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

JANUARY 7, 2024



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 W SENIOR PAROCHICAL VICAR			716- 681-3090 http://buffalocatholiccemeteries.org/LOCATIONS/StAdalbert.aspx
FAITH FORMATION:	Rev. Mark Kre Barbara Mysz	eis, OSPPE, Ph.D. kiewicz	
TRUSTEES	RUSTEES Jennifer Snyder-Ha		Kolber
WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE			
Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM Sunday 9:00 AM 9:15 AM 10:15 AM 10:30 AM 11:45 AM 12:00 PM	y 9:00 AM St. John Gualbert (Polish) 9:15 AM Corpus Christi 10:15 AM St. John Kanty 10:30 AM St. Katharine Drexel 11:45 AM St. John Gualbert		
Monday, Wednesday, Fri Monday, Tuesday, Thurso Tuesday, Thursday Wednesday First Saturday	day, Friday	St. Stanislaus 8:00 AM Corpus Christi 8:45 AM St. John Gualbert 8:00 Corpus Christi 12:15 P Corpus Christi 8:45 AM	1 AM St. John Kanty 8:30 AM M
HOLY DAYS AND HOLIDAYS: As announced			
PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday – Friday 8:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.			

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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

 ${\cal P}$ reminder that only those with handicap permits may park in the designated handicap parking spaces



SATURDAY, JANUARY 6-CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY

NO MASS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7-THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

10:15 AM +Ronald Karpinski, (Gert & Diane)

MONDAY, JANUARY 8-THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

NO MASS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9-WEEKDAY

8:30 AM +Jimmy Stolinski, (Brother)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10-WEEKDAY NO MASS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11-WEEKDAY

8:30 AM +Joan Barron, (Fr. Bob)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12-WEEKDAY

8:30 AM NO MASS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13-ST. HILARY BISHOP & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH NO MASS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:15 AM +Andrew Sovinski & Barbara Sovinski Zarajczyk, (Family)

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 December 31, 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.

> Regular \$972.00/Initial \$45.00 Solemnity Of Mary \$50.00 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.

Greater East Buffalo Family of Parishes Winter Weather Policy



If there is a **driving ban** in the City of Buffalo there will be <u>no services</u> and <u>parish offices</u> <u>will be closed</u>, including St. John Gualbert in Cheektowaga.

If **Buffalo schools** are closed due to winter weather, there will be <u>no services</u> and <u>parish</u> <u>offices</u> will be closed, including St. John Gualbert in Cheektowaga.

Closings will be listed on Channel 4 -WIVB.com as "Greater East Buffalo Family of Parishes." *Please be assured, the Mass intentions during driving bans and school closures will be fulfilled by our priests in their residence chapels.* Any questions please call the parish office. Stay safe and warm!

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, Emilv Ventura, Norm Macierowski, Julie Ulicki, Melanie Plata, Kimberly Paul, Jeffrey Nietopski, Joanne Marcucci, Jakubowski, Sharon Edward Szadkowski, Stanley Kowalski, Ronald Slazak, Paul Fox, Rogo Family, Marcia P, Corazon Bocalan, Kaitlyn Dubik, Dina Szymanski, Richard Cislo and all the sick of our parish. If you have a name to add or a deletion, please call the parish office.

Diocese of Buffalo Wedding Anniversary Mass

Sunday, February 11, 2024 at 10:30AM St. Joseph Cathedral For couples observing 25, 50, 60, 70 years of Marriage. Registration is required by January 12 Please call the parish office to register. **VOCATION VIEW** The Epiphany of the Lord The Three Magi worshipped Jesus and then "departed by a different way." Is Jesus asking you to live your life in a new and different way for the Kingdom of God? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit bufalovocations.org

Background on the Gospel Reading

The visit of the Magi occurs directly before the story of the Holy Family's flight into Egypt. Matthew's Gospel tells a version of Jesus' birth that is different than the one in Luke. Of the actual birth of Jesus. Matthew tells us little more than, "When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod . . . " The story of the census is found only in Luke's Gospel, but we hear about the visit of the Magi only in Matthew's Gospel. We know little about the Magi. They come from the East and journey to Bethlehem, following an astrological sign, so we believe them to be astrologers. We assume that there were three Magi based upon the naming of their three gifts. The Gospel does not say how many Magi paid homage to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, they represent the Gen tiles' search for a savior. Because the Magi represent the entire world, they also represent our search for Jesus. We have come to consider the gifts they bring as a foreshadowing of Jesus' role in salvation. We believe the meaning of the gifts to be Christological. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus' king ship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus' death. The word Epiphany means "manifestation" or "showing forth." Historically several moments in Christ's early life and ministry have been celebrated as "epiphanies," including his birth in Bethlehem, the visit of the Magi, his baptism by John, and his first miracle at Cana.



EPIPHANY CHALK AND INCENSE We will be blessing chalk and incense in honor of the Wise Men on the solemnity of the Epiphany, which falls on January 7. Blessed packets of chalk and incense will be located on the communion rail for you to take home. We mark our doorway with 20K+M+B24

Sacramental Preparation

With Faith Formation up and running we are now preparing for first sacraments. If your youngster needs to make their First Reconciliation or First Communion and are NOT already in our Faith Formation program, please contact Barb Myszkiewicz at 716-893-0412 or stjohnkantybflo@gmail.com

First Reconciliation meeting will be held Saturday, January 20th at 10:00am

First Communion meeting will be held Saturday, March 2nd at 10:00am

Both sessions held at St. Katharine Drexel School Hall



STATEMENTS FOR INCOME TAX

Parishioners who would like to have your statement of financial contributions must call or email your parish office. Tax letters will be mailed to you.

I am sending you the link to my Christmas homily: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9YFfIKgUwHI</u>

God bless, Fr. Mark Kreis

