

# St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church

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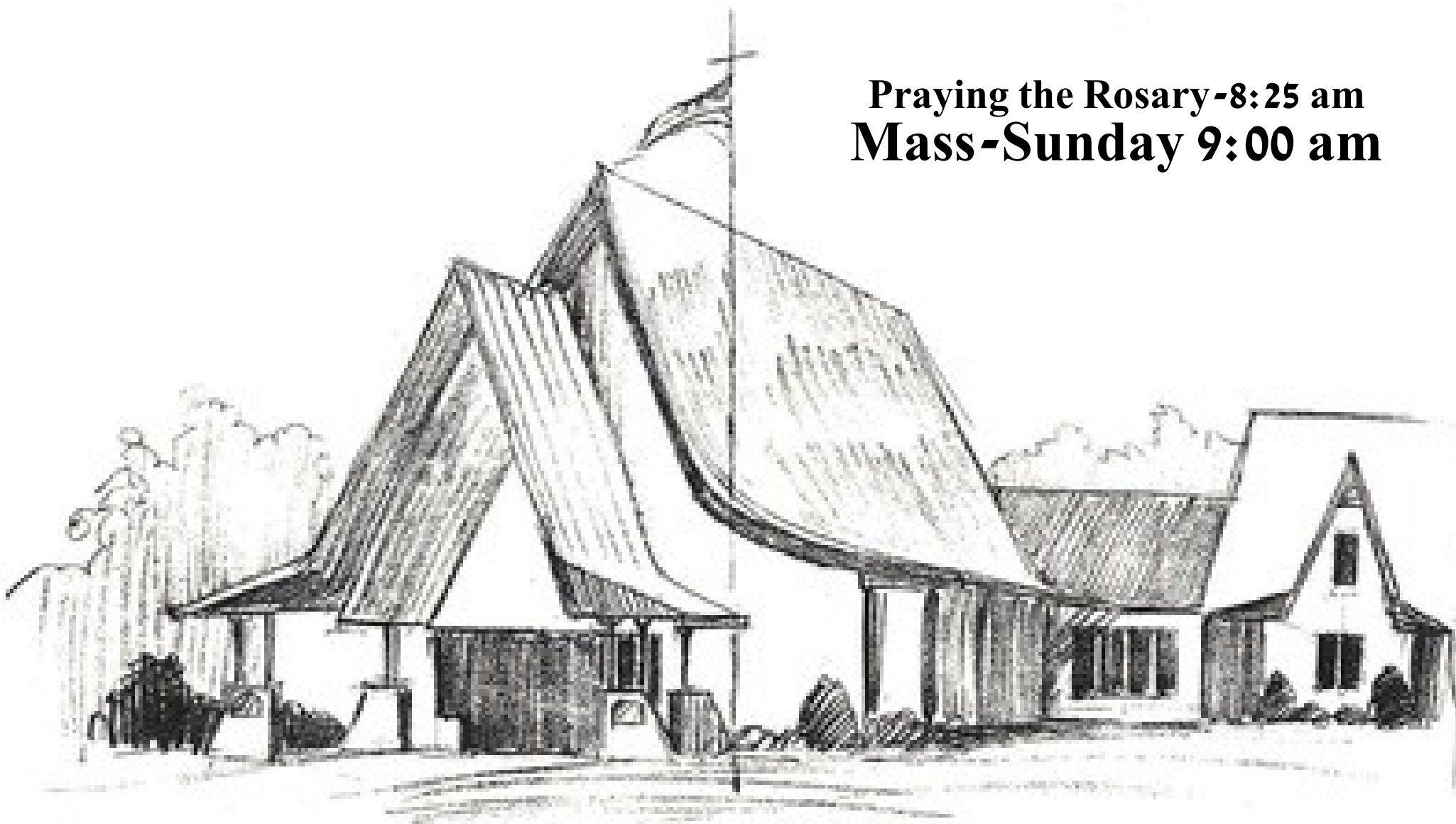
**Office Hours:** Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

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

## 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*

**Praying the Rosary-8:25 am**  
**Mass-Sunday 9:00 am**



Arise, shine, for your light has come,  
and the glory of the LORD rises upon you.

**Isaiah 60:1**

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## PARISH BULLETIN

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| LITURGY:        | Sundays at 9:00 am  |
| WEEKDAYS        | Thursdays 8 am<br>Saturdays 8 am  |
| HOLY DAYS:      | TBD   |
| RECONCILIATION: | TBD   |
| BAPTISMS:       | By appointment only   |
| WEDDINGS:       | Call at least 6 months in advance<br>so that our community can assist<br>you with this important event. |
| SICK CALLS:     | Call anytime 716-652-6400   |
| PRAYER CHAIN:   | If you know someone that you<br>would like our faith community to<br>pray for, please call the rectory. |

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

**Thursday, January 11th**

8:00 am– Mark Manfre-M  
(Stewart Family)

**Saturday, January 13th**

8:00 am-Mark Manfre-M  
(Stewart Family)

**Sunday, January 14th**

9:00 am-Martha Kalinowski-M  
(Dan & MaryAnn Posluszny)

**LECTOR SCHEDULE**

**Sunday, January 14th**

9:00 am –Valerie Sullivan

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE**

**Sunday, January 14th**

9:00 am – John Hilton, Michael Kasperzyk,  
Nikera Kolaki, Dustin Bliss

**SACRISTAN SCHEDULE**

**Sunday, January 14th**

9:00 am-Help Needed

**Counters for 1/14/2024—Team Z**

Regular Collection  
12/31/23  
Total \$2,585

**Attendance**

12/31/23-104

**Upcoming Important Dates:**

- January 8th– 6:00 pm-Administration Pillar Meeting @ Immaculate Conception
- January 11th– 7:00 pm-Parish Council Meeting
- January 14th-10:00 am– Taking down Christmas Decorations-Volunteers Needed
- January 15th-7:00 pm-Finance Committee Meet-

*In Our Thoughts & Prayers*



**“Rosebud” Bouquets**  
**Amanda Youngers**  
**Lois Weber**

Rest in Peace

**Martha Kalinowski**

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 at 716-537-9336. Please leave your name and phone number along with the name of the person going on the list and the reason why. Thank you!



***Today’s Scripture Readings***  
***Epiphany of the Lord***

***Isaiah 60:1-6***

***Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6***

***Psalm 72***

***Matthew 2:1-12***

***Readings for Next Weekend***  
***Second Sunday in Ordinary Time***

***1 Samuel 3: 3b-10, 19***

***1 Corinthians 6: 13c-15a, 17-20***

***Psalm 40***

***John 1:35-42***

~Volunteers are needed for January 14th after the 9:00 am Mass to take down all the Christmas decorations.

~If you need your contribution letter for 2023, please call the office at 716-537-9434 or email at [stjholland@roadrunner.com](mailto:stjholland@roadrunner.com)

~Parish Council will be held Thursday, January 11th at 7pm. All are welcome to attend

~A cell phone was found outside of the church doors last week, contact the office if this is yours.

**ALPHA IS STARTING!**

Are you feeling stale in your spiritual life? Do you have a family member that has fallen away from the Church? Do you desire to bring others to Christ like he called us to do in being “fisherman of men”?

Join in on Alpha starting Thursday, January 18th at 6:00 in the Saint Joseph’s parish hall, and the following 11 weeks on the same day of the week and at the same time and location.

Alpha is a non-denominational evangelization program that is nearly 50 years old that has brought millions of people to Christ around the world. It is a 12 week program that explores questions like, “is there more to life than this,” “who was Jesus Christ,” “why did Jesus Christ die for me,” “why do we pray,” just to name a few.

Parishioners are encouraged to come to reinvigorate their own faith as well as to be trained on how the program works. The goal is to run Alpha again in the fall to attract people in our community that are fall-away Catholics, Christians that are looking for a deeper relationship with Christ or even people that don’t know Christ but are searching for more meaning and purpose in life.

Each session of Alpha is an hour and a half long with a dinner, an excellent 30 minute movie exploring the particular question of the session and then a 30 minute discussion of the movie topic in a small group. The time of an hour and a half is strictly adhered to out of respect for the participants’ personal schedules. The only exception to this format and agenda is that on the 10th week there will be a “Holy Spirit” retreat that will be held at an off-sight location close by that will be 7 hours long on a Saturday.

If the Holy Spirit is making you even the least bit curious about Alpha and its potential, please come to the first one or two meetings. There is no long term commitment, so if Alpha isn’t for you, you can quit at any-time.

For more information reach out to Dustin Bliss at Mass or at (585) 322-3665. God Bless!



**January 7, 2024**  
**Epiphany of the Lord**

# WHEAT SCATTERED AND SOWN EVENTS

WITH GRATITUDE ...

As we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany and the gifts of the Magi, Father Karl, Father Aaron and I wish to give thanks for the gift of our Family of Parishes. Throughout the Advent and Christmas Season so many of you have assisted in helping to provide a prayerful and peaceful Christmas preparation.

We thank the **Music Ministry** in each of our Family of Parishes for their dedication and beautiful gift of music. Our Eucharistic Celebrations were enriched because of you.

We thank our **Deacons, Altar Servers, Lectors, Greeters, Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans and Ushers** who assisted at each of the Parish Celebrations.

Our churches looked so very beautiful because of the dedication of our **Decorating Committees**. Your talent and hard work enhanced our celebration at Mass.

We thank **ALL** of our **PARISHIONERS** from the Church of the Annunciation, Immaculate Conception, Saint George, Saint Joseph and Saint Vincent de Paul for your patience, Christmas wishes, and cooperative spirit as we work together to strengthen Church within our Family of Parishes.

Before and during the Christmas Season we admired your generosity and ability to reach out to those within our community most in need. Your thoughtfulness and extraordinary ability to share your gifts, your time, your talents, and your presence is so very much appreciated.

We have begun a new year, 2024. Beginnings can be filled with anxiety. We worry and don't know what lies ahead of us. But we are not alone...**Our God Is With Us! The feasts of Christmas and Epiphany ask us to celebrate the deep mystery and the reality that God is not only with us but within each of us!**

May God continue to bless, in abundance, everyone of you and your families as we trustingly walk into the New Year, **TOGETHER**.

*Father Jerry, Father Karl and Father Aaron*

## BIBLE STUDY SIGN UP AT ANNUNCIATION

Since the time is short for our next Bible Study Deb Keenan, our Pastoral Associate for Ministry, will be at Bible study to accept payment and hand out books in **SELBERT HALL** on the first day or night of the study.

### **WEDNESDAY MORNING JANUARY 10TH @ 9:30AM**

The study will be **Mark I** a 4 week study on the first part of the Gospel of Mark - cost will be \$8.00 for WHEAT family members, \$17 for non-family members.

### **THURSDAY EVENING JANUARY 11TH @ 7PM**

The study will be **Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible** featuring a Bible Timeline for 8 weeks - cost will be \$13.00 for WHEAT family members, \$26 for non-family members.

**PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND COME FOR THE FIRST SESSION.**

### Wedding Anniversary Mass

**When:** Sunday, February 11, 2024 @ 10:30 am

St. Joseph Cathedral  
50 Franklin Street  
Buffalo, NY 14202

Registration is required by January 12, 2024. Call the Diocese of Buffalo at (716) 847-8373

During Mass Couples will renew their marriage vows. After Mass couples will be able to have a photo taken with Bishop Fisher and will receive a small memento of the day. Brunch will be held at St. Anthony of Padua Church Center at 160 Court Street (behind City Hall)

St. Vincent de Paul Knights of Columbus invite you to a **Super Bowl Winter Meat Raffle** on Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6441 Seneca St., Spring Brook (Elma) in St. Vincent's School Gym. **Doors Open @ 6 pm, Raffle Starts 7 pm, \$12 Presale or \$15 at the door. Reservations for tables of 8 for \$80.**

Admission gets you Beer, Wine, Soda & Pizza  
For tickets & table reservations please contact Ed @ 716-806-8321 or Joe @ 716-803-5584

**Our Lady of Pompeii's  
Holy Name Society**

## **POLISH DINNER**

**Saturday, January 20th, 2024**

**Dine In/Take out starts at 4:00pm**

**Dinner includes: Pork Chops, Fresh & Smoked Sausage, Cheese & Sauerkraut Pierogi's, Sweet & Sour Cabbage, Rye Bread & Butter.**

**Cost: \$15.00 per dinner**

**Prepared by our chef: Mike Numeracki**



## PATRONS

Mike & Paulette Adams

Jim & Bea Montgomery

In Loving Memory of August Adler

In Loving Memory of Rose Painter

In Loving Memory of Steven Barilec, Jr

Loving Memories of Anna & John Paluch & Family

With loving Gratitude...Ed & Carol Burch Family

In Loving Memory of Judith Calmes

Ms. Nancy Palumbo

Don & Rosemary Cavaretta

In Loving Memory of Edward & Estella Petrie

In Loving Memory of Allan Claus

In Loving Memory of Joanna Place

In Loving Memory of Carol May Crowley

In Loving Memory of Morris & Betty L. Place & Family

In Memory of Merv & Eileen Davies

In Loving Memory of Daniel Petrie

In Loving Memory of John Rickettson

In Memory of Dugan Family

In Memory of Tony & Helen Ruminski

In Loving Memory of Joyce Faust

In Loving Memory of Ed Russell

Bill & Sandy Franczak

The Shanahan Family

In Loving Memory of Harry, Cecelia & Jerry Fronckowiak

In Loving Memory of Norbert Szarleta

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In Loving Memory of Marge Kerber

In Loving Memory of Ralph & Marie Uplinger

In Loving Memory of Terry & Rose Kirsch

In Memory of the Ulrich & Yerge Families

Klimaszewski Family

The Vanderbush Family

Glenn & Karen Kline

In Memory of Stanley & Julia Zywczyński

In Memory of Robert & Marguerite Kramer

In Loving Memory of Kathryn & John Wawro

Larry & Sherrie Krzeminski

The Youngers Family

Mr. & Mrs. Alan Miano

The Zakrzewski Family

Lois Weber

In Loving Memory of Edwin & Shirley Zywczyński

Ray & Ann Zywczyński

In Loving Memory of Theresa Zywczyński

*If you are unable to attend St. Joseph's new mass time, other local parish mass times are below for your convenience. Please be sure to use your St. Joseph's envelopes within our Family of Parishes for your offering to be allocated St. Joseph's.*

St. Jude/ Sardinia: Saturday: 5:00 pm

The New St. Mary's:

Sunday: 9:00 am (Arcade)

Sunday: 11:00 am (East Arcade)

St. Mary's (Strykersville):

Saturday: 5:30pm

### WHEAT Scattered and Sown

Immaculate Conception/ East Aurora:

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 8am, 9:30am

St. Vincent de Paul: Saturday: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 10 am.

Annunciation/ Elma:

Sunday 8 am, 11 am, 5 pm

St. George/ West Falls: Sunday 10:30 am