



**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](mailto:Stjohnkantybflo@gmail.com)

**St. Adalbert's Cemeteries:**  
6200 Broadway, Alden, NY 14086  
681-3090

<b>ADMINISTRATOR</b>	Rev. Michael H. Burzynski, Ph. D.
<b>PAROCHICAL VICAR</b>	Rev. Paul Ladda
<b>RELIGIOUS EDUC.</b>	Barbara Myszkiewicz
<b>MUSIC MINISTRY</b>	

<http://buffalocatholiccemeteries.org/LOCATIONS/StAdalbert.aspx>

**TRUSTEES:** Edward Bosiacki  
Jennifer Snyder-Haas

**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.)

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

**WEEKDAY MASSES: 8:30 A.M. Parish Center Chapel**

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday  
The Rosary is recited after daily Mass; Divine Mercy  
Chaplet is recited the first Friday of each month.

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** Monday – Friday 8:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. Sunday 8:30 – 11:30 A.M.

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

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

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

**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/Deacon 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, DECEMBER 7- ST. AMBROSE, BISHOP & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

4:00 PM +Phyllis Pepe, (Family)

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8 – SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10:30 AM +Leo, Mary & Sig Siejak, (Sally & Family)

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 9–THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:30 AM +All Souls Intentions

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10 – ADVENT WEEKDAY NO MASS

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11– ADVENT WEEKDAY

8:30 AM +Julie Jarnot, (Caroline Easton)

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12 – OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

8:30 AM Prayer Service

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13 – ST. LUCY VIRGIN & MARTYR

8:30 AM Prayer Service

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14- ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS, PRIEST & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

4:00 PM +Mary Ann Frank, (Brenda)

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15 – THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10:30 AM +John Wrobel, (Loving Family)

### Mass Intentions



**Remember your loved ones** who have passed away, special occasions and those who are ill. You can drop your Mass Intentions in the collection basket or call/stop by the parish office. **Mass Intentions are \$15.**

### OFFERTORY: WEEK OF December 1, 2019

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.

**November 30/December 1---\$985.00**

**Maintenance---\$117.75**

**Christmas Flowers---\$85.00**

**Thank you for your continued support!**

### LECTORS

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

4:00 PM Vivien Pepe

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

10:30 AM Randy Deschamps

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14

4:00 PM Vivien Pepe

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

10:30 AM Richard Janas

### MINISTERS

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

4:00 PM Janice Staufenberger

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

10:30 AM Brenda Myc

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14

4:00 PM Bob Koza

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

10:30 AM Caroline Easton



**SANCTUARY LIGHT** is lit for Leo, Mary, Sig Siejak  
requested by Sally & Family



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

### **Second Sunday of Advent – December 8, 2019**

We are urged to “prepare the way of the Lord!” God has called some men and women to show His children how to do this through their leadership as priests and religious brothers and sisters. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535.

### YEAR OF PRAYER AND HEALING

O Merciful Father,

Your Son in Love stretched out his hands  
upon the cross to embrace us.

Embrace and heal our brothers and sisters  
who carry the wounds of abuse inflicted upon them.

Heal Your Church broken by this betrayal of trust. Cleanse and  
sanctify Your Clergy that they  
may radiate the selfless love of Your Son.

And strengthen and call the people of the Church throughout  
Western New York to a new dawn of hope and grace in Your  
Holy Spirit. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, our  
Lord. Amen.

**Oplatki/Christmas Wafers** will be available during the  
Advent season. They are located on the communion rail.  
The offering is \$2.00 for a package. Packages will also be  
available in the parish office during office hours.

## SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

In this week's Gospel Reading and next week's, our Advent preparation for Christmas invites us to consider John the Baptist and his relationship to Jesus. In this week's Gospel, Matthew describes the work and preaching of John the Baptist. John the Baptist appears in the tradition of the great prophets of Israel, preaching repentance and reform to the people of Israel. In fact, the description of John found in this reading is reminiscent of the description of the prophet Elijah ([2 Kings 1:8](#)). In this reading, John directs a particularly pointed call to repentance to the Pharisees and Sadducees, parties within the Jewish community of the first century.

John marks the conversion of those who seek him out with a baptism of repentance. Other groups in this period are thought to have practiced ritual washings for similar purposes, and John's baptism may have been related to the practices of the Essenes, a Jewish sect of the first century. John's baptism can be understood as an anticipation of Christian baptism. In this passage, John himself alludes to the difference between his baptism and the one yet to come: "I am baptizing you with water, for repentance . . . He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." (Matthew 3:11).

In this reading, John makes very clear that his relationship to the Messiah yet to come (Jesus) is one of service and subservience: ". . . the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals" (Matthew 3:11). In the context of Matthew's Gospel, today's passage is followed by Jesus' baptism by John, an event that is attested to in all four of the Gospels and appears to have been the start of Jesus' public ministry.

John's preaching of the coming of the Lord is a key theme of the Advent season. As John's message prepared the way for Jesus in the first century, we, too, are called to prepare ourselves for Jesus' coming. We respond to John's message by our repentance and reform of our lives. We are also called to be prophets of Christ, who announce by our lives, as John did, the coming of the Lord.



**Please pray for the healing touch of Jesus' hand for those who are ill**, especially: Jessica Frysz, Albert Jankowski, Dee Stetz, Rev. Michael Burzynski, Ms. Chmura, Emily Wolf, Patricia Milas, Dr. Owen Moye, Msgr. Matthew Kopacz, Eric G., Ted Kniazuk, Elizabeth Quizon, Dolores Quizon, Basilia Bocalan, Emily Ventura, Rev. Walter Matuszak, Norm Macierowski, Julie Ulicki and all the sick of our parish. **If you have a name to add or a deletion, please call the parish office.**

**Please note: the feast day of The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary** is transferred from Sunday, December 8 to Monday, December 9 this year, and it is not a holy day of obligation this year.

## SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND WILL BE FOR THE RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT FUND

*Thank You*

**Thank you to the team who sold and made pierogi and placeks for the Depew Craft Fair. A job well done!**

**Bulletin Memorials**-it is time to renew the memorials in our bulletin. This is a wonderful way to remember a loved one. The cost is \$25.00 for the one year renewal. If you would like to add a memorial or renew one please place the fee and request in the collection basket in an envelope marked

"Bulletin Memorials". You may also drop off your request during office hours or in the mail. The fees will help defray the cost of printing our bulletins. Thank You.



## CHRISTMAS LITURGY SCHEDULE

### Christmas Eve-December 24

4:00 p.m. Mass/Children's Pageant at St. Adalbert

9:30 p.m. Koledy/Carols SJK Choir

10:00 p.m. Mass at St. John Kanty

### Christmas Day-December 25

10:30 a.m. Mass at St. John Kanty

### New Year's Day-January 1

10:30 a.m. Mass in Church

## Upcoming Parish Events

**December 7/8** Pierogi/Placek Sale

**December 14/15** Christmas Cookie Sale

**December 15** Religious Education

## Lesson & Carols Sunday, December 15 at 4:00 P.M.

This is a celebration of Christmas, with readings and traditional carols, both English and Polish. This is based on an old English tradition, with modifications for East-side Buffalo. Come, and get into the true Christmas Spirit. It will be held at St. John Kanty.



## PIEROGI AND PLACEK SALE

**December 7 & 8**

The sale will take place:

2:30-5 on Saturday, December 7

10-2 on Sunday, December 8

On Sunday only we will be serving BBQ 'burgers and chili, eat in or take out. There will be many nice gifts in our basket raffle, too. Stop down to see us!



## Christmas Cookie sale weekend of December 14 & 15 in the vestibule before and after Masses

Stop by and purchase delicious homemade cookies, chrusciki

## SPACE IS STILL AVAILABLE PLACE YOUR RESERVATION-Seneca Niagara Customer Appreciation Day! February 25, 2020

Price per person \$30.00-receive \$30 free slot play and buffet lunch. Depart St. John Kanty at 9am return at 3:30pm. Reservations and payment due in advance. Contact Barb in the Parish Office at 893-0412 for your reservation. Checks are made payable to St. John Kanty. First paid, first reserved.

# St. John's Funeral Home, Inc.

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Licensed Funeral Director 2047 Broadway, Buffalo

**Pietszak** 897-2400  
Funeral Home  
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Michael Klimeczko  
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### In Memory of

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|---|--|---|---|--|
| Edward & Wanda Bryk<br>By Family                                    | Kalisz & Zulawski Families<br>By Connie Zulawski                                       | Drozd, Jozwiak & Jankowski<br>Families<br>By Phyllis Drozd        | Ronald, Christine, Randy & Andy<br>Pawlak<br>By Julie Pawlak          | Trzcinski & Spychaj<br>Families<br>By Deb & Don Bartus |
| Daskiewicz & Jarnot Families<br>By Julie Jarnot                     | Charlotte Fyda<br>Gloria & Ralph Snyder<br>By Jennifer Snyder-Haas                     | Parents, Brothers, Sisters & In-<br>laws<br>By Esther Lukaszewska | Eugene & Florence Baranowski<br>By Children                           | Bartus & Sobon Families<br>By Deb & Don Bartus         |
| Stanley Bystrak Jr.<br>By Wife & Family                             | Maciorowski & Peplowski<br>Families<br>By Norman Maciorowski                           | Husband & Father Robert Felski,<br>Sr. By Dolores & Family        | Chmielewski & Konwinski<br>Families<br>By Barbara Chmielewski         | Irene Szalda<br>By Dombek Family                       |
| Wagner, Brzycky & Siejak<br>Families<br>By Sally & Family           | Bosiacki & Januchowski Families<br>By Edward & Christine Bosiacki                      | Michael Streicher<br>By Wife Cindy                                | Geryak & Sestak Families<br>By Family                                 | Henry Kucinski<br>By Marian Kucinski & Children        |
| Frank & Gerry & Mary Niemczal<br>By Debbie & Randy & Family         | Januchowski/Smigielski Family<br>By Jerry & Family                                     | Domino & Michalek Families<br>By Mary Domino                      | Jenny & Teddy Imbierowski<br>By Ed, Diane, Elizabeth & Paul<br>Czajka | Millie & Ray Cegielski<br>By Marian & Michael Kucinski |
| Richard Slazak<br>Mieczyslaw & Leocadia<br>Pajakowski<br>By Dolores | John & Stella Wrobel<br>By Chet, Ella, Dave & Ryan                                     | Makolinski Family<br>By Daughter, Sue O'Neill                     | Helen & Walter Rembacz,<br>Lucy Majchrzycki                           | Marie & Stanley Szeluga<br>By Donna                    |
| Walter Koza<br>By Koza Family                                       | Dziatkowski & Marciniak Families<br>By Gert Marciniak                                  | Walek Family<br>By Alice Walek                                    | Frank & Regina & Paul Ziembiec<br>By Helen & Joe Ziembiec             | Richard Laskowski<br>By Maryann & Jim Kajdasz          |
| Michael & Mark Jakubiak<br>By Aunt Sally                            | Franciszek & Honorata<br>Stanczewski & Frank & Mary &<br>Jim & Rita<br>By Family       | Jennie Showalter<br>By Daughter Janice                            | Majchrowicz & Jagodzinski<br>Families<br>By Dorothy                   | Stanley & Mildred Glowny<br>By Family                  |
| Francis & Theresa Jablonski<br>By Roy & Karen Baer                  | Sikorski & Jerszewski Families<br>By Grace   | Ullicki & Jaworski Families<br>Parents of Harry & Pat Jaworski    | Husband Edwin Marciniak<br>By Gert                                    | Edward & Harriet Niedzielski<br>By Sunday Family       |
| Dear Husband & Father<br>Gene Siejak<br>By Sally & Family           | Kwandrans & Szyndel Families<br>By Kwandrans Family                                    | Anthony Rogowski<br>By Wife & Family                              | Henry 'Skippy' & Alicia Spychaj<br>By Children & Grandchildren        | Grzywa & Majcher Families<br>By Wally & Terrie Domino  |
| Adam Michalek<br>By Family  | Chester & Anne Seweryniak<br>By Family   | Natalie R. Palmowski<br>By Nancy R. Floyd                         | Sr. Mary Hortense<br>By Family  | Gorny & Trawinski Families<br>By Family                |
| Sovinski & Tarabula Family<br>By Family                             | Walenty-Anna Kochul Family<br>Valerie Mincel & Family<br>By Sigmund & Christine Mincel | Adrian & Marian Borowicz<br>By Daughter Mary & Mike<br>Muscato    | Edmond & Martha Pinkowski<br>By Sunday Family                         | Orlowski & Bienas Family<br>By Norbert & Barbara       |
| Edward Hosinski<br>By Wife Dolores & Family                         | Wieszczecinski & Wozniak<br>Families By Family   | Benedict S. Zarajczyk & Family<br>By Family                       | Mary & Stanley Maslanka<br>By Daughter, Millie                        | <u>VARIOUS INTENTIONS</u>                              |
| Msgr. E. Sobierajski & Edmund<br>Wardynski, By Millie               | Leonard Tortorice<br>By Nelson & Marlene Oldfield                                      | Phyllis Pepe<br>By Family   | Barbara Miller<br>By Terejko & Thornton Family                        | Living & Deceased Members of<br>Rosary Soc.            |
|   |  |   |   | Living & Deceased Members of<br>Holy Name<br>Soc.      |

St. John Kanty/St. Adalbert  
Statement of Parish Receipts and Expenditures  
Years Ended August 31, 2018 and 2019

Church Receipts	2018	2019
Sunday and Holyday Collections	\$ 79,630.49	\$ 74,645.65
Initial, Monthly & other Collections	\$ 15,949.36	\$ 20,764.31
Votive Candles	\$ 4,519.86	\$ 4,831.57
Flowers Collection	\$ 1,379.00	\$ 1319.50
Parish Functions-NET (fundraisers)	\$ 62,575.51	\$ 63,314.76
Rent of Property	\$ 14,280.00	\$ 14,280.00
125 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary	\$ 8,950.00	\$ 0.00
Donations- Bequests	\$ 23,070.00	\$ 21,119.00
Special Diocesan Collections	\$ 5,275.59	\$ 3,910.09
Mary Statue	\$ 7,768.09	\$ 0.00
Withdrawal from Savings	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
Receipts not listed	\$ 10,853.19	\$ 10,365.73

TOTAL CHURCH RECEIPTS	\$ 264,251.09	\$ 244,550.61
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Church Expenditures		
Regular Clergy (salary, medical & pension)	\$ 22,631.88	\$ 28,750.33
Extra Clergy	\$ 10,740.00	\$ 10,455.00
Staff (salaries and pension)	\$ 57,792.08	\$ 50,178.01
Church Sanctuary Expenses	\$ 3,181.30	\$ 2,357.31
Votive Expenses	\$ 3,488.99	\$ 2,283.29
Office Expenses	\$ 3,235.81	\$ 2,553.38
Flowers	\$ 1,598.67	\$ 1,557.56
Gas	\$ 32,171.47	\$ 35,612.50
Electric	\$ 5,733.68	\$ 5,838.33
Water	\$ 1,892.65	\$ 2,637.81
Cable	\$ 1,812.85	\$ 1,867.11
Insurance	\$ 26,249.00	\$ 29,068.07
Diocesan Assessment	\$ 13,497.00	\$ 11,082.93
Subsidy to Elementary Schools	\$ 8,007.00	\$ 7,383.00
General Maintenance and Repairs	\$ 9,700.34	\$ 7,282.51
Contracted Services	\$ 5,562.07	\$ 5,716.76
Special Diocesan Collections	\$ 5,275.59	\$ 3,910.09
Other Expenses not listed	\$ 46,645.79	\$ 46,601.33

TOTAL CHURCH EXPENSES	\$ 259,215.17	\$ 255,135.32
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