

# OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

## R.C. CHURCH & HISTORIC SHRINE OF MARIA HILF

August 8, 2021

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### PARISH/CEMETERY/FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

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Office Hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs., & Fri. 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. (Closed 12-12:30 for lunch);

**Parish office is CLOSED on Wednesdays**



*Our Lady Help of Christians,  
pray for us.*

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday (Vigil):**

**4:00 p.m. - Church**

**Sunday:**

**7:00 a.m. - Chapel**

**9:00 a.m. - Church**

**11:00 a.m. - Church**

**12:30 p.m. - Chapel (Tridentine Mass)**

**THE CHAPEL OF OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS IS OPEN  
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 8 A.M.—2 P.M.  
FOR PRIVATE ADORATION**

#### PASTORAL TEAM

##### PASTOR

Rev. Jozef Dudzik

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Mr. Jeffrey Sell  
Mrs. Marion Sobczynski  
Mrs. Anita Soltis

#### CALL PARISH OFFICE REGARDING THE FOLLOWING:

**BAPTISMS:** Please contact the Parish Office and request the Holy Baptism.

**RECONCILIATION:** Confessions are available 20 minutes before *every* daily and weekend Masses.

**WEDDINGS:** Couples must make an appointment with the parish office at least six months before the wedding date.

**CARE/ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** During this time of COVID, Father will only go to those who are near death. Please call the parish office to request a home/hospital visit or email Father Dudzik at [ksdudzik@gmail.com](mailto:ksdudzik@gmail.com). In case of emergency, contact Father's cell phone at (716) 579-1745.

**PRIESTHOOD/RELIGIOUS LIFE:** If you hear Gods calling to serve the Church as a Priest, Deacon, or Religious woman or man, please contact the Vocation Office of the Diocese of Buffalo at 716-847-5335.

**PARISH REGISTRATION:** New members are always welcome. Registration is arranged by a personal visit to the parish office or by telephoning the parish office. PLEASE NOTE: If you are moving out of the parish, please notify the parish office.

## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**MASS INTENTIONS****SATURDAY, August 7 Vigil of the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs**

4:00 p.m. +Donald F. Bauman—req. by Donnie &amp; Cyndi Bauman

**SUNDAY, August 8 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:00 a.m. +Adam, Brendon, &amp; Tadeusz

9:00 a.m. +Anna &amp; Claude Held—req. by Family

11:00 a.m. +Dorothy Korczak—req. by Marie &amp; Carol

12:30 p.m. +Raymond Wozniak—req. by Jacob Jung Family

**MONDAY, August 9 Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr**

8:30 a.m. +Angeline Pantera

9:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel

**TUESDAY, August 10 Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr**

8:30 a.m. +Ana Forsberg—req. by Fr. Jozef and OLHC Parish

**WEDNESDAY, August 11 Saint Clare, Virgin**

8:30 a.m. For the Parishioners—req. by Fr. Jozef

**THURSDAY, August 12 Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious**

8:30 a.m. +Florence S. Witul—req. by Sons

**FRIDAY, August 13 Saints Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs**

8:30 a.m. +Theodore, Frances, &amp; Patrick Zalewski—req. by John &amp; Patricia Jerzewski

**SATURDAY, August 14 Vigil of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr**

8:30 a.m. For the End of Abortion and Legal Protection of Human Life

4:00 p.m. +Irene Robida—req. by Daughter, Gayle

**SUNDAY, August 15 The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

7:00 a.m. +Rose Modica &amp; Sam and Lena Mormino—req. by Daughters (Chapel)

9:00 a.m. +Semaan Mahfoud —req. by Paul &amp; Maria Chaiban

**(Outdoor Mass in Grotto) Blessing of Herbs and Flowers**

11:00 a.m. +Dorothy Czyszkowski—req. by Carol Robichaud (Church)

**Blessing of Prayer Shawls and Anointing of the Sick**

12:30 p.m. +NYS Trooper Joseph Gallagher—req. by Family (Chapel)

**Tridentine Mass**

3:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m. Holy Hour (Chapel)

7:00 p.m. Living Rosary (Church)

**SPIRITUAL LIFE IN OUR SHRINE**

- ◇ Daily Eucharist, 8:30 a.m.
- ◇ Sacrament of Confession—20 minutes before every Mass.
- ◇ Rosary—after daily Mass and 20 minutes before weekend Masses.
- ◇ Chaplet to the Devine Mercy—every Friday 10 minutes before Mass.
- ◇ First Fridays—Eucharist about the Sacred Heart of Jesus followed by First Friday devotion at 8:30 a.m. in the Chapel.
- ◇ First Saturdays—Eucharist about the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin followed by First Saturday devotion at 8:30 a.m. in the Chapel
- ◇ Eucharistic Adoration—Every Monday from 9:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

**Eucharistic Adoration Volunteers****Every Monday 9:00 am—6 pm  
in the Chapel****9-10 am**—Rosary Group and Sandy Smith**10-11 am**—Marion Dascomb, Carl Parisi and Susan & Timothy Cummings**11-12 pm**—Connie DiPasquale and MaryAnn Blachowiak**12-1 pm**—Jan Thomsen & Geraldine Christel**1-2 pm**—Patricia & Robert Kurdziel**2-3 pm**—Walter & Joanne Wieand**3-4 pm**—Mary Gorski**4-5 pm**—Michele Reger and Penny Moore**5-6 pm**—Elizabeth Gazy, Pauline Kinecki, and Michele Reger**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.

**PARISH EVENTS AND NEWS****SGTV Edelweiss Rehearsal—**

Wednesday, August 11th at 7:00 pm - Upper Parish Hall

**Chapel Seniors—**Thursday, August 12th at 1:00 pm - Parish Hall**Congratulations**

Jason &amp; Charlene Maslowski whose son Jeremiah Bruce was baptized in our Church on August 1, 2021.

**Welcome to the Parish**

Philip &amp; Nichole Cammarata &amp; Family

### Preparing our hearts for Parish Feast of Assumption - August 15 *(continued)*

#### An Event of Love

Finally, let us consider what a moment the Assumption must have been for Mary! In describing this scene, some Church Fathers spoke of Jesus himself coming back to earth to take his mother and bring her to her heavenly home. More recently, John Paul II said that the Assumption truly was an event of love, in which Mary's ardent longing to be with her son was finally fulfilled. In fact, many paintings of the Assumption portray Mary rising in splendor on a cloud to heaven, received by the angels with trumpets and celebration, and reunited joyfully with her beloved son.

While artistic depictions of this triumphant event in Mary's life are often celebrated, not as well-known are the many pieces of art that portray her last moments on earth, just before her assumption. Yet such a depiction of the end of Mary's life—her moment between heaven and earth—can be found on one of the main doors of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome.

*There Mary is surprisingly portrayed as falling, as if she were definitively letting go of all the trials and sufferings of this life and allowing herself to fall asleep. Indeed, she is letting go of life itself as she passes from this world to the next. It is just at this moment of abandoning herself into the Father's hands that the angels rush down to catch her and bring her up to heaven.*

This depiction captures an aspect of Mary's assumption that offers us hope in the midst of our trials in this "valley of tears." This is the hope that God will carry us through our distress and lift up our heavy hearts. So take a moment right now and ask yourself, what burdens, troubles, and worries are weighing you down? How can you entrust yourself more to God's loving care?

With whatever we're facing in life, may we, like Mary, fall into the Father's arms, so that we may have a more profound experience of his supporting us in our present sufferings and raising us to himself—both now and at the hour of our death.

#### Rosary Sale

Please visit us on **August 15th , The Feast of the Assumption**, from 8:00 am until 1:00 pm in the Parish Hall for our annual rosary sale. For over 35 years our rosaries have been made and donated by our dedicated members of OLHC Rosary Apostolate.

#### Feast of Assumption Pilgrimage Weekend Schedule

##### **Saturday, August 14**

4:00 pm Vigil Mass—Church

##### **Sunday, August 15**

7:00 am Mass—Chapel

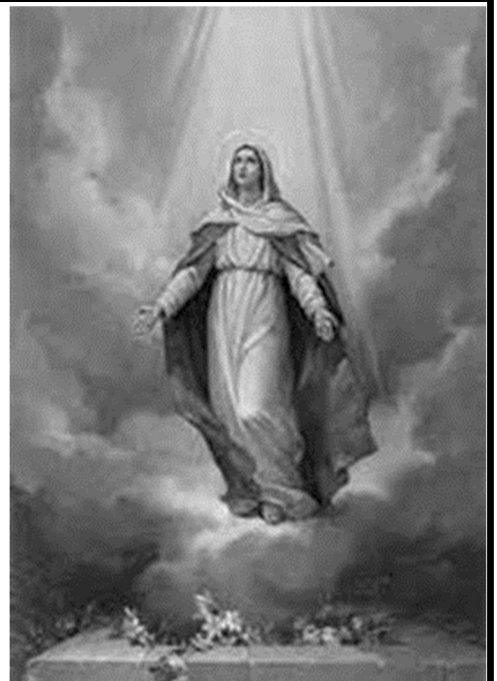
9:00 am—Outdoor Mass at Grotto  
Blessing of Herbs and Flowers

11:00 am—Mass—Church  
Blessing of Prayer Shawls and Anointing of the Sick

12:30 pm—Tridentine Mass – Chapel

3:00-4:00 pm—Holy Hour – Chapel

7:00 pm—Living Rosary – Church



**WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT**  
**WEEK END OF July 24/25 2021**

**Sunday Collection—\$5,265.00 Utilities—\$80.00**  
**Candles—\$217.39 Other—\$170.00**  
**Total—\$5,732.39**

**Online Donations—\$130.00 St. Vincent DePaul—\$93.00**  
**Parish Outstanding Debt**  
**(as of August 2021) - \$60,420.24**  
**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED &**  
**GENEROUS FINANCIAL SUPPORT.**

**Save the Date: Anniversary Mass**

The Diocese of Buffalo and the Office of Pastoral Ministries wishes to honor couples who will observe their 50th , 60th and 70th wedding anniversaries and recognize the beauty of their faithfulness, sacrifice, challenges and comforts in daily married life. This will be held at St. Joseph Cathedral on **Sunday, October 24**. Please look for further details from your parish. If you have any questions, call 716-847-2205.

**\$\$\$ WINFALL XXXVI IS HERE \$\$\$**

You should have or will soon receive a letter from the Finance Committee regarding our annual Winfall Event. Tickets will be available beginning August 1, 2021 from the rectory, your usual seller or reach out to one of our Ushers who may have tickets for the Winfall Raffle as well as our 50/50 Raffle. You may also return your payment and ticket request in one of our weekly collection baskets, which will be routed to the proper individuals for processing.

As shown on our ticket, each chance for the Winfall Raffle is \$35 and our prize listing is shown below. If you would also like to join in our Split Club Raffle, those tickets are \$5.00 per ticket or 5 tickets for \$20.00.

No. 0000	_____	 <p><b>Virtual Win-Fall XXXVI</b>                  Sponsored by  <b>Our Lady Help of Christians</b>  <b>\$14,500 in Prizes - \$7,500 Grand Prize</b>                  Drawing - Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021                  To Begin at 1:00pm Live Streamed on Facebook  <b>Early Bird Drawing: Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> - 2 Winners @ \$50 each</b>  <b>50/50 Also Available: 1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20</b>  <b>** 3 Winners Drawn To Share The 50/50 Raffle **</b>                  Donation: \$35 - Winners Need not be Present                  Proceeds to Benefit Parish Building Expenses</p> 	No. 0000
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 2 prizes at \$500            5 prizes at \$200  
 10 prizes at \$100            20 prizes at \$50

An early bird drawing will be held on September 19<sup>th</sup>: 2 \$50.00 winners will be chosen

Thank you for your continued support of this and other events that help support the vitality of Our Lady Help of Christians.

**The Bright Light of Gietrzwałd**

Our Parishioners wrote the book “**The Bright Light of Gietrzwałd**” narrating the Apparitions of our Lady, Mother of God, in Gietrzwałd, Poland. This book is available in the Parish office. A film is being produced based on this book in Poland. Please, take a book for free, and consider to generously contributing to the production of the film. You will find information how to contribute in the book. The sponsors will be listed in the film.

**Pro-Life**

**PRO LIFE TABLE AT ERIE COUNTY**

**FAIR:** Nativity Of Our Lord in Orchard Park will be sponsoring a Pro Life table at this year's Erie County Fair in the Marketplace Building. The Fair runs Aug. 11th - Aug. 22nd. They are looking for volunteers to help maintain this table. If you are an adult, available sometime between the hours of 10AM and 10PM, and would like to volunteer 2 hours of your time to assist, or if you have any questions on this, please contact Bill Mayback at 675-6714.

**ROSARIES FOR THE UNBORN:** We would greatly welcome your attendance at one of the weekly Rosaries for the Unborn being conducted across from the West Seneca Planned Parenthood facility at the Wimbledon Plaza on Center Road in West Seneca. The days & times are as follows:

- Wednesdays, beginning at 11:30AM -
- Fridays, beginning at 10:15AM - Saturdays, beginning at 10:00AM

If you have any questions or are interested in 'leading' a Rosary for the Unborn at another day & time, please contact Bill Mayback at 675 -6714.

**PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS**

Linda Rebadow, Cheryl Rossi, John & Patti Coyle, Barbara Fox, Doug Fox, David & Marian Dascomb, Maureen Hoffman, Lori Reid, Lucas Michael Nowak, Mickey Pijanowski, Julie Korst, Grace Tomasello, Marie LaMonte, James Hardin, Joan Rindfuss, John Rupp, Dorothy Henry, Rose Marie Rogers, Rebecca Beres, Rose Andrews, Connie F. Valentine, Ben & Carol Collura and anyone else in need of healing.

**LET US PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

Donald Stroud and Paul Seitz

**FAITH FORMATION**

We will be in the office to serve you on Monday evening from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.  
Our office phone number is **716-458-3130**.



**FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION**

**ATTENTION PARENTS OF FIRST GRADE STUDENTS**

Registration materials are now available for the 2021-2022 Faith Formation school year. Students **MUST** attend first grade classes to be eligible to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the second grade. Please call the Faith Formation Office (458-3130) for registration information.

**ATTENTION ALL PUBLIC-SCHOOL STUDENTS**

The Faith Formation Program will have an open registration day for all students who plan to attend our religious education classes during the 2021-2022 school year on Monday, August 16<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-8:00 p.m. in the Faith Formation Office. Registration is open to both returning and new students, including those students transferring from Catholic schools.

**Family in need .....**

Please support the Donius Family from our Parish who lost their house in a fire. This family also lost their husband and father a few months ago. Please, if you can, include in the weekly collection or mail a separate check made payable to "Our Lady Help of Christians" and in the memo line indicate "Donius Family". We will be collecting through the weekend collection of August 31, 2021. Thank you for your donation. Let us support our parishioners, our church family in need.

**God Bless,  
Fr. Jozef**

**CEMETERY NEWS & SPRING CLEAN UP**

Help keep our Cemetery looking beautiful. Now that the weather is getting better, Spring cleaning of your graves can begin.

**Please following the Cemetery Guidelines that detail what is allowed in our Cemetery. If you need a copy of the regulations, please stop by the Parish office.**



Our beautiful cemetery at Our Lady Help of Christians has space available in every Section of the cemetery. There are also niches available in the 3 newly built Columbarium's.

Although it may be a tough discussion, having pre-made plans does provide ease to your loved ones. Prices are as follows:

**CEMETERY PLOTS: (plots are available in the newer and older sections of the cemetery.)**

Grave Site (\$1,100) + Foundation (\$400) ..... \$1,500  
**(parishioner rate)**

Grave Site (\$1,200) + Foundation (\$400) ..... \$1,600  
**(non-parishioner rate)**

**COLUMBARIUM: (St. Francis, St. Joseph, St. Barbara)**

- Level A (top)..... \$1,975
- Level B.....\$1,875
- Level C.....\$1,775
- Level D (bottom)..... \$1,675

**Note:** Price includes engraving with no additional opening/closing fees

If you would like to discuss purchasing a grave or columbarium, please call Joanna at the Parish Office 716-276-9288.

**Latin Mass Parishioners**

◇ **Today is the Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost.**

◇ We are in need of altar servers. Any teen-age boy, or man is welcome. You will be trained to serve the Latin Mass.

◇ Father will be hearing confessions 20 minutes before Mass unless he has a baptism or previous engagement.

◇ The Rosary will be prayed together before Mass.

◇ If you wish to request a Mass intention to be said at the Latin Mass, please call or visit the rectory during office hours. Also, do so if you are planning a Baptism, wedding or have other needs.

◇ Please register your children in our Faith Formation Program.

◇ Thank you for your financial support. If you need envelopes, please call the office to register with our parish.

◇ Father Dudzik invites you from time to time, to participate in the Masses in the main church, and to pray with him, and listen to his preaching.

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