

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

R.C. CHURCH & HISTORIC SHRINE OF MARIA HILF

October 3, 2021

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish office is CLOSED on Wednesdays



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

PASTORAL TEAM

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Meets every first Monday
of the month at 7:00 p.m.

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

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. 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.

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS**SATURDAY, October 2 Vigil of The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time; The Holy Guardian Angels**

4:00 p.m. +Edward Sell—req. by Patti & John Coyle

SUNDAY, October 3 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. For the Parishioners—req. by Fr. Jozef

9:00 a.m. +Bernard & Josephine Seitz—req. by Family

11:00 a.m. +Dorothy Rudolph—req. by Paul & Pat
Andrzejewski

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

MONDAY, October 4 Saint Francis of Assisi

8:30 a.m. +Ektimal Mahfoud—req. by Paul & Marie Chaiban

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

6:00 p.m.—St. Francis Day—Blessing of the Animals (**Grotto**)**TUESDAY, October 5 Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest**

8:30 a.m. +Donald F. Bauman—req. by Karen Paradowski

WEDNESDAY, October 6 Saint Bruno, Priest

8:30 a.m. +Conrad Gnacinski—req. by Tim Gnacinski

THURSDAY, October 7 Our Lady of the Rosary

8:30 a.m. +Joseph Wozniak—req. by Wozniak Family

FRIDAY, October 8

8:30 a.m. +Fischer Family—req. by Dennis & Sharon Taylor

SATURDAY, October 9 Vigil of The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs

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

SUNDAY, October 10 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. +Rita Briechle—req. by Family

9:00 a.m. +Walter & Margaret Kutz—req. by Ed Witul

11:00 a.m. +Lester Schnettler—req. by Wife

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

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.
- ◇ Blessing of Sacramentals (rosary's, crosses, and other holy items) - Every First Saturday of the month after 8:30 am Mass 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 & Mark Seifert**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**Rosary Apostolate Open House**—Sunday, October 3rd at 1:00 pm—Parish Hall**Saint Vincent DePaul**—Monday October 4th at 3:00 pm—Upper Parish Hall**Parish Council**—Monday, October 4th at 7:00 pm—Upper Paris Hall**The Anointing of the Sick**

Every 1st Sunday of the month after the 11 am Mass, Father will celebrate The Sacrament of the Healing for people who are sick with serious illnesses or conditions, those who will have surgeries and prepare for other serious medical procedures, those who have depression or other mental or psychological health conditions. The Anointing of the Sick cannot be given to children, youth or younger people who don't have any serious medical problem. This sacrament forgives sins and heals the soul, also strengthens the human body and mind in hope of Christ Resurrection. People are encouraged to receive Confession before the Sacrament of Anointing. Please stay in church after the Mass, move to the front of the church and receive every month the Healing that comes from Gods Mercy through Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit.

October - The Month of the Rosary

By tradition, the Catholic Church dedicates each month of the year to certain devotion. The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, one of the best known of all Catholic devotions. October includes the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (October 7).

The best way to celebrate the month is, of course, to pray the Rosary. But why is it that on October 7th the Catholic Church celebrates the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary? On **October 7, 1571**, a great victory over the mighty Turkish fleet was won by Catholic naval forces primarily from Spain, Venice, and Genoa under the command of Don Juan of Austria.

The patchwork team of Catholic ships was powered by the Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Knowing that the Christian forces were at a distinct material disadvantage, the holy pontiff, **St. Pope Pius V** called for all of Europe to pray the Rosary for victory.

We know today that the victory was significant, prevented the **Islamic invasion** of Europe, and evidenced the Hand of God working through Our Lady.

The Battle of Lepanto was at first celebrated liturgically as "Our Lady of Victory." Later, the feast of October 7th was renamed "Our Lady of the Rosary" and extended throughout the Universal Church by Pope Clement XI in 1716 (who canonized Pope Pius V in 1712). And with that we are back to Fatima, Portugal where Our Lady, when asked her name, said: "I am the Lady of the Rosary." At Fatima, Our Lady taught us to pray the Rosary every day.

Heaven presented its peace plan at Fatima and truly gave us hope for the world. Conversions were promised at Fatima: the conversion of sinners!

Please join us for Rosary prayer 20 minutes before every weekend Mass, or daily after Morning Mass. Please pray Rosary while driving car to work, at home with Family or privately in our Chapel. We all keep our Rosary always near with us. Our Lady of Rosary, pray for us!

Walking the Road to Renewal

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"I've heard the phrase "Family of parishes". Exactly what does that mean?"

A family of parishes will be a grouping of parishes that comes together to form a family. Each family will contain three to six parishes that will make up their family.

The goal of families of parishes is to strengthen parishes. **There is no plan to close parishes.**

- **Each parish has gifts and talents that can benefit other parishes.** This model allows parishes to bring their best to the family, so all parishes in the family can benefit.
- **Collaboration between parishes is important for a strong future.** This model allows for a collaborative approach between parishes and ministries. Parishes can work together towards a common goal.
- **Priestly ministry becomes shared within the family.** With the declining number of priests available, this model has parishes collaborate by sharing mass schedules and sacramental life. This means priests can focus their attention on sacramental ministry, working more closely with their brothers within the family of parishes.
- **Better utilization of financial resources.** With parishes working together in a family, shared staff and resources will contribute to financial stability and savings.

PLEASE KEEP IN MIND: The phrase "Family of Parishes" does NOT mean:

- Closures
- Mergers
- Pooling of assets & resources

It is collaboration, NOT consolidation.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

St. Francis Day - Blessing of the Animals

On **October 4th at 6:00 pm**, Father Jozef invites all people who want to come and have their pets blessed. This will be held in the parking lot in front of the Grotto.

All Souls Remembrance

On **November 1st at the 7:00 pm** Mass in our Church, we will celebrate a special Eucharist for All Souls by reading the names of all who died and were buried in our cemetery this past year from 11/1/20 – 10/31/21. We will send a letter to every family who has had a funeral in our parish or burial and invite them to bring a picture of their loved ones that will be placed in front of the altar. All parishioners who have lost loved ones are also invited to Mass and can bring picture even if funeral was not celebrated in our church. We will pray for all their souls.

Veterans Mass and Appreciation Lunch

All Veterans are invited to the **11:00 am Mass on November 14th**. We will honor and pray for all who have defended our freedom. After Mass, we invite all Veterans into our School Hall for lunch and refreshments. Please call our Parish office if you are a Veteran and would like to participate in the lunch. The Veteran may bring **1 guest** to this celebration.

The **OLHC Holy Name** is sponsoring an Outdoor Rosary Procession around the Parish grounds on **Sunday, October 17 at 1:45**. We will assemble near the benches in the parking lot and those wishing to, may remain seated there to participate.



WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT
WEEK END OF September 18/19 2021

Sunday Collection—\$5,523.00 Utilities—\$300.00
Candles—\$267.00 Other—\$3,018.81
Total—\$9,108.81

Online Donations—\$35.00
St. Vincent DePaul—\$311.00

Parish Outstanding Debt
(as of October 2021) - \$50,420.24

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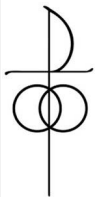
Weekly Donations....

In an effort to make it easier for the volunteer counters, please include your specified donation, either cash or check, in each individual envelope. If you are sending in multiple envelopes and one check, the entire check will be assigned to one envelope. Donations to St. Vincent DePaul should be made payable to "St. Vincent DePaul" and should not be added to your donation to the parish.

Thank you for your understanding and for your generosity each week.

God Bless, Fr. Jozef

Congratulations!



David Sobczynski and Leah Bradley who were married in the Chapel at our parish on September 25, 2021.

Collection for Hurricane Ida

We will have a special collection for those impacted by the devastation of Hurricane Ida. There will be a basket at the back of the Church and Chapel the weekend of **October 30th and 31**. Checks should be made payable to Our Lady Help of Christians with "Hurricane Ida" in the memo line. We offer our prayers to families who have lost loved ones or are among those injured. We ask our community to be as generous as possible. Thank you.

\$\$\$ 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.



Grand Prize \$7,500
 1st Prize.....\$2,000 2nd Prize.....\$1,000
 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 19th: 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.

LIFE CHAIN: Life Chain is a peaceful witness promoting the sanctity of life. Join us as we stand and pray at Nativity of Our Lord Church (26 Thorn Ave, Orchard Park, NY) from 1-2pm on Sun. Oct. 3rd. Those unable to stand are invited to pray in the church in front of the Blessed Sacrament.

TAKE ACTION!: The 2022 federal budget proposal includes a battle over taxpayer funding of abortion. Please visit www.votervoice.net/USCCB/campaigns to voice your concerns to your representatives. You can sign other petitions regarding pro-life legislation at www.prolifealliance.com



ROSARIES FOR LIFE: Weekly Rosaries at Planned Parenthood continue every Wednesday (11:30AM), Friday (10:15AM), and Saturday (10:00AM). The address is Wimbledon Plaza 240 Center Road, West Seneca, NY 14224. Please spread the word.

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, Geri Simoneit, Millie Kolis, Ann Kolis, Lucille May, Samantha A. Lunz, Arlene Walser and anyone else in need of healing.

Faith Formation † (716) 458-3130 † olhc.faithformation@gmail.com

The Faith Formation team is excited to begin this year welcoming students and asking them to bring their curiosity and questions.

This year the program begins with the **9 am Youth Mass** followed by class from **10:00-10:45 am** in the Faith Formation school building.

If your child is returning from last year, registration is quick and easy. Contact Renée to verify information then bring your child on Sunday!

The Religious Education Resource Center is open to all our families at Our Lady Help of Christians Parish.

Materials like workbooks, Bibles, school supplies, list of prayers and more, are available for you to take to support the learning process at home.

The center is open on **Monday evenings from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.**

MONTHLY SCHEDULE † Youth Mass at 9 am

10/3/2021	10:00-10: 45 am
10/4/2021	Religious Education Resource Center CLOSED
10/8/2021	Religious Education Resource Center OPEN 5-8 pm
10/10/2021	NO CLASS
10/11/2021	Religious Education Resource Center OPEN 5-8 pm
10/17/2021	10:00-10:45 am
10/18/2021	Religious Education Resource Center OPEN 5-8 pm
10/24/2021	10:00-10:45 am
10/25/2021	Religious Education Resource Center OPEN 5-8 pm
10/31/2021	Dress up as your favorite Saint

CEMETERY NEWS

Help keep our Cemetery looking beautiful. **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.**

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Our beautiful cemetery at Our Lady Help of Christians has space available in Section G which is in the corner of the cemetery by Genesee and Smith Streets. 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: (Section G)

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 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost.**
- ◇ **Please register with the parish by calling the office at 716-276-9288. The office hours are listed on the front page of the bulletin.**
- ◇ 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.
- ◇ 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
- ◇ 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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