

# LOVE GOD—LOVE PEOPLE

February 4, 2024 —Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## 2024 BMW Sneak Peek



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**SERVE**

**GROW**

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**OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday–Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

### THERE IS A PLACE FOR YOU!

The deepest need in everyone's heart is to be loved. That's it. Only Jesus Christ can fill this need in your heart, and we want to help fill your heart here at our parish! We are not a perfect parish but we want you to know that you are welcome to come home to Your Father's House. Everyone is welcome in our Father's House - come home!

#### Mass Schedule

**Monday – Friday**  
7:00 am in Church

#### **Weekends in Church**

4:15 pm Saturday Traditional  
10:00 am Sunday Contemporary

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm Saturday  
Confessions

#### **PERPETUAL ADORATION**

Our Adoration Chapel is ALWAYS open! You need a code to get in at night and week-ends. Please call the parish during office hours to register for the code.



**PASTOR'S CORNER**

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Praised Be Jesus Christ!

First, I am sorry that I am away this weekend, as I told you last week I am in Waco, Texas at our annual CMLA (Catholic Men's Leadership Alliance) Board meeting. This is only once a year and I am a founding board member, so I must be there. Please pray for us.

I want to encourage all the men of our parish to come to our 11th Annual 22:32 Men's Conference on March 2nd at St. Jude's – all of our men should be there if you can. We have two great speakers this year. Mr. Damon Owens, an international speaker who speaks on the renewal of relationships, marriage and the family. And Fr. Patrick Schultz a priest from Cleveland who speaks on the vocation and dignity of men. Sign up now at [www.2232men.com](http://www.2232men.com). Also, ladies you can also sign up for the 9th Annual 1:38 Women's Conference that will be held at St. Jude's on April 20th. Author and speaker Lisa Cotter known for her practical insights on relationships, femininity, and living life with excellence will offer 2 talks that morning. You can sign up now at [www.138women.com](http://www.138women.com) Both of these conferences are now just in the morning and will include Mass with the Bishop and confessions. Plan on joining us!

Also, I want to thank our parishioner Shawn Tubbs, and his employees at Pavement Care Services, for filling up the holes in our alley next to the Church – they did a FANTASTIC job – thank you! I would encourage you to use them for all your asphalt maintenance at your home or business. Shawn also coordinates our yearly overflow shelter. Thank you Shawn for all you do!

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On another note, this weekend, February 3rd is the Feast of St. Blaise. For those who do not know, Saint Blaise was the bishop of Sebaste in Armenia during the fourth century. Very little is known about his life. According to various accounts, he was a physician before becoming a bishop. His cult spread

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## PERPETUAL ADORATION

We are always in need of Committed Adorers in our Adoration Chapel – please sign up for an hour with Jesus! Call or text Geoff and Amber Dietz at (814) 403-3921 to sign up or ask questions.

The following 74 hours are also in need of another committed adorer:

- Sunday:** 12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM, 4 AM, 6 AM, 8 AM, 12 PM, 1 PM, 3 PM, 5 PM, 9 PM
- Monday:** 12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM, 8 AM, 1 PM, 2 PM, 3 PM, 4 PM, 5 PM, 9 PM, 11 PM
- Tuesday:** 2 AM, 3 AM, 4 AM, 3 PM, 5 PM, 11 PM
- Wednesday:** 12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM, 8 AM, 10 AM, 5 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM
- Thursday:** 1 AM, 2 AM, 4 AM, 9 AM, 1 PM, 2 PM, 11 PM
- Friday:** 1 AM (X2), 2 AM, 4 AM, 5 AM, 8 AM, 2 PM, 5 PM, 6 PM, 7 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM
- Saturday:** 12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM, 4 AM, 12 PM, 2 PM, 3 PM, 4 PM, 5 PM, 6 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM

*Please commit to 1 hour*



## SANCTUARY LAMP MEMORIAL

The Church Sanctuary Lamp will be burning in memory of Tom Doyle February 4th-February 17th

Carol Doyle



## THIS WEEKEND:

- Saturday 4:15 pm** 02/03/24—Saint Blaise + Mary Nardi (Paul Morabito)
- Sunday 10 am** 02/04/24—Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time + Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
- Monday 7 am** 02/05/24—Saint Agatha + Ed DeLuca (Marge DeLuca)
- Tuesday 7 am** 02/06/24—Saint Paul Miki + Lester Amendola (Dan & Dawn Schaaf)
- Wednesday 7 am** 02/07/24—Weekday + Tom Doyle (Carol Doyle)
- Thursday 7 am** 02/08/24—Saints Jerome & Josephine + Joe Laprad (Lucia Lee)
- Friday 7 am** 02/09/24—Weekday + Jim Humble (Friend)

## UPCOMING WEEK:

- Saturday 4:15 pm** 02/10/24—Saint Scholastica + Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
- Sunday 10 am** 02/11/24—Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time + Steve Yurkewicz (TA Walkiewicz)



*In Loving Memory Of Janet Rumball*

*Funeral Mass will be Monday 2/12/24 at 11 am*



11/27/1940—1/23/2024

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please keep the following requests in your conversations with God:

- Janet, Theodore, Roman—Eternal Rest
- Trina, Keith, Lisa, Lynn—Healing
- Shelby, Mary— Peace
- Joyce, Sam—Eternal Rest
- Mary, Louise—Healing
- Fernando—Peace/Strength/Healing

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throughout the entire Church in the Middle Ages because he was reputed to have miraculously cured a little boy who nearly died because of a fishbone in his throat. From the eighth century he has been invoked on behalf of the sick, especially those afflicted with illnesses of the throat. A general blessing of the throats will be given at the end of Mass and after Mass you may come up to receive an individual blessing. Anyone can receive this blessing, Catholic, non-Catholic, in a state of grace or not. This is not communion or a sacrament it is a sacramental so come!

As I have told you before, one of the most important comments I get from people is "Father, I pray for you every day." - There is nothing that means more to me! Know, that I am also always praying for you every day at my daily Mass and holy hour, and I will see you next Sunday, God willing! Remember that I love you -

God Bless+++  
In His love,  
Fr. Larry

# FISH FRIES



St. Luke Parish, Erie and  
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Columbus 6191  
128 Sunset Dr., Edinboro  
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## And She Said Yes!

to the Ninth Annual

### 1:38 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024



**LISA COTTER**  
Lisa is a Catholic speaker and author known for her practical insights on relationships, femininity, and living life with excellence.

PLACE: ST. JUDE PARISH, 2801 West 6th Street, Erie  
TIME: 8:00 AM - 12:30 PM  
REGISTRATION & REFRESHMENTS:  
8:00 - 8:45 AM in the Church  
COST: \$20 (\$25 at the door)

College students, High school students & Religious - FREE!  
Conference includes: Two talks, Adoration, Confession,  
Mass, Basket raffle & Book/media sales  
Master of Ceremonies: Fr. Larry Richards  
ATTENDANCE: Live in-person,  
Live-streamed to a satellite parish or your home



**MORE INFO**  
Visit the website  
or call 814-455-7364.

All faiths welcome!

[www.138women.com](http://www.138women.com)



Luke 1:38 Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word."

## Mass Intentions



Mass intentions are an important part of the Catholic faith, and we're happy to let you know that you can schedule them right here in our parish office. Whether you want to honor a loved one or offer a special prayer for someone in need. Come to the office and find a date and time that works best for you. And don't worry, all the masses will stay right here in our church.

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*What greater resource is there for learning more about the priesthood than the actual priest himself?"*



Father Scott Jabo, rector of St. Mark Seminary (left), and Father David Renne, vice rector (right), are pictured with the Diocese of Erie's minor seminarians.

## Prayer for Religious Vocations

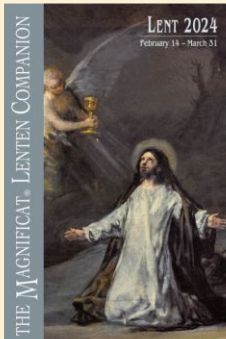
Father, You call all who believe in You to grow perfect in love by following in the footsteps of Christ Your Son. May those whom You have chosen to serve You as religious provide by their way of life a convincing sign of Your kingdom for the Church and the whole world.

Amen.

**ST. JOES LADIES**  
**SAVE THE DATE**

Every month, as women of St. Joseph Church Bread of Life Community we would like to joyously gather with a purpose that extends beyond the confines of our parish walls. With hearts filled with empathy and a commitment to outreach, we would like to come together to connect with the ladies of the House of Healing. This would create a space for fellowship, camaraderie, and support. Possibilities can be engaging in friendly games, a little worship, or just simply enjoying the company of one another. These gatherings are a testament to the power of community, where love and understanding flourish, creating lasting connections that can make a lasting relationship within St. Joseph Church Bread of Life Community and the House of Healing ladies.

There will be an informal meeting Wednesday, February 7th at 6:30 PM in the library of the Community Center to begin planning the monthly gatherings. Karol Taylor has graciously stepped up to lead this new ministry, so please plan on attending so we can outreach to our neighbors in need. If you have any questions, you can reach Karol at 814-969-0345. Hope to see you there!



The Magnificat Lenten Devotionals will be available next weekend. Please take one and spend a few minutes meditating on the inspiring daily reflections and short prayers to help focus on your spiritual life this Lent.

**Altar Servers- February 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>**

4:15: Glenn Holland  
10:00: Landry, Lennox, and Landon Long

**Lectors-February 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>**

4:15: Steve Dzuricky  
10:00: Peter Trabold

**Extraordinary Ministers-February 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>**

4:15: Deacon Doug, Debbie Henderson  
10:00: Carol Doyle, Al DeLuca

**Ushers- February 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>**

4:15: Tom Nichols, Tom May, Mike Wolfe, Ed Peszel  
10:00 Chuck Swantek, Dave Gustafson, Ed Root, Paul Miller

**Greeters- February 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>**

4:15: Mary K and Jim Jagodzinski  
10:00: Donna Snippert, Patty Jarrett, Darlene Arndt

**Sacristans-February 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>**

4:15: Steve Henderson  
10:00: Al/Renee DeLuca

**Fellowship-February 11<sup>th</sup>**

**NO FELLOWSHIP**

**WE SERVE THE LORD WITH OUR GIVING!**

*“God loves a Cheerful giver.”*

**Thank You!**

**WEEKLY GIVING REPORT**

**Number of Households – 384**

Offertory	\$ 3,279.43
CSA in Envelope	\$ 1,152.00
On-Line Offertory	\$ 1,845.00
On-Line CSA	\$ 1,230.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 7,506.43</b>
 Weekly Expenses	 \$11,522.00

**Attendance (For Both Masses) 331**

*Please remember us in your will! You can help us even after the Lord has called you home! Simply ask your attorney to have the following statement included in your will: I leave St. Joseph Church, Bread of Life Community, Erie, PA, the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_% of the residue of my estate for its religious, education and charitable works.*

**Religious Ed—Julie Lampard**  
[www.julielampard@stjoesbol.org](http://www.julielampard@stjoesbol.org)

## Save the Date!

February 17th we are hosting a First Reconciliation Retreat from 9-12.  
 Sponsored by UKnighted in Faith from Gannon University

February 25th is our Confirmation Service Project from 11-5pm. Lunch will be provided.  
 Please RSVP by February 18.

March 9th is our First Holy Communion Retreat from 9a-12p.  
 Sponsored by UKnighted in Faith from Gannon University

Please contact [JulieLampard@stjoesbol.org](mailto:JulieLampard@stjoesbol.org) for all RSVPs

“Train children in the way they should go; when they grow old, they won't depart from it.”

**PROVERBS 22:6**



## What's going on at St Joe's?

- Weekday Masses are at- 7 am in the church.
- Confessions are Saturdays from 3-4 pm and Sundays 9:30-9:55 am.
- Parishioners who pay online, your envelopes will be available in the office until February 1st if you still want them.
- February 14th Ash Wednesday Masses are 7 am & 7 pm. It is not a Holy day of obligation.
- Did you know you can preplan your funeral Mass? Preplanning your funeral Mass allows you to decide the details, readings, music, and who you would like to participate at your funeral Mass. You may include your family in the process to help them feel connected in both life and death, knowing that your planning reflects your desires. If you are interested, please call Diane in the parish office.

If anyone would like to give online in place of envelopes, go to the website listed below to sign up.

[www.easytithe.com](http://www.easytithe.com)



**SUFFERING** is a sign that you have come so **CLOSE** to him that he can **KISS** you.

-Blessed Teresa of Calcutta





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