



2nd Sunday of Advent

DECEMBER 7, 2025

ROMAN CATHOLIC ORATORY OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

The Mother Church of Western New York & Southern Ontario's Italian & Latin Communities

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MASSES

12/7

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Second Collection for the St. Philip Neri House



12/8

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Holy Day / Special Collection

12/9

WITHIN THE OCTAVE

12/10

WITHIN THE OCTAVE

12/11

ST. DAMASUS

12/12

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE (MISSA CANTATA)

12/13

RORATE MASS (MISSA CANTATA)

12/14

THIRD (GAUDETE) SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Second Collection for the Retirement Appeal



INTENTIONS

7:15 AM

Joe and Mary DeGrave
by Owen Torre

9:15 AM

† Steve Hadrovic
by Josephine Saia

11:15 AM

Annual Socita Pratolani di Abruzzese
(1) † Maria Guttadauro by Kathleen Pellegrino

(2) † Calogero, Calogera & Maria Campanella by Gaetana & Carmelina Campanella

(3) † Concetta Genco by Francine and Peter LoJacono

(4) † Cosimo Panzarella by Enza and Tony Milioto

9:00 AM - Missa Solemnis

† Phyllis Billy by Samantha and Wesley Didrichsens

6:00 PM - Low Mass

For the Children of the Latin Mass Community by Thomas Wright Family

† Michael Scibetta

by Bonnie Huntz

† Holy Souls in Purgatory

† Fr. Frank Papa by O'Brien Family

For the Sanctification of the Wright Children by Maria and Tom Wright

† The Deceased Family Members of Corina Annunziata

7:15 AM

† Gregory Olma
by Joan and Dan Blum

9:15 AM

† Elaine Mc Pherson
by Bonnie & Leonard DeFazio

11:15 AM

(1) † Deceased Members of the Marinaccio Famiy & Michael DiLeo
by Esther and Michele

(2) † Mario & Onofria Campanella
by Gaetana & Carmelina Campanella

(3) † Angela and Salvatore Milioto
by Enza and Tony Milioto

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Saturday & Sunday: Closed
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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

7:15 AM Latin Low

9:15 AM Latin Sung

11:15 AM Italian/English

WEEKDAYS: 6 PM Latin Low

SATURDAY: 9 AM Latin Low

Confessions 40 min. before each Mass

THE ST. PHILIP NERI HOUSE

Fr. Augustine Tran - Rector
Br. Paul Pierre Maturin - Sacristan
clergy@stanthonybuffalo.org

DEACONS

Dcn. Carmelo Gaudioso
Dcn. Tom LaBelle

COLLECTION NOTICE

Sunday, November 30: \$5,592.00

ONLINE: \$965.00

SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST. DAMASUS I

All lovers of Scripture have reason to celebrate this day. Damasus was the pope who commissioned Saint Jerome to translate the Scriptures into Latin, the Vulgate version of the Bible.

Damasus was a sixty-year-old deacon when he was elected bishop of Rome in 366. His reign was marked by violence from the start when another group decided to elect a different pope. Both sides tried to enforce their selections through violence. Though the physical fighting stopped, Damasus had to struggle with these opponents throughout his years as pope.

Damasus may not have won this battle directly, but he won the war by initiating works that outlasted all his opponents. Not only did he commission the Vulgate translation but he also changed the liturgical language of the



“All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness.”

Church from Greek to Latin. He worked hard to preserve and restore the catacombs, the graves of the martyrs, and relics.

During his pontificate, Christianity was declared the official religion of the Roman state, and Latin became the principal liturgical language as part of the pope's reforms. His encouragement of Saint Jerome's biblical studies led to the Vulgate, the Latin translation of Scripture which 12 centuries later the Council of Trent declared to be “authentic in public readings, disputations, preaching.”

As pope, his lifestyle was simple in contrast to other ecclesiastics of Rome, and he was fierce in his denunciation of Arianism and other heresies. A misunderstanding of the Trinitarian terminology used by Rome threatened amicable relations with the Eastern Church, and Damasus was only moderately successful in dealing with that challenge.

Damasus I makes us aware of two qualities of good leadership: alertness to the promptings of the Spirit, and service. His struggles are a reminder that Jesus never promised his Rock protection from hurricane winds nor his followers immunity from difficulties. His only guarantee is final victory.

EMERGENCY LINE

716-202-2627

We now have an emergency line for people to call for SACRAMENTAL emergencies, i.e., they need a priest for Anointing or Last Rites. Save the above number in your phone!



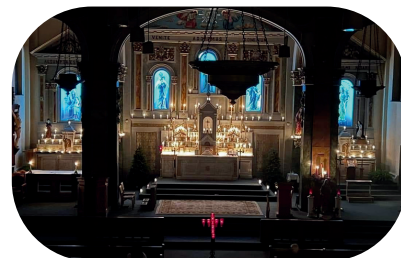
Events Coming Up...



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

MISSA CANTATA 12/12/25

There will be a Sung Mass for Our Lady of Guadalupe on Friday, December 12 at the regular 6:00 pm Mass time.



RORATE MASS

MISSA CANTATA 12/13/25

There will be a Sung Mass for our annual Rorate Mass in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday, December 13 at **6:30 am**.

WANT TO BECOME CATHOLIC?

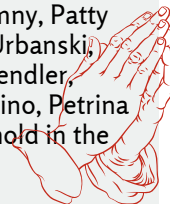
Contact Fr. Augustine at
atran@stanthonybuffalo.
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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

If you would like prayers for anyone in the hospital, end of life care, or in special need of prayers please call the rectory. When this time passes please call and request the name to be removed.

Stacy Donahue, Ellen Liszewski, Ryan Cavaretta, Ellen Schreier, Tina Licata, G.C. Barbara Gangi, Kira Ciupek, Lori Biddle, Judy Tasca, Helen Booth, Dan Minnick, Vita Milkie Mary Whalen, Cody Beuice, Diana Wright, the Hurley Family, Bernadette Hughes, Nancy Zimny, Patty Stunmetz., L. Lilenthial, Patrick Hughes, Alli Urbanski, Eileen T., Russell Cirino, Mary K., Helen Schwendler, Karen Laurent, Christian Vinci, Giuseppe Carlino, Petrina Roberts, as well as those intention which we hold in the silence of our hearts.



SANCTUARY CANDLE

In December, the sanctuary candle is lit for † Mary & Albert Millanti, Mary & Frank Amato and Deceased Family Members by Noreen Filipetti

\$25 Monthly Sanctuary Candle are available. Please contact the OFFICE to reserve.



ALTAR FLOWERS AVAILABLE

Altar Flowers can be purchased in Honor of a Living or Deceased Loved One. This sort of offering is similar to the Sanctuary Candle Offering. This Offering is \$100/week and will cover the expense of fresh flowers for our Main Altar.

This week's altar flowers are donated by Genesis Chavez Reyes in honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Monday, December 8 is the feast day of the Immaculate Conception, a holy day of obligation.

In 1854, Pope Pius IX declared the dogma of the Immaculate Conception: "The Most Holy Virgin Mary was, in the very first moment of her conception, by a unique gift of grace and privilege of Almighty God and in view of the merits of Jesus Christ the Redeemer of mankind, preserved free from all stains of original sin."



St. Anthony's will celebrate a Solemn High Mass at **9:00 am** and Low Mass at **6:00 pm**. Our Lady Help of Christians will have Mass at 12 Noon. The St. Anthony rectory office will be **closed**.

EMAIL & SMS SIGN UP FORM

To receive regular emails AND occasional texts regarding Mass Cancelations, Holiday Schedule, Sung Masses, Funerals, and other special events please go to stanthonybuffalo.org/subscribe or scan the QR Code.



GAUDETE SUNDAY PARTY

Our Advent Mission begins Gaudete Sunday, December 14. We ask all men and boys of our community to encircle St. Anthony's at 5:00 pm and pray the Rosary for protection of our community.

We will have sliced roast beef, gravy, and rolls, and ask everyone to make and bring a festive appetizer, side or dessert to share. If your LAST NAME begins with A-L, please bring an appetizer or dessert. If it begins with M-Z, please bring a side dish. Festive beverages are allowed, so feel free to bring some holiday cheer. We will have coffee and soft drinks available.

After dinner, Fr. Augustine will begin the Mission with a talk on the Four Temperaments. The Mission will continue on Monday, December 15 and Tuesday, December 16 after the 6:00 pm Masses. We will have soups and salads each night before the talks.



THINKING ABOUT A VOCATION?

Interested in discerning with the St. Philip Neri House? One can discern to be a priest or lay brother. Declare your interest to the Father and Brother either verbally or written so we can schedule a dinner visit. After the dinner visit, there is a week visit, then a month visit to determine if you fit in with the community.

The Jesse Tree is a popular Advent activity for families, tracing the lineage of Jesus back to David, Jesse, and the Patriarchs. In the Old Testament, God tended to work through a few specific families. Now, He calls servants from anywhere. Maybe He's calling you to serve the Church! Take a closer look by contacting Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or buffalovocations.org



PAPAL INTENTION

Papal intention for December: for Christians in areas of conflict...

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.



LADIES ALTAR SOCIETY

A great way to be a part of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is by preparing the linens and taking care of the church used to hold Our Lord. Please scan the QR code below to join the Signal Group.



SCHOLA & CHOIR

Do you want to sing for God? If so, please join our schola or choir!

To join the choir, please contact Sharbel Simon: ssimon@stanthonybuffalo.org

To join the schola, please contact Jake Kraft: jkraft@stanthonybuffalo.org



YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Please join our Signal Group using the QR Code below to receive relevant events and updates for the Young Adult Ministry.



SPN HOUSE QR CODE

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YOU CAN HELP US OUT DIRECTLY

The members of the St. Philip Neri House do not receive direct financial support from the Diocese of Buffalo. We rely on the salaries given for our work in the diocese and the generosity of monthly donors to help pay for seminary and supplemental living costs. Sadly, our house in Texas is having trouble selling and we have approximately \$2.5k a month that has to go to that until it sells (mortgage and upkeep). With the move, we lost the majority of our Tyler monthly donors, which covered this expense, along with seminary costs, and miscellaneous living expenses. Please prayerfully consider becoming a monthly donor. Scan the QR code or go to www.spnhouse.org.

