



**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*

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**St. Adalbert's Cemeteries:**  
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**ADMINISTRATOR** Rev. Michael H. Burzynski, Ph. D.  
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**TRUSTEES:** Edward Bosiacki  
Camille Seweryniak

**WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:**

Saturday Mass: 4:00 P.M. (Confessions 3:30 P.M.)  
Sunday Mass: 10:30 A.M. (Confessions 10:00 A.M.)

**WEEKDAY MASSES: 8:30 A.M. in Church**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
The Rosary is recited after daily Mass  
First Friday: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and  
Divine Mercy Chaplet

**HOLY DAYS AND HOLIDAYS:** As announced.

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** Monday – Friday 8:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M. Sunday 8:30 – 11:30 A.M.

**Phone:** 716-893-0412 **Fax:** 716-893-9864

**Internet address:** <http://www.saintjohnkanty.com/>

**On Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/stjohnkanty](http://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 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](http://www.saintjohnkanty.com)



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

**MASS SCHEDULE**  
IF THE MASS IS FOR A LOVED ONE,  
PLEASE INFORM AN USHER

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 28 – ST. AUGUSTINE, BISHOP  
& DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH**

4:00 PM +Lorraine Gorny, (Family)

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 29 – TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

10:30 AM +Dolores Hosinski, (Family)

**MONDAY, AUGUST 30 – WEEKDAY (IN CHURCH)**

8:30 AM Intention of the Frederick Family

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 31–WEEKDAY  
NO MASS**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 – WEEKDAY (IN  
CHURCH)**

8:30 AM +Joan Gulczewski 10<sup>th</sup> Anniv., (Caroline)

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 – WEEKDAY  
NO MASS**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 – ST. GREGORY THE  
GREAT (IN CHURCH)**

8:30 AM Living & Deceased Mothers

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 – WEEKDAY**

4:00 PM +Stella Wrobel, (Kevin Whelan)

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 – TWENTY-THIRD  
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

10:30 AM +Richard Solecki, Florek Kawalek,  
(Dina, Kawalek & Solecki Family)

Mass Intentions



Mass intentions for 2021 are now being accepted. 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.

**WE KNOW THAT IT IS NOT AN EASY TIME FOR ALL.  
IF AT ALL POSSIBLE YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS ARE  
NEEDED.**

Offertory envelopes may be dropped off at the parish office, mailed or dropped in the collection basket when you come to church



Dear Holy Spirit, please help those who hear your call only as a whisper, that they may know it is You calling them to service. May you fill those you call with the grace and courage to respond to your whisper. I will pray, encourage and support those whom You have chosen for priestly vocations. Amen

**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

As Catholics, we believe that God has shown us the best way to live. Who will share Gods' plan for fulfillment with those who are lost? If you feel called to take up this mission, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org).



**SANCTUARY LIGHT** is lit  
For A Special Intention

**OFFERTORY: WEEK OF August 22, 2021**

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.

**August 21/22---\$1009.50**

**Maintenance---\$148.00**

**Thank you for your continued support!**

**Word of Life-August 29**

“No sin or crime is greater than God’s mercy. The sacrifice of the Cross reveals that Christ’s greatest desire is to forgive those with a repentant heart.”

**Bishop Michael Fisher has provided a special message intended for all of the Catholic Faithful of our Diocese related to the issues of the chapter 11 process and the large number of claims brought against the Diocese under the Child Victims Act.**

**The letter is available on the homepage of the diocesan website: [www.buffalodiocese.org](http://www.buffalodiocese.org) - as well as on all of the Diocese's social media channels.**

**We ask that you please read the letter when it is convenient for you to do so. A limited supply of the letter is available at the entrance to the Church.**

**Please pray for the healing touch of Jesus' hand for those who are ill, especially:** Jessica Frysz, Albert Jankowski, Dee Stetz, Rev. Michael Burzynski, Emily Wolf, Patricia Milas, Dr. Owen Moye, Msgr. Matthew Kopacz, Eric G., Elizabeth Quizon, Dolores Quizon, Emily Ventura, Rev. Walter Matuszak, Norm Macierowski, Julie Ulicki, Melanie Plata, Kimberly Paul, Jeffrey Nietopski, Barbara Koza, Joanne Marcucci, Sharon Jakubowski, Ben Lisiecki, Edward Szadkowski, Michael Kucinski 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 today's Gospel, Mark provides a significant amount of information about the Jewish observance of ritual-purity laws. In this Gospel, Mark addresses the question of which Jewish practices would also be observed in the newly emerging Christian community. This was a significant question for the early Christian Church, especially in communities that included both Jewish and Gentile converts to Christianity. We also hear this question addressed in the letters of Paul with regard to table fellowship. In Gospel passages such as the one today, we see the Gospel evangelists finding justification for a Christian practice distinct from Judaism in the remembrances of Jesus' teaching and the practice of his first disciples.

Jesus first criticizes the Pharisees for putting human tradition above God's Law. Here, Jesus is referring to the tradition of the elders, the teachings of the Pharisees, which extended the ritual-purity laws of Temple worship to everyday Jewish life. Jesus criticizes the Pharisees for making this tradition equal to and as binding as the Law of Moses.

Next, Jesus comments on the meaning behind the Pharisees' language of holiness—clean and unclean. Jesus teaches that a person is not defiled by the food that enters his or her body, but rather by sin that emerges from his or her words and actions. In this teaching, Jesus unmask a deeper question behind the one posed to him by the Pharisees. The real issue is holiness, which is not found in external acts alone. Holiness comes from within and is evidenced in the actions and attitudes that emerge from a person's life.

If we read today's Gospel carefully, we will see a pattern in Jesus' teaching method that will be repeated in the weeks ahead. Jesus' first teaching is directed to the Pharisees who questioned him. Jesus' words are then directed to the crowd, teaching that a person is defiled by his or her words and actions, not by the food that he or she eats. In verses omitted in today's reading, we learn that Jesus returned home with his disciples, who in turn questioned him about what he had taught. The words we read at the conclusion of today's Gospel are addressed to Jesus' disciples. Mark's narrative shows several audiences for Jesus' teaching: his antagonists, the crowds, and Jesus' disciples. As we see in this reading, the words to the Pharisees are often words of challenge. The teaching to the crowds is often a general, sometimes cryptic, message. With the disciples, who often misunderstand Jesus' words, further explanation is offered about his message and its meaning.

Jesus' words challenge us as well. In our desire to show that we are holy, we might also give too much credence to externals, following rules without thinking about the intention behind them. Jesus reminds us that we do not make ourselves holy by our actions. Rather, we become holy when we allow God's Spirit to transform us. Our actions should be an expression of the conversion of our heart to God and to God's ways.

**Ladies of Charity, a volunteer organization affiliated with Catholic Charities,** is celebrating its 80th anniversary in part with a Sidewalk Sale extravaganza! The sale will be held from 10 am-1 pm daily from Monday, August 30 through Friday, September 3 in front of the Ladies of Charity Lots of Clothes thrift store, 1122 Broadway, Buffalo. All items will be \$1 or less. For more information on Catholic Charities and other services and programs we provide, visit [www.ccnny.org](http://www.ccnny.org). Join us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter

**Save the Date: Anniversary Mass.** The Diocese of Buffalo and the Office of Pastoral Ministries wishes to honor couples who will observe their 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> and 70<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversaries and recognize the beauty of their faithfulness, sacrifice, challenges and comforts in daily married life. **This will be held at St. Joseph Cathedral on Sunday, October 24.** Please let the parish office know if you will attend.

#### **A drive through Polish Platter will be held on Sunday, September 26 from 11-2:00 pm**

Dinners will include: fresh and smoked polish sausage, a golumbki, lazy pierogi, a cheese pierogi and dessert. Dinners need to be pre-ordered and prepaid.

Tickets will be available after and before Masses beginning September 4<sup>th</sup> and in the Parish Office beginning Monday, August 30<sup>th</sup>. Call 893-0412 to purchase your ticket.

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Francis & Theresa Jablonski By Roy & Karen Baer	Kwandrans & Szyndel Families By Kwandrans Family	Ullicki & Jaworski Families Parents of Harry & Pat Jaworski	Husband Edwin Marciniak By Gert	Edward & Harriet Niedzielski By Sunday Family
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