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OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS, ST. JOSAPHAT, RESURRECTION, QUEEN OF MARTYRS, & MARIA HILF CHAPEL

January 21, 2024

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

	4:00 p.m. - OLHC Church	7:00 a.m. - OLHC Chapel
	4:00 p.m. - Queen of Martyrs	8:00 a.m. - Queen of Martyrs
Saturday:	5:30 p.m. - Resurrection	Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - Resurrection
(Vigil)	(2nd & 4th Saturday of the Month)	10:00 a.m. - OLHC Church
	5:30 p.m. - St. Josaphat	11:00 a.m. - St. Josaphat
	(1st, 3rd, & 5th Saturday of the Month)	12:30 p.m. - Latin (Tridentine Mass)

**OLHC CHAPEL IS OPEN MONDAY - FRIDAY 8 A.M. - 2 P.M. FOR PRIVATE ADORATION**

**INFORMATION FOR ALL PARISHIONERS**

**Baptisms:** Every Sunday, during or after the weekend Eucharist. Please arrange two witnesses who will become the Godparents of your child. One of them must be a practicing Catholic and member of a Parish Church.

**Faith Formation:** Every child and youth need to be educated and continue to grow in faith by the help of parents, family members, and Church. Please call (716) 458-3130 to register your child for the Religious Education program.

**Confessions:** Our priests are available to administer this important Sacrament of Mercy 20 min. before every daily and vigil Masses. Also, call the office for a personal appointment. Every Catholic needs to go to Confession at least once a year. Holy Communion can be received during the Mass only in the state of grace (without mortal sin).

**Marriage:** The Sacrament for women and men in love who want to create a new Christian family. All couples who are choosing to serve the Church through the vocation of marriage are invited to schedule the ceremony with us at least 6 months before the wedding day.

**Anointing of the sick:** We administer the Sacrament of healing every Tuesday, after 12 pm Mass at Resurrection Church. Also, call us to request a home or hospital visit. Please do not postpone contacting a priest at the very moment of death but request the Sacrament when the sick person is still conscious and aware of the approaching final journey.

**Funerals:** Please arrange with the funeral home of your choice. They will contact our Church for you to schedule this very important Liturgical celebration for our beloved departed.

**R.C.I.A.:** The program of Christian initiation to become a member of the Catholic Church. Please contact us if called by the Holy Spirit.

**New Parishioners:** Always welcome to register and support us through time, talent, and treasure. Registration Forms are available in the back of our Churches. Please visit or contact our office to register or notify us when moving out of the Parish.

**Letter of Recommendation:** This is a testimony to the fact that you are a practicing Catholic. Please use contribution envelopes to indicate attendance. To be a sponsor, a person needs to be confirmed, registered at our Parish, and attending Holy Mass. Please call the office of your membership to receive a letter of good stands to become a Godparent for Baptism or Sponsor for Confirmation.

**Parishioners of the Latin (Tridentine) Mass  
MASS INTENTIONS**

**SUNDAY January 21 Third Sunday After Epiphany**  
12:30 pm OLHC Chapel +Ana Forsberg—by Mike Balk

**SUNDAY January 28 Septuagesima Sunday**  
12:30 pm OLHC Chapel +James Francis Gallagher

**Chapel Prayer Shawl Ministry (CPSM) News: Blessings for the New Year 2024**

In the New Year, perhaps you may be thinking of participating in the parish community and use a God given talent. Prayer shawls over many years have become symbols of God's shelter, love, peace, and a spiritual resource. Our ministry, here at OLHC in its over **14 year** existence has made and donated well over **1500** prayer shawls. Annually, we also create and donate articles of warmth to the homeless. Baby blankets and layettes were also made and donated to two pregnancy centers. We meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 11:30 am, in the OLHC Upper Parish Hall which is handicap accessible. For information contact Pat Makowski @716-744-2640 or Marlene Stallone @716-830-6316 or come to one of our meetings.

**SPIRITUAL LIFE IN OUR CHURCHES**

- ◇ Daily Eucharist (see bulletin).
- ◇ Marie Hilf Chapel open daily from 8 am - 2 pm for private adoration.
- ◇ Sacrament of Confession - 20 minutes before every Mass except Sundays.
- ◇ Rosary - After morning Mass & 25 minutes before 12 pm daily & all weekend Masses.
- ◇ Novena to St. Joseph every Wednesday after 12 pm Mass at St. Josaphat.
- ◇ Anointing of the Sick - Every Tuesday after 12 pm Mass at Resurrection.
- ◇ Chaplet to the Divine Mercy - Every Friday 10 minutes before morning & noon Masses.
- ◇ First Fridays - Mass and the Sacred Heart devotion at 8:30 am in the Chapel and 12:00 pm at St. Josaphat.
- ◇ First Saturdays - Mass and Fatima devotion at 8:30 am at Resurrection.
- ◇ Eucharistic Adoration - Every Monday from 9:00 am - 6:00 pm in the OLHC Chapel and the First Tuesday of the Month at St. Josaphat from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm.
- ◇ Blessing of Sacramentals (rosaries, crosses, and other holy items) - Every First Saturday of the month after 8:30 am Mass.

**Eucharistic Adoration Volunteers  
(Members of all 4 Churches are welcome)  
Every Monday 9:00 am—6 pm (Chapel)**

- 9-10 am**—Rosary Group & Sandy Smith
- 10-11 am**—Susan & Timothy Cummings
- 11-12 pm**—Connie DiPasquale & MaryAnn Blachowiak
- 12-1 pm**—Jan Thomsen & Geraldine Christel
- 1-2 pm**—Patricia & Robert Kurdziel
- 2-3 pm**—Marlene Stallone & Maureen Roos
- 3-4 pm**—Mary Gorski
- 4-5 pm**—Penny Moore and Daniel Vulaj
- 5-6 pm**—Elizabeth Makula & Pauline Kinecki

**New volunteers are welcome for every hour.** If you are unable to attend and cannot find a replacement, please contact the Parish Office. Otherwise, please come and pray anytime between 9 am and 6 pm.

**Meetings for OLHC, Resurrection, St. Josaphat,  
and Queen of Martyrs**

**Chapel Prayer Shawl**—January 21st at 11:30 am—OLHC Upper Parish Hall. All are Welcome from all 4 Churches!

**Chapel Seniors**—January 25th at 1pm—OLHC Parish Hall. All are Welcome!

**Queen of Martyrs—Bible Study**

The next Queen of Martyrs Bible Study is on **January 25th** at 7:00 pm in the QM Church. All are welcome!

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY, January 20 Vigil of the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 pm OLHC Church +James Gawrys—by Kayla Mcauley  
 4:00 pm Queen of Martyrs +Casey & Florence Sawicki—by Estate  
 5:30 pm St. Josaphat +Anthony Edward Wilczak—by Cristian Swiatek

**SUNDAY, January 21 The 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:00 am OLHC Chapel +Genevieve Koldras—by Dolores Schlee  
 8:00 am Queen of Martyrs +Lorraine Kurkowiak Anniv. of Death—by Kawa Family  
 9:00 am Resurrection +Barbara Stites—by Son, Patrick  
 10:00 am OLHC Church +Edward & Eleanore Nagowski—by Robert Nagowski  
 11:00 am St. Josaphat +Betsy Sicurella—by Terry & Lucy Lorzczak

**MONDAY, January 22**

8:30 am OLHC Chapel +Raymond Gray—by Family  
 9:00 am—6:00 pm OLHC Chapel - Eucharistic Adoration

**TUESDAY, January 23**

8:30 am Queen of Martyrs +Sharon Suriani—by Family  
 12:00 pm Resurrection +Vittorio & Celestina Valenta—by Daughter, Olga

**WEDNESDAY, January 24 Saint Francis de Sales**

8:30 am OLHC Chapel Those Most Abandoned, Forgotten, & In Need of God's Mercy  
 12:00 pm St. Josaphat +Mary Graue—by Dennis & Mary Jane Wagner

**THURSDAY, January 25 The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle**

8:30 am OLHC Church +Helen & John Mohalski—by Family  
 12:00 pm Resurrection +Emilia & Eugenio Monaco—by Maria Monaco

**FRIDAY, January 26 Saint Timothy and Saint Titus**

8:30 am OLHC Chapel +James Hardin, Sr. & James Hardin, Jr.—by Estate  
 12:00 pm St. Josaphat +Larry Marek—by Diane Marek

**SATURDAY, January 27 Vigil of the 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 pm OLHC Church Peace & Gods Blessing for People in the World—by Anonymous  
 4:00 pm Queen of Martyrs +Chet Syput—by Goddaughter  
 5:30 pm Resurrection +Luigi Monaco—by Monaco Family

**SUNDAY, January 28 The 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:00 am OLHC Chapel +Daniel & Theresa Pacholski, Sr.—by Daniel Pacholski, Jr.  
 8:00 am Queen of Martyrs +Anthony Matusiak—by Children & Grandchildren  
 9:00 am Resurrection +Edwin Kantowski—by Gorski Family  
 10:00 am OLHC Church +Walter & Mary Licnerski—by Robert Nagowski  
 11:00 am St. Josaphat Blessing & Good Health of Tesia Walker—by Brother

**PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS**

Ron Walters, Linda Rebadow, Patricia Kubiak, Julie Korst, Connie Valentine, Emily Mizerkiewicz, Patricia Urbanczyk, Carol Robichaud, Jane Seifert, Beth Luther, Dave & Marian Dascomb, Patti Coyle, Geri Simoneit, Gary Johnson, Paul Schmid, Olga Valenta, Tom Mateczun, Gary Tschamber, Patricia & Clair Johnson, Linda Sperrazza, Larry Zadel, Flo Johnson, Barbara Brautlacht, Donald Brautlacht, Mary Ann Conroy, Mike Dirschberger, Kara Garlach, Ronald Heil, Dorothy Kracht, Ken Labenski, Joseph LoVullo, Patricia Mazur, Sharon Miklas, Rebecca Miller, Alice Nowak, Rita Piskorz, Theresa Pochylski, Gary Sieber, Diane Strausser, John Szczygiel, Shawn Szczygiel, Kim Utech, Pat Ward, Beth Warrington, Thomas Wnuk, Daniel Zotara, II, Alfred Wojciechowski, Carolann Andrzejewski, Schuster Family, Kathleen Connors, Nicole Schuster, Janice Piskorowski, Grace Tomasello, Carrie Hoestermann, Luisa Cerrato, Florence Ziarnowski, Timothy Nietopski, Jeffrey Nietopski, Vince DiJoseph, Janet Minotti, Nancy Sturman, Samantha Lunz, Donna Benson, Paul Dlugosz & all in need of healing.

**LET US PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

Dorothy Nowicki and Carol Bieger  
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**PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY**



Matthew Anthon, USAF, Mark Pastwick, USMC, Dan Donahue, US Army, Aaron Erdolino, Jr., US Army, Sean Michalski, US Army, Nathan Hafner, USMC, & Jacob Taft, LCpl., USMC; Matthew Carroll, USMC; Mark Morgano, USMC; Mark Moscicki, Sr. Mstr. Sgt., USAF; Austin Harmon, Seaman, USN; Jeremy Jeziorski & Colonel Randy Scott Wardak, USAF, Kevin Ardonetto, Matthew Baideme, Thom Brown, Anthony V. Burtick, Patrick Desmarais, Colin Dudziak, Barbara Fowler, Michael Fowler, Janet Glindeman, Julia Glindeman, William Glindeman, Justin Kasprzak, James A. Koller, Claymore Mac-Tamaghan, Colton Marinelli, Christian Rachinger, Joe Seminatore, Jonathan Sicurella, Capt. Glen Taylor, and Christopher Wojcik

**WEEKLY INCOME**

**January 2 - January 7, 2024**

(Collections, Donations, Other)

- Resurrection — \$ 3,417.00
- St. Josaphat — \$ 4,249.00
- OLHC — \$ 11,658.00
- Queen of Martyrs — \$ 24,991.23

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

**Queen of Martyrs Mass Intentions**

Mass Intentions are available for 2024. If you would like to schedule a Mass, please contact the QM Parish Office or stop in during business hours.

**Sanctuary Lamp at Resurrection**

January 21st - January 27th

Living & Deceased Members of the Bingo Sunshine Club by Former Members



**Welcome New Parishioners!**

Mr. Todd Kopacz - Resurrection

**Upcoming Events for Our Church Family**

**Candlemas and First Friday. February 2nd.** The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. The end of Christmas season for our Latin Mass parishioners. On this day please bring candles to the church to be blessed. We will have candles available at the entrance of the Churches. We light this candle at home during prayer or difficult times as a symbol of Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. Masses at OLHC Church at 8:30 am & St. Josaphat at 12:00 pm.

**St. Blaise Blessing. February 3rd and 4th** after every weekend Mass. Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver us from every disease of the throat and from every other illness. We will pray for our sick and suffering people.

**February 14th** Ash Wednesday. Beginning of 40 Days Season of Lent. Stations of the Cross will be celebrated every Friday of Lent. The collection will be for Lenten Almsgiving for the poor and those in need. The schedule for Holy Masses with receiving ashes is as follows:

8:30 am	OLHC Church
8:30 am	Resurrection
12:00 pm	OLHC Chapel (English)
12:00 pm	St. Josaphat
7:00 pm	Queen of Martyrs

**Stations of the Cross. Every Friday of Lent.** All Parishioners are encouraged to participate in this beautiful devotion about the Passion of Christ for our sins. **Stations of the Cross will be every Friday at St. Josaphat after the 12pm Mass & at 6:30 pm for all other Churches using the following schedule:**

February 16 - OLHC Church	March 8 - OLHC Church
February 23 - Resurrection	March 15 - Resurrection
March 1 - Queen of Martyrs	March 22 - Queen of Martyrs

**RCIA** - program for adults who want to become Catholics or return to church. Every Friday of Lent after the evening Stations of the Cross.

**March 10th** Resurrection Church Polish Dinner from 1:00—4:00 pm in the Resurrection Parish Center.

**March 24th** Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week.

**March 31st** Easter Sunday of The Resurrection of the Lord!

**April 7th** Sunday of Divine Mercy. From Good Friday until the Sunday of Divine Mercy, we will celebrate the Novena to the Divine Mercy with Chaplet and special prayers after Mass.

**April 7th** First Reconciliation for the Second Grade children.

**May 5th.** The celebration of the First Holy Communion for the 3rd Grade children.

**Paschal Candles**

A new Paschal candle is **blessed and lit every year at Easter**, & is used throughout the Paschal season which is during Easter and then throughout the year on special occasions, such as Holy Days, baptisms & funerals. We will be ordering **5 candles** for each of our Churches. If you would like to sponsor the purchase of a candle in memory of a loved one, please contact the OLHC Parish Office. **The cost per candle is \$300.**

**Homeschool Families are invited** to attend an **Information Meeting** hosted by **The School of Two Hearts Homeschool Program**. Sunday, January 28th 1pm - 3pm & Monday, January 29th 7pm-8:30pm 4125 Union Road Cheektowaga, NY 14225. Review of 6 Program Options and our new *Armor Up!* Tutoring Program, Tour, Meet our Instructors. Questions? See our website [schooloftwoheartsbuffalo.org](http://schooloftwoheartsbuffalo.org) or call Mrs. Ann Suchyna (716)292-8580.

**Resurrection Parish Polish Dinner**

Resurrection Parish will be holding a Polish Dinner on Sunday, **March 10 from 1–4 PM** in their Parish Center. The dinner will be dine in or take out. Four theme basket raffles and multiple 50/50 raffles will also be held at the dinner. Polish dinner tickets are available for \$17 at the Resurrection Parish Rectory during regular office hours beginning **January 16** and after all Resurrection Parish weekend masses beginning **January 21** (back of the church). If you are interested in volunteering at this event or have any questions, please contact Judy Gliński, 716-803-2176 or Cheryl Tubisz, 716-901-2617. Thank you for your support!

**FAITH FORMATION**



**OLHC, Resurrection, and St. Josaphat**  
4125 Union Rd., Cheektowaga, NY

**Office Hours:** Monday 1:30-5:30 pm  
**Office Phone:** 716-458-3130  
**Email:** [Olhc.faithformation@gmail.com](mailto:Olhc.faithformation@gmail.com)

(Renée is available to meet outside of office hours by appt.)

**Blessings** to all as we welcome a **New Year!** Parents and students, please plan on attending the Faith Formation Mass at Resurrection to support our 8th grade class.

**January 21** Faith Formation Mass 9 am-Resurrection  
Coffee and doughnut social to follow—all Parishioners welcome!

**January 27** Class 9:30-10:30 am

**February 3** Class 9:30-10:30 am

**February 10** Class 9:30-10:30 am

**February 14** Ash Wednesday



**Queen of Martyrs**

180 George Urban Blvd., Cheektowaga, NY

**Office Hours:** Available by appt.  
**Office Phone:** 716-895-2162  
**Email:** [gmre121@verizon.net](mailto:gmre121@verizon.net)

**Religious Education Classes for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation**

Classes for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and will be held on Sunday mornings from 9:30 am to 10:45 am in the Music Room (School Building) next to the Religious Education Office. Sacramental classes will be held for 2nd Grade Religious Education students (ONLY) on **January 21, 28, February 4, 11**, from 9:30 am until 10:45 am. All classes are MANDATORY!!

**Confirmation Classes for Students**

Confirmation Class schedule is **1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2/26** from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm in the Music Room (School Building) next to the Religious Education Office.

**Adult Formation—Bible Study**

We will **resume** our study on the book of Matthew on **2/8** at the OLHC Parish Hall starting at 6:30 pm with Fr. Jozef leading the classes. This is a continuation from the classes we started in September using the same book. Please contact Renée with questions or concerns at the Faith Formation number 716-458-3130 or at [olhc.faithformation@gmail.com](mailto:olhc.faithformation@gmail.com).

**St. Josaphat Parish**  
**Spiritual & Financial Report**  
**Sept. 1, 2022 – Aug. 31, 2023**

No. of Registered Households	375	Receipts:	Sept. 1, '22–Aug. 31, '23	Sept. 1, '21–Aug. 31, '22 (previous fiscal year)
Total Individuals	560	Sunday/Holyday Collections	\$165,030.94	\$186,044.24
Attendance/weekend	230	Monthly/Special Collections	8,980.45	7,828.00
		Reimbursements	55,977.96	9,322.89
<b>Sacramental Information:</b>		Votive Candles	4,918.46	6,390.78
Baptisms	2	Flowers	1,563	3,259.00
First Reconciliation	2	Donations	16,683.60	2,774.42
First Eucharist	1	Misc. Receipts (e.g., ERC credit, fuel, pew-rent)	13,510.68	15,499.13
Confirmation	0	Funds for Buildings Repair	32,293.83	20,100
Marriage	3			
Anointing of the Sick	35	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$298,958.92</b>	<b>\$251,218.56</b>
		<b>Expenses:</b>		
		Payroll/Benefits (clergy /staff)	\$85,563.15	\$69,081.75
<b>Lay Ministries:</b>		Altar/Office/Bldg. Supplies	16,034.97	23,972.57
Eucharistic Ministers	9	Envelopes/Missalettes	2,996.94	3,570.30
Lectors	5	Utilities	23,049.93	33,673.94
Altar Servers	6	Diocesan Assessments	18,000.00	158,626.00
Catechists	4	Insurance	20,052.76	30,173.60
		Maintenance/Repairs	65,610.92	41,724.00
		Equipment and Furnishings	3,927.14	4,407.00
		Misc. Expenses	9,361.00	12,312.46
		<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>244,596.81</b>	<b>377,541.02</b>
		<b>Assets as of 8/31/2023:</b>		
		<b>Total in Checking Accts.</b>	<b>\$174,198.95</b>	<b>\$164,711.21</b>
		<b>Total in Emergency Fund</b>	<b>\$83,773.52</b>	<b>\$76,232.47</b>

**Parish Committees/Organizations:**

Parish Council	Faith Formation Program	Eucharistic Adoration
Finance Committee	Music Ministry	Building & Grounds
Collection Counters	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors
RCIA Program	Bible Study	Youth/Adult Altar Servers

To our parishioners, friends and benefactors: It was through stewardship that our ancestors built up the church that we have today. It is through your prayers and generosity that we are able to continue our journey in faith and can make the necessary repairs and improvements to our buildings and grounds. We have been richly blessed and appreciate your continued giving of your time, talents and treasure as we move forward in spreading God's message of love. Blessings to all of you who support us here at St. Josaphat Parish.

**The report for Resurrection will be published next week.**

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