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This parish community is happy to welcome you to worship, today and every Sunday. May the love of Christ fill your hearts with all good blessings and joy.

A note from Fr. Mark - Una nota del P. Marcos

Dear Friends,

Many blessings to all of you this week! Thanks for being a part of our parish. Our religious education classes for the children and young people of our Parish have begun. We have already more than doubled the number of youth we had in the program last year. There has also been significant interest in the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation -Baptism, Confirmation and Communion - among young families and teenagers, as well as some adults.

The process for receiving the Sacraments of Initiation for anyone over eight years of age (youth or adult), involves a series of classes which culminate in the reception of these Sacraments, typically at the Easter Vigil Mass, which is the most sacred celebration of the Liturgical year.

This process used to be called, "The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults", and referred to as RCIA. However, the title of the process was changed a year or two ago, and is now called, "The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults", and thus is increasingly referred to as OCIA. Either way, the process is the same. What does this process involve?

Well, for anyone eight years of age or older, the process typically lasts about seven to nine months. It passes through a stage of inquiry, and then a series of about 20 classes (catechesis), alongside weekly Mass attendance, to teach the faith and prepare the mind and heart of a person to meet the Lord in the Sacraments and live as a disciple for their life and into eternity. It is a spiritually profound and important process. Again, it culminates with the reception of Sacraments, typically at Easter, and then is followed by about 4 or 5 additional classes to walk alongside those newly and fully initiated in the Sacraments.

It is the responsibility of the entire Parish to both invite, welcome, and support new members to our community. Our OCIA weekly classes in Spanish have begun and our English classes will begin in the next week or so. If you know someone who hasn't received these Sacraments and may be interested, please have them reach out to myself, Deacon Mike, or Natalie Hoebener at the Parish office. We would be very happy to talk with them. Also, please pray for the growth of our community in this way, and for those currently in this processes. The greatest sign of a healthy community is growth! God bless you, Fr. Mark Queridos Amigos, ¡Muchas bendiciones para todos ustedes esta semana! Gracias por ser parte de nuestra parroquia. Han comenzado nuestras clases de educación religiosa para los niños y jóvenes de nuestra Parroquia. Ya hemos más que duplicado el número de jóvenes que tuvimos en el programa el año pasado. También ha habido un interés significativo en la recepción de los Sacramentos de Iniciación - Bautismo, Confirmación y Comunión - entre familias jóvenes y adolescentes, así como algunos adultos.

El proceso para recibir los Sacramentos de Iniciación para cualquier persona mayor de ocho años (joven o adulto), involucra una serie de clases que culminan con la recepción de estos Sacramentos, típicamente en la Misa de Vigilia Pascual, que es la celebración más sagrada del año litúrgico.

Este proceso solía llamarse "El Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos", y se lo denominaba RICA. Sin embargo, el título del proceso se cambió hace uno o dos años y ahora se llama "La Orden de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos", y por lo tanto se le conoce cada vez más como OCIA. De cualquier manera, el proceso es el mismo. ¿Qué implica este proceso?

Bueno, para cualquier persona de ocho años o más, el proceso suele durar entre siete y nueve meses. Pasa por una etapa de indagación, y luego una serie de unas 20 clases (catequesis), junto con la asistencia a Misa semanal, para enseñar la fe y preparar la mente y el corazón de una persona para encontrarse con el Señor en los Sacramentos y vivir como un discípulo. por su vida y por la eternidad. Es un proceso espiritualmente profundo e importante. Una vez más, culmina con la recepción de los Sacramentos, típicamente en Pascua, y luego es seguido por unas 4 o 5 clases adicionales para caminar junto a aquellos recién iniciados en los Sacramentos.

Es responsabilidad de toda la parroquia invitar, dar la bienvenida y apoyar a los nuevos miembros de nuestra comunidad. Nuestras clases semanales de OCIA en español han comenzado y nuestras clases de inglés comenzarán en la próxima semana más o menos. Si conoce a alguien que no haya recibido estos sacramentos y pueda estar interesado, pídale que se comunique conmigo, con el diácono Miguel o con Natalie Hoebener en la oficina parroquial. Estaríamos muy felices de hablar con ellos. Además, oren por el crecimiento de nuestra comunidad de esta manera y por aquellos que actualmente se encuentran en este proceso. ¡La mayor señal de una comunidad saludable es el crecimiento! Dios le bendiga, P. Marcos

Fall Garden Cleanup

We are looking for a few helping hands to do some weeding and to prepare our Parish garden beds for winter. With enough help, it should only take a morning or afternoon to complete and will make a big difference in having beautiful gardens next Spring. If interested please call Cindy Wronski at 716-672-9902.

Road to Renewal Updates – Liturgy, Spiritual

Life, & Forming Disciples Pillars

Liturgy, Spiritual Life and Forming Disciples are 3 of the 6 Pillars that specific groups will be focusing on. Here are some of the functions that these Pillars entail:

Liturgy Mass Schedules for each parish within the Family Sacrament schedule

Forming Disciples **Religious Education**

Liturgy Committee

Spiritual Life

Sacramental preparation Devotions Retreats Life in the Eucharist

(Kindergarten through grade 12) Catholic schools Youth Ministry (Grades 6-8) Youth Ministry (Grades 9-12) Young Adult & Adult Faith Formation Adult Leadership Training Inclusive Catechesis Family Formation RCIA/OCIA

All Saints Day is Tuesday, November 1st:

It is a Holy Day of obligation Masses being offered in Dunkirk and Fredonia are as follows: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton: 7:00 AM & I:40 PM Holy Trinity: 12: 00 PM & 7:00 PM St Joseph's and St Anthony's 12:00 PM at St Anthony's & 5:00 PM at St Joseph's **Blessed Mary Angela** Monday, Oct. 31: Vigil Mass at 7:00 PM at St Hyacinth's Tuesday, Nov. I: 7:00 AM at St Hyacinth's & 12:10 pm at St Hedwig's Please note that our Parish Offices will be

closed on Tuesday, Nov. I for All Saints Day.

Please remember to pray for the infirmed:

Carol Balzer, Janet Bonasera, Scott Collins, Sue Dietzen, Jose Gambarelli, Keith & Kevin, Desiree Jones, John Maternowski, Frederick Mackowiak Jr., Mike McCarty, Peter Notaro, Joel Rivera, Lenny Schrantz, Jessica Sinclair, Jim Skrzeczkowski, Jack Van Dervort , Mollie Watkins, Kevin Washington and Fr Tom Wopperer.

Please call or email Chris at the Rectory Office to have names added or removed from the sick list. Only immediate family members may request names be added.

Mass Information from October 15 & 16

Collection:

\$2,919.13.

\$86.00

Hurricane Relief:

Mass Attendance:		
5:00 PM	47	
8:00 AM	65	
10:00 AM	71	
<u>11:30 AM</u>	<u>82</u>	
Total	265	

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Weekly Schedule

Sunday, October 23 9:00 AM - Faith Formation Classes 12:30 PM - Spanish OCIA Class Tuesday, October 25 7:00 PM - Pastoral Council meeting Wednesday, October 26 3:00 PM - Food Pantry <u>Thursday, October 27</u> 5:30 PM - Finance Committee meeting 7:00 PM - Hispanic Ministry meeting Sunday, October 30 9:00 AM - Faith Formation Classes 12:30 PM - Spanish OCIA Class 8:20 PM - Buffalo Bills vs. Green Bay Packers ;-)

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, Nov. I - All Saints Holy Day Wednesday, Nov. 2 - All Souls Day Thursday, Nov. 24 - Thanksgiving Day Mass at 9:00 AM Saturday, Nov. 26 - ADVENT BEGINS Thursday, Dec. 8 - Feast of the Immaculate Conception Monday, Dec. 12 - Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe!

Protecting God's Children

Parish employees, and volunteers, over the age of eighteen, who work with children and young people in the Diocese of Buffalo, are required to attend a sexual abuse awareness session. The three and one half hour live, in-person workshop is scheduled on October 21, 2022 at 9:00 AM at Northern Chautauqua Catholic School. Online preregistration at <u>www.virtus.org</u> is required.

A Vocation View

Have you ever thought about your upcoming death? St. Paul did. "The time of my departure is at hand. I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith." We all hope to say these words when our final breath comes. Live for Christ, follow His call. Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time - October 23, 2022

Weekly Masses

Saturday, October 22 5:00p.m Phil & Sara Corsoro by MaryAnn Corsoro Sunday, October 23 8:00am Alice, Roy & Robert Weaver by Leonard & Dorothy Schrantz 10:00a.m F. McKinley & Gertrude Briggs (Ann) by Banach & **Murphy Families** 11:30a.m. Spanish Mass: Daisy Torres & Albert Salgado by Sister Maria Kuschel Monday, October 24-St Anthony Mary Claret 7:00a.m. Stella Kolasa by Leo & Sandy Bain & Darleen Calarco Tuesday, October 25-7:00a.m. John George Stroehlein by Daughter Margie I:40p.m. NCCS School Mass Wednesday, October 26-7:00a.m. Communion Service Thursday, October 27-7:00 a.m. Richard Harper by Family Friday, October 28- Sts Simon & Jude 7:00a.m. Peggy Glenn (Birth) by Ron & Susan Hall Saturday, October 29 5:00p.m. Cindy Frazita by Sister Barb Sunday, October 30 8:00a.m. Gerald Haase (Birth) by Kids, Grandkids & Great Grandkids 10:00a.m. Randy Haase by Banach, Haase & Woelfle Families 11:30a.m. Spanish Mass: Parishioners of SEAS

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Pope Francis' Monthly Intentions for October

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel. May the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

Did you know?

Catholic doctrine expresses the Church's understanding of God's revelation through Jesus. The doctrines most fundamental to Catholic belief are authoritatively defined by the Magisterium (The official teaching authority of the Church, who task is to interpret and preserve the truths of salvation revealed in both Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition) and are called dogmas, and dogmas do not change. The Church's doctrine develops over time in the sense that our understanding of the revealed reality it expresses grows.

Although God's Revelation is complete, "it has not been made completely explicit; it remains for Christian faith to gradually grasp its full significance over the course of centuries."(CCC, 66) "Thanks to the assistance of the Holy Spirit, the understanding of both the realities and the words of the heritage of faith is able to grow in the life of the Church." (CCC, 94).

The Pope contributes to Catholics' understanding of Revelation through pastoral letters and writings that deal with pressing issues in light of Revelation. The Pope's pastoral letters are called encyclicals when they are sent to the whole church. Regional or national groups of bishops also contribute to Church teaching when they issue statements or pastoral letters on matters affecting the Church in their nation or diocese. Documents issued by Ecumenical Councils and synods of bishops also guide the Church's understanding of Revelation. The papal letters, bishop statements, and conciliar (council) documents serve the Church by guiding people as they seek to carry out the mission of Jesus in the world today. (Source: The Catholic Faith Handbook)



Hail Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy!

Our life, our sweetness and our hope!

