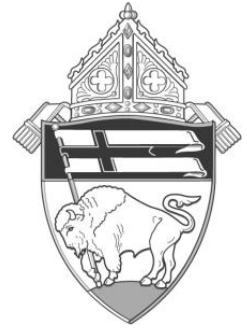

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Diocese of Buffalo Announces Schedule in Remembrance of May 14

Buffalo, N.Y., May 12, 2023 – On Sunday, May 14, Western New York will mark the one-year anniversary of the horrific, racially targeted violence that took 10 innocent lives, and injured three others at Tops on Jefferson Avenue. The following is what the Diocese of Buffalo is planning in conjunction with Remembrance Weekend: Reflection, Healing and Hope.

Bishop Michael W. Fisher has asked that all churches in the Diocese of Buffalo – particularly those in the City of Buffalo – toll their church bells at 2:28 p.m. in remembrance of the victims of the mass shooting. Also, parishes are encouraged to have a reading of names of the deceased or other moments of prayer, for example, a rosary, holy hour, or other devotional event.

May 14

Bishop Fisher will release a special *Journeys and Insights* video reflection on the shooting the morning of May 14, available through the diocesan [website](#).

Bishop Fisher will celebrate 9:30 a.m. Mass at St. Martin de Porres Church, 555 Northampton St., Buffalo.

Mass will be celebrated at St. Joseph Cathedral at 10:30 a.m. with a Eucharistic Holy Hour to pray for those lost in the shooting and to pray for peace and healing in our community.

Bishop Fisher will join other clergy and city leaders and participate in the memorial service at Tops at 2 p.m.