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# Diocese of Buffalo

## Office of Communications



**Media Advisory**  
**November 29, 2024**

### **Statement from Bishop Michael Fisher**

*Many areas, especially in the Southern Tier of Western New York will experience heavy snowfall and drifting snow along with high winds, cold temperatures, and possible power outages. These conditions are dangerous and can be life-threatening. Please respect the travel advisories in our communities. In light of these dangerous conditions, no one should put themselves, or others, at risk. Catholics in communities effected by heavy snowfall and dangerous travel conditions are dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass this weekend.*

*I ask those parishes who have livestream capabilities to livestream their weekend Masses. If your community has travel restrictions or dangerous weather conditions, do not attempt to attend Mass in person. Use the livestream technology to spiritually connect with others in prayer. Also, please check on neighbors who may be in need.*

*Please join me in praying for all those serving our communities during this storm.*

**Most Reverend Michael W. Fisher**  
**Bishop of Buffalo**

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