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HOLY MASSES

Saturday Vigil – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday – 8:00 a.m.; 11:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. – Spanish
Daily – 7:00 a.m.
Holy Days – As announced in bulletin

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:00 a.m.- 5 p.m.
(Closed Thursday, Saturday & Sunday)

BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAM

Both parents are asked to attend the baptismal preparation class prior to the celebration of the sacrament. The ideal time to attend is during the pregnancy. Please call for an appointment.

MARRIAGES

Wedding arrangements should be made at least six months prior to the desired date. Call Rectory for an appointment.

SICK CALLS

Any time, day or night. Call the Rectory as soon as possible.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday 7:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M. (concludes with Evening Prayer)
First Fridays 7:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M. (concludes with Evening Prayer and Benediction of Blessed Sacrament)

YOUNG ADULTS

Upon reaching their 19th birthday should assume their own identity by registering with the parish.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

A prospective godparent or sponsor needs some evidence that he/she is an active, contributing member of the parish and leads a life in harmony with the Catholic Faith. We can only give such testimony to those who are actually parish members.

REGISTRATION OF NEW PARISHIONERS

Please call the Rectory for an appointment.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Every Saturday at 4 pm; Thursday before First Friday 4 pm



Isaiah 60:1 Arise and shine; your light has come

Readings for the Week of January 5th, 2019/2020

Sun	Isaiah 60:1-6/Eph.3:2-3a,5-6/-Mt.2:2:1-12
Mon	1 John 3:22-4:6 / Matthew 4:12-17,23-25
Tues	1 John 4:7-10 / Mark 6:34-44
Thurs	1 John 4:19-5:4 / Luke 4:14-22a
Fri	1 John 5:5-13 / Luke 5:12-16
Sat	1 John 5:14-21 / John 3:22-30
Sun	Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7/Acts 10:34-38/ Mt 3:13-17

Our Offering to God

Stewardship: The Christmas Collection totaled \$4,177.75. The collection for the weekend of Dec 29th came to: \$7,394.47. Thank you for your support.

Religious Education

Our Parish Faith Formation Program resumes today, Sunday, January 5th with a Family Formation Gathering at noon, including a light meal. Not only children, but especially parents and grandparents are encouraged to attend. Remember that faith has a far better chance to grow if the family is involved. Faith lived at home is by far the most effective way to pass on faith.

Hispanic Three Kings Celebration

In Spanish Speaking countries the traditional day for gift giving is the arrival of the 'Tres Reyes' on January 6th. Liturgically, the feast of the Epiphany will be celebrated today, Sunday, January 5th. However this year the arrival of those mysterious kings will be delayed (no doubt due to bad weather) and so the Hispanic community will have their potluck dinner with gifts for children on January 12th following the Spanish mass.



Pardon our Error

Thank you for your thoughtful donations for Christmas Flowers. A number of parishioners pointed out that an entire page of donations for Christmas Flowers was missing in the list distributed on Christmas and that two pages were duplicates. Thank you for calling that to our attention. We inadvertently printed one page twice and omitted the last page. We were able to correct the list in time for last weekend's bulletin. If you did not receive the corrected list, you will find some at the church doors.

Prayer for the Selection of a New Bishop

Merciful Father,
You gave us shepherds as successors of the apostles to guide and govern your church.
We implore your Holy Spirit to guide the selection process as a new bishop is chosen to lead our diocese.
May he be a pastor filled with holiness and compassion to foster healing and a greater love of your name.
Allow our hearts to be open to the candidate of your choosing, so that, together as disciples of Jesus, we may continue to build your kingdom. Amen

Parish Office Closed on Wednesdays

As previously announced the office will now be closed on Wednesdays but open on Thursdays. Thank you for your cooperation with this change. It will allow more uninterrupted time for demanding tasks.

Statement of 2019 Church Contributions

You will automatically receive a statement of your donations to the parish by mail before the end of January. You do not have to request it, but please make sure that we have your correct street address.



Are You Registered in the Parish?

If you have been attending here for some time and want to "sink your roots" into this parish, we invite you to formally register. Simply contact Fr. Dennis. Welcome!

Advertising in S.E.A.S. Bulletin

A new advertising year will begin soon. If you wish your business to appear weekly on the back page of the bulletin, please contact the parish office soon. Your ad will reach about 450 households and is well spent. The fee for a single ad is \$250 per year; a double ad is \$500. We prefer a business card or layout indicating how you wish the ad to appear. Please note that the DEADLINE for new ads is February 18th, 2020 for printing in the bulletin beginning Feb. 24th, 2020. Letters and forms with details will be mailed to you for your convenience.



Cell Phones and Communications

Many families have eliminated their "land lines" and now rely solely on cell phones. Keep in mind that, without a current phone number, (landline or cell) we may be unable to contact you in a timely fashion. If you have recently changed your number, kindly notify the parish office at seasunkirkny.org or call 366-1750. If necessary, simply write your new phone number on your Sunday envelope.



Virtus Training

Anyone who will work with youth in our parishes, whether volunteer or employee, is required to attend a *Protecting God's Children* Course. A course will be held at the Catholic Center, 795 Main St, Buffalo on Thursday, January 23rd or Wed., Feb. 5th beginning at 12:30 p.m. and lasting about 3 ½ hours. (Note that to enter the Catholic Center you need a government issued ID with a photo e.g. drivers' license.) Pre-registration is STRONGLY encouraged. Go to www.buffalodiocese.org and click on "Protecting God's Children" (on the left side of screen) or if necessary e-mail Natalie Hoebener at seared@outlook.com.

Trip to Greece

Fr. Matt Nycz, pastor of Blessed Sacrament Church in Tonawanda, invites you to join him on a trip to Greece and the Greek Isles in the steps of St. Paul and St. John the Apostle. The trip will be for 11 days from October 6-16th, 2020. Visit Athens, Corinth, Mykonos, Ephesus, Patmos, Heraklion, Delphi, Thessalonica etc. Total package is \$3,799 from Toronto and includes airfare, an isles cruise, meals on land, shore excursions etc. For a brochure with details, contact Fr. Matt Nycz, 263 Claremont Ave. Buffalo 14223, phone 834-4282 or mnycz@hotmail.com

Catholics and Cremation


The Vatican issued new guidance about cremation in 2017. While the church is not opposed to cremation, it recommends that cremated remains of the deceased be buried in a cemetery or sacred space set aside for burial. Cremated remains should not be kept in in a residence for a lengthy period, nor are they to be scattered in the air, on or at sea. They should also not be preserved in mementos, such as jewelry or similar objects, nor divided among family members. This stance is based on the sacredness of the human body, created in the image of God. If cremains become part of jewelry, for example, what becomes of the cremains in a few years? Will they be sold at a garage sale? Will future generations revere the remains of your loved ones as much as you do?

What are Your Unique Gifts?

None of us are without gifts to share for the good of God's Kingdom. Could it be that your gift is the missing piece of the jigsaw puzzle that together should form the Diocese of Buffalo? Have you considered a vocation to priesthood or religious life? If you wish to get guidance concerning a possible call, call Fr. Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

Help for Your Marriage


Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? **Retrouaille** helps couples through difficult times. For more information, call 716-474-9371 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org. All calls are confidential and pre-registration is required. Next weekend date is February 14-16.



Praying for you and your family

Pray for the Sick

Janet Bonasera, Arlene Briggs, Jeremy Dolce, Andy Zdziduch, James Gibbons Jr., Arlene Kuhn. Call with new name or email: to st.elizannseton@netsync.net Listings are normally for three weeks only.

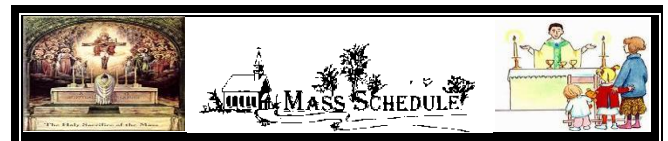


Praying for you and your family



Memorial

Santa "Babe" Salibury by Chautauqua Hospice and Palliative Care



((Vigil) January 4th, 2020 – Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

5:00 p.m. Dorothy Banach-Pinkowski by Szwejbka & Cooper Families

Sunday, January 5th, 2020- Epiphany Of The Lord

8:00 a.m. Loretta Bak by Daughter Cheryl & Family

11:00 a.m. Timothy Smith by the Conti Family

2:30 p.m. Parishioners of SEAS

Monday, January 6th.2020 –Christmas Weekday-St. Andre Bessette,

7:00 a.m. Dorothy Kornacki by Janet Gunther

Tuesday, January 7th, 2020- Christmas Weekday- St. Raymond of Penafort, priest

7:00 a.m. Emily Banach by Szwejbka & Cooper

Families

Wednesday, January 8th, 2020- Christmas Weekday

7:00 a.m. Chad Ellman by Mom, Dad & Family

Thursday, January 9th, 2020 Christmas Weekday

7:00 a.m. Charlotte Murphy by estate

Friday, January 10th, 2020- Christmas Weekday

7:00 a.m. Gerald Carroll by Leo & Sandy Bain

Saturday, January 11th 2020 – Christmas Weekday

7:00 a.m. Theresa Waterman by the Family

((Vigil) January 11th, 2020 – Christmas Weekday

5:00 p.m. Santa "Babe" Salisbury by Nancy Guido & Family

Sunday, January 12th, 2020- Epiphany Of The Lord

8:00 a.m. Dorothy Pinkowski by Nancy, George, Cheryl Catalano

11:00 a.m. Michael Ruiz Jr. By Aunt Maria Ruiz & Family

2:30 p.m. Parishioners of SEAS

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