

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, March 8

8:00am - Alice Bragg

9:30am - Tyrone Booze by KOPC Ladies Aux.

Sunday, March 15

8:00am - Alice Bragg

9:30am - Tamiko Ferguson by Yvonne Stewart

**Mass is the highest and greatest form of prayer.
Contact the office. The offering is \$15.**

March Lectors

8:00am Sunday Mass

March 1 - Barbara Smith

March 8 - Pat Dyer

March 15 - Pat Howling

March 22 - Stephen Williams

March 29 - Luke Dyer

9:30am Sunday Mass

March 1 - Cynthia Davis

March 8 - Youth

March 15 - Lurita Boyd

March 22 - Paulette Lindsay

March 29 - Ndidi Nwabugwu

Readings for the week of March 8, 2026

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42
or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 42:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Eph 5:8-14
/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Observances for the week of March 8, 2026

Monday: St. Frances of Rome, Religious

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Lent

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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 :
Jessica Allen, Diane Brown, Joyce Davis, Shirley Hargro, Christal John-Millin, Margie Lewis, Karl Magby, Jewel Marshall, Louise Nolley, Josephine Williams & Elise Wilson.

Please keep in your prayers, Alice Bragg who has journeyed home to the Lord. May the Lord be with her now and always.

Holy Hour for Peace

The United States Conference of Bishops is calling upon all dioceses and parishes to host a Holy Hour for Peace to pray for reconciliation where there is division, for justice where fundamental rights are violated, and for the consolation and healing of those overwhelmed by fear and loss in these days. The Spiritual Life Pillar of our Family of Parishes has coordinated the following Holy Hours:

St. Columba Brigid – Tuesday, March 10, at Noon

St. Martin de Porres – Thursday, March 12, at Noon

Blessed Trinity – Tuesday, March 24, 5:30 – 6:30 pm

Litany for Peace Prayer

For families in Iran living in fear, and for all who live under the evil rain of bombardment, may they find safe refuge.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For world leaders, that they stop the bombs and choose diplomacy over destruction and dialogue over retaliation.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all those who are poor and vulnerable, who bear the heaviest burdens of war, may their cries transform our hearts.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the courage to see the face of God in our neighbors and to build a culture of genuine encounter.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For a lasting peace based on justice, mercy, and the sacred dignity of every life.

Lord, hear our prayer. Amen.

Family News

Road to Renewal Pillar Updates

This week's brief Pillar highlight is offered by the Spiritual Life Pillar: *The Spiritual Life Pillar is planning something special.. just for us...it's happening this spring. Clear your Monday evenings so you can spend time to fan into flame the Holy Spirit that you received at Baptism and Confirmation! It will be a time to deepen our relationship with God. Register for Life in the Spirit beginning this Monday evening, 6:30PM, Blessed Trinity!*

If you are interested in becoming a member of one of our Family Pillars, please contact Fr. Bob (833-0301) or your parish Pastoral Associate (Lanette Jennings, Paula Hunt, Patricia Dyer).

Family News – Altar Servers of the Year

Congratulations to sisters Saron & Betiel Oqbaslassie from Ss. Columba-Brigid parish who received the **Altar Server of the Year Award** from Bishop Fisher at the Cathedral last Saturday morning. The ministry of our altar servers adds to the richness and action of our liturgy. Please congratulate Saron & Betiel and thank all our altar servers for their valuable ministry on all our behalf!

Fr. Bob

Parish Financial Information *Weekly Totals Include E-Giving			
March Collections			
	Regular Collection	Martin's Future	Diocese Collection
March 1	\$2552.00	\$885.00	\$20.00
March 8			
March 15			
March 22			
March 29			
Total	\$2552.00	\$885.00	\$20.00

A Baptismal Class will be held at St. Martin de Porres on Wednesday, May 13, 2026 - 6:30pm to 7:30pm

“Living Well and the Lie of Assisted Death”

A presentation by Dr. Stan Bukowski at St. John the Baptist Church,- Reina Community Rm. 1085 Englewood Ave, in Kenmore 14223 on **Tuesday, March 24, 2026 at 7:30pm.**

Dr. Stan Bukowski is a third-generation Buffalo physician with a 40-year career that included work in office practice, hospitals, nursing homes, and prison. He is a devout Catholic and is active in the Buffalo pro-life community. Hosted by the Holy Name Society.

St. Joseph Table.

“You are invited to join St. Lawrence Vineyard Ministries, Inc. for a St. Joseph Table @ Blessed Trinity. Bring a meatless dish to pass. Bread, butter, salmon, dessert, and drinks provided. Free-Will offerings are split between Family 21’s three food pantries . Thursday, March, 19 at 5:00 PM.”

Compassion Not Cruelty (CNC) is an ecumenical group of clergy and lay people formed to urge our nation to govern with compassion. The No Kings Day Rally on 3/28/26 in Niagara Square and the Being A Good Neighbor Now event on 4/18/26 at St. Joseph University Parish. If interested in attending the 3/3 meeting, please contact Robbie Farkas-Huezo at (716) 462-3286 or RLFH@aol.com for the registration link.

The Heart of Buffalo Catholic Community Stewardship Pillar invites you to participate in our first-ever Family Community Service Project. From March 7 to March 27, we will be collecting items for Buffalo House of Hope. Personal care items, cleaning products or new bed sheets, pillows, or towels can be dropped off in the boxes provided. See flyers for additional details. Thank you for your support of our neighbors.

Catholic Charities Update

During this Holy Season of Lent, please remember to support Catholic Charities. Catholic Charities is the most comprehensive human service agency in WNY. Catholic Charities impacts the lives of one in every 10 Western New Yorkers. The comprehensive services include supportive housing, food pantry access, assistance to immigrants, mental health and counseling services and programs to support our Catholic Faith. Please consider a donation today. Thank you. Laurie Alford & Paulette Lindsay

“At A Glance”



- Mon., Mar. 9-Life in the Spirit Retreat @ Blessed Trinity@6:30pm**
- Tues., Mar. 10-Lenten Holy Hour-Prayer for Peace-Ss. Columba-Brigid @ Noon**
- Thurs., Mar.12-Lenten Holy Hour-Prayer for Peace-St. Martin de Porres @ Noon**
- Fri., Mar. 13-Living Stations of the Cross-Ss. Columba-Brigid@6:30pm**
- Mon., Mar. 16-Life in the Spirit Retreat @ Blessed Trinity @6:30pm**
- Thurs., Mar. 16-St. Joseph Table-Blessed Trinity @5pm.**
- Fri., Mar. 20-Blessed Trinity-Soup Supper 5:30pm
Stations of the Cross/Penance Service-6:30pm**
- Mon., Mar. 23-Life in the Spirit Retreat @ Blessed Trinity@6:30pm**
- Tues., Mar. 24-Lenten Holy Hour-Blessed Trinity @ 5:30pm**
- Fri., Mar. 27-Tenebrae Service-Blessed Trinity-7pm**
- Sun., Mar. 29-Palm Sunday-St. Martin de Porres-8am & 9:30am**
- Tues., Mar. 31-Christm Mass-St. Joseph Cathedral-7pm**
- Thurs., April 2-Holy Thursday-Ss. Columba-Brigid-Mass @ 7pm**
- Fri., April 3-Good Friday-St. Martin de Porres-3pm**
- Sat., April 4-Holy Saturday-Blessed Trinity-Morning Prayer 9am
Easter Vigil-8pm**
- Sun., April 5-Easter Sunday - Masses at regular times.**
- Sun., April 12- Divine Mercy Sunday**
- Wed., May 13-Baptismal Class - St. Martin de Porres - 6:30pm to 7:30pm**

Women’s Respite Program

The Women’s Respite Program will host a weekend for you from April 10 to April 12 at the Center for Renewal on the campus of Stella Niagara near Lewiston, NY. See the information in the Gathering Space.

A **Women’s Lenten Retreat** will be held on Saturday, March 21, 2026 at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Convent (Villa Maria) fro 9am - 4pm, with a 4pm Sunday Vigil Mass. Please see the flyers in the Gathering Space to make your reservation.