

# Mass Intentions for the Week

*All Masses for the month of May will be celebrated in the honor of all mothers, grand-mothers of St. Martin de Porres Parish in addition to those listed below:*

**SUN.** May 2 - 9am - In-Person Mass - SMDP members & families  
10:30am - Zoom Mass—Delores Brown by Laurie Alford

**MON** May 3 - 12pm - Zoom Mass

**TUE.** May 4 - 12pm - Zoom Mass

**WED** May 5 - 12pm - Zoom Mass

**THU.** May 6 - 12pm - Zoom Mass

**FRI.** May 7 - Church & Parish Office – closed

**SAT.** May 8 - 12pm - Zoom Mass

**SUN.** May 9 - 9am - In-Person Mass - Mabel Davis by Alice Bragg  
10:30am - Zoom Mass

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 2ND

**Sun** 5/2 - Acts 9:26-31/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

**Mon** 5/3 - 1 Cor 15:1-8/Jn 14:6-14

**Tue** 5/4 - Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31a

**Wed** 5/5 - Acts 15:1-6/Jn 15:1-8

**Thu** 5/6 - Acts 15:7-21/Jn 15:9-11

**Fri** 5/7 - Acts 15:22-31/Jn 15:12-17

**Sat** 5/8 - Acts 16:1-10/Jn 15:18-21

**Sun** 5/9 - Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

## ... from the Pastor

First, and again, let me thank each and every one of you in the various ministries for your support during our Confirmation celebration last Sunday. Bishop Mike was impressed with our manner of celebration and wanted me to say a big thank you to the administration, ministries, parents, and all whose efforts helped with making the celebration a success.

Second, please keep our new confirmed parishioners in your prayers: may they be great soldiers and ambassadors of Christ in their respective families and communities.

Last, the Fifth Sunday of Easter, Bishop Mike is honoring selected people from many parishes across the diocese with the St. Joseph Worker Award. The event is taking place at St. Joseph Cathedral downtown Buffalo. I would like you to be aware that Adam Sumlin, our pastoral associate, is one of the recipients of this great Award. Please consider giving him your congratulations when you see him or visit our website.

God bless you All

## Pastor's Contact Information

Any parishioner who wishes to communicate with Fr. Peter Ekanem may do so by either:

Cell Phone - 1-646-709-4821,

Email - peecimb@gmail.com,

or by calling the Church Office - 716-883-7729

**Sunday In-Person Mass 9:00am**  
**Sunday Zoom Mass @ 10:30am**

**Monday - Thursday Zoom Masses @ 12 noon**

Zoom (Access Code 8054760701, Password 722212) or by dialing 1-415-762-9988 or 1-646-568-7788 via your phone. Listen for the prompt to tell you to enter (Access Code 8054760701, Password 722212) (This is a long distance call)

**There will not be a Zoom Mass on Sunday, April 25, 2021 due to Confirmation Mass with Bishop Michael W. Fisher at 9:30am**

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Please continue to contribute to our church by dropping off your offering at the church office Monday through Thursday between 9am and 2pm or by placing it into the mailbox near the front door.

Donations can be also made through On-line Giving via the St. Martin de Porres website at [www.stmartindpbuffalo.org](http://www.stmartindpbuffalo.org)

Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays - between 9am & 2pm.

## Catholic Charities Appeal

There are challenging, uncertain times. But one thing remains constant: Just as we have for nearly 98 years, Catholic Charities is here and ready to help - now. If you have an emergency need for food or toiletries, mental health counseling, substance abuse treatment and more, Catholic Charities is ready to answer your call. Our Helpline can be reached at 716-218-1419. The Helpline is staffed weekdays from 8:45am to 4:45pm and you can leave a message at any time. Check out all of our services at [www.ccwny.org/services](http://www.ccwny.org/services). Appeal 2021 is online through June 30. To make a secure online donation, visit [www.ccwny.org.donation](http://www.ccwny.org.donation). HOPE for all seasons.

## St. Martin de Porres Mass Intentions 2021

A Mass stipend is not only for your deceased loved ones. It is also for anyone in need of prayer and consolation: family, friends and all who may be going through a difficult time. Each Mass intention can be secured for \$15 in the Church Office.

***"Live as if you were Living a Second time, As though you had acted wrongly the first time" Viktor Frankl.***

## Compassion Ministry

### Sick and home bound – April 2021

Joseph Bugman, Sr. Philip Marie Cirincione, Lillie Favors, Tamika Ferguson, Denise Dickinson, Carol Griffin, Sal and Sarah Howard, Karl Magby, Jewell Marshall, Daisy McGill Crespo, Thomasina McDougald, Renee Mills, Ernestine Morrell, Brandon Moses, Vanessa Newton, Daisy Pleasant, Mary Preston, Brenda Smith, Monica White, Chevelle Wiggins, and Josephine Williams.

Pray for all 1st Responders and our military and their families.

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Please keep in your prayers the Mills family on the passing of their brother Alfred L. Mills. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Martin de Porres on Tuesday, April 20, 2021.

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The Confirmation Class of 2021 is still collecting for Catholic Charities. Please make a donation in either of the 2 JUGS located in back of the church.

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It is with great pleasure to announce that Henderson Hutchins has agreed to pick up tithes and drop of church envelopes to all home-bound parishioners, we ask that you let the parishioners know and that they should call the office to request a pick up and the office can call and let Henderson know the person and their address. Thank you Henderson and all for job well done.

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### **Events in Our Diocese**

#### **PRO-LIFE ROSARY**

Please join us on **Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:00AM (Mother's Day Weekend)** at OLC Church to pray for God's blessings on mothers and for the safety of the unborn and God's mercy on all victims of abortion. If you can't come in person, please join us through livestream

#### **GUYS' NIGHT OUT**

*I can do all things in God, Who strengthens me.*

**On May 20th from 6:00 - 9:00 PM**, men (adults only) are invited for an evening out to enjoy subs, soda and speakers. It will be a night packed with fun, food, fellowship and some fabulous speakers. Please register by contacting Sr. Jacinta 814-505-2290. [olcparishevent@gmail.com](mailto:olcparishevent@gmail.com). Suggested donation: \$20 This event will take place at the parish hall of Our Lady of Czestochowa at 71 Center Ave, North Tonawanda.

#### **GIRLS' NIGHT OUT** *Embracing the Will of God.*

**On May 27th from 6:00 - 9:00 PM**, women (adults only) are invited for an evening out to enjoy soups and salads, and spirit-filled speakers. It will be a night allowing for sharing and stories, fun and games, and spiritual growth. Please register by contacting Sr. Jacinta 814-505-2290. [olcparishevent@gmail.com](mailto:olcparishevent@gmail.com) Suggested donation \$20 This event will take place at the parish hall of Our Lady of Czestochowa at 71 Center Ave, North Tonawanda.

## **Job Postings**

### **St. Martin de Porres Church 555 Northampton St. 14208**

The following positions are available:

**Part-time Bookkeeper** - 5 hours per week. Hourly Pay  
Bookkeeping Experience, Catholic Mission of the Parish, Manage Payables and Receivables. Knowledgeable of the Parish Data System. Bank Accounts Reconciliations, Payroll. Must pass a criminal background check.

**Part-Time Custodian** - 20 Hours per week. Hourly Pay  
The custodian is responsible for maintaining the cleanliness, repairs, and other related duties of the church and church grounds. Must have automobile and New York State Driver's License in good standing. Must pass a criminal background check.

Resumes will be accepted up to and including April 15, 2021. You can send resumes to [smartindepordesbuffalo@gmail.com](mailto:smartindepordesbuffalo@gmail.com).

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**General Information** - New Virtus Module for April has been released. Please complete the assignment to remain in good standing.

We would like to stay connected to all of our parishioners. If you are not receiving information from our church office via email, please call the office at 883-7729 and give us your email address so that we can include you on our mailing list. We realize everyone does not have email, computers, etc. so we will continue to communicate through mail or by phone @ 883-7729.

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Are you a graduate of a **South Catholic Elementary**? Please check out this brand-new Facebook group just for you! South Buffalo Catholic Elementary School Alumni Group.

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### **FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK In re The Diocese of Buffalo N.Y. Case No. 20-10322**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT**, On February 28, 2020, The Diocese of Buffalo N.Y., ("Diocese") filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").

**The Bankruptcy Court has established August 14, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time) as the deadline to file proofs of claim against the Diocese (the "Bar Date").**

**If you have a claim against the Diocese, including, without limitation, a claim related to sexual abuse committed by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim on or before the Bar Date.**

Please visit <https://case.stretto.com/dioceseofbuffalo> or call (855) 292-7696 for more information on how to file your proof of claim.

**IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY DISTRIBUTIONS TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DIOCESE'S CHAPTER 11 CASE.**