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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.

First Sunday of Advent—December 1, 2024



Saturday, November 30, 2024 4:00 pm Annie Russin (A) by Sister-in-law Mary

Sunday, December 1, 2024—1st Sunday of Advent 9:00 am For Our Lady of Hope Parishioners 11:00 am Margarita Agosto by Prayer Line

Monday, December 2, 2024 11:30 am 7:00 pm Novena—Mothers Living & Deceased

Tuesday, December 3, 2024 11:30 am Nicholas & Frances Sanfratello by Niece, Mary

Wednesday, December 4, 2024 11:30 am Fathers Living & Deceased

Thursday, December 5, 2024 11:30 am For Mothers Living & Deceased

Friday, December 6, 2024 11:30 am All Souls Intentions

Saturday, December 7, 2024 4:00 pm Joanne Dinger by Mary Marsowicz

Sunday, December 8, 2024 -2nd Sunday of Advent 9:00 am Lucy Rubino by Christine & John Psaradelis 11:00 am Beatriz & Felix Diaz (W/A) by Family Please remember our parishioners and friends who are in need of our special prayers: Marie Amatrano, Tony Mascellino, Florence Bonvisutto, Phyllis Regensdorfer, Cornelia Ndimarike, Dolly Mascellino, Darrell Covert, Ida Rine, Joe and Robin Tomasello, Pudgy Sicurella, Joseph Mantione, Rosemary Sortino, Lucy Sawmtun, Klaw Reh, Sandy Coniglio, Amanda Weeks.

The seven day Sanctuary candle can be reserved in honor or memory of a loved one or for whatever intention you would like. It is 10.00 for one week 7 days. You can reserve this candle by calling the office.

The Light for the week of December 1-7th is burning for the Restored Health of Klaw Reh.

REMINDER 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 special events that mark the lives of our family or loved ones. Please call the office to schedule your masses or to check availability. Offerings for announced masses are \$15.00.

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Stewardship, our partnership with God November 24, 2024

Regular Sunday Collection \$2,676.00 Insurance..... 431.00

Total \$ 3,107.00

Stewardship Is Our Partnership with God—Your attention to the weekly offering is very much appreciated. We cannot maintain our buildings, utilities and ministry without your generosity

Campaign For Human Development \$ 396.00

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES FOR 2024-25 for grades one—eight will resume this Saturday, December 7th at 10:00 AM in O'Brien Hall. This will be a family class in preparation for the Season of Advent preparation.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS Confirmation class continues in Obrien Hall on Thursday, December 5th at 6:30 PM. Please make every effort to be on time. Reminder: Classes are held every other week. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the coordinator of the Confirmation program, Andrew Sember at 716-308-1546.

THE NEXT LUNCHEON WILL BE ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15TH following the II:00 Mass. Plan now to spend this time with parishioners and enjoy a delightful lunch. \$1.00 covers it for those 6 and up. 5 and under are always free!

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION takes place again this coming Friday, December 6th at 7:00 PM. We invite you to come and spend time in prayer and adoration remembering all those who need our prayers.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS:
Aging religious need your help. "Your support acknowledges that we continue the mission of Christ even in our retirement," says Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart Sister Celeste Burgos, 80. Your donations provide for the care, medicine, and daily needs of over 24,000 senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests who brothers and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to service. Please, if you can, give to the Retirement Fund for Religious.

THE NEXT SCHEDULED BAPTISM will take place on Sunday, January the 12th The celebration of the Lord's Baptism. Parents are reminded to contact Mr. Ron to make arrangements. A Pre-Baptism Class and practice for parents and godparents will take place on the day before, January 11th at 11:00 am in the church.

Ist Sunday FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Today Luke speaks to us about the end of time "People will die of fright in anticipation of what is coming upon the world." We have only to turn on

the TV or radio or see a news story to shake our head and wonder what is coming into our world. The constant stream of violence is overwhelming. Let this be the year that you make a difference through your actions. Advent is indeed a time of preparation. Though we walk in darkness and live among things that are passing away, the light of Christ forever shines in our hearts. He came to us in poverty and vulnerability, he will come again in glory, that we might live with him forever. Advent is a time to focus our attention on the three comings of Christ, in history 2,000 years ago, in our hearts each day, and at the end of time. Come Lord Jesus. The constant stream of violence is

ATTENTION LECTORS: Copies of the Lector workbooks are available in sacristy. These books provide practical help to lectors to better their skills at proclaiming the Word of God. The New Church year begins on Saturday, November 30th.

CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT. Thank you for your support of last weeks special collection. As a parish so far, we raised \$396.00 to help support those on the margins who live in poverty in the United States. If you missed the collection last week its not too late to lend a helping hand. Please use the envelope provided in your monthly packet.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES continues to be a beacon of *Hope* for many especially during this coming Christmas Season. donations are always needed and appreciated by the needy families of Western New York.

36TH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS from November 23 to January 5 at Our Lady of Fatima Shrine, Youngstown. The lights will be on from 5-9 pm Nov. 23—Dec. 1, Dec. 6-8, Dec. 13-15, and Dec. 20-Jan. 5. See 15 acres of spectacular Christmas lights, including a 9-foot tall outdoor illuminated Nativity scene and a life-size Fontanini Nativity scene in the Basilica. For an amazing view, go to the top of the Basilica and get a bird's eye view of the Avenue of Saints and the Spirit of Christmas. Admission and parking are free. For scheduled hours, for specific dates for the office, gift shop and cafeteria, call our office at 716-754-7489 or you can email office@fatimahrine.com.