

# St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church

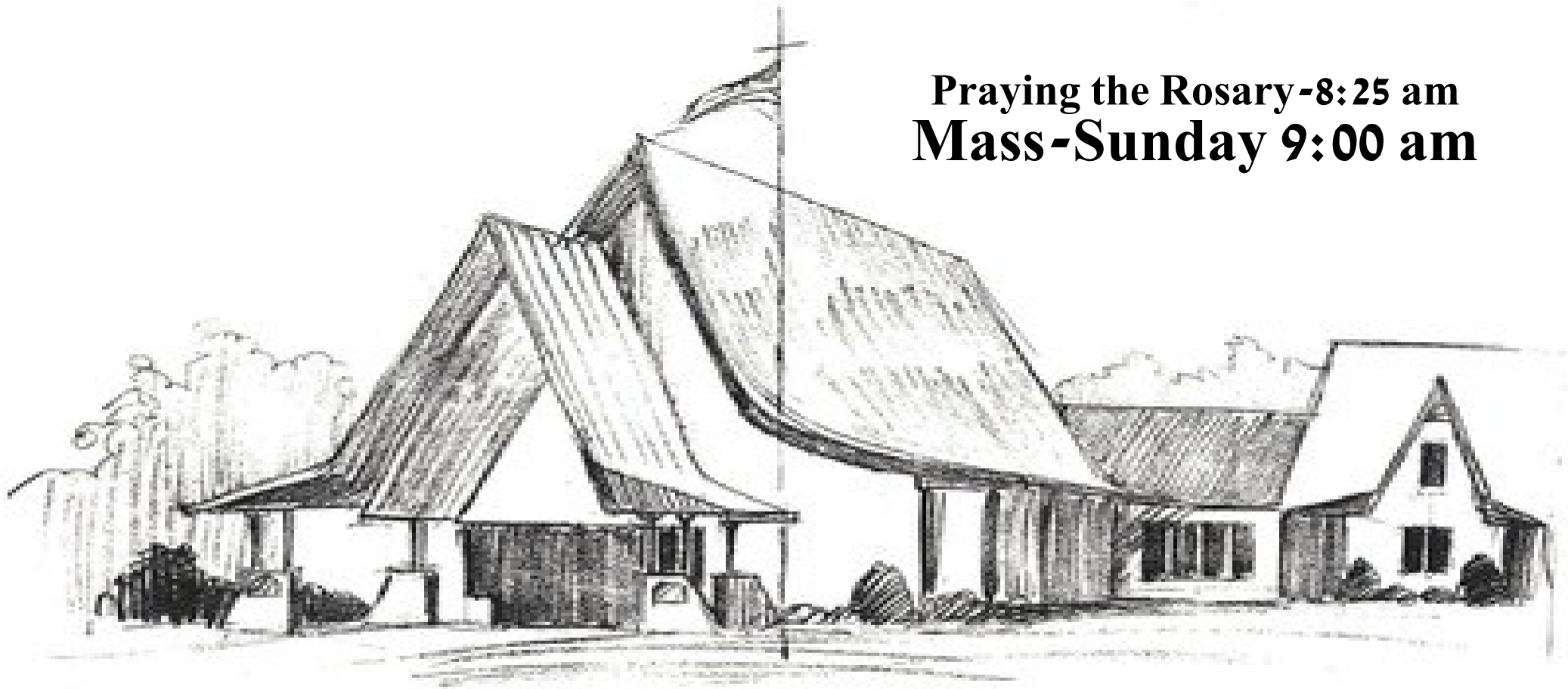
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**Office Hours:** Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

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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## **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.

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

**Thursday, May 9th**  
**Ascension of the Lord**  
8:00 am-Jim Weber-(M)  
(Lois Weber)

**Saturday, May 11th**  
8:00 am-Mother’s Day Intentions

**Sunday, May 12th**  
9:00 am-For the deceased members of the  
Winter & Damon Families (M)  
The Damon Family

**LECTOR SCHEDULE**  
Sunday, May 12th  
9:00 am –Susan Vanderbush

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE**  
Sunday, May 12th  
9:00 am –Dustin Bliss, Scott Youngers,  
Nikera Kolacki & Michael Kasprzyk

**SACRISTAN SCHEDULE**  
Sunday, May 12th  
9:00 am-Sacristan Needed

**COLLECTION WEEK OF 4/28/2024**  
Regular Collection -\$3,136

**Attendance**  
4/28/24-120

**Counters for 5/12/24-Team K&D**

**Protecting God’s Children Workshop is to be held at St. Vincent’s in Spring Brook on Wednesday, May 8 from 6 to 9:30 pm in Walter Hall (school entrance).**

**Parish and Catholic school employees and volunteers over the age of 18 who work with children and young people in the Diocese of Buffalo, are required to attend a child sexual abuse awareness session.**

Register at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) or [www.buffalodiocese.org/protecting-gods-children](http://www.buffalodiocese.org/protecting-gods-children).

*Preregistration is required.*

*St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 6441 Seneca St., P.O. Box 290, Spring Brook (Elma), NY 14140*

**Our Lady of Victory’s Couples Ministry, Victorious Hearts, invites you to a special evening with Fr. Boniface Hicks on Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> following the 4:30 pm Mass at Our Lady of Victory. Fr. Boniface will be giving a tailored talk to couples and those called to the vocation of marriage, starting at 6 p.m. No RSVP is necessary. Fr. Boniface is a Benedictine monk, an accomplished author, spiritual director, and on-air contributor for EWTN and other programs on theology and the spiritual life. For more information go to [www.olvbasilica.org/couples](http://www.olvbasilica.org/couples)**



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

Prayers for the deceased:  
Cheryl Wangelin  
Peter Dembik

Prayer Chain

If you know someone that you would like our faith community to pray for, please call Bill Franczak at 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.

**Today’s Scripture Readings**  
**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**Acts 10: 25-26,34-35,44-48**  
**1 John 4: 7-10**

**Psalm 98**  
**John 15:9-17**

**Readings for Next Weekend**  
**Ascension of the Lord**

**Acts 1:1-11**  
**Ephesians 1:17-23**

**Psalm 47**  
**Mark 16: 15-20**

Congratulations to all of St. Joseph’s students that received their **First Holy Communion!** We continue to pray for God to guide you through this journey.

Mass for **The Ascension of the Lord** will be held at 8:00 am on Thursday, May 9th at St. Joseph’s. This is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Annunciation– 7:00 am & 3:00 pm  
St. Joseph-8:00 am  
Immaculate –9:15 am  
St. Vincent– 12:00 pm & 6:00 pm  
St. George-7:00 pm

There will be a Blood Drive Friday, May 10th from 12:30-5:30 at the Parish Hall.

Next Sunday, May 12th we will be celebrating Mass with newly ordained priest, Father Jason Damon. Light refreshments will be available after Mass to congratulate and celebrate with him.

This years **Gentlemen of All Ages** breakfast will be held on May 19th after the 9 am Mass. Deacon Ron Adamczak will be giving an inspiring discussion titled “*God’s Call: Living as Men of Faith*” Tickets are \$10 and available before and after Mass as well as at the door! Don’t miss out on this great event.

On **Pentecost Sunday, May 19th**, we are asking parishioners to wear something **RED** to Mass to celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit!

Looking for a fun Christ filled week for your children this summer? Then mark your calendars for St. Joseph’s **Vacation Bible School** running July 22-26th from 9 am –12 pm. VBS is open to children Pre-K through 6th grade. Activities will include Bible stories, crafts, games, music and more. We are looking for volunteers to make this a successful and fun week. Please contact Lauralee Bliss at 716-430-7312 to volunteer and for more information.



# May 5, 2024 Sixth Sunday of Easter

## WHEAT SCATTERED AND SOWN EVENTS

Our second reading as well as the Gospel speak of love. 1 John begins; "Let us love one another since love is of God." In the same reading we hear; "God sent his only Son into the world so we might have life through Him...In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that He loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins." In the Gospel Jesus speaks of a very different kind of love. This is the sacred and profound love that God has for each of us, "there is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends."

Love is life-giving. In Christian love there is the reality of selflessness and sacrifice. **Christian love is really not sentimental.** Christian love is shown in the way we live. When Jesus washed the feet of his disciples he showed them how much he loved them. Jesus took that love a step further when He stated; **"this I command you; love one another."** **Christian love is when we reach out to others and put their needs before ours.**

We love and serve humanity in a multitude of different ways. When we watch the nightly news we often see how people spring into action and we witness many acts of sacrifice, love and service.

Locally we assist the St. Vincent de Paul Society who in turn assists those most in need. We reach out to Sister Mary Johnice from Response to Love Center, The Gianna House, Harvest House, Catholic Charities and the many Family of Parishes groups who help others without counting the cost. These are all living and practical examples of Christian love and service. This is what Jesus means when he asks us to wash each other's feet and love as He loves us.

**How do we practice kindness in a world where anger, rage, jealousy, violence and persecution are all too prevalent?** We should never underestimate the impact that our acts of kindness, love and service have on others. Perhaps we are tempted to see these gestures as small, unimportant and insignificant. Maybe we will never know how our acts of love and sacrifice affect others.

Today's readings are a real challenge for us. If we say we love God and follow Jesus, then we are at the same time called to love others and care for them in whatever way we can. **We are called to show our love for others and God, in and through the ordinary events of our daily lives.**

### Sixth Sunday of Easter

"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends," Jesus tells us. This does not always mean one heroic act of self-sacrifice. It can also be a life laid down in daily self-denial & service to others. The priesthood is just such a life. There is no greater love! To learn more, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org).

### ST. MARY'S PARISH MISSION 2024 MAY 19 - MAY 22



TWELVE UNIQUE TALKS BY A DYNAMIC SPEAKER WITH COMPELLING MESSAGES ABOUT OUR CATHOLIC FAITH,

### KARLO BROUSSARD

CATHOLIC APOLOGIST AND NATIONAL SPEAKER  
FOR CATHOLIC ANSWERS

Karlo is one of the most dynamic and gifted Catholic speakers on the circuit today, communicating with precision of thought, a genuine love for God, and an enthusiasm that inspires.



Scan for a complete schedule of Karlo's talks or go to [stmaryswormville.org](http://stmaryswormville.org)

ALL ARE WELCOME  
TO THESE FREE  
TALKS!

CELEBRATING  
175 YEARS OF  
DISCIPLESHIP



St. Mary's Church, 6919 Transit Road  
East Amherst, NY 14051

## Buffalo Bells presents Joy in the Journey

Join us for a  
FREE, FAMILY-FRIENDLY HANDBELL CONCERT

Monday, May 13 - 7:00 pm

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church  
6441 Seneca Street  
Springbrook, NY



Monday, May 20

7:00 pm

Faith Lutheran  
Church  
1230 Bowen Rd.  
Elma, NY

There will be socializing and refreshments after each concert. Please join us!



### DISCERNMENT

(Is it from God, or myself?)

### DONNA WIEAND



Donna will be our Catholic Witness on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> after the 10 am Mass at St. Vincent's Church

Although Donna could identify the many times that our Lord and Lady have worked in her life, she will focus on how she was strongly directed to help others. Donna will share how Jesus repeatedly and patiently called her through discernment and interior locutions.

Donna Wieand is the founder of Branches Christian Rest and Renewal Centers.

Come and hear our Catholic Witness speaker on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> after the 10 am Mass at St. Vincent de Paul Church.

All are welcome!



## 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

In Memory of Merv and Eileen Davies

***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 & 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**