

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sun. June 16
8:00am - Mother's Day Intentions
9:30am - Harvey Austin by Carol Cole

Sun. June 23
8:00am - Mother's Day Intentions
9:30am - Mr. Ray Wilkins
by Creola Smith

Dates are available to have Masses said for loved ones and special intentions. Please arrange with the church office.

June Lectors

8:00am Mass

June 2 - Myrna Draper
 June 9 - Barbara Breckenridge
 June 16 - Steve Williams
 June 23 - Pat Howling
 June 30 - Barbara Smith

9:30am Mass

June 2 - Carol Cole
 June 9 - Holy Name Society
 June 16 - Lurita Boyd
 June 23 - Margaret Braun
 June 30 - Nikkei Goodwin

Readings for the Week of June 16, 2024

Sun., June 16 - Ez 17:22-24/2 Cor 5:6-10 /Mk 4:26-34
 Mon., June 17 - 1 Kgs 21:1-16/Mt 5:38-42
 Tues., June 18 - 1 Kgs 21:17-29/Mt 5:43-48
 Wed., June 19 - 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
 Thurs., June 20 - Sir 48:1-14/Mt 6:7-15
 Fri., June 21 - 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20/Mt 6:19-23
 Sat., June 22 - 2 Chr 24:17-25/Mt 6:24-34
 Sun., June 23 - Jb 38:1, 8-11/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41

HAPPY JUNETEENTH

Catholic Charities Update

CONGRATULATIONS ST. MARTIN de PORRES!

We have set a new record for donations to Catholic Charities. Our current total stands at \$14,370. This is the most our church has donated in recent years. Thank you to our 50 very supportive donors for your overwhelming generosity. This is a wonderful way to Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Appeal. The Appeal ends June 30th. Thank you to everyone who has helped our community with this effort. Laurie Alford and Paulette Lindsay

ALL ANNOUNCEMENTS WILL BE DONE BY THE COMMENTATOR .

ALL ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE ALTAR & IN THE BULLETIN HAVE TO SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY BY 12 NOON IN WRITING & APPROVED.

Everyone's Invited to St. Martin de Porres 555 Northampton St Buffalo, NY 14208 for National Night Out Community Event Tuesday, Aug. 6th, 2024



Join us for a Celebration of Peace & Unity in our community!

Refreshments Served

Fun Activities:
Games, Sidewalk Chalk Activities, Rock Painting

Special Intentions Prayer for Our Parish

- ◆ Our Deceased Members
- ◆ Our 1st Responders,
- ◆ Health Care Workers
- ◆ Our Military Personnel
- ◆ All those in need of our prayers especially our sick & shut-ins : Gino Bell, Lula Bell, Robert Brown, Kathryn Chatmon, Thelma Craig, Shirley Hargro, Robert Harper, Susan Hutchins, LaEster Jones, Margie Lewis, Karl Magby, Jewel Marshall, Louise Nolley, Mary Preston, Vanessa Newton, Loreda Reese, Helen Washington, & Josephine Williams,

GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

11th Sunday of Ordinary Time June 16, 2024

My mother and father fell in love with each other rather quickly. It was only a span of two months between their first meeting and quiet betrothal. They waited for a significant period of time before going public with the happy news. It simply wasn't time. Love's strength and speed can sprout scandal in public. Until the big reveal, they gave the outside world only little hints, gestures, and riddles.

Something like this — but even more wonderful — is at play when Mark says of Jesus, "he did not speak to them without a parable, but to his disciples in private he explained everything." Jesus is the long-awaited messiah-king, but his identity as the Lord and Son of God is so new, surprising, and scandalous to human ears that the big reveal would have to wait. Thus, his parables are riddles, meant to conceal more than reveal. Even the disciples — who hear things explained directly — barely grasp what he is up to. It's only at the cross that Jesus' love for Israel and the world is explicitly revealed. Until then, much stays hidden and comes in riddles.

So it goes with us, too. I wonder at times why doesn't the Lord just speak to us directly in prayer about what we should do, or how to fix our problems. Or why doesn't he reveal himself directly to powerful leaders who are slow to act? Why does he allow life so often to be confounding, contradictory, and crazy? Because it simply isn't time yet. One glorious day, it will be. Until then, he teaches us in riddles, and only sometimes explains them.

— Father John Muir

Parish Financial Information *Weekly Totals Include E-Giving			
June 2024			
	Total	Martin's Future	Diocese Collection
June 2	\$2,802.00	\$823.00	\$5.00
June 9	\$2,685.00	\$700.00	\$175.00
June 16			
June 23			
June 30			
Total Income	\$5,487.00	\$1,523.00	\$180.00

Summer Camp: Openings still exist at Cardinal O'Hara High School's new and exciting summer camps for students in fifth through eighth grades. Camps offerings include Archery, Golden Summer Academy a combination of science, arts, sports and fun; Co-Ed Basketball Camp, taught by the varsity basketball coach; Junior Hawks Youth Football Camp and the Entrance Exam Prep Course. For cost, dates and times for each camp, contact Thomas Wilkie, twilkie@cardinalohara.com or call 16-695-2699, ext. 357 or go online at www.cardinalohara.com.

Bowling Rally - June 23rd for our youth. Attention youth ages 13-18. See the registration sheets in the Gathering Space

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Just added to our calendar is the long-anticipated panel discussion **"Get to Know Our New Neighbors"** presented by the Network of Religious Communities on Monday, June 24, 6:30 PM at Blessed Trinity. The panel will discuss the cultures and religious highlights of the people moving into our neighborhoods. Join us and learn what you need to know to be a good neighbor. Light refreshments will be served. Free-will offering.

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BLURBS FOR VOCATIONS

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 16

On this Father's Day, we honor the vocation of marriage & earthly fatherhood. For unmarried men, might God be asking you to be a *spiritual* father? To learn more, call Fr. Dave Baker at 716-8475535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

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(Interested in Learning About the Catholic Faith)

Have questions about the Catholic Church? Email Dcn. Mike: dea-conmike716@gmail.com Each situation is different. Take a step now and hear what Dcn. Mike has to say!

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St. Lawrence Vineyard Ministries, Inc. asks for your support to keep the Food Pantry open! Please join us for a traditional spaghetti dinner on July 14. Fliers are available.

**Graduation Sunday - June 23, 2024
Required Information**

- ◆ Name of Student
- ◆ Current school will be attending new grade, high school or college
- ◆ Moving from grade to grade
- ◆ Any Achievements or Honors

See Sign-up form in the Gathering Space.
All information must be into the office by Wednesday, June 18, 2024 by 1pm.



Bar-Q-Que Chicken Dinner - August 3, 2024
1pm to 4pm
Tickets: \$15 available
June 30, 2024 - July 21, 2024
Pre-paid and Pick-up only

Catholic Health is looking for compassionate, active volunteers 18+ at all hospital sites and skilled nursing facilities. We need friendly visitors, greeters and much more! Catholic Health LIFE center is also seeking senior companions. For more information, contact Lisa Carey at 716-862-1106 or visit our website: <https://www.chsbuffalo.org/volunteer>.

Mark your calendar for July 7th. We finally have a date that Fr. Aaron, Fr. Jud and Fr. Jason will be able to be together before they go their separate ways. Parishioners of Family 21 are invited to a cookout with hamburgers and hot dogs at Ss. Columba-Brigid Church. We ask for Pot Luck of picnic side dishes. We will gather at 1:30 p.m. with thankfulness for the time we had with Franciscans sharing their ministry with us. If you have any questions, please call Ss. Columba-Brigid at 716-852-3331 and ask for Paula or Karen

Protecting God's Children

Virtus Online has issued an update for June 2024.
"Being Trauma Informed"

Please review and stay updated.

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Sneaker Sunday will take place on June 30th. Wear your favorite decorative sneakers and support the St. Peter Claver Junior daughters. Enter the sneaker competition by donating your shoe size. For example, donate \$5 dollars for a size 5 shoe. Prizes will be awarded for the most creative sneakers.