

Most Precious Blood

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Of the Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community

Parish Motto:

Let us do little things with great

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Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community

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Permanent Deacons

Deacon Joseph Gray -- Deacon Bill Walkowiak
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MPB Parish Staff

Pastoral Care.....Elizabeth Emhof (716-262-4782)
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MPB Rectory Office Hours

Monday & Friday.....9:00 a.m. -- 1:00 p.m

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil:.....4:00 p.m.
Sunday:.....8:00 a.m.
Weekdays: Monday, Wednesday, Friday:.....8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENTS

Infant Baptism: During weekend Masses. Parents must be practicing Catholics and attend a Pre-Baptismal Class. Call the rectory office to register.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Call the rectory office.

Reconciliation (Confessions): Tuesdays 5:30-6:30 p.m. or by appointment, in the Chapel.

Marriage: Couples contemplating marriage must make an appointment to meet personally with the Pastor before a definite wedding date may be scheduled. Church arrangements should be made at least 6 months prior to the wedding. No wedding date will be scheduled over the phone.

Anointing of the Sick: Anyone who is seriously ill is invited to contact the rectory to request the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion.

Parish Devotions

Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration : Wednesdays: immediately after morning Mass.
First Friday Devotions and Benediction: 8:30-11:00 a.m.

Letters of Recommendation: Registered parishioners in good standing for a minimum of 3 months and active, who are confirmed, and if married, did so in accordance with the Church's regulations, will be issued letters on request. One week prior notice is required.

New Parishioners: We welcome you warmly. Please register at the rectory office as soon as you arrive



Saturday, July 13

Vigil: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM - Tom Schoemann - req. Dentice Family

Sunday, July 14 - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM - Linda Valentin - req. Rick & Patty Voltz

Monday, July 15

8:00 AM - Dorothy Galfo - req. Karen & Spencer

Wednesday, July 17

8:00 AM - Salvatore Sack - req. Wife & Family

Friday, July 19

8:00 AM - All Faithfully Departed

Saturday, July 20

Vigil: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM - Lelia M. Newland - req. Mom

Sunday, July 21 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM - Kathleen Connors - req. Family

In your prayers, please pray for the deceased of the parish.

When a weekend Mass is celebrated in the intention of a loved one, please inform one of the ushers that you would like to bring up the gifts in the offertory procession

READINGS FOR SUNDAY, JULY 14

AMOS 7:12-15

PSALM 85

EPHESIANS 1:3-14

MARK 6:7-13



READINGS FOR SUNDAY, JULY 21

JEREMIAH 23:1-6

PSALM 23

EPHESIANS 2:13-18

MARK 6:30-34

A Vocation View

Amos was just working his blue-collar job when "The Lord took me from following the flock, and said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people...'" God still calls people in this way, from all walks of life. If you feel the call to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.



A Message from the Pastor

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

The Church's Mission

Preaching repentance and the Kingdom of God is dangerous business for Jesus and for His disciples. Mark wants his readers to remember that we, too, may find resistance as we choose to be disciples of Jesus. In commissioning the Apostles in today's Gospel, Jesus gives them, and us, a preview of His Church's mission after the Resurrection. His instructions to the Twelve echo those of God to the twelve tribes of Israel on the eve of their exodus from Egypt. The Israelites likewise were sent out with no bread and only one set of clothes, wearing sandals and carrying a staff. Like the Israelites, the Apostles are to rely solely on the providence of God and His grace.

Perhaps, also, Mark wants us to see the Apostles' mission, the mission of the Church, as that of leading a new exodus; delivering people from their exile from God and bringing them to the promised land, the kingdom of heaven. Like Amos in today's First Reading, the Apostles are not "professionals" who earn their bread by prophesying. Like Amos, they are simply men summoned from their ordinary jobs and sent by God to be shepherds of their brothers and sisters.

Again this week, we hear the theme of rejection: Amos experiences it, and Jesus warns the Apostles that some will not welcome or listen to them. The Church is called not necessarily to be successful but only to be faithful to God's command. With authority and power given to her by Jesus, the Church proclaims God's peace and salvation to those who believe in Him, as we sing in today's Psalm.

This word of truth, this Gospel of salvation, is addressed to each of us, personally, as Paul proclaims in today's Second Reading. In the mystery of God's will, we have been chosen from before the foundation of the world -- to be His sons and daughters, to live for the praise of His glory. Let us, then, give thanks for the Church today, and for the spiritual blessings He has bestowed upon us. Let us resolve to further the Church's mission to help others hear the call to repentance and welcome Christ into their lives. We, the Faithful, are His Disciples today.

Choicest Blessings,

Fr. Tim



Pray For the Healing of the Sick

Diane Cooke, Eugene Frometa, Jane Granville, Pauline Landes, Karen Schiavone, Vigo Meyer, Linda Muscato, Anthony Genovese, Dorothy Genovese, Lucille Zoda Galfo, Joseph Schiavone, Marlene Petrie, Kim Borkowski, Anna Geidel, John Yerney, Mary Ann Hartzell, Evelyn Paradiso, Carol Penski, Joyce Prisco, Angela Jones, David Skoczylas, Doreen Miller, Mary Ann Barrett, Karl Trembath, Kenny Drag.

2024 MPB Fall Split Club

Letters have been mailed to the members of the Spring Split Club giving them the opportunity to renew their tickets. New members may purchase tickets from the Parish Office. Please call 716-549-0420 for additional information or visit the Parish Office during regular business hours: Monday and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The cost of a ticket is \$60. Only 260 tickets will be sold. Prizes total \$5,400. There will be 16 drawings for \$75 beginning the week of July 28. The Reception and Final Drawings Event will take place November 9. Grand Prize is \$2,000; 2nd prize is \$1,000; 3rd prize is \$500; and 4th through 10th prizes are \$100 each. Proceeds of the Fall Split Club will benefit the parish.



A 'Family' Invitation

St. John Paul II Parish Invites you to its Lawn Fete activities *July 13 and 14*.

Lawn Fete 2024 Events

Saturday, July 13 -- "*Laughing Bandit*" performing from 7:00 to 11:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 14 -- Open from Noon to 6:00 p.m. "*Carnival Kids Steel Orchestra*" performing at 1:00 p.m.

Mike Skowronski performing 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Chicken BBQ from Noon until sold out.

Also Included at each of the sessions above are: Food, Beverages, Kid Games, Chinese Basket Raffle and Grand Raffle.

Summer Lawn Fete in Hamburg

SS. Peter & Paul Parish, 66 E. Main St., Hamburg, will have its Summer Lawn Fete Friday, July 26 and Saturday, July 27 from 5:00 until 11:00 p.m.

Featured are rides, BBQ Chicken, games of chance, Artisan Market, food trucks, beer tent and music by Hit-n-Run and XOXO Pop Band. Proceeds will benefit the school.



Road to Renewal

July 11 was the feast day of Saint Benedict, a man who left the city and the promises of Roman nobility in search of a life of solitude. For three years, he lived in a cave as a hermit, but when a local abbot died, the community begged him to come and help them. However, while they revered Benedict for his sanctity, the monks could not agree on anything and tried to poison him with a drink. The saint famously said a blessing over the cup and foiled the insidious plan. Numerous miracles were attributed to him during his lifetime, and all sought after his wisdom. Saint Benedict would go on to found 13 monasteries and spend the remainder of his life creating a plan or "rule" for an ideal monastery. This would become known as the "Rule of Saint Benedict" and continues to be a driving force behind religious life and even for some principled corporations and businesses in our own day.

Saint Benedict said, "Idleness is an enemy of the soul." We cannot allow ourselves to remain, especially in the uncertainty of our current times, idle. God calls all of us to a life of prayer and intimacy with Him, to His Way. When we sit back and prevent our souls from their pilgrimage, it allows room for disparity, judgment, and things not of God to enter into us. I can even see how some might feel we are being given a poison pill as regards the suggestions and rumors that talk of merging and closing of our beloved Churches. It might be seen as an opportunity to take our foot off the gas, to shift into idle. Some might even question if anyone would even want to attend a Church that looks to be collapsing.

Benedict would encourage us to pray over those challenges, to renew our focus on God and on us as His Church. I urge you my friends don't fall idle, promulgate the faith. Continue to seek the truth. The truth is within all of what we go through, and it will fill you with immeasurable joy and a desire to share that truth of Jesus Christ with others. Our mission, our calling, does not change. We, His faithful, are called to be the hands and feet of God today.

"And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it." (Matthew 16:18)

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<p><u>MPB Calendar</u></p> <p>Saturday, July 13 4:00 p.m. - Vigil Mass</p> <p>Sunday, July 14 8:00 a.m. - Sunday Mass</p> <p>Tuesday, July 16 5:30 p.m. - Reconciliation - Chapel</p> <p>Wednesday, July 17 8:30 a.m. - Holy Hour (Following Mass) - Chapel</p> <p>Saturday, July 20 4:00 p.m. - Vigil Mass</p> <p>Sunday, July 21 8:00 a.m. - Sunday Mass</p>

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<p><u>July 7, 2024</u></p>	
Regular, Loose, Mailed in.....	\$4,045.00
ACH.....	\$1,938.00
Maintenance.....	\$1,098.00
<p>Thank you for your support.</p>	

Vacation Bible School

St. Anthony RC Church, 421 Commercial St., Farnham, will present its Vacation Bible School, *Come to the Table*, August 19-23 from 9:30 until 11:30 a.m.

Registration forms may be downloaded at lakeshorecatholicfc.org by those interested in having their children participate in the summer Bible School. There is no charge.

Krispy Kreme Donut Sale

Krispy Kreme Donuts will go on sale at St. Anthony's Church Hall Sunday, July 21 before and after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. The cost of the glazed donuts is \$15 per dozen. Because of the limited number of donuts for sale, please pre-order by emailing jag9246@yahoo.com The cost of the glazed donuts is \$15 per dozen. Because the sale is limited to 200 dozens, please pre-order by emailing jag924@yahoo.com, text or call 716-348-0703.

'Respect Life' Drive at MPB

The Respect Life Committee will have a donation drive for St. Gianna Molla Pregnancy Care Outreach Center Saturday, July 27 and Sunday, July 28 The collection site will be across from Most Precious Blood Church, in the parking area in front of the Hall's gym entrance. The drive will take place Saturday from 3:30 p.m. until 5:15 p.m. and Sunday from 7:30 a.m. until 9:30 a.m.

Needed are receiving blankets, towels, washcloths, bibs, diapers, onesies, clothing, socks, bonnets and bottles. Gently used clothing items (no stains) are acceptable. Cribs and beds are not acceptable. Monetary donations may be made by check to St. Gianna Molla Pregnancy Outreach Center.

Honors at St. Francis HS

St. Francis High School reports that MPB parishioner **Patrick Pinto** (grade 11) has received First Honors during the Fourth Quarter of the 2023-2024 academic year. First Honors represents a grade point average between 95 - 100+ and all grades passing.

Weidner's Chicken at St. Francis Parish

St. Francis Parish will sponsor a Weidner's Chicken Barbeque Sunday, July 21 beginning at Noon. Dinners are \$15 each. There will also be basket raffles and other raffle opportunities.

Hot Dog Roast at St. Anthony Parish

Bring a friend to Mass Sunday, August 11 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Anthony Parish and stay for fellowship and a hot dog cookout following Mass.

WWII Polish Remembrance Mass 2024

Each year the Polish American community remembers and honors the people of Poland who suffered and perished during World War II with a special commemoration of the martyrdom of St. Maximilian Kolbe at the Auschwitz concentration camp. This year's event will especially honor the members of religious communities -- nuns and priests -- who were victims to the horrors of war.

The Mass will take place Sunday, August 11 at 12:00 p.m. at St. Stanislaus B & M Church, Fillmore & Peckham Ave., Buffalo. Immediately following the Mass, a light refreshment will be served in the Social Center where an art exhibit, developed by Dr. Eileen Lyon, will be available for viewing.

The event is sponsored by Polish American Congress, Polish Chair at Canisius College, Polish Legacy Project - WWII; and Am-Pol Eagle Newspaper. The entire Western New York Community is invited.

July 20 & 21	MPB Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors
4:00 p.m.	M. Wargula, J. Sack, R. Wargula	K. Young
8:00 a.m.	S. Vail, L. Feider, J. Barone	D. Gelencser