

St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church

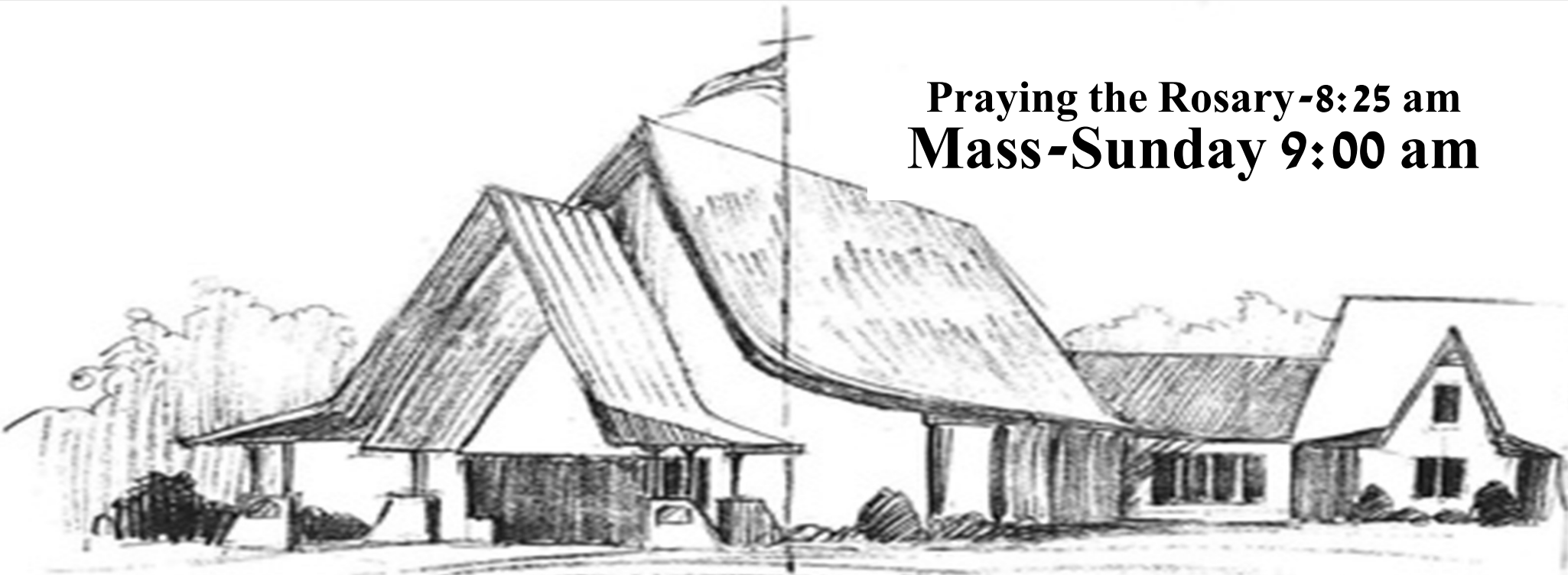
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Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

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

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



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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Holy Week & Easter Schedule for WHEAT Scattered & Sown Family of Catholic Parishes



Reconciliation Services:

Monday, March 25th at St. Vincent's
3 - 5 pm and 7 pm until finished

HOLY WEEK LITURGY SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY 3/28 Masses at 7 pm:
Annunciation, Immaculate Conception, St. George

GOOD FRIDAY 3/29 Services at 3 pm:
Immaculate Conception, St. Joseph & St. Vincent
7 pm- Tenebrae Service at St. Joseph's

**HOLY SATURDAY 3/30 Vigil Masses start
at 8:30 pm: St. Joseph & St. Vincent**

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES 3/31/24:
8 am Annunciation & Immaculate Conception
9:00 am St. Joseph, Holland
9:30 am Immaculate Conception, East Aurora
10 am St. Vincent de Paul, Spring Brook (Elma)
10:30 am St. George, West Falls
11 am Church of the Annunciation, Elma

PARISH BULLETIN

LITURGY:	Sunday at 9:00 am
WEEKDAYS	Thursdays 8 am Saturdays 8 am
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.

PATRONS

Mike & Paulette Adams

Jim & Bea Montgomery

In Loving Memory of August Adler

In Loving Memory of Rose Painter

With loving Gratitude...Ed & Carol Burch Family

In Loving Memory of John Ricketson

In Loving Memory of Judith Calmes

In Loving Memory of Allan Claus

Don & Rosemary Cavaretta

In Loving Memory of Edward & Estella Petrie

In Loving Memory of Carol May Crowley

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

In Loving Memory of Joanna Place

In Loving Memory of Daniel Petrie

In Memory of Dugan Family

The Hack Family

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

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 Robert & Marguerite Kramer

The Youngers Family

Larry & Sherrie Krzeminski

The Zakrzewski Family

In Loving Memory of Edwin & Shirley Zywczyński

Ray & Ann Zywczyński

In Loving Memory of David Uplinger

In Memory of Tony & Helen Ruminski

Loving Memories of Anna & John Paluch & Family

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

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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

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

Thursday, March 21st

8:00 am-Mother's Day Intentions

Saturday, March 23rd

8:00 am-All Souls Intentions

Sunday, March 24th

9:00 am-Mother's Day Intentions

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 24th
9:00 am –Susan Vanderbush

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 24th
9:00 am –John Hilton, Michael Kasprzyk
Carolyn Kramer & Scott Youngers

SACRISTAN SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 24th
9:00 am-Sacristan Needed

COLLECTION WEEK OF 3/10/2024

Regular Collection \$2,306

Attendance 3/10

9:00 am-104

Counters for 3/24/24-Team P

First Reconciliation will be held March 19th

100th Anniversary-We are celebrating our 100th anniversary in October. We are forming a planning committee, please call Nancy Palumbo at 716-263-1487 if you would like to be a part of this group.

Stations of the Cross will be held March 22nd at 7:00pm

Thank you to our new Right to Life Representative, Nikera Kolacki!

Volunteers are needed on **March 30th at 9 am** to decorate and set up the church for Easter.

Readers are needed for Holy Week services, please sign up in the vestibule after Mass the next week.

Easter Basket Blessings at our Family of Parishes:

Holy Saturday, March 30, 2024

11 am Immaculate Conception

12 noon Church of the Annunciation

1 pm St. Joseph

1 pm St. Vincent



New High School Scholarship Program

\$500/year for four years

For boys and girls in the WHEAT family of parishes, who are about to enter 9th grade in a Catholic High School.

Application available at www.r716.us/K

or call 716-238-4728

Submit by April 1

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus



"Rosebud" Bouquets
Amanda Youngers
Lois Weber

Prayers for the deceased:

Thomas Williamson

Mary Jane Charles

Theresa Barilec

Flo Letson

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
Fifth Sunday of Lent

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Hebrews 5: 7-9

Psalms 51

John 12:20-33

Readings for Next Weekend
Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50:4-7

Philippians 2:6-11

Psalms 22

Mark 14:1-15:47



Life in the



EUCCHARIST

Last
Retreat
is this
weekend!

Sunday March 17 from 2-3:30 pm at
the Church of the Annunciation in Elma.

Special Guest Speakers:

Fr. Aaron Kulczyk

& Sue Pivarunas



RESPECT LIFE

Starts this weekend!

Knights of Columbus Baby Bottle Bonanza

St. Vincent's Knights of Columbus invite us to help the unborn as part of our Lenten almsgiving.

How Can You Help? Pick up a bottle after Mass this weekend from the display table in the narthex or from a Knights of Columbus member.

Fill bottles with spare change, dollars, or checks to Knights of Columbus Council #17883. Your generous gifts will stay local and go to the St. Gianna Molla Pregnancy Center, the Mother Teresa Home, and other local Crisis Pregnancy Centers, all where mothers and babies are loved and served.

Questions? Contact Chairmen Joe Gnojek at 716 803-5584 or Bob Stayoch at 716 864-8221.

The babies, mothers, families and your Knights of Columbus thank you for your support!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



March 17, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Lent

WHEAT SCATTERED AND SOWN EVENTS

We are quickly approaching Holy Week and our Celebration of Easter. I encourage you to take advantage of the many spiritual opportunities available. Our **Reconciliation Service** will take place on the **25th of March at St. Vincent de Paul Parish. Tuesday, March 26th is the Chrism Mass at 7PM at St. Joseph Cathedral. If you have never been to the Chrism Mass it is a beautiful way to begin Holy Week.** This weekend is the last **Life In The Eucharist Retreat** which will take place at the Church of the Annunciation from 2:00-3:30PM. May these next two weeks help you to journey deeper into your spiritual life. Take some **“YOU” time** with Jesus and just be still and listen. The following reflection might help you to peacefully stay with Jesus.

~Father Jerry

Jesus was a master story teller. He spoke to largely farming and fishing communities about fish, gardening, baking bread, farming, seeds, vines, sheep and shepherds. He used images that the people appreciated and understood

When speaking about himself He says; *‘unless a grain of wheat falls to the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.’* Farming and gardening are processes of **transformation.**

Seeds are sown in the earth. The ground is tended to and cared for; weeds are removed and the seeds are watered. Then the waiting starts until what was sown slowly and somehow, mysteriously, is transformed from a single seed into something altogether new; a plant bursting with new life. The old gives way to the new.

There is a sense of sacrifice and dying; the seeds let go, yield and are transformed. One can imagine that this is a painful process of the seed seemingly losing itself. **But, new life comes from this painful transformation.**

Holy Week and Easter are in sight. The Gospel today points to the Passion of Jesus. Jesus is the seed that will be ‘sown’ in the earth. **He will let go, yield, offer His life and be transformed. From His death will come new life.** Through His life, death and resurrection, Jesus offers us the fruit of eternal life. From this apparent loss will come the ultimate good. Only with death is there Resurrection.

Next week we begin Holy Week. We are being invited by Jesus to stay with Him so we can experience Good Friday and the stark reality of the cross. **These are only steps on the way. We are called to stand at the cross before we can stand at empty tomb at Easter.** The cross is central not only to Lent, but to the whole message of Christianity. In the Gospel today Jesus clearly says, *‘The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.’* This glory will not come through power or prestige but through His dying and rising. **From His death will come our new life.**

Good Friday Ecumenical Taize “Prayer Around the Cross”

“Nothing is more conducive to a communion with the living God than a meditative common prayer with, as its high point, singing that never ends and that continues in the silence of one’s heart when one is alone again,” wrote Brother Roger of Taize.

You are invited on Good Friday at 7pm to “Prayer Around the Cross” at the Church of the Annunciation, 7580 Clinton St., Elma, NY 14059.

The service is under an hour in length of meditative readings, quiet music, your prayers and reflection time. The Taize Community in Burgundy, France was founded in 1940 by Brother Roger Schutz, a Reformed Protestant, to bring Catholic and Protestant traditions together in an ecumenical Christian monastic community that emphasizes the spirit of kindness, simplicity and reconciliation.

Everyone is welcome.

ST. FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER CAMPS at ST FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL 2024

Everything you need for a memorable Summer is here at St. Francis! Check out our Rising Red Raider program for boys entering the 8th grade in the fall of 2024 filled with engaging and interactive activities such as a movie-making workshop, robotics, E-sports and much more! For our young athletes, we have multiple sports camps for various grade levels that will help you learn the basics and set you on a path for high-level performance.



Listening Sessions

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13 AT 6:30 PM

Resurrection Parish Center | 130 Como Park Blvd., Buffalo

HOST BY REV. SEAN DIMARIA, VICAR FORANE – SOUTHERN ERIE COUNTY

TUESDAY, MARCH 19 AT 6:00 PM

Ascension Parish Hall | 19 Sumner Street, Batavia

HOSTED BY REV. BERNARD NOWAK,
VICAR FORANE – GENESEE/WYOMING COUNTIES

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20 AT 6:30 PM

St. Leo the Great Parish Center | 855 Sweet Home Road, Amherst

HOSTED BY REV. MSGR ROBERT ZAPFEL, VICAR FORANE – NORTHERN ERIE
REV. STEVEN JEKIELEK, VICAR FORANE – NIAGARA/ORLEANS COUNTIES