

## Church Bulletin Announcements – September 23, 2024

### **Catholic Charities bulletin messages for upcoming weekends:**

**Is your child between the ages of 12-17 and displaying chronic negative behaviors** such as noncompliance, verbal and/or physical aggression, truancy, school failure, curfew violations, running away, illegal substance abuse and/or criminal activity? **Catholic Charities Multisystemic Therapy Program** in Erie, Niagara, Cattaraugus and Allegany counties can help. MST is an intensive, family-focused intervention program that's facilitated in the youth's natural environments, including the home. Think MST might be a good fit? Call 716-204-0555, ext. 5025 or visit [www.ccwny.org](http://www.ccwny.org). In other WNY counties, office-based counseling is always available to families.

**Costs keep rising and we know for many, it can feel nearly impossible to keep up.** If you or your family is facing a crisis situation with food, utilities, toiletries, being able to afford vital medication or more, **Catholic Charities can help.** Call 716-856-4494 if you reside in Erie County, or your local Catholic Charities Office if you reside outside of Erie County.

**Catholic Health is currently seeking compassionate and enthusiastic volunteers of all ages to lend their time and talent at one of our sites.** Mercy Hospital of Buffalo, Sisters of Charity Hospital, Kenmore Mercy Hospital, Mt. St. Mary's Hospital and Lockport Memorial Hospital are all seeking various roles. Please apply at <https://www.chsbuffalo.org/volunteer> or call Lisa Carey at 716-862-1106. Make a difference!

**Commemoration of the Transitus of St. Francis of Assisi** on Thursday, October 3 at 7 pm at St. Timothy Church, 565 East Park Dr., Tonawanda. Fr. Joseph Porpiglia will preside. This prayer service is a reminder that our goal is to be united with God in heaven. Refreshments will follow the service. The Transitus is being hosted by the "Saint Thomas More" Secular Franciscan Fraternity.

**Open House at Chesterton Academy of Buffalo** on Thursday, October 3 from 6-8 pm at 5331 Genesee St., Bowmansville. Discover how math, science and the humanities are connected and how faith and reason are intertwined into every class. More importantly, meet our dedicated faculty and our articulate, well-rounded, and happy students. Call to pre-register and ask about your student's tomorrow at 716-674-8101 or visit [www.cabuffalo.org](http://www.cabuffalo.org).

**Oktoberfest** on Saturday, October 5 from 5-8:30 pm at St. Mary Parish Center, 6919 Transit Rd., Swormville. All adults 21+ are welcome to this Akron-Clarence Family community event. Music provided by *The Frankfurters*. Admission is \$10/person, \$15/couple; tables of 8 may be reserved. Seasonal craft beer, wine, hot pretzels,

bratwurst, and homemade apple dumplings will be available for purchase. BYO snacks are welcome. Basket raffles and 50/50 too. RSVP to 716-688-9380 or [parishlife@stmaryswormville.org](mailto:parishlife@stmaryswormville.org).

**Vendor & Craft Show** on Saturday, October 5 from 10 am-3 pm in the Event and Parish Centers at St. Leo the Great, 885 Sweet Home Rd., Amherst. Over 100 vendors will have items for purchase. Shopping, basket raffles, door prizes and much more! Admission is \$1; children 12 and under free. For further information, call the parish office at 716-835-8905.

**The Legion of Mary will hold an Outdoor Rosary** on Saturday, October 12 beginning at 12 pm in front of Infant of Prague Church, 921 Cleveland Dr., Cheektowaga. This is in honor of Our Lady of Fatima. Everyone is invited. For additional information, call Rosemary Metz at 716-634-0827.

**Anointing of the Sick Healing Mass** in honor of St. Peregrine will be held on Wednesday, October 23 at 7 pm at St. Peter Church, 620 Center St., Lewiston and on Wednesday, October 30 at 7 pm at Fourteen Holy Helpers Church, 1345 Indian Church Rd., West Seneca. Fr. David Bellittiere and the Friends of St. Peregrine cordially invite those afflicted with cancer or need special healing, who wish to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, to attend a healing Mass. For further information, call 716-283-0011 or visit [www.stperry.org](http://www.stperry.org).

**2025 England & Scotland Pilgrimage – a few spaces remain.** Join host Fr. Peter Karalus, Vicar General, on a 2025 Pilgrimage “The Majesty of England & Scotland” from August 19-28, 2025. Celebrate Mass at historical locations, 4-star centrally located hotels, breakfast daily, two lunches, scotch tasting, and afternoon tea included, ground transportation, guides, and all tips and taxes. This is a remarkable journey filled with several very unique and special experiences: the rich history, culture and natural beauty of London, Windsor, Inverness, Loch Ness, Glamis, Dundee, and Edinburgh. Integrated into the journey are unique experiences such as Mass at Westminster Cathedral, visiting the Tomb of St. Edward the Confessor, and Roslyn Chapel; soak in breathtaking landscapes, palaces, and castles. Be part of this memorable and unforgettable experience. For a detailed itinerary, go to <https://bit.ly/KaralusUK> or call 716-847-5560 for more information.

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