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### Parish Staff

Administrator..... Rev. Felix Nyambe, OMI  
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 Secretary..... Cheryl Walters  
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**Letters of Recommendation:** Are given to registered parishioners who attend Mass and support the parish. Please call the office for assistance.

**Penance (Confession):** 1/2 hour before all weekend Masses and by appointment, call 716-885-2469.

**Baptism:** Please see Mr. Ron to make arrangements.

**Anointing of the Sick:** If you would like to be anointed, or receive communion, please call the office 716-885-2469.

**Marriages:** Engaged couples should contact their church 6 months prior to the wedding.

**Pre-Marriage Requirements:** All couples are required to attend a pre-cana program. Contact the Diocese of Buffalo at 716-847-2203 for more information.

### The Epiphany of the Lord—January 8, 2023



**Saturday, January 7, 2023**

4:00 p.m. Albert Hanna by Wife & Daughter

**Sunday, January 8, 2023—The Epiphany of the Lord**

11:00 a.m. Judy Miranda by Deacon Roberto

**Monday, January 9, 2023**

11:30 a.m. Convent

7:00 p.m.—**Church**—Novena to Our Lady of Hope—  
For Our Lady of Hope Parishioners

**Tuesday, January 10, 2023**

11:30 a.m. Convent

**Wednesday, January 11, 2023**

11:30 a.m. Convent In Honor of Mother Cabrini by A  
Parishioner

**Thursday, January 12, 2023**

11:30 a.m. Convent

**Friday, January 13, 2023**

11:30 a.m. Convent Mary Schmidt (A) by Niece, Mary

**Saturday, January 14, 2023**

4:00 p.m. Dominick Panaro (A) by Niece, Mary

**Sunday, January 15, 2023**

9:00 a.m. Josette Covert by Husband, Darrell

11:00 a.m. Judy Miranda by Deacon Roberto

### The Sanctuary Light for the week of January 8 –January 14th Is Burning

*For All of the Residents of Western New York  
Who Lost Their Lives in the Storm*

**Please remember our parishioners and friends who are in need of our special prayers:** Sue Dugarm, Rosa Maria Santos, Marie Amatrano, Peter Green, Margaret Treanor Frey, Thalya Onelien, Tony Mascellino, Florence Bonvisutto, Phyllis Regensdorfer, Cornelia Ndimariki, Sophia Benintende, Ken Kulhanek, Tony Kozlowski, Agnes Myar, Dolly Mascellino, Darrell Covert, Jennifer Maung, Ida Rine, William Herby, Joe Tomasello, Anita Mahon, Saw Pwe Doh. **And for our deceased:** Jim Powers and Glenn Bixby.

**Please remember that the 7-Day Sanctuary Light can be reserved in honor or in memory of a loved one or for whatever intentions you would like. It is \$10 for the week and you can reserve it by calling the rectory. The Offering for the 5-Day candle is \$3.00**

**COLLECTION TEAM (C) IS ON THIS WEEK.**

**REMINDER** The Mass book for 2023 is open. Masses can be scheduled at weekday or weekend liturgies to remember deceased loved ones, intentions of the sick or homebound and in celebration of birthdays, anniversaries or other events that mark the lives of our family or loved ones. Please call Cheryl our secretary to schedule. Offerings for announced masses are \$15.00.

**Our Bulletin is Provided  
Courtesy of Lombardo Funeral Homes**



**Stewardship, our partnership with God**  
**January 2, 2023**

Regular Sunday Collection . . . .	\$ 6,647.00
Insurance . . . . .	605.00
Christmas Collection . . . . .	473.00
Flowers . . . . .	127.00
Total . . . . .	\$ 7,852.00

Stewardship is Our Partnership with God— Your prayer, financial support and time given to various projects enable your church Community to continue its mission. Thank you for your continued generosity.



**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD:** Today the feast of *light* continues our celebrations of the incarnation and the Christmas Season. These weeks when the days are the shortest and the darkness is strong. This mid-winter

celebration can speak to our lives: the darkness is real; the light is real. We don't pretend that there is no darkness in the world, in the church, in our families, in our personal lives. The light of Christ shines in the darkness of sin, loneliness, alienation, bitter disappointment, despair, and death. This light that is shining in the darkness is not our own; it is *God's light* come to lengthen our days and show us how to live. Our works of faith are means for God's light to shine forth on all the world. Epiphany is a celebration of God's light shining on all the world. With wonder, awe, and thankfulness, we fix our eyes on the star and on God's love, and ask for all the world to live in the strength of that light.

**EPIPHANY OF THE LORD \* FESTIVAL OF THE KINGS—**  
**Sunday, January 8, 2023**

This annual Christmas feast of light and manifestation is celebrated each year on this day as a highpoint of the Christmas Celebration. This year we will celebrate again with an 11:00 AM Epiphany Mass and adult dramatization of the Gospel. Following the mass there will be a festive luncheon in O'Brien Hall. *This year, each family who attends the luncheon will receive a beautiful picture of Mother Mary or Jesus for their home.* Our unique community is made up of people who come from afar as did the Magi. We gather here around this altar from Asia, Europe, Africa, South America and the Caribbean. We look forward to celebrating together with you today this Feast of Light and manifestation.

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** will be celebrated this month on Sunday, January 29th within the 11:00 AM mass. A pre-baptism class and practice will be held on Saturday, January 28th at 11:00 AM in the church. Those wishing to participate in this baptism should fill out a baptismal information sheet.

**FREE LEGAL ADVICE** will be available again this month , next Thursday, January 19th in O'Brien Hall from 4:30-6:30 PM.

**A VOCATION THOUGHT:** The 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 [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org).



*The beautiful flowers adorning our church have been donated in memory of:*

Frances & John Boyd, Ted Marsowicz, Helen & Thaddeus Marsowicz, Pasquale & Dominick Panaro, Mike Laudisio, Mary & Bud Schmidt, Phyllis, Skip & Charles Kopinski, Rosina, Frank, Nicholas & Frances Sanfratello, Anna & Sam Tripoli, Deceased of the Blest and Dunworth Families, Angelo, Giovanna & Isa Chiappone, Tom & Dorothea Schommer, Victor & Shirley Maulucci, Erin Murphy, Irene & Charles Walters, Raymond & Julia Stricker, Chester Nicometi, Russell & Ann Giafaglione, Michael & Florence Caito, Tillie Sicurella, Camille Inzinna, Deceased Members of The Martin Castellucci Families, Salvatrice & Vito Noto, Kimberly & Bruce Hutchinson, Marceline & Fred Hill, Fern & Joseph Huff, Lucy, Phylis Aretino, Deceased of Muscarella, Cortese, Diina & Mecca Families, Deceased of Sacco, Maue & Gill Families, Stella Toporzycski, Richard & Ann Fricano, Angie Galazzo, Frank & Adelina Colosimo, Frank & Santa Cardamone, Felix & Beatriz Diaz, Rogelio, Josepha, Israel, Ismeal and Carlos Gonzalez, Deceased of Benham, Buyssee, & Egner Families, Odete Kabalan, Rosa Cutolo, S. Hayat Costantine, Rashid Abdullah, Patricia & John Cody, Tom & Bea Leous, Kim Cody, Brendan Cody, Jennie & Anthony LaPiana, Josette Covert, **and on behalf of:** M/M Prosper Nkurunziza, M/M Gabriel Khoo, Maureen Seitz, Janet Bitendelo Wanyambwe, M/M John Sang, M/M Khee Reh, M/M Pray Reh, M/M Justin Wani, M/M Poe Reh, M/M Thomas Htoo Htoo, M/M Htaw Reh, Aziza Kabusimbi, M/M En Sia Khai, M/M Thar Reh, M/M Lian David Lwe, M/M Narng Reh, M/M Lu Reh, M/M Sai Lu, M/M Me Anthony Reh, M/M Mussa Minani, Roselin Moo Shee, M/M Le Reh, M/M Thin Aung Shwe, M/M Pan Kyaing, M/M Dominic Tua Bawi, Ms. Arty McKee, Victoria Vullo, M/M Ku Rehm, M/M Rihard Khu, Mary Ku Ku, M/M Blasio Plu Reh, M/M Ignatius Teeday, M/M Saw Hku Soe, Lucille Tomasello, Elizabeth Nang Man, M/M Tornubari Bannu, M/M Soe Reh, M/M Po Say Aoo, M/M Jerome Lai Win, Sharon Thayer, Sally Treanor, M/M Robert Ferreri, Peter Kyaw Family, M/M Jonathan Peterko, M/M Giovanni Bu Reh, M/M Pa Ku, M/M Joseph Sawmtun, M/M Pleh Martin Reh, Ms. Pe Ker, M/M Laurent Bangenzabose, Elizabeth Thaw Yee, M/M Lu Matheo Reh, M/M Kya Doo, Paul Kuereh & Monica Sayber Paw, M/M Anthony Garing, M/M Ei Patrick Reh, M/M Ah Rie Wah, Soe Meh, M/M Mark Da Reh, M/M Mi Reh, M/M Soe Gabriel Aung, M/M Jah Justin Reh, M/M Giochino Kyaw Reh, M/M Pa Reh, M/M Poe Reh, M/M Soe Reh, M/M Phaw Tru & Benedecta Neh Meh, M/M Ree Reh, M/M Therenche Ntizimpa, M/M Nu Po, M/M Say Martino Reh, M/M Michael Wanna Soe, M/M Jerry Manuel, M/M Ka Po, M/M Naya Say, M/M Rocco Beh Reh, M/M Hkin Soe, M/M Mot Thomas Reh, M/M Ko Reh.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES:** Happy New Year! Is giving back one of your goals for 2023? If so, become a Catholic Charities volunteer. View all current opportunities at [www.ccnw.org/](http://www.ccnw.org/) volunteer and start the year by becoming a beacon of HOPE in your community.

**WORD OF LIFE:** "O Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties. Guide us as we strive to make our parish communities places of welcome and assistance for mothers in need. Help us become instruments of God's love and compassion."

**WELCOMING COMMUNITY** Each year, our parish should take time to discern and deepen our commitment to hospitality and the welcoming of strangers. The way we as a parish community welcomes each other and strangers will most definitely determine if visitors will return to worship with us. Everyone who comes here from the youngest to the oldest should sense that their presence is honored and desired by each of us. Christmas is a time to reflect on how well or how seriously we take our practice of hospitality.

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK...**

*"A good conscience makes a soft pillow..."*