

Good Shepherd



❖ ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH ❖ Pendleton and Clarence Ctr., NY

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MASSES

Monday:8:00 a.m. Campus Site

Tuesday:8:00 a.m. Pendleton Site

Wednesday:

Healing Mass7:00 p.m. Pendleton Site

Thursday & Friday:8:00 a.m. Campus Site

Saturday:4:30 p.m. Pendleton Site

Sunday:9:00 a.m. Pendleton Site

.....11:00 a.m. Campus Site

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. to 4:10 p.m. –Pendleton Site, or by appointment.

NEW PARISHIONERS

New parishioners are always welcome. Please call the Parish Office at your earliest convenience to request a registration form. We look forward to your call.

BAPTISMS

We acknowledge the blessing our parish receives when a baby is born into a parish family. Baptisms are celebrated on scheduled Saturday's of the month. A Baptismal preparation class is given to the parents. Godparents must be registered in a Roman Catholic Church and attending Mass on a regular basis and able to receive a letter of recommendation from their Parish Priest. Call the Parish Office to schedule a time and date for a Baptismal class.

MARRIAGES

Arrangements must be made at least six months prior to the intended wedding date. Dates are reserved only for registered parishioners. Each couple must meet with the Pastor before any dates will be reserved. Attendance at a Diocesan Pre-Cana Class or weekend retreat is required.

SICK CALLS

If you are confined to home and would like to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please contact the Parish Office. Privacy laws prohibit all health care facilities from contacting us. Families must call us directly to inform us of individual needs.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is an ongoing process. Adults wishing to join the Catholic Church should contact the Parish Office.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

A letter will be given to registered parishioners who attend Mass regularly, who have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation; if married, in harmony with Church Law; if parents; are sending their children to Catholic School or Religious Education classes.

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 10, 2017**



**MASS
INTENTIONS**

SATURDAY, December 9th, St. Juan Diego
 4:30pm Corky Murnyaack by Loving Family
SUNDAY, December 10th, Second Sunday of Advent
 9:00 am Leo Daigler by Mary & Jim
 11:00 am Donald Myers by Chris & Barb Keller
MONDAY, December 11th, St. Damasus I
 8:00 am All Parishioners
TUESDAY, December 12th, Our Lady of Guadalupe
 8:00am Kathleen Deming by Deborah & Texas Ellis
WEDNESDAY, December 13th, St. Lucy
 7:00pm Virginia LeFort by Mary Ernest and Mary Baker
THURSDAY, December 14th, St. John of the Cross
 8:00am Florence Kottas by Children
FRIDAY, December 15th
 8:00am All Souls
SATURDAY, December 16th,
 4:30pm Matthew Fraass by Ken and Linda Fraass
SUNDAY, December 17th, Third Sunday of Advent
 9:00 am Deceased members of the Scheeler and Mahoney Families by Loving family
 11:00 am Donald Myers by Chris & Barb Keller

Please pray for all the deceased members of our faith community.

Parish Office Hours
 9:00 am—4:00 pm M-F

Collection 12/3/17

Regular	\$6,079.00
Fuel	195.00
Holy Days	40.00
Religious Retirement	125.00

PARENTING PERSPECTIVE. What does it mean to conceive a child? Whether you are the mother or father, it means your life is forever changed. It is the start of enduring love and sacrifice for another being put in your care. Pause today and ponder your creative role.

THE BEST ADVENT EVER! In one of the busiest seasons of the year, we want you to have the Best Advent Ever! Join Matthew Kelley and other great speakers as they send you daily inspirations to help keep your focus on the real reason for the season...we are awaiting the birth of Our Savior. Sign up for free at DynamicCatholic.com/signup.

Please Pray for our Sick: James Acquard, Lorraine Acquard, Beth Adams, Diane Anderson, Jeff Antoncich, Chase Bartholomew, Deacon Bob Bauer, Catherine Beiter, Ruth Blair, Cathy Bowler, Evelina Brady, Ellen Branicky, Patrick Callahan, Joe Camizzi, Phil Cantanese, Joseph Canzoneri, Barbara Clare, Rita Cleary, Cindy Colello, Kaden Cornell (infant), Louann Delaney, Rita Desemone, Paul Felschow, Henry Fink, Ginny Fitch, Dennis Fitzgibbons, Payton Furner, Marie Furey, Jim Garlock, Josephine Genco, Joseph Godzisz, Mark Grabowski, Alice Guenther, Eleanor & Mike Hagen, GERALYN HENS, Alyssa Herbst (child), Dolores Kae, Jamie Kauschinger, John Keleman Jr., James Kieffer, Dave Kowalski, Tina Langlotz, Bob Lepczyk, Loretta Layer, Margaret Leising, James Lombardi, Joyce Lombardi, Michelle Marciniak, Mark Malenda, William and Patricia Mallow, Mariana Maniscalco, Barbara Manke, Alex Marshall, Patricia Massey, Gloria Meehan, Clayton Merlihan, Linda Miller, Madelyn Mitchell, Colleen Mondello, Jose Montaner, Linda Moskal, Theresa Muffoletto, Judy O'Boyle, Josephine Park, Lillian Pearce, Patrick Petrie, Frances Pogorzala, Gregory Preisch, Allison R., Mary Raybor, Thomas Rehwaldt, Jackie Ritiche, Louise Rupp, Debbie Sarkee, Yolanda Sherriff, Madelyn Sikorski, Sharon Siminski, Kathi Smith, Cathy Spino, Ellen Sponholz, Erin Sullivan, Paul Sullivan, Margaret (Peggy) Thompson, Karl Wagner III, Jean Walczyk, Charlotte Wald, Lorraine Webster, Trudy Welsh, Dillon Williams, Matthew Williams, Doris Winter, Geri Witkowski.

To add or delete a name on the list, please call the Parish Office @ 625-8594.

Please pray for our servicemen and women, peace in the world and an increase in vocations.

The Week Ahead

Monday, Dec. 11	Morning Bible Study 1:00pm Prayer Group in Pendleton Parish Hall 7:00pm Parish Advent Penance Service - Pendleton Site
Wednesday, Dec. 13	1:00pm Healing Mass Pendleton Site Altar & Rosary Meeting
Sunday, Dec. 17	Donut Sunday

The Diocese of Buffalo provides a televised Mass from the Our Lady Chapel at St. Joseph Cathedral that airs each Sunday on WUTV-Fox channel at 7:30am.

December 10	celebrant Rev. Frederick Betti, SJ
December 17	celebrant Rev. Robert Wozniak
December 24	celebrant Bishop Richard Malone
December 31	celebrant Rev. Andrew Lauricella

A Word from the Pastor...

Advent reflects on the second coming of Christ!

Christ's second coming will mark the time when God's reign will be fully established on earth. God will renew and transform the entire universe. God's plan to bring all under Christ will be realized. The human unity God willed for us will come about. The new community formed in Christ will be free of sin and self-love. It will enjoy the beatific vision ("seeing God face to face"). And a blissful union with God marked by happiness, peace, and mutual communion.

We have a foretaste of this time now because Jesus inaugurated God's reign in our midst. God's loving grace is freeing people right now, giving them life, saving them. And Christians help build Christ's kingdom through their work for peace, equal rights and human solidarity, respect for the dignity of others, and labors for the poor and defenseless.

God's kingdom is here, but we know that today many forces oppose God's saving will. God's reign has not taken root in the hearts of all. However, the virtue of hope enables us to look forward to the day when Christ's work will be complete. Christians look forward to this day as a joyful meeting with the risen Lord. Then, eternity and its promises of perfect happiness, joy, and peace will be ours—if we are ready to receive it.

"Look, I am standing at the door knocking. If one of you hears me calling, and opens the door, I will come in to share a meal at that person's side". (Rev. 3:20).

"Stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour" (Mt 25:13).

***Love and Prayers,
Fr. Dan***

The following parishioners who attend The Buffalo Academy of the Sacred Heart have been named to the 1st quarter 2017-2018 Honor Roll:

Kayla Blas—grade 12 Reannon Frost—grade 10

Congratulations, girls!

THE COOKIE SALE AND POINSETTIA PICKUP will be Sat., Dec. 9th from 5:30-7:30pm and Sun., Dec. 10th from 9:00am—2:00pm in the Pendleton Parish Hall. There will be homemade chicken noodle soup and chili, hot dogs and a basket raffle.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Dec. 10	Classes in session
Dec. 11	Parish Advent Penance Service 7:00pm at Pendleton Site
Dec. 17	Classes in session 10th grade parents meeting at 10:00am (after Mass)
Dec. 24	No classes (Christmas Eve)
Dec. 31	No classes (New Years Eve)

Around the Diocese of Buffalo Community

THE ST. JOSEPH CATHEDRAL CHOIR WILL PRESENT A SERVICE OF CHRISTMAS LESSONS & CAROLS on Monday, December 18 at 7:30 pm, under the direction Organist-Choir Director Tim Socha. They will be joined by the West Seneca West Bel Canto Singers, under direction of Keith Ersing and the Bell Choir of the Catholic Academy of West Buffalo. Music will include traditional carols and newly composed choral works. Call 854-5855 for more information.

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS. Cardinal O'Hara High School, 39 O'Hara Rd., Tonawanda will continue one of its longest running traditions with a Greccio reenactment and Christmas concert starting at 6:30pm on December 20. The O'Hara freshman class will reenact St. Francis of Assisi's pageant that depicts the birth of Jesus. O'Hara's Concert Band, Wind Ensemble, Chorus and Song Corps and Dance Ensemble will perform their annual concert of holiday favorites in the Performing Arts Center immediately following the reenactment. The event is free and open to the public. A spaghetti dinner fundraiser will also be held from 4-6pm in the student dining room. Tickets \$8 presale; \$10 at door. Dinner tickets may be purchased by calling 716-695-2600, ext. 311.

ARE YOU FEELING OVERWHELMED by Christmas coming so soon this year, disconnected from the season, or just have a case of the holiday blues? Are you looking for a healthy way to work through this and connect with God on a deeper level, or just something to help you take a break from your daily routine? Contact the Office of Family Life Ministries for a free Uplift At Advent packet, full of practical and easy to use reassurances, articles, and prayers to provide you with materials for a break from your routine. For a free packet, call 847-2210. **"STORIES FOR CHRISTMAS"** will air on Sunday, December 17 at 1pm and on Monday, December 25 at 11pm on WKBW-TV Ch. 7. This show will feature uplifting stories from people in our community who make a difference. Bishop Richard Malone, Rev. Paul Seil and friends help to spread the Christmas message.

Pope Francis Reflection...

"Faith becomes tangible when it finds its expression in love and, especially, in the service of our brothers and sisters in difficulty."