

St. Padre Pio Parish

Roman Catholic Parish



“Pray, Hope, Don’t Worry”,
-St. Padre Pio

Oakfield Site
56 Maple Ave., Oakfield

Elba Site
65 S. Main St., Elba

Celebrating Eucharist:

Monday :	6:00 PM	Elba site
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	Elba site
Wednesday:	7:00 PM	Oakfield site
Thursday & Friday:	8:00 AM	Oakfield site
Saturday:	4:30 PM	Oakfield site
Sunday:	8:00 AM	Elba site
	10:00 AM	Oakfield site

Marriage: Please contact the parish office at least six months in advance. Attendance at a pre-marriage sacramental program is required.

Baptism: Parents must attend a pre-baptismal class before having their child baptized. Please call the parish office for more information. **Baptisms in Elba will be held after 8am Mass only.**

Anointing of the Sick: The Sacrament is offered on request. Please contact the church office for anointing.

Penance: The Sacrament is available on Saturdays 3:45 p.m. and Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in Oakfield. Feel free to make an appointment for another time if that is not convenient.

New Parishioners: In God’s name, we welcome you. May you find friendship, peace and serenity in our loving Parish. If you are a visitor interested in joining our parish or the Catholic Faith, please call the parish office at 585-948-5344. *If you are returning after being away...Welcome home...*

You can find our bulletin each week on our website: www.padrepiony.org or call the office if you need the bulletin sent to your home. Call 948-5344.

January 12, 2020 The Baptism of the Lord

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR

Sat	1/11	OAK	4:30pm	✠	Caroline Beach by Leon & Lillian Halat
Sun	1/12		8:00am	✠	John Griffin by Wife
			10:00am	✠	Josephine Palone by Ron & Bernice Hochmuth
Mon	1/13		6:00pm	✠	Edith Sullivan by Margaret Ryan
Tues	1/14		8:00am	✠	Walter Pahuta by Family
Wed	1/15		7:00pm	✠	Donna Okusko by Family
Thurs	1/16		8:00am	✠	Kathleen Temple by Family
Fri	1/17		8:00am	✠	Addyson Barker by Family
Sat	1/18	OAK	4:30pm	✠	Quito Cassiano by Men's Group
Sun	1/19		8:00am	✠	Leo Starowitz, Anniv by Dolores Starowitz
			10:00am	✠	Thomas & Gerda Martin by Barb Endres

PLEASE NOTE: Saturday 4:30pm masses will be in Oakfield through April 30, 2020.



The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week
In Elba In Memory of

John Jablonski

By John, Pam, Sean & Matt Starowitz

This week's community-wide daily Rosary intention:

Baptism of the Lord



The Bells will ring this week
At the Oakfield worship site In honor of

Bobby Simpson
Birth & Death Anniversary

By Rebecca & Family

Oakfield Worship Site Ministry Schedule

SUNDAY, Jan 19 10:00 AM

Lector: Rose Elliott
Body of Christ: Deacon Paul Kulczyk
Precious Blood: Margaret Pedro/Pat Simmons
Greeters: Serinis Family
Ushers: Tom Elliott/Jan Bencic
Altar Servers: Jack Cianfrini/Sophia Cianfrini/
Michael Woodward

Oakfield Worship Site Ministry Schedule

SATURDAY, Jan 18 4:30 PM

Lector: Rick Pastecki
Body of Christ: Deacon Paul Kulczyk
Precious Blood: Jim Coffa/Chris Coffa
Ushers: Michael Kowalczyk
Altar Servers: Unfilled
Greeter: Bob & Chris Funke

Elba Worship Site Ministry Schedule

SUNDAY, Jan 19 8:00 AM

Lector: Mindy Stempin
Precious Blood: Deacon Paul Kulczyk
Ushers: Tom Stempin/Gerald Erion
Altar Servers: Unfilled
Greeter: Andy & Kenzie Greene

All ministers: Please find a substitute if you are unable to serve any dates that you are scheduled.

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH

FOR THE WEEK of January 5, 2020

Amount Needed Each Week	\$4,622.80
Regular Offering	\$4,535.70

Difference	- \$87.10
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Thank You

As we close our Christmas season, it is time to reflect on what a beautiful time it has been. I am grateful to all that helped to decorate, sing, prepare our children, etc. for this very special season in our parish. Also, thank you for remembering me with cards, gifts and wishes for a very Merry Christmas! Happy New Year—2020 and may you all be blessed with good health this year.

-Father Ted

Faith Formation News

Children are the Living Messages we send to a Time we will not see.

This Week's Gospel: Luke 2:1-14 and Matthew 3:13-17

When Jesus approached John the Baptist to be baptized, John hesitated saying, "I need to be baptized by you." Still, Jesus said it was fitting for him to be baptized by John. When John baptized Jesus, The Holy Trinity comes together when the Holy Spirit descends as a dove, and the Father speaks from heaven, saying: "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

Exploring the Gospel Message as a Family

This week's lesson talks about Baptism and family ties. Have your child recall the words of Baptism from the lesson. Discuss your family's nationality and share stories of each other's Baptisms, with photos, if possible. Discuss the mystery of the Holy Trinity, which is a big part of the Gospel story of Jesus' baptism. Recall with your children how we remember the Holy Trinity in the Sign of the Cross

Pray Together as a Family

After discussing so much about the Holy Trinity and Baptism this week, consider emphasizing the Sign of the Cross before and after family prayers. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Pray that your family can love others in the way that the Holy Trinity loves the world.

Dear Fr Ted,

Thank you so much for the thoughtful retirement gift. Your parish and the good people in Oakfield will always have a special place in my heart

If you were there I learned to be a pastor. May God Bless all of you

Peace & Prayers

Fr Tom Doyle

OUR PARISH CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Mon	1/20	Liturgy Meeting, 6:45pm-Oakfield
Sat	1/25	First Communion Retreat, 1-4pm-Oakfield
Sun	1/26	FF Class, 11-12-Oakfield
Tues	1/28	Parish Council Meeting, 7pm-Oakfield
Thurs	1/30	Finance Council, 7pm-Oakfield
Sun	2/2	FF Youth Mass, Class 11-12-Oakfield
Sat	2/8	First Reconciliation Retreat, 1-4pm-Oakfield
Sun	2/9	FF Class, 11-12-Oakfield
Mon	2/10	Mens Group Meeting, 7pm-Oakfield
Tues	2/11	A& R Meeting, 6:30pm-Elba
Sat	2/15	Chili Cook-Off
Mon	2/17	Liturgy Meeting, 6:30pm-Elba
Wed	2/26	ASH Wednesday, Masses: 8am-Elba, Noon-Oakfield, 7pm-Oakfield
Fri	2/28	Stations of the Cross, 7pm-Oakfield
Sun	3/1	FF Youth Mass, Class 11-12-Oakfield
Fri	3/6	Stations of the Cross, 7pm-Elba
Sun	3/8	FF Class, 11-12-Oakfield
Mon	3/9	Mens Group Meeting, 7pm-Oakfield
Tues	3/10	A&R Meeting, 6:30pm-Oakfield

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January 2020

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One Minute Meditations

St. Thomas Aquinas

Against his family's wishes, St. Thomas Aquinas joined the newly founded Dominican Order of Preachers. A brilliant, humble scholar, he taught theology at universities in Paris, Cologne, and Rome, and advised popes, kings, and students. His greatest achievement was his *Summa Theologica*, a thorough, logical, concise treatise on the faith. Exhausted by constant work and travel, St. Thomas collapsed en route to a Church council and died at Fossanova. He is the patron of students and schools.



Well-placed faith

Our world is filled with pain, sorrow, and suffering. Putting our faith in worldly powers guarantees disappointment. Putting faith in God guarantees that we will never be disappointed.

"Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word; for mine eyes have seen thy salvation which thou hast prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to thy people Israel" (Luke 2:29-32).



Shed bad habits in the New Year

Bad habits are sinful inclinations acquired through repetition. Unless we overcome them, they come between us and God and can destroy our peace. Working to overcome our bad habits puts us on the path to true holiness.

Identify the root. It sounds simple, but recognizing what causes us to sin repeatedly is the first step to overcoming the behavior. That doesn't mean it's easy to do. It can be uncomfortable to look at our failings, but change won't come without courage. Ask for help if you need it.

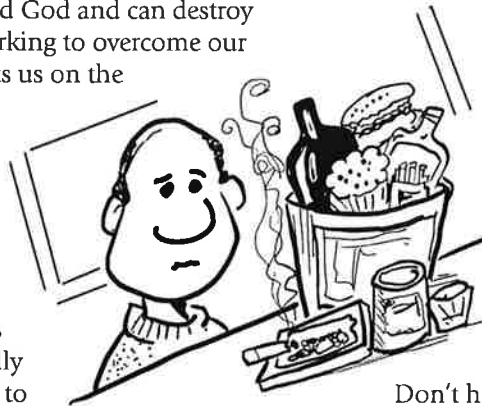
Replace a bad habit with a good one. Once we understand what is behind our bad habits, we can replace

them with new and healthy ways to deal with the underlying issue. If we overeat or drink too much when stressed, for example, we can adopt exercise or meditation to cope instead.

Eliminate triggers. Make it easier to cure bad habits by avoiding the conditions that nurture them. Do you want to avoid eating junk food?

Don't have it around you at home or at work. Want to change a gossip habit? Avoid the people with whom you gossip. Change your environment to change your behavior.

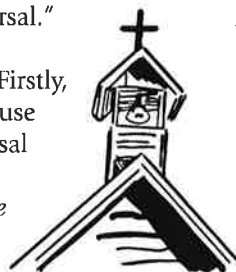
Find good influences. It may not be necessary to lose your old friends, but consider finding new ones who already live the way you want to live.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why are Catholics called "catholic"?

"Catholic" means "universal." In the Greek, it also means "wholeness" or "fullness." Firstly, the Church is catholic because her members have a universal mission. Jesus commanded his Apostles to "go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them" (Matthew



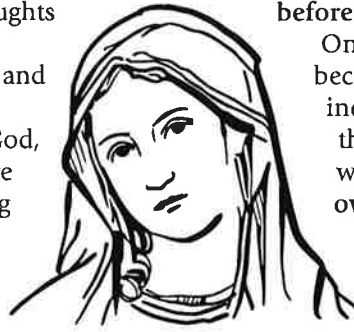
28:19). Secondly, the Church is catholic because, being founded by Christ and united to him, her members have the "correct and complete confession of faith, full sacramental life, and ordained ministry in apostolic succession" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) #830*).

The keys to Mary's success

Jesus loved his mother dearly, and his last thoughts on Earth were of her. We know she is Queen of Heaven, but what did she do to receive His love and great reward?

When Mary agreed to become the mother of God, she could have expected an easy life but Scripture tells us that all Mary expected was the joy of doing God's will. **She put God's will before her own.**

Mary didn't have to go with Joseph to Bethlehem for the census. She chose to go with Joseph as his wife. **She put Joseph's needs**



before her own.

Once there, the couple lodged with animals because there was no room at the inn. Instead of indulging in self-pity, Mary graciously received the shepherds and the Magi, who came to worship her baby. **She put their joy before her own discomfort.**

Throughout her life, Mary said "yes" to God, put his will first, and thought of others before herself. If we follow her example, we'll receive our reward in Heaven, too.

from Scripture

Matthew 4:12-23, The common call

This Gospel passage recounts the call of the first disciples. They may not have known Jesus personally at first, but they knew about him through John the Baptist (John 1:35-42). When invited to know Jesus better and follow him closely, the men dropped what they were doing "at once" and left everything behind.

Under Christ's leadership, the disciples went on to do amazing things. They worked miracles, brought the Gospel to distant lands, converted countless souls for heaven, and suffered hardships, even martyrdom. The secret of their success was their relationship with Christ as



their God, Savior, Teacher, and Friend who promised to be with them always (Matthew 28:20).

All of us are called to be saints – intimate friends of God. Jesus invites each of us to know him personally and follow him closely. While few of us are called to leave everything, we can still offer everything we have to God's service. We can still imitate the first disciples who dropped everything "at once" to accept God's invitation. Knowing Jesus personally and closely makes for a great adventure.

Q & A Why are we required to respect Jesus' name?

As the Son of God, Jesus' name is "above every name" (Philippians 2:9) and commands respect.

It is the name God gave himself when he became man (Luke 1:31). In Jesus' day, there was no internet, no media, no network to use to find out if someone was reputable or reliable. All people had was



their good name and the way others used it with respect. He knew he would need a recognizable name.

Jesus' name tells us of his mission. The angel Gabriel appeared to Joseph in a dream and told him to name the child "Jesus," "for he will save his people from their sins" (Matthew 1:21). And he did.

There is great power in Jesus' name. Jesus promised his disciples that whatever they asked in his name, he would do (John 14:14). In his name, the Apostles cast out demons (Luke 10:17), cured the sick and even raised the dead (Acts 3:16; 4:10). "There is no other name under heaven...by which we must be saved" (Acts 4:12).

Feasts & Celebrations

Jan. 1 – Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. On this holy day of obligation, we honor Mary, but also Jesus as God. In their honor, pray a Rosary and attend Mass.

Jan. 6 – St. André Bessette (1937). Born near Montreal, Canada, André joined the Congregation of the Holy Cross at twenty-five and was the doorkeeper for their school. During an epidemic, everyone in his care was miraculously healed. He helped build a beautiful chapel to St. Joseph.

Jan. 12 – The Baptism of the Lord

(1st century). Jesus began his public ministry by getting baptized by St. John the Baptist. Jesus was free of sin, but he allowed himself to be baptized in order to "fulfill all righteousness" (Matthew 3:15). By his baptism, Jesus declared his willingness to fulfill God's saving plan.

Jan. 20 – St. Fabian (250). During his long reign as pope, Fabian organized Rome into seven districts, countered a heresy in Africa, and founded churches in France. He was martyred during the Decian persecutions.



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Be sure to check the newest edition of WNY Catholic Newspaper for the article on Father Mack.

Please keep him in your prayers!



Registration for Parishioners: If you are a parishioner over the age of 18 and still registered under your parent's names, you should register in your own name. This registration is very important if you seek a form of good standing to be a godparent or Confirmation sponsor. This registration is also important when you are getting married in the parish. Registering in your own name is easy; please call the parish office at 948-5344, or email: office@padrepony.org.

NEW PARISHIONER FORM

It is a great joy to welcome new members to our parish community. If you are interested in joining our parish, please drop this form in the collection basket or return to the parish office-we will send you a registration form. Register as soon as possible. You won't want to miss all the programs, ministries and activities we have to offer.

Name _____

Address _____

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Call to Vocations

Christ gives us the gift of Baptism, through which we each have a vocation in the Church. Pray for those who are discerning a call to live their Baptismal commitment as religious brothers, sisters, priests or deacons. **If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535. You can also check out the "Priest of the Month" stories on our website: www.buffalovocations.org!**

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Are you aware of the **Home Visitation and Friendly Phones** program in Genesee and Orleans county? If you know of a senior or other shut in who could use a friendly visitor, call Catholic Charities of Genesee County at 343-0614.

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For all those who struggle in silence and those families facing difficulty who need our support.

Altar Flowers

If you are donating altar flowers at either site.
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