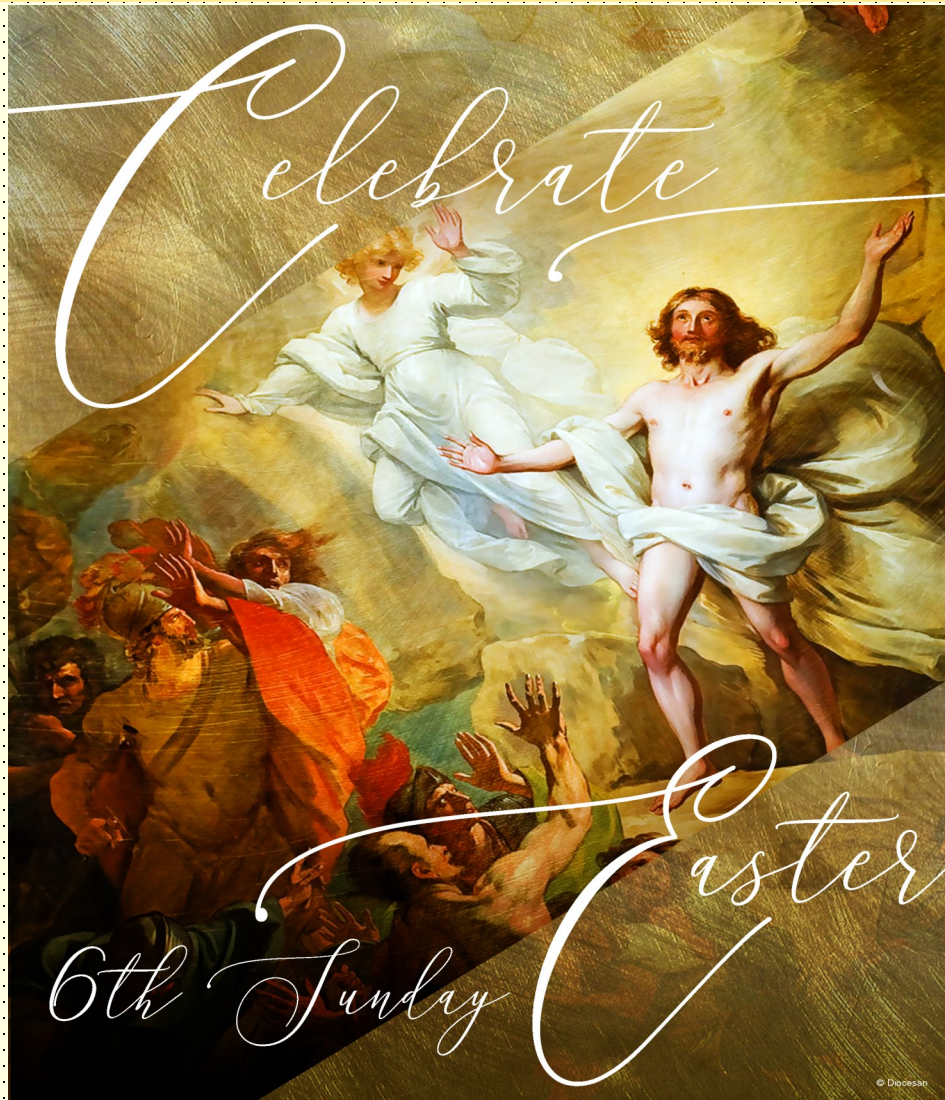


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Our Lady of Loreto

309 W. Everett St.
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Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

May 5, 2024 • Sixth Sunday of Easter

Happenings within Our Parish Families...

- **St. Vincent de Paul** meets the 1st & 3rd Mondays of the month at SSPP Church Hall at 3pm. All are welcome to come.
- **The Catholic Daughters** meet every 3rd Monday of the month at Sacred Heart Church Conference room at 5:30pm. All are welcome to attend
- **“Lord Teach Me To Pray”** meets at St. James on Mondays from 6 - 7:15pm in the Hall Classroom.
- **“Be A Man” Ministry** meets at St. James on Tuesdays at 6:30pm in the Hall Classroom.
- **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** is at St. James chapel every Wednesday - 9am until the 7pm Mass. Anyone interested in taking a scheduled hour of prayer as a guardian of the Blessed Sacrament is asked to call the central office at 716.487.0125. This keeps the chapel doors open for others to visit our Lord!
- **Confessions** are heard at St. James Church on Wednesdays, 6 - 6:30pm followed by Mass at 7pm & Saturdays from 3 - 3:30pm followed by Mass at 4pm.
- **Liturgy of the Hours** can be viewed Fridays on Zoom at 9am. Call the central office for the ID & passcode info. to join.
- **Prayer Shawl Ministry** meets at 10am on the 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month at St. James. All interested in learning to make knit and crochet items for this ministry are welcome to attend!
- **Youth Group** meets this Sunday, May 5th at St. James Hall, 5-7pm.
- **ACTS Bible Study** starts this Monday, May 6th at St. James Library, 6-7:30pm.
- **Sacred Heart Altar & Rosary** meets this Thursday, May 9th at 6pm.
- **Members of Knights of Columbus** meet at 6pm this Thursday, May 9th at the 21st St. Bldg., Jamestown at 6pm
- **Holy Name Society** of Our Lady of Loreto church meets this Sunday, May 16th, 2024 at 6pm.

Mass Schedule for Holy Day of Obligation - The Ascension of the Lord

Vigil Mass - Wednesday, May 8 - JMS: 7pm

Masses on Thursday, May 9 - OLL: 9am | SPP: 12:10pm | OLV: 5pm | JHN: 7pm

NIGHT PRAYER continues each night beginning at 9:00pm. Join the clergy on Facebook at Catholic Neighbors in Faith and pray with them and fellow parishioners.

Please Pray For . . .

Parish Family members who are ill:

John Adams
Mikki Arrance
Rose Atkins
Timothy Dean
Gayle Boudreau
James Boudreau
Collins Family
Erica Collins
Michelle Cracker
Marcia de la Cerda
Grant Damon
Gail Gillig

Mark Hedstrand III
Bohdan Kanicki
Elizabeth LaMantia
Burke Lindquist
Shelly Pacheco-
Johannessen
Nancy Johnson
Sam McMaster
Nancy Michaels
Elizabeth Nguyen
My Nguyen
James Post
Louis Rieg
Marty Sargent

Andrea Schneider
Donald Segrue
Dorothy and David Seth
Robert Sprankle
Emily Sechriest
Mary Helen Smith
Savannah Steves
Megan and Sean
Ellen Tyler
Therese Whit
The Unborn.
People of the Ukraine.
Those in the military.

All those touched by
loneliness or illness.
Those in purgatory.

And all parishioners in need
of our prayers.

*Call the parish office if you
would like to add a name to
our prayer list.*

Please Note: You must
have the permission of the
person you want listed
before we can add them to
this list.

Please let us know when someone can be taken off the Prayer list. Thank you.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 4

- JMS - 4:00PM † **DMO the Corkery Family**
By Sally Corkery
- 4:00PM † **Samuel Muscarella** (Birthday & Anniv.)
By Wife, Carm & Children
- OLS - 4:00PM † **In Honor of St. Peregrine**
By Alice Mistretta
- PAT - 5:30PM † **Living & Deceased Fathers**
By Parishioners

Sunday, May 5 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

- JMS - 8:00AM † **Sam Pollino** (Birthday)
By Cousin, Toni Ann Bellito
- JHN - 9:00AM † **Nicholas Marucci**
By Family
- SHR - 9:00AM † **Alex Pittner**
By Rick & Maureen Tuzzo
- OLL - 10:00AM † **Arthur Woltz** (Anniversary)
By Family
- OLL - 10:00AM † **Elliott Johnsen Heitzenrater** (Birthday)
By Nonni & Papa
- SPP - 11:00AM † **Jerome Henrickson**
By Family
- PAT - 11:00AM † **Souls of the Faithful Departed**
By Parishioners

Monday, May 6

- JMS - 8:00AM † **Miriam Rodriquez** (90th Birthday)
By Rev. Todd Remick & Kathy Nicastro
- SHR - 9:00AM † **Living & Deceased Mothers**
By Parishioners
- SPP - 12:10PM † **Ron Healy** (Anniversary)
By Family

Tuesday, May 7

- PAT - 8:00 AM † **Pro-Populo: For the Parishioners**
By Parishioners
- OLL - 9:00 AM † **Bridget Malenga** (Anniversary)
By Lorraine Malenga

Wednesday, May 8 Ascension of the Lord - Vigil

- JHN - 8:00 AM † **Sally DePetro**
By Laura Felice
- JMS - 7:00 PM † **Jim Scully**
By The Floccare & Cooper families

Thursday, May 9 - Ascension of the Lord

- OLL - 9:00 AM † **Carrie Triscari** (Birthday)
By Sister, Nina Riolo
- SSP - 12:10 PM † **Ellen Connell**
By Mark & Michelle Reinharz
- OLV - 5:00 PM † **Kevin Allen**
By Michael & Kathy Lennon
- JHN - 7:00 PM † **Souls of the Faithful Departed**
By Parishioners

Friday, May 10

- JMS - 8:00AM † **Salvatore** (Birthday) & Antonino **Colletti**
By Mother & Wife
- SHR - 9:00AM † **DMO the Twichell Family**
By Sally Twichell
- SPP - 12:10PM † **Dorothy Ludwiczak**
By CDA Court St. Gertrude #92

Saturday, May 11

- JMS - 4:00PM † **Janet Trussalo**
By Anthony Trussalo
- 4:00PM † **Busty Iuculano** (Anniversary)
By Family
- OLS - 4:00PM † **Souls of the Faithful Departed**
By Parishioners
- PAT - 5:30PM † **Clarice Beaver**
By Your Family

Sunday, May 12 - Seventh Sunday of Easter *Mother's Day*

- JMS - 8:00AM † **L & DMO the Scully & Miller Families**
By Mary Lou Scully
- JHN - 9:00AM † **Minnie Colera & Tammy Yezzi**
By Children & Grandchildren
- SHR - 9:00AM † **Living & Deceased Mothers**
By Parishioners
- OLL - 10:00AM † **Louis Coggiolo & Family**
By Niece & Nephew
- SPP - 11:00AM † **Paul Calannio**
By Carol Proestler
- PAT - 11:00AM † **Living & Deceased Mothers**
By Parishioners

JMS—St. James
JHN—St. John

OLL—Our Lady of Loreto
OLS—Our Lady of the Snows

OLV—Our Lady of Victory
PAT—St. Patrick

SPP—Ss. Peter & Paul
SHR—Sacred Heart

CATHOLIC NEIGHBORS IN FAITH

Wine, Hosts, Sanctuary Lights and Memorials



Sanctuary Lamps

Sacred Heart Church

In Honor of Saint Peregrine

By Alice Mistretta

Ss. Peter & Paul Church

For Sophie Swartz (Birthday)

By Family

St. John Church

For Sally DePetro

By Frances P. Marchiando

Wine for the month of May

St. James Church

In Memory of Edda Liuzzo

By Husband, Salvatore

St. John Church

In Memory of Anne Amato (Birthday)

By Niece, Joan

Hosts for the month of May

St. James Church

In Memory of Sam Pollino

By Cousins, Joe & Leigh Ann Bellitto

Ss. Peter & Paul Church

In Memory of Akos "Ike" Kuhl

By Siblings, Joseph Kuhl & Maria Laviscska

St. John Church

In Memory of Dr. Joseph Baglia (Birthday)

By Chris Baglia



Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of...

Ellen Connell

Raymond Carlson

Carol Conway

Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual light
shine upon them.

May their soul and the souls
of all the faithful departed
through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

A Memorial Donation was received by

Sacred Heart Church

In Memory of Mary Miraglia

By M/M Richard Fischer

M/M Mark Lewis

Frances Birchard

M/M Wayne Labonte

M/M Bruce King

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In Memory of Sally DePetro

By Sally DePetro

Mary McCusker & Chris Jones

Paul & Sally Lombardo

The DePetro Family

M/M Bernie Palermo

Ou Lady of Loreto Parish

In Memory of Peter Coggiola

Application for Catholic Neighbors In Faith Memorial Listing (Please Print Clearly)

Please send a check for \$50 made out to your HOME PARISH and mail it to: 27 Allen St., Jamestown NY 14701.

Name (s) _____

Your Contact Information

Your Name _____ Parish _____ Phone _____

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Reflections

The Power of Love

Why is it that we are “commanded” to love? Wouldn’t it be better if we were *invited* to love others? Isn’t it true that no one can make us love another person? And if we love out of duty are we really loving at all? There have been any number of people in my life that I personally have not liked to be around. Over the years, however, I have discovered that my life is about more than getting along, or obtaining what I want, or experiencing pleasant circumstances. As a Christian, my life is no longer my own. I have been given the grace to experience the absolute love of God poured out on me in the sacrament of baptism and the only response to that overwhelming and limitless gift of God’s love and grace is to return love for love in as complete a manner as possible. As I put on the Lord Jesus, and I put into action his utter selfless loving here and now, in whatever situation I find myself in, I keep the one command I have been given by Jesus at the Last Supper: “This is my commandment: love one another as I love you.” No, it is not a suggestion, if I feel like it, if it works out, or if it is to my benefit. That is not the way that Jesus loved us and it is not the way he commands us to love one another. I will love you, even as I wrestle within a relationship, but I may not agree with you. I will love you, even though I don’t really prefer being around you. I will love you, even though I will take steps to protect myself from your behaviors. I will love you because Jesus has loved me and because Jesus loves you. Love gives meaning to all the other commandments. Love gives meaning to every suffering. The power of love alone can give ultimate direction even to the hard realism of economics and politics and social strife and issues of social injustice and disparity. Love alone can break these open so they serve the world in charity. Just before his death, Jesus talked about love, unity, friendship, glory, and joy, that the love the Father has for Jesus may be in us and that Jesus may be in us. If we focus on love, all else will follow. Love will lead us to unity and glory and joy, as Jesus is in us and we in him so that we may be brought to complete unity. This love is the bedrock of our Christian life. If we miss this we have missed everything. The “command” should make it really stand out to us so that we keep this front and center in our journey to becoming and loving like Christ. By Sr. Kathryn James Hermes

Who Needs Love?

Part of the first reading from Acts that we don’t hear is a vision Peter has, in which God tells him that all foods are OK to eat; no longer are some unclean. He later realizes that the vision was a symbol that all people are “clean,” Gentiles as well as Jews. All are called to have faith in Jesus. Not all of the early Christians understood. The Jewish Christians were shocked that the Holy Spirit would give gifts, such as speaking in tongues, to Gentiles. Especially Gentiles who had not been baptized. Now the distinction between Gentile and Jewish Christians doesn’t seem very important today. But we still need to follow St. Peter’s example of sharing our faith in Jesus. We seem to be more interested in converting other Christians than in bringing non-Christians to the faith. Does that mean we should drag any non-believers we meet to church on Sunday? Should we brag about how much we love God?

Today’s gospel gives us a hint at what we can do to bring others to Christ. Jesus makes it sound simple: Love one another as I love you. (Jn 15:12) Remember that God’s love for us comes first. That’s why the Gentiles in the first reading received the gifts of the Spirit before they were baptized. The second reading from John tells us that love is not people loving God; it’s that God loved us first, enough to send his Son to die for us. We may think that we have chosen to love and follow Jesus, but as the gospel tells us, Jesus chose us before we ever chose him. So maybe that part about loving others as Jesus loves us is not so much about being willing to die for those you love. It may just be our willingness to love others without requiring that they love us first.

How can we do that? I can introduce myself to someone new to the parish that I see in church. I can offer to help the poor without waiting for the pastor to beg. I can be courteous to other drivers, letting them go in front of me in heavy traffic. I can make a priority of seeing what I can do for others, instead of what they can do for me. Perhaps part of our daily prayer can be asking God to show us who needs our love today.

Tom Schmidt

Catholic Neighbors in Faith

Our Stewardship - For April 21, 2024

St. James

Offertory - \$4,538 Parish Improv. - \$150
Catholic Home Missions - \$239 Fuel - \$40

Holy Apostles

Offertory - \$4,027

Sacred Heart

Offertory - \$2,752

St. Patrick

Offertory - \$909

Our Lady of Loreto

Offertory - \$1,666

*Thank you for your support of
our parishes and ministries!*



Community Cleanup Day

A Community Cleanup Day is being organized at the Panama Methodist Church, Panama, NY for May 11th from 9:00 to 11:00am with a rain date for May 18th. Volunteers will gather and be sent throughout the community streets and highways to pick up garbage and trash that has accumulated over the winter months. Light refreshments will be provided. This is a great opportunity for school students needing community service.

Lector Training

There will be a Lector Training on May 21st at 6:30PM at St. John Church. It is for anyone interested in becoming a Lector please call the Central Office - 716-487-0125 by May 15th to register.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Hi Folks,

Did you know there is a Prayer Shawl group? We meet at the St. James Parish Library on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month at 10am. New members are always welcome with any skill and any level! Please join us!



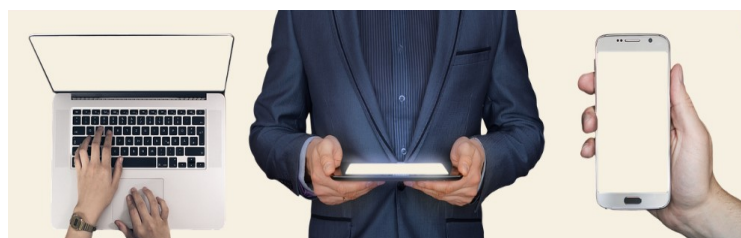
Festival Corner: brought to you by the Festival Committee:

We are so excited to announce the Catholic Neighbors in Faith will be sponsoring the Italian Festival this year on July 20th, with booths and selling raffle tickets. Have you received your raffle tickets for the festival? If not, please call the rectory to pick up your tickets for yourself or to sell. This year each parish will have an opportunity to sell their own tickets supporting various future events at their parish. Our goal is to sell 15000 tickets. Please help us reach our goal.

Nice Weather = Cookouts!!

A brand-new grill sure would make those warm spring and summer gatherings a lot less stressful! Members of the Our Lady of Loreto Holy Name Society are currently selling tickets for a brand-new Weber Portable Gas Grill! The tickets are only \$10 (while they last!) The drawing date is Sunday May 19th directly after 10am Mass. You can get your ticket from any of the OLL Holy Name Society members, stopping by the central office of Catholic Neighbors in Faith, or by contacting Andy Kutschke at 716.397.4710 to help you in purchasing a ticket.

Thank you for your support!



Attention:

ALL individuals who work on any website, streaming, and/or social media for any of the churches/parishes in the Catholic Neighbors In Faith Family. There will be a meeting on:

Monday, May 13, 2024 at 6:00pm
St James Parish Hall
27 Allen Street, Jamestown NY

We also encourage and ask anyone who work in Technology, that could provide input and guidance to strengthen our on-line presence to also please consider attending the meeting. No commitment will be required, just your knowledge. Thank you.

Saints of the Week

SAINT DAMIEN JOSEPH DE VEUSTER OF MOLOKA'I (1840-1889) May 10

In the mid-1990s, a heavily bearded, bespectacled Robin Williams appeared on *Late Night with David Letterman*, whose host was clearly taken aback. Letterman inquired as to why the wild look. Uncharacteristically subdued, the usually manic comic responded that he was producing and starring in a movie about a most extraordinarily compassionate man, Damien, the Leper Priest of Moloka'i.

Some saints transcend religious and ethnic boundaries to touch the heart that beats in each human being: Francis of Assisi; Mother Teresa; and, though Williams' film was never completed, his admiration speaks, as does Damien's statue outside the capitol in Honolulu, of this newest saint's universal appeal. Far from his native Flanders' idyllic beauty and rich culture, Damien volunteered to bear Christ's light into Moloka'i's bleak leper colony, building decent homes, opening schools, establishing clinics, planting farms, sharing the sufferings—and the social stigma—of those with whom he delighted to identify: "We lepers," he would proudly say when finally he contracted leprosy. Saint Damien challenges us to identify the lepers of our own day, to examine our compassion for and our identification with them. —Peter Scagnelli



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Just as the origins of Lent have to do with accompanying people in the final stages of preparation for baptism at Eastertime, so does the structure of the Easter season help the newly received Catholics take root in the community. This is the season of "mystagogy," which means "reflection on the mysteries." This means that new Catholics are remembering the sacraments by which they become one with us, and are sorting out the implications for their everyday life. They can understand the excitement of Cornelius and his family in the first reading, filled with the Holy Spirit, and so eager to begin their new life that they overwhelm St. Peter. The second reading and the Gospel today likewise help our new brothers and sisters explore their new life as an experience of God's tender love.

Long ago, our tradition named these newly baptized adults and children the "neophytes," from Greek words meaning "newly planted." Newly planted in the garden of faith, they look to us to provide the fertile soil in which their new life can take root and grow. You can help. If you have "neophytes" in your parish, a card or note of welcome, or warm words of congratulation, are still timely. It's Easter!

—Rev. James Field



Catholic Neighbors In Faith

SACRED HEART - LAKEWOOD ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

The Altar and Rosary Society of Sacred Heart will be meeting this Thursday, May 9, at 6:00pm in the Parish Center. All women of the parish are invited to attend.

Do you Enjoy Gardening?

St. James Church is asking for volunteers to come and beautify the parish grounds. We need weeding, planting and mulching done. If you know anyone that enjoys gardening ask them to contact the parish office.



A Call For Vocation...

“No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends,” Jesus tells us. This does not always mean one heroic act of self-sacrifice. It can also be a life laid down in daily self-denial & service to others. The priesthood is just such a life. There is no greater love! To learn more, contact If you feel the call, talk with Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

2024 Bocce Sign-ups

The Bocce League will be holding sign-ups on Monday, May 6th beginning at 6pm at the St. John Church Hall. We invite all new and returning members to come.



A Gift of Intentions

If you would like to make a donation to the church “In Memory Of...” or “In Honor Of...” someone special, consider the Wine, Hosts or Sanctuary Light in their name. The monthly donation for Wine is just \$40 and the Hosts are \$25. Sanctuary Lamps cost \$10 per week. A special card may be sent to the family notifying them of your donation. This is a great way to honor someone when a Mass date is not available. If you have any questions, call the Central Office at 716.487.0125.

Join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. James Church

We have the holy Sacrament exposed in the chapel of St. James every Wednesday from 9:00am to 7:00pm for everyone to come and pray.

We need individuals to sign up for a weekly hour to help keep the sacrament open through these hours.

Please call the Central Office at 716.487.0125 if you can help.

IT'S A THREE WORD ESSAY ON LOVE. I QUOTED GOD AS MY SOURCE. DO I GET AN 'A'?



Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love. 1 Jn 4:7-8

Call the Central office today
to schedule your 2024 Mass Intentions

I can
follow Jesus
by helping
others



In Loving Memory Memorial Page

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

May the prayers of Mary, the Mother of God, who stood by the cross as Her Son was dying, help those who mourn for our brothers and sisters and accompany all of us in our time of need. Amen

Leroy & Ethel Anderson
Christopher Baczynski
Fred Baker
Beaver & Stearns Families
Cora Bonfiglio
Tichy, Horvath & Brunecz Families
Charles E. J. Cassidy
John F. Campion
DMO the Crasti & Marino Families
John & Tillie Cusimano
Michael Danielson
Rev. Msgr. Joseph M. Dowdell
DMO the Dominick & O'Hagan Families
Dr. Anthony Floccare
DMO the Floccare & DePetro Families
Stephanie A. Frucella
Alexander Gil
Angelo Giuffre & Maria Cali Families
Glenard A. Grabow
Dr. Joseph & Concetta Griffo
Charles "Charlie" Heggarty
Grunert & Perk Families
Hacker & Tuzzo Families
Hedrich & Peterson Families
Rev. John T. Horne
Hutchinson & Truax Families
L & DMO the Irons & Pfurtscheller Families
For the Soul of Judas Iscariot
Rev. Joseph P. Janaczek
Phyllis Johenning
Andrew B. & Eleanor H. Johnson
Karg & Kurtzhals Families
Kilburn & Hoffman Family
Rev. John L. Kuhlmann
Edda Liuzzo
Giuseppe & Giuseppina Liuzzo
Joseph X. & Mary R. Lombardo
Carol K. Lucas
Marie F. MacNamara
Mareri, O'Kelly, Murphy Families

Frank & Josephine Marcello
Marchiando & Dominici Families
Nina Claire Marsh
Rev. Dennis W. Mende
Mary Jo Mason Montagna
Reinaldo E. & T. Silvia Muniz
Janet & Henry Napier
DMO the Nicastro & Gullo Families
O'Brien, Letro & Plunkett Families
L & DMO the Pappalardo Family
Mary Ann Pappalardo
James Patti
Robert J. Perron
Plummer & McGraw Families & Sisters of
St. Joseph of Buffalo
Tom Prechtl & Katy Guye
Rau & Shepherd Families
DMO Raymond & Raimondo Families
Rieg, Barnes & Pearson Families
James R. Rusiniak
Nicholas & Miriam Rodriguez
B. Muriel Rose
Dr. Joseph & Ruth Rube
L & DMO the Scarpino & Heffern Families
DMO Belluz & Shay Families
Nicholas W. Shelley
Ross & Josephine Spoto
Swanson & Regan Families
The Twichell Family
Paul Tran, Minh Cong, Anna Nguyen
Kim Hong, Teresa Tran, Kim Loan,
Peter Tran Binh Thanh
Linda J. Wadsworth
Richard & Emily Weimer
Jason M. Williams
Zahler, Cuffney & Green Families
Zunner & Gumienik Family