



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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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

<i>Saturday Vigil</i>	4:00 PM	St. Stanislaus	St. John Gualbert
<i>Sunday</i>	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	
	12:00 PM	St. Stanislaus (Polish)	

WEEKDAY MASSES

<i>Monday, Wednesday, Friday</i>	St. Stanislaus 8:00 AM	St. Katharine Drexel 8:30 AM
<i>Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday</i>	Corpus Christi 8:45 AM	
<i>Tuesday, Thursday</i>	St. John Gualbert 8:00 AM	St. John Kanty 8:30 AM
<i>Wednesday</i>	Corpus Christi 12:15 PM	
<i>First Saturday</i>	Corpus Christi 8:45 AM	

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



Mass Intentions

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)

MONDAY, JANUARY 15-WEEKDAY
NO MASS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16-WEEKDAY
8:30 AM +All Souls Intentions

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17-WEEKDAY
NO MASS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18-WEEKDAY
8:30 AM +Rev. Michael Burzynski, (Family)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19-WEEKDAY
8:30 AM NO MASS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20-WEEKDAY
NO MASS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
10:15 AM +Leonard Tortorice, (Friend)

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 January 7, 2024
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 \$495.00/Initial \$30.00
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 **no services and parish offices will be closed**, including St. John Gualbert in Cheektowaga.

If **Buffalo schools** are closed due to winter weather, there will be **no services and parish offices 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, Emily Ventura, Norm Macierowski, Julie Ulicki, Melanie Plata, Kimberly Paul, Jeffrey Nietopski, Joanne Marcucci, Sharon Jakubowski, 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.**

VOCATION VIEW Today's First Reading is the perfect Vocation Story. Is it the Lord who is calling you in the night? Will you answer "Speak Lord, Your servant is listening"? If God is calling you to the commitment of being a priest, or a religious brother or sister, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buRalovocations.org

Background on the Gospel Reading

Although the liturgical season of Ordinary Time begins this week, today's reading continues with the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord, which concludes the Christmas season. Today's reading from the Gospel according to John immediately follows John the Baptist's testimony about Jesus and his identification of Jesus as the Lamb of God. Having been baptized by John, Jesus begins to gather followers. The first followers sought out Jesus because of the testimony and witness of John the Baptist.

We are familiar with the title that John the Baptist uses for Jesus—the Lamb of God. We hear it weekly at the fraction rite during Mass. For those who heard John the Baptist, however, this title recalled key themes from the Old Testament. It alludes to the paschal lamb offered as a sacrifice when God freed the Israelites from slavery in Egypt, the event that is commemorated by the Jewish Passover celebration. The designation also recalls the prophet Isaiah's description of the suffering servant of Israel. In using this name for Jesus, John the Baptist predicts Jesus' passion and death and the new interpretation of Passover that will begin with Jesus' Last Supper.

We learn in today's reading how Jesus' first followers were gathered. The first two, Andrew and another man, were followers of John the Baptist. After hearing John's testimony, they became followers of Jesus. During their time with Jesus, the details of which are not specified, Andrew and the other follower came to believe that Jesus was the Messiah. Andrew then brings his brother, Simon, to Jesus. Immediately, Jesus gave Simon a new name, calling him *Peter*, which means "rock" in Greek. The renaming of Simon to Peter is reported in all four of the Gospels.

In the exchange between Andrew, the other disciple, and Jesus, we see an example of the usual pattern for first-century Jewish rabbinical schools. Jews sought out rabbis and established themselves as disciples of a particular rabbi. Jesus appears to have been unique in that he sought out individuals, inviting them to be his followers. In the passage that follows, John's Gospel tells us how Jesus took the initiative in calling Philip and Nathanael.

Jesus asks Andrew and the other disciple, "What are you looking for?" This is a telling question, and one that we might often ask of ourselves. John the Baptist testified to Jesus' identity, the Lamb of God, using the framework of the Old Testament. Andrew, Simon, and the other first disciples were looking for the Messiah, whom they also came to know as the Son of God. What do we look for and what do we find in Jesus?

Message from Father Bob

Thank you for the wonderful surprise of cake and doughnuts for my birthday last Sunday. It was much appreciated. Thank you also to those who took down the Christmas decorations.

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.

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Edward Sunday
By Wife, Marcia

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By Family

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Family

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By Julie Pawlak

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