



November 15, 2023

Dear Members of our Family of Parishes,

The *Road to Renewal* is our journey to reinvigorate the Catholic faith, more fully optimize our parish and our resources, and increase the impact of our ministries. We are moving forward. Following extended collaboration and discernment, we have developed a new Sunday and Daily Mass Schedule for our Family of Parishes #17 that will be implemented the weekend of the Fourth Sunday of Advent, Dec. 23-24. With three priests assigned to celebrate Mass for more than 10,000 families across six parishes in three communities, we believe this is the best way to accommodate everyone's spiritual needs.

A good deal of work went into this process, and I want to thank the Renewal Team for guiding us and for the many volunteers who worked on the development and implementation of the Mass schedule. See the back of this letter for the new schedule.

I know this is difficult for many of you. I pray for your understanding and acceptance as we continue our important work of building up the Kingdom of God on Grand Island, and in Kenmore and Tonawanda.

Please know you and your family are welcome at any of our Family of Parishes churches. I encourage you to attend weekend Masses, take part in reconciliation and other sacraments, and attend social events to help us build a stronger faith community. I pray that together the *Road to Renewal* can bring us all closer to God while serving others with charity and justice.

Yours in Christ,

Father Michael Parker
Pastor
Family of Parishes #17

Sunday, Daily Mass Schedule

Blessed Sacrament Church

236 Claremont Ave.
Tonawanda

Sunday – 9:30 a.m.
Monday – 8 a.m.
Wednesday – 6:30 p.m.
Confession: 5:45 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
Thursday – 8 a.m.

St. Paul Church

33 Victoria Blvd.
Kenmore

Sunday – 10 a.m.
Tuesday, Friday – 8 a.m.
Thursday – 5:30 p.m.
Confession: 4:45 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

St. Andrew Church

1545 Sheridan Dr.
Kenmore

Saturday – 4 p.m.
Confession: 3:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
Sunday – 9 a.m., 5 p.m.
Tuesday, Thursday – Noon
Wednesday – 8:30 a.m.
Thursday – Noon
Confession: 11:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
Saturday – 8:30 a.m.

St. Stephen Church

2100 Baseline Rd.
Grand Island

Saturday – 4:30 p.m.
Confession: 3:00 p.m. – 4 p.m.
Sunday – 8 a.m., 11 a.m.
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Friday – 8 a.m.

St. John the Baptist Church

1085 Englewood Ave.
Tonawanda

Saturday – 4 p.m.
Sunday – 8 a.m., 11 a.m.
Monday, Wednesday, Friday – Noon
Tuesday – *Confession 4 p.m. – 5 p.m.*

St. Timothy Church

565 E. Park Dr.
Tonawanda

Sunday – 7:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday – 10 a.m.
Friday - *Confession: 9:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.*