

Today's Scripture Readings

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 55:6-9
Philippians 1: 20c-24,27a

Psalms 145
Matthew 20:1-16a

Readings for Next Weekend

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 18:25-28
Philippians 2: 1-11

Psalms 25
Matthew 21:28-32

Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week
M – Memorial A – Anniversary L –Living

Sunday, October 1st

9:00 am Steven Horvath-M

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 1st-Lois Weber
9:00 am

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 1st
9:00 am –Dustin Bliss

SACRISTAN SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 1st
9:00 am Carolyn Kramer

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

“Rosebud” Bouquets
Amanda Youngers, Carolyn Wenzel, Laurie Kuminecz

WELCOME TO church

Jesse Przybyla

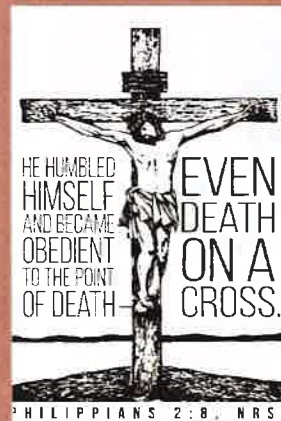
Collection week of 9/17/2023

Regular Collection \$ 2,581
Total \$ 2,581

August YTD: \$130,277.90
Budget: \$138,000
Variance (\$7,722.10)

Attendance 9/17
8: 30 am – 103

Counters for 10/1/2023 – Team K&D



It is never too late to change, for the worse or for the better. Ezekiel contrasts the virtuous person who turns away from God and chooses to sin with the wicked person who turns away from sin to do what is right. Jesus asks the chief priests and elders to consider two sons, one who says no, but ends up obeying, and the other who promises to obey, but doesn't follow through. Between the two readings today, we hear Saint Paul—who changed his life dramatically after his encounter with Christ—exhort the Philippians to unify in Christ in thought and action. May we do the same.

Question of the week:

How would my behavior change if I reorient myself toward others and away from myself? What could I do this week that I hadn't planned to do and for whom?

OUR FAMILY NEEDS YOUR INPUT

Our Forming Disciples Pillar has a short online survey that we kindly ask all of our parishioners to complete. This Pillar involves all aspects of education and faith formation in our Family of Parishes. Your feedback is essential for this Pillar's work. The link to the survey may be found on our parish website and we ask that you complete it by October 1st <https://tinyurl.com/formingdisciples6>



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STARTS SOON!!

Help provide the children in your life with a foundation of faith in God that will give them positive guidance as they go through life. Enroll them in the religious education program at Saint Joseph's Roman Catholic Church today!

The program will begin **October 1st** and will run through the end of April. Classes meet every other Sunday from 10-11:15am.

Participation is **FREE** and open to all children in grades 1-10.

Register by calling the church office between 9-noon, Tuesday-Friday at 716-537-9434, or email anytime stjholland@roadrunner.com

September 24, 2023
Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Vocation Sunday

FAMILY NEWS & EVENTS

The highly anticipated Mass schedule for our family (Family 6) was released last weekend. I thank the Liturgy Pillar for all the work they have put into this schedule as so many events are tied in with Mass times. Here are some of the considerations that influenced the schedule. Of primary importance is that the available Masses be spread out to offer more opportunities within the family for people to attend Masses and receive sacraments. Some people work 12 or even 24 hour shifts and are not available at the "normal" times. Spreading out the weekend Masses allows us to be available for their needs. There are very few Sunday evening Masses throughout the Diocese of Buffalo, so it is important for me that we keep one in the family. Having three masses running simultaneously while leaving a specific need unaddressed is not the best use of our resources. The weekday schedule was decided based upon specific needs and with the objective of making some opportunity for weekday Mass available to as many parishioners as possible. Thus, Annunciation is scheduled for the 7:00 am Mass to allow people to go to Mass on their way to work. Immaculate Conception's Mass schedule is set to support the school and not interfere with children arriving at school as much as possible. It offers three weekday Masses at 8:00 am before the students arrive and one on Tuesday at 9:15 am with the school children. St. Vincent de Paul's weekday schedule adds two scheduled times for confession on weekday evenings, in addition to going prior to a Saturday Vigil Mass. We were also able to restore two weekday Masses to St. Joseph in Holland and keep two out of the three weekday Masses at St. George in West Falls. I know change is always difficult. The priests are very much affected by the new schedule too. We and the pillar have done our best to provide more opportunities within our family as the Road to Renewal seeks to keep a Catholic presence within each parish.
Fr. Jerry

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge for young people ages 9-14 will be held at St. Vincent's in Spring Brook on Sunday, October 8 at 1 pm. Sign up sheets needed. Prizes for the winners. All are welcome! Free.

Children can demonstrate the most important skill in soccer – shooting accuracy on the penalty kick – and compete to reach the international level of competition. The Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge is open to all boys and girls in our community, ages 9-14. Age eligibility is determined by the age of the contestant as of Sept. 1.

First Friday Family Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus Friday, October 6th at St. Vincent's:



5:30 pm Bounce House, pizza & salad
6 pm Adoration, 6:15 Confession Available
6:30 pm Family Traditional Rosary
7 pm Mass followed by Anointing of the Sick
7:30-8:30 pm Social

All are Welcome - Bring a Friend!

Volunteers needed to help set up and/or clean up. Families with children lead the Rosary decades. Call or text Ellen Snyder to sign up: (716) 697-5130. Please bring a side dish or drinks to share. St. Vincent's: 6441 Seneca St. in Spring Brook (Elma)

Come join our St. Vincent's Handbell Choir for Christmas Eve Mass!

We are looking for new ringers and would like to invite anyone in our Family of Parishes. All we ask is that you have some basic music theory and are able to make our rehearsals. Haven't ever rung before? No problem, just come and we will show you how. We rehearse on Thursday evenings from 7 until 8:30 pm in the Music Room at St. Vincent's. Our schedule is as follows: Oct. 12, 19, 26, Nov. 2, 9, 16, 30, and Dec. 14 & 21. Any questions, call Linda Rupp @ 716-652-0398.

Please let me know by Oct. 6th if you are interested

The St. Vincent de Paul Council #17883, Knights of Columbus is on a quest for "6 Knights Before Christmas."

or more information, please contact Joe Hojek @ 716-803-5584 (text or phone).

Or you can explore the Knights at KoC.org.

Our email is: stvincendepaulcouncil17883@gmail.com

We meet at St. Vincent de Paul RC Church, 6441 Seneca St., Spring Brook NY 14140 (Elma)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SAVE THE DATES ANNUAL PUMPKIN SALE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7th At VALU in East Aurora ~ 7AM-2:00PM At Immaculate Conception ~ 3:30 PM

ST. FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL

St. Francis High School has a Fall Open House September 24 & 25th. Have you ever considered sending your son to St. Francis High School? Looking for a school with a rigorous academic curriculum, strong athletics, clubs, and leadership opportunities where your son can become the best version of himself? If so, then we would love to meet you and your son at our Fall Open House on Sunday, September 24th from 9:30am-11:30am or Monday, September 25th from 5pm-7pm –pre register @stfranchishigh.org. The tours take about an hour and you can sign up for any time slot during the two hour window. At the event, you will meet our Admissions Team, Administration, Coaches, Faculty and Staff, and current students to have all your questions answered and see what the application process looks like. Any questions please contact us at 716-627-1200 ext 582 or via email, admissions@stfranchishigh.org. St. Francis High School is located at 4129 Lake Shore Rd., Hamburg, NY 14075.



PATRONS

<u>Mike & Paulette Adams</u>	<u>Jim & Bea Montgomery</u>
<u>In Loving Memory of August Adler</u>	<u>In Loving Memory of Rose Painter</u>
<u>In Loving Memory of Steven Barilec, Jr</u>	<u>Loving Memories of Anna & John Paluch & Family</u>
<u>With loving Gratitude...Ed & Carol Burch Family</u>	
<u>In Loving Memory of Judith Calmes</u>	<u>Ms. Nancy Palumbo</u>
<u>Don & Rosemary Cavaretta</u>	<u>In Loving Memory of Edward & Estella Petrie</u>
<u>In Loving Memory of Allan Claus</u>	<u>In Loving Memory of Joanna Place</u>
<u>In Loving Memory of Carol May Crowley</u>	<u>In Loving Memory of Morris & Betty L. Place & Family</u>
<u>In Memory of Merv & Eileen Davies</u>	<u>In Loving Memory of Daniel Petrie</u>
<u>In Loving Memory of John Rickettson</u>	
<u>In Memory of Dugan Family</u>	<u>In Memory of Tony & Helen Ruminski</u>
<u>In Loving Memory of Joyce Faust</u>	<u>In Loving Memory of Ed Russell</u>
<u>Bill & Sandy Franczak</u>	<u>The Shanahan Family</u>
<u>In Loving Memory of Harry, Cecelia & Jerry Fronckowiak</u>	<u>In Loving Memory of Norbert Szarleta</u>
<u>The Hack Family</u>	<u>Norm & Pam Turner</u>
<u>In Loving Memory of Marge Kerber</u>	<u>In Loving Memory of Ralph & Marie Uplinger</u>
<u>In Loving Memory of Terry & Rose Kirsch</u>	<u>In Memory of the Ulrich & Yerge Families</u>
<u>Klimaszewski Family</u>	<u>The Vanderbush Family</u>
<u>Glenn & Karen Kline</u>	<u>In Memory of Stanley & Julia Zywczyński</u>
<u>In Memory of Robert & Marquerite Kramer</u>	<u>In Loving Memory of Kathryn & John Wawro</u>
<u>Larry & Sherrie Krzeminski</u>	<u>The Youngers Family</u>
<u>Mr. & Mrs. Alan Miano</u>	<u>The Zakrzewski Family</u>
<u>Lois Weber</u>	<u>In Loving Memory of Edwin & Shirley Zywczyński</u>
<u>Ray & Ann Zywczyński</u>	<u>In Loving Memory of Theresa Zywczyński</u>

PARISH BULLETIN

LITURGY: Sunday at 8:30 am
 WEEKDAYS: TBD
 HOLY DAYS: TBD
 RECONCILIATION: TBD
 BAPTISMS: By appointment only
 WEDDINGS: Call at least 6 months in advance
 so that our community can assist
 you with this important event.
 SICK CALLS: Call anytime 716-652-6400
 PRAYER CHAIN: If you know someone that you
 would like our faith community to
 pray for, please call the rectory.

PRAYER CHAIN

If you know someone that you would like our faith community to pray for, please call Bill Franczak @ 716-537-9448 or Mary Major @ 716-537-9336. Please leave your name, phone number, name of the person for prayer and the reason for prayer.

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Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Family Head Pastor---Fr. Gerard Skrzynski
 Senior Parochial Vicar--Fr. Karl Loeb
 Parochial Vicar--Fr. Aaron Kulczyk

Praying the Rosary - 8:30 am
Mass - Sunday's 9:00 am

Mass times will be changing, effective 9/30/23 as follows:
Sunday: 9:00 am
Thursday: 8:00 am
Saturday: 8:00 am

YOU'VE GOT QUESTIONS - BRING THEM TO ALPHA!

Food • Video • Discussion
 Explore the issues around faith and unpack the basics of Christianity



A Family of Parishes series

Sessions begin on September 17 from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
 at St. Stanislaus Church, 389 Peckham St., Buffalo, NY

Am I lovable? Do I belong?
Does my life have meaning? Is God really good?

You are also welcomed to join us at 4:00 pm for adoration and 5:00 pm for Mass
 No charge - Text or call 716-341-3466 to register



September 25
 6pm-Admin Pillar-St. Joseph's

September 27th
 5:30pm Liturgy Pillar-
 Immaculate

September 28th
 5:30 Stewardship Pillar-
 St. George's

Our Parish Mission

- ◆ Provide for the spiritual and temporal well being of those entrusted to our care
- ◆ Reach out, welcome and invite all people to assist in the building of God's Kingdom
- ◆ Use our gifts to continue the mission of Jesus
- ◆ Lead others to a deeper knowledge, love and service of God

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