

Welcome to St. George Church

A Parish with Spirit and Heart!



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Week of October 8, 2017

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

As Christians, we profess belief in God as the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. This Trinitarian belief is what makes us unique as believers in the One, True God who saves. While growth in faith is possible, our ability to believe is, itself, one of the many gifts we have received from God. The Creator has blessed us in countless ways and with a myriad of abilities.

Discovering our giftedness and recognizing the giftedness of others is a wonderful experience. As people of faith, we regularly give thanks to God for our blessings. The development of this “attitude of gratitude” can be a lifelong endeavor. Many things in our modern, sophisticated society tempt people to diminish the role of God as we humans become more knowledgeable. When we take God out of the equation of life, though, frustrations, futility and hopelessness enter in.

In order to live free, full lives as God intends for us we need to have space within for mystery, for hope, and for faith to tickle us with awe, joy, surprise and compassion. None of us can be ceaselessly positive or optimistic. But as Christians and as people of faith, we open ourselves to the movement of the Spirit of Jesus who offers us gifts and fruits which make this earthly journey both possible and positive.

Sister Lori

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, October 7	5 pm	M. Jane Tuttle, by John & Barb Pusztay
Sunday, October 8	8:30 am	Anna Dziulko, by Tom & Alice Dziulko
	11 am	William J. Head, by Glen & Cindy Weeks
Monday, October 9	8 am	In Remembrance of James and Caroline Wall, on their Wedding Anniversary, by Father Jim
Tuesday, October 10	8 am	For the Faithful Departed
Wednesday, October 11	8 am	Communion Service and Novena
Thursday, October 12	8 am	Communion Service
Friday, October 13	8 am	For the Faithful Departed
Saturday, October 14	5 pm	Arnie O'Connor, by Sally Lennertz
Sunday, October 15	8:30 am	For a Special Intention, by Anonymous
	11 am	Anthony Zappia Sr., by the family

**Our next First Friday Mass will be November 3rd at 8:00 am in the Chapel.
Confession: Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:30 pm in the Church.
Join us in praying the Rosary on Saturdays at 4:30 pm in the Church.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR... Doris Ellis, Don Murray, Barb Songin, Sally Denesha, Jeanne McIntyre, Joe Arcara, Mike Hayhurst, Rita Kowalik and Sally Tanner.



ANOINTING OF THE SICK AT ST. GEORGE



Fr. Jim would like to provide the sacrament of the **Anointing of the Sick** occasionally, *following the 11 am Sunday Mass*. This sacrament of blessing and healing can be a source of spiritual strength and peace for anyone bearing illness in mind or body. Those anticipating surgery may also wish to be anointed. Being anointed with Holy Oil and prayed over by the priest are the key elements of this sacrament. All who wish to receive the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick are invited to gather in front of the altar, **immediately following the 11 am Mass on Sunday, October 8th and/or Sunday, December 17th.**

ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND are to honor the **28th Wedding Anniversary of John and Linda Kraus!** Congratulations and continued blessings in your marriage, **John & Linda**, and thank you for beautifying our worship space with God's flowers!



A MASS OF REMEMBRANCE paying tribute to parishioners who have died during the past year is planned for **All Souls' Day—Thursday, November 2nd at 5 pm in Church.** *Perhaps there's someone in your family who passed away in the past year whom you would like to honor and remember at this service?* **Please call, email or visit the parish office by October 15th to let us know.**

PLEASE BE GENEROUS TO OUR HAITI MISSION IN THIS WEEK'S COLLECTION!



Help us continue to build and strengthen our relationship with our twin parish of St. Michael the Archangel in Coq Chante, Haiti. **Your donations provide health care, education, water, sanitation, farm animals and other efforts at our twin parish. Your generous offerings and prayers show your support** for the many good works done through our Haiti mission and the people of Haiti.

WNY Haiti Connection brochures are available at the back of church!

Sister Mary McCarrick, OSF, Diocesan Director of Catholic Charities of Buffalo, will join us for all Masses on **October 14th & 15th**. She wishes to express her heartfelt thanks to you for your ever-generous support of Catholic Charities!



OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH This month and *always*, let's walk with each other; **let's help each other embrace God's gift of human life.**

Whatever storms or trials we face, we are not alone. He is with us: "*Behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age*" (Matthew 28:20).

ST. GEORGE YOUTH FALL BREAK "FEST" & THEME BASKET AUCTION!

... is **Sunday, October 22nd** from **9:00 am - 1:00 pm** in the hall. We're serving eggs, ham, home fries, pancakes, muffins, fruit, juice, coffee and tea. All proceeds are used to subsidize our Youth's fees to attend the **Diocesan Youth Convention in February** and Youth activities.



Come out and support the Young Church! Your free-will **Love Offering** will be greatly appreciated. Theme Basket donations are really appreciated and may be dropped off at church or on the porch of the parish office.

SISTER LORI TO SPEAK AT NEXT ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING

Since the Sisters of St. Mary are an *international* congregation, Sister Lori has had the opportunity to live outside the U.S. on several occasions. Upon her arrival in the

Democratic Republic of Congo, as people learned where she was from, they assured her of their prayers for the United States and its people.



On **Tuesday, October 17th**, Sister Lori will share some reflections on her experiences abroad at the monthly meeting of the Rosary Altar Society (in the parish hall at 11 am). She'll share with us her response to the Congolese assurances of their prayers for us, and what she discovered about the perception these people have of the United States!



YOUR OFFERINGS allow us to do so much good for our parish and our community! *Many, many thanks for your incredible generosity!* **Sunday**, and **Holy Day** offerings were **\$2,830.88** and **Maintenance & Capital Improvement** offerings totaled **\$617.00**. Offerings for **Christ the King Seminary** now total **\$2,512.00!**

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY The good news of this week's Gospel is that all we need to do is let God tend us and bring us to produce good fruit. All we need do is be faithful; God will take care of the rest. **Please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to bring the love and mercy of Jesus to those who feel left out and abandoned. God bless all.**



We pray the Rosary at 7pm every Monday evening in our beautiful Chapel. Join us!



REST IN PEACE, CECILIA LINDSLEY Longtime parishioner Cecilia Lindsley went home to the Lord on **Sunday, October 1st** at the age of 83. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for her on **Saturday, October 7th** in St. George church. *Let us all pray that her loved ones and friends will be comforted and their suffering eased through God's loving care.*

UPCOMING HAPPENINGS AT BREAD OF LIFE OUTREACH CENTER

Thanks to everyone who supported our annual Rummage Sale last weekend! Mark your calendars for the **WNY Food Bank Food Truck** on **October 26th**, a **Halloween Bash** on **October 28th**, an **Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service** on **November 21st**, and the **Christmas Tea & Fashion Show** on **December 2nd** (*tickets are available October 21st*). Visit breadoflifecolden.org/events.



AID FOR HURRICANE AND EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS



In response to the ongoing need of so many people affected by recent natural disasters, Bishop Malone has asked parishes to give Catholics the opportunity to make donations for relief efforts aiding victims of **Hurricanes Irma and Maria**, as well as the **earthquake victims in Mexico**. *The donation box for these specific causes will be in the back of Church until **October 15th**.*

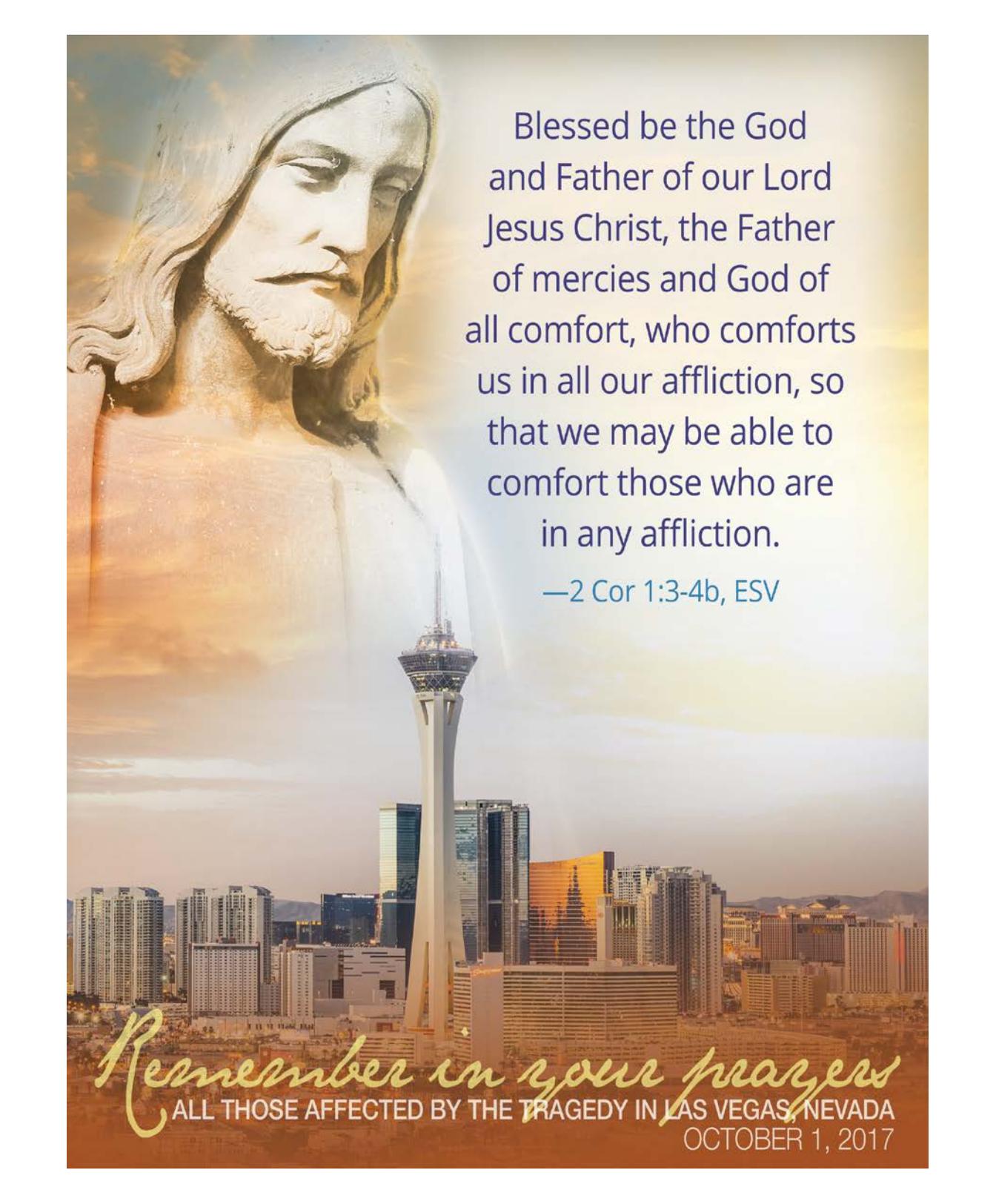
Checks should be made payable to St. George parish with a notation that it is for "Disaster relief".

ROSARY CRUSADE AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - OCTOBER 14TH

Immaculate Conception Church invites you to join them at **noon** in the courtyard for the Rosary Crusade. Call **Florence** at **655-4748** if you have questions. The church is located at 510 Oakwood Avenue in East Aurora.



MERCY HOSPITAL SEEKS VOLUNTEERS *Eucharistic Ministers* are invited to serve in this capacity at **Mercy Hospital of Buffalo**, particularly on Fridays and weekends. Kindly consider participating in this ministry. Please call the **Spiritual Care Office** at **828-2088** to learn more or to apply. *Many thanks!*



Blessed be the God
and Father of our Lord
Jesus Christ, the Father
of mercies and God of
all comfort, who comforts
us in all our affliction, so
that we may be able to
comfort those who are
in any affliction.

—2 Cor 1:3-4b, ESV

Remember in your prayers
ALL THOSE AFFECTED BY THE TRAGEDY IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA
OCTOBER 1, 2017

COMMUNITY EVENTS



Mark C. Poloncarz
County Executive

Gale R. Burstein, MD, MPH
Commissioner of Health

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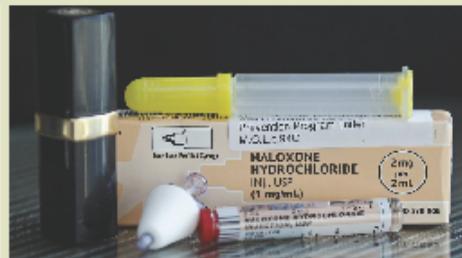
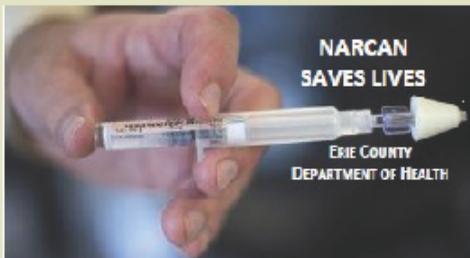
ERIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

COMMUNITY TRAINING OPIOID OVERDOSE RECOGNITION & NALOXONE USE

Sunday, October 22, 2017

12:00 PM — 2:00 PM

**Church of the Annunciation Parish
7580 Clinton St.; Elma, NY 14059**

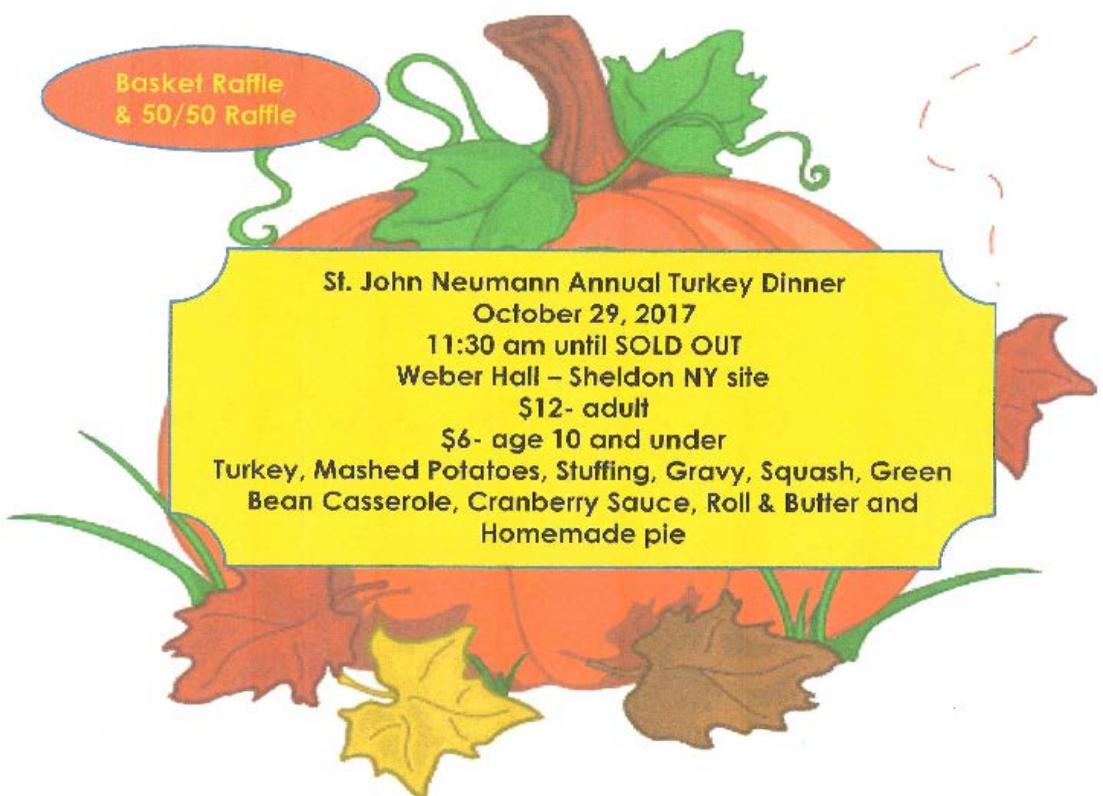


Invest 2 hours and learn how to save a life!
There is no charge to attend.

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Basket Raffle
& 50/50 Raffle

St. John Neumann Annual Turkey Dinner

October 29, 2017

11:30 am until SOLD OUT

Weber Hall – Sheldon NY site

\$12- adult

\$6- age 10 and under

**Turkey, Mashed Potatoes, Stuffing, Gravy, Squash, Green
Bean Casserole, Cranberry Sauce, Roll & Butter and
Homemade pie**

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FINDING YOUR ROOTS



FAMILY HISTORY FAIR

SATURDAY, 28 OCTOBER 2017

STARTS 9:00 AM

1424 MAPLE ROAD,
WILLIAMSVILLE, NY

Featuring
Keynote Speaker
Artist

BRIAN KERSHISNIK

Sessions 9:30 and 11:30

Special Guest
Instructor

Candy Steinhorst

30 years with FamilySearch
and the
Family History Library in SLC



"SHE WILL FIND WHAT IS LOST"

BY BRIAN KERSHISNIK

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