THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN KANTY/ST. ADALBERT

NOVEMBER 12, 2023



MISSION STATEMENT

A Christian Community founded on the faith of Polish immigrants, Welcoming and accepting all as brothers and sisters in Christ, Working together to create one family bound by Christ's love

E-Mail: Stjohnkantybflo@gmail.com St. Adalbert's Cemeteries: 6200 Broadway, Alden, NY 14086 PASTOR Rev. Cole Webster 716-681-3090 SENIOR PAROCHICAL VICAR http://buffalocatholiccemeteries.org/LOCATIONS/StAdalbert.aspx Rev. Mark Kreis, OSPPE, Ph.D. FAITH FORMATION: Barbara Myszkiewicz TRUSTEES Michaelene Karpinski Evan Kolber WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM St. Stanislaus St. John Gualbert 9:00 AM St. John Gualbert (Polish) Sunday 9:15 AM Corpus Christi 10:15 AM St. John Kanty 10:30 AM St. Katharine Drexel St. John Gualbert 11:45 AM 12:00 PM St. Stanislaus (Polish) WEEKDAY MASSES Monday, Wednesday, Friday St. Stanislaus 8:00 AM St. Katharine Drexel 8:30 AM Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday Corpus Christi 8:45 AM Tuesday, Thursday St. John Gualbert 8:00 AM St. John Kanty 8:30 AM Wednesday Corpus Christi 12:15 PM Corpus Christi 8:45 AM First Saturday HOLY DAYS AND HOLIDAYS: As announced PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Friday 8:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. **Phone:** 716-893-0412 Fax: 716-893-9864 Internet address: http://www.saintjohnkanty.com/ On Facebook: www.facebook.com/stjohnkanty PARISH MEMBERSHIP: We welcome all visitors and ask that if you like what you see and hear to please contact the

parish office to register. A parishioner is someone who has completed a registration form, regularly attends Mass, and regularly supports the parish financially through the use of envelopes. It is necessary to be a registered and active parishioner in order to receive a letter of recommendation to serve as a Godparent or Confirmation Sponsor. If you are moving away, we ask you to please contact the parish office so we can update our records.

MARRIAGE: Please consult with the Parish Administrator/Pastor at least six months to one year before setting a wedding date. BAPTISM:

Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

Visit our parish website - www.saintjohnkanty.com

REMINDER THAT ONLY THOSE WITH HANDICAP PERMITS MAY PARK IN THE DESIGNATED HANDICAP PARKING SPACES



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11-ST. MARTIN OF TOURS, VETERANS DAY NO MASS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12-THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:15 AM +Richard Wolicki, (Family)

MONDAY, November 13-WEEKDAY

8:30 AM NO MASS

TUESDAY, November 14 – WEEKDAY

8:30 AM +All Souls Intentions

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15-ST. ALBERT THE GREAT, BISHOP & DOCTOR 8:30 AM NO MASS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16-WEEKDAY

8:30 AM +Andrew & Hattie Graminski, Family

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17-WEEKDAY

8:30 AM NO MASS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18-WEEKDAY NO MASS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19-THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:15 AM Name will be in next bulletin

The Mass book for 2024 is open.

Weekend and week day Masses are available. The Mass stipend is \$15 per Mass. Please contact the rectory to schedule your intentions. You may also place your intentions, with the stipend amount, in the collection basket or mail in your intentions.

OFFERTORY: WEEK OF November 5, 2023

We have been given many blessings. How will we share our treasure with others? All of the parish financial resources depend on the donations of the parishioners.

SJK Regular \$1270/Maintenance \$45 St. Adalbert \$1879 Thank You!

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

VOCATION VIEW -November 12, 2023

"The dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air." When that blessed time comes, only faith and love will matter. Live that way now! Serve the Church and the Poor as a priest, deacon, or consecrated religious. Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

Please pray for the healing touch of Jesus' hand

for those who are ill, especially: Jessica Frysz, Dee Stetz, Emily Wolf, Patricia Milas, Dr. Owen Moye, Msgr. Matthew Kopacz, Eric G., Elizabeth Quizon, Dolores Quizon, Emily Ventura, Norm Macierowski, Julie Ulicki, Melanie Plata, Kimberly Paul, Jeffrey Nietopski, Joanne Marcucci, Sharon Jakubowski, Ben Lisiecki, Edward Szadkowski, Stanley Kowalski, Ronald Slazak, Paul Fox, Rogo Family, Dolores Ruda, Marcia P, Corazon Bocalan, and all the sick of our parish. If you have a name to add or a deletion, please call the parish office.

Background on the Gospel Reading

In this week's Gospel, Jesus talks about what it means to be prepared to receive the Kingdom of Heaven. This week's reading follows a series of warnings and predictions by Jesus about the coming of the Son of Man. Jesus wants his disciples to understand that the exact day and time cannot be predicted. He teaches the disciples that they must remain vigilant so that they will not be caught unprepared.

When thinking about the parable of the wise and foolish virgins, it is important to consider the firstcentury wedding traditions of Palestine. Scholars tell us that it was the custom of the day for young maidens—friends and family members of the bride—to meet the bridegroom when he came to bring his bride to her new home.

As with many of Jesus' parables, several levels of interpretation are possible. In <u>last week's Gospel</u>, we heard Jesus warn against following the example of the Pharisees and scribes. If read in the context of early Christianity's struggle to define itself against Pharisaic Judaism, this parable is a continuing critique of Judaism. It suggests that the Jewish leaders were like the foolish virgins, unprepared to meet Jesus, the bridegroom of Israel.

In the chapter preceding this parable, however, Jesus warns about the destruction of Jerusalem, the tribulation of the end times, and the coming of the Son of Man. When read in this context, today's parable is a warning to the Christian community to remain vigilant and prepared to receive Jesus, the Son of Man who will return at the end of time. This interpretation is supported by the reference to the delay of the bridegroom. The Christian community for whom Matthew wrote this Gospel was coming to terms with the realization that the promise of Jesus' return would not be fulfilled within their lifetimes. The question remains for us to ask ourselves, Are we ready to receive Jesus? Will we be prepared to receive him?



Hope after Heartache – Tools for Living with Loss. Buffalo Diocesan Catholic Cemeteries offers a comprehensive grief support program for those who have lost a loved one. There are three locations and four meeting choices per month. All are welcome. Open to the community; no charge. Call Marianne Hubert, Director of Grief Support Services. 716-873-6500 at or email mhubert@buffalocatholiccemeteries.org, for а brochure of grief support times and locations, as well as other activities and remembrance services.



Thanksgiving Mass Nov. 23rd9:00 AM at St. Stan's This will be the only Mass celebrated for the East Buffalo Family of Parishes

East Buffalo Family of Parishes Calendar of Events



Coffee and More Social sponsored by our Rosary Society on November 12! Coffee, donuts and more will be available following the 10:15 Mass...please join us for some refreshments and conversation!



FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION IS OPEN !!

All families with children grades K-8 are invited to attend an orientation session Saturday, November 18

10:00am-11:00am

St. Katharine Drexel School Hall

Please return the registration forms located in the vestibule of each parish to your respective parish office.

Any questions, please call our family catechetical contact, Barb Myszkiewicz, at 716-893-0412

PORK CHOP DINNER & BASKET RAFFLE. A Pork Chop Dinner and Basket Raffle will be held on Sunday, November 12 from 11:30 am to 3 pm at St. Stanislaus Church, (corner of Wilson and Peckham) in Buffalo in our Marian Hall. Tickets for the dinner are \$15 and will include: a pork chop, potatoes, cabbage, vegetable, applesauce, roll with butter, dessert and beverage. For tickets call 716-854-5510. A limited number of tickets will also be available at the door.

CANISIUS UNIVERSITY CHORALE will be performing at St. John Gualbert on Monday, November 20th at 7:30 PM. All are invited

THANKSGIVING PIE SALE

St. Katherine Drexel will be selling fresh pies for Thanksgiving this year. Pies will be available on Wed., Nov. 22nd and cost \$15. Sign up at 10:30 Mass at SKD over the next two weeks. Apple and Pumpkin Pies.

We would appreciate any additional donations of pies. We know we have some wonderful bakers in our family.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the rec-tory at (716) 895-6813.

Thank you once again for your generosity and support!

