Hahn  
*Introduction to the Devout Life* by St. Francis de Sales  
*Jesus of Nazareth* by Pope Benedict XVI  
*Rome Sweet Home* by Scott and Kimberly Hahn  
*True Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary* by St. Louis de Montfort  
*The Love of Eternal Wisdom* by St. Louis de Montfort  
*The Seven Storey Mountain* by Thomas Merton  
*Thomas Aquinas: The Dumb Ox* by GK Chesterton  
*Transformation in Christ* by Dietrich Von Hildebrand  
*The Four Cardinal Virtues* by Josef Pieper  
*Life of Christ* by Fulton J. Sheen

These above are in the category of Spiritual Reading. Of course, the most important book for any of us to read is the Holy Bible. The Biblical reading plan created in The Great Adventure Bible offers an excellent plan for how to read the Bible. With that said, during the season of Lent, the following books of the Bible may be particularly helpful: Genesis, the Gospel of Matthew, the Gospel of John, Hebrews, First Timothy, Second Timothy, and any of the Psalms. Reading good things can change our lives.

### Oración de Taizé

La oración de Taizé se ofrecerá todos los domingos por la noche durante la Cuaresma. Basado en la forma de oración desarrollada por la comunidad cristiana de Taizé, Francia, durante la Segunda Guerra Mundial, el servicio combina canciones simples tipo monja con las Escrituras y largos períodos de silencio para la meditación privada. Cualquiera que desee profundizar su oración personal puede venir y experimentar la Oración de Taizé. Cada servicio dura unos 45 minutos. Llegar unos minutos antes y asistir más de una vez puede facilitar la experiencia. Los servicios de oración de Taizé comenzarán a las 6:30 p. m. el domingo 26 de febrero y se llevarán a cabo cada domingo posterior hasta el 2 de abril en la iglesia St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.

### **Catholic Charities Appeal 2023**

Our Catholic Charities Parish total to date is \$6,625.00 from 32 donors.

#### **Taize Prayer**

Taize prayer will be offered each Sunday evening during Lent. Based on the prayer form developed by the Christian community of Taize, France during WWII, the service combines simple montra-like songs with Scripture and extended periods of silence for private meditation. Anyone wishing to deepen their personal prayer is welcome to come and experience Taize Prayer. Each service lasts about 45 minutes. Arriving a few minutes early and attending more than once may facilitate the experience.

Taize prayer services will begin at 6:30pm on Sunday Feb. 26 and be held each subsequent Sunday through April 2 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church.

#### **Soup and Scripture**

Soup and Scripture will begin on Wednesday, March 1 and will be held every Wednesday during the six weeks of Lent. The book that will be used is titled "Philippians: A Letter to Friends". It will begin at 6:00pm with soup and then afterwards there will be study of the book. Please contact the rectory at 716-366-1750 to sign up and get a book.

#### **Stations of the Cross**

Stations of the Cross will be held in the church every Friday during Lent, starting this Friday, February 24th. They will begin at Noon.

### **UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

*In re The Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y.,  
Case No. 20-10322*

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT,** On February 28, 2020, The Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y. ("Diocese") filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").

The Court entered an Order (the "Supplemental Bar Date Order") setting April 17, 2023, at 11:59 P.M. (prevailing Eastern time) (the "Supplemental Bar Date") as the deadline to assert claims against the Diocese arising from or relating to abuse that occurred when the survivor was 18 years of age or older, and which, prior to the enactment of the Adult Survivors Act (S.66A/A.648A) would have been subject to a statute of limitations defense ("Adult Claims").

If you have an Adult Claim against the Diocese you must file a claim on or before the Supplemental Bar Date.

**ANY CLAIM FILED PURSUANT TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL BAR DATE ORDER SHALL BE WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE RIGHT OF ANY PARTY IN INTEREST TO ASSERT OBJECTIONS TO ANY CLAIM OR ITS TIMELINESS.**

Please visit <https://case.stretto.com/dioceseofbuffalo> or call (855) 292-7696 for more information on how to file your proof of claim.

**IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY DISTRIBUTIONS TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DIOCESE'S CHAPTER 11 CASE.**

### **New Mass Intention Policy**

Moving forward, we ask that anyone wishing to schedule a Mass Intention, pay for the Mass at the time of scheduling. If you cannot come to the Rectory Office to schedule a Mass Intention, you may send us your request in writing (either through the Postal Service or drop your request in the collection basket). Please include your name, the date you wish to schedule the Mass and your phone number should we need to call you if we have any questions. We will make every attempt to schedule the Mass on the date requested, or as close to your date as possible. Phone calls will be accepted but we can no longer book a Mass intention until payment is received. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in this matter.

### **Nueva Política de Intención Masiva**

En el futuro, le pedimos a cualquier persona que desee programar una Intención de Misa que pague la Misa en el momento de la programación. Si no puede venir a la Oficina de la Rectoría para programar una Intención de Misa, puede enviarnos su solicitud por escrito (ya sea a través del Servicio Postal o dejar su solicitud en la canasta de recolección). Incluya su nombre, la fecha en la que desea programar la misa y su número de teléfono en caso de que necesitemos llamarlo si tenemos alguna pregunta. Haremos todo lo posible para programar la Misa en la fecha solicitada, o lo más cerca posible de su fecha. Se aceptarán llamadas telefónicas, pero ya no podemos reservar una intención de misa hasta que se reciba el pago. Gracias por su comprensión y cooperación en este asunto.

### **Venerable Nelson H. Baker, Patron of Appeal 2023**

Venerable Nelson H. Baker, patron of Catholic Charities Appeal 2023, was known as The Priest of the Poor. His dedication to serving those who were destitute and most in need turned into a legacy of compassion, charity and love for our neighbors in need. Today, Catholic Charities is honored to carry on his legacy of care to our neighbors in need. Each day, we provide help and HOPE to those who come to us – the mother fleeing an unsafe situation for her and her children, the teenager seeking comfort and counseling, the newcomer looking for a fresh start. Your donation to the Appeal makes all of this, and more, possible. Please give today at [www.ccwny.org/donate](http://www.ccwny.org/donate) or text GIVEHOPE23 to 44321 today.

### **Time to Challenge Ourselves**

Lent is here - time to challenge ourselves to be holier. This year, don't just give something up - start a new life in ministry! Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org)

# 7th Sunday of Ordinary Time—February 19, 2023

## Weekly Masses

Saturday, February 18-

5:00 p.m. Mary L. Haase (Birth) by The Banach, Haase & Woelfle Families

Sunday, February 19-

8:00 a.m. Molly Ganey by The Family

10:00 a.m. John Britt by Wife Alice

11:30 a.m. Parishioners of SEAS

Monday, February 20-

7:00 a.m. David & Nancy Palmer by Len & Dorothy Schrantz

Tuesday, February 21-St Peter Damian

7:00 a.m. Communion Service

Wednesday, February 22-Ash Wednesday

7:00 a.m. All Souls by Parishioners of SEAS

Noon: Liturgy of the Word with Ashes

1:40p.m. NCCS Mass

7:00p.m. Mathew Durnwirth by Aunt Janice Falco

Thursday, February 23-St Polycarp

7:00 a.m. Carolyn Terese by Leo & Sandy Bain

Friday, February 24-

7:00 a.m. Gertrude Klancer (Birth) by Estate

Saturday, February 25-

5:00 p.m. Daniel Sheedy by The Sheedy Family

Sunday, February 26-

8:00 a.m. Albert Vandette Sr by Albert Vandette

10:00 a.m. Stanley Gliwa by Alice Mekus-Britt

11:30 a.m. Parishioners of SEAS

**Please remember to pray for the infirmed:**

Matthew A. Banach, Janet Bonasera, Scott Collins, Sue Dietzen, Len Fijal, Jose Gambarelli, Keith & Kevin, Desiree Jones, John Maternowski, Frederick Mackowiak Jr., Mike McCarty, Peter Notaro, Joel Rivera, Javier Robles, Lenny Schrantz, Jessica Sinclair, Jack Van Dervort, Mollie Watkins, Kevin Washington and Fr Tom Wopperer.

## Memorials

Aida Rosas by David & Suzanne Nicosia

## **Pope Francis' Monthly Intention for February For parishes**

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

## **Tuition Assistance for Private Grammar Schools Now Available.**

The BISON Children Scholarship Fund provides tuition assistance to economically eligible children in grades K-8. New families can now apply for scholarships for the 2023-24 school year. To start the process, families can complete a preapplication form online at <http://bisonfund.com/our-scholarships>. If selected in our lottery drawing, the scholarships can be used at any private grammar school in WNY. The deadline to apply is March 15. The average scholarship is \$1,560 and the maximum award is \$2,500. For more information, contact Cindy at 716-854-0869, ext. 1 or [cmcdonald@bisonfund.com](mailto:cmcdonald@bisonfund.com).

## Weekend of February 11 & 12

Mass Attendance/Asistencia a Misa:

5:00 PM – 56

8:00 AM – 58

10:00 AM – 73

11:30AM – 80

Total 267

Collection/Collecta:  
\$3,252.50

## THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

Tuesday, Feb 21- 10AM-VIRTUS Training at NCCS

Wednesday, Feb 22-Ash Wednesday

7am-Mass

Noon-Liturgy of the Word with Ashes

1:40-NCCS School Mass

3PM-Food Pantry

7PM-Mass

Friday, February 24-

Noon-Stations of the Cross

Sunday, February 26-1st Sunday of Lent

9AM-Sacramental Prep Classes

10:30AM-RCIA English in Rectory Meeting Room

12:30PM-RCIA Spanish in church

6:30PM-Taize Prayer in Church

Upcoming: March 1-Soup & Scripture

## **Just two more weeks until 22:32 Men-register now!**

Join men from across the Diocese of Erie and beyond for the Tenth Annual 22:32 Men's Conference. This day of inspiration and spiritual growth, open to men of all faiths, will feature national speakers-Father Chase Hilgenbrinck, a former professional soccer player and Fr. Larry Richards of the Diocese of Erie. The 10th annual 22:32 Men's conference will be held on Saturday, March 4th, from 8:30 until 1:00pm and you may attend live, in-person at St. Jude the Apostle parish in Erie, or at hosting parishes virtually via YouTube. Participating parishes are listed on our website.

Don't miss this opportunity to grow in your relationship with the Lord through inspiring national speakers and opportunities for prayer and reconciliation, as well as Mass with Bishop Lawrence Persico. All you need to have is an open heart!

The event is \$20. For more information and to register call (814) 455-7364.

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Monday, Weds., Thurs. & Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.



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May 2023 be a  
very Blessed Year!**

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