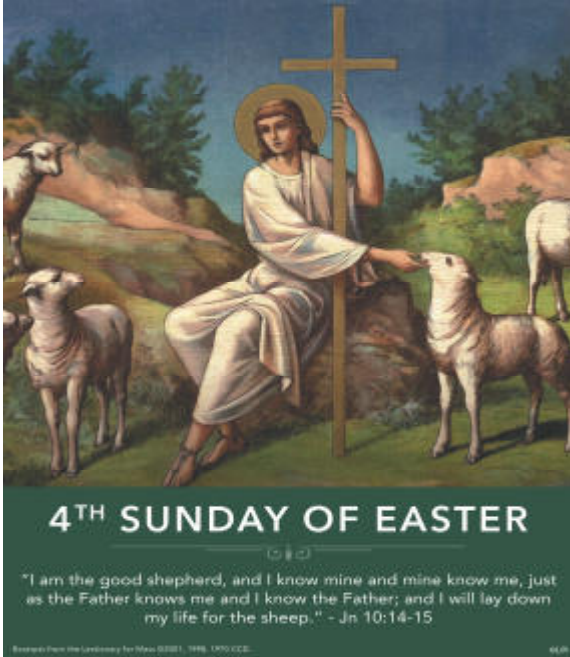


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Saturday 4:00 p.m. (Sunday Liturgy)
Sunday..... 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Eve of the Holy Day 4:30 p.m.
Holy Day 12:05 p.m.
Mon-Fri 12:05 p.m.
Confessions Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 p.m.

WEDDINGS

Registered Parishioners please call the Rectory for appointment. Arrangements should be made at least one year in advance.

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

Call Rectory for date and time. Anointing of the Sick, anytime day or night.

BAPTISMS

First & Third Sundays of the month at 12:00 p.m. Parents must attend a Pre-Baptism class prior to scheduling the Baptism. Classes are offered bi-monthly. Please call the Rectory for information.

DEADLINE

All items for the weekly bulletin must be in the parish office by Monday at noon.

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We offer a variety of religious education, Sacrament preparation, and adult faith formation programs. Please contact 853-1972 for more information.

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With our sound system we now have the **Phonic Ear**. This hearing assistance system is available to all who are hearing impaired. This system provides a transmitter with a headset and earplugs. Please come to the Sacristy for assistance.

PARISH MUSEUM & ARCHIVES: OPEN BY APPOINTMENT.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FORMER PASTORS

Reverend John Nicholas Mertz..... 1829-1836
Reverend Alexander Pax 1836-1843
Reverend Francis Guth 1844-1850
Reverend Joseph Raffener 1850-1851
Reverend William Deiters 1855-1861
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Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, April 24:
4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
 Dick Agoston, by John and Nancy Pax

SUNDAY, April 25: FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
9:00 am: Jeanne Vilardo, by John and Melanie Loss and Family
11:00 am: Michael Ball, by Gloria Santo

MONDAY, April 26: EASTER WEEKDAY
12:05 pm: For the People of Saint Louis Parish

TUESDAY, April 27: EASTER WEEKDAY
12:05 pm: Clement Eckert, Sr., by Clem and Anne Eckert

WEDNESDAY, April 28: EASTER WEEKDAY—SAINT PETER CHANEL, PRIEST AND MARTYR AND SAINT LOUIS GRIGNION DE MONTFORT, PRIEST
12:05 pm: Rita Briechle, by Central Services

THURSDAY, April 29: EASTER WEEKDAY—SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA
12:05 pm: All Souls

FRIDAY, April 30: EASTER WEEKDAY—SAINT PIUS V, POPE
12:05 pm: Florence Rembold, by Estate

SATURDAY, May 1:
4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
 Dick Agoston, by JoAnn Decker

SUNDAY, May 2: FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
9:00 am: Rita Marie Rozbicki, by Estate
11:00 am: Inka Stikkel and Lionel Stikkel, by Dolores Murphy

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS
Weekend of May 1st and May 2nd

4:00 pm: Krysta Doerfler
9:00 am: Wendy Mistretta
11:00 am: Ed Kuzan



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION
Weekend of May 1st and May 2nd

4:00 pm: Diane Randazzo
9:00 am: Susan Ministero
11:00 am: Pam Nordstrom



MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLE

The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God. If you desire to have a Memorial Prayer Candle lit in memory of a loved one or for your intention, please use the envelope available for that purpose.

CELEBRATING FIRST SACRAMENTS

For centuries the Catholic Church has taught that a person needs to be in a state of grace, that is, free from mortal sin, in order to worthily receive the Eucharist. To that end, Catholics should make an effort to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation any time they recognize the need for the sacrament. One of the precepts of the Church is that we celebrate this sacrament at least once a year. For this year, like last year, this precept has been dispensed along with the obligation to attend Sunday Mass.

Next weekend we will be celebrating this sacrament with the young people of our Parish. They have been preparing along with their parents for this Sacrament which includes confession and penance leading to reconciliation.

Some question the necessity of children preparing for First Communion celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation first. Although children do not have an advanced knowledge of sin or the meaning of the Sacrament, they certainly know the difference between right and wrong that is appropriate for their age in life. A child's First Penance can be an opportunity for families to reflect together on the quality of their relationships, how they put their faith into practice, and, when possible, to celebrate the sacrament as a family.

In the case of children preparing for their First Communion the Church is clear that they should celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation before receiving Eucharist for the first time. Next weekend we will celebrate First Communion at the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

In the end, the celebration of these two sacraments marks important moments in the spiritual life of our children and we pray that these sacraments lead them to a deeper understanding of their faith and the grace that God offers to them.

Msgr. Manganello

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

As of April 20, 2021
 Goal: \$10,000,000—Raised: 7,007,205.82
 Amount to Raise: \$2,992,794.18
 St. Louis Goal: \$118,552—Raised: \$92,922.55
 Amount to Raise: \$25,629.45



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Dr. Fred Luongo, Gary Whitnauer, Michael MacPherson, Patricia Guerra, George Collins, Anthony Jordan, Jay Deveau, Gerald Frawley, James Vasi, Sonda Schreiber, Christine Maciejewski, Ashley Winder, David Marchetti, Eric Gliniski, Richard Devita, Ray Sharrer, Frank Zawistowski, James Palka, Bernadette R. Crawford, Carlos Calhoun and Margaret Foegen.

Please contact the Parish Office to have a loved one placed on the Prayer List. Names will appear for one month. If their condition continues to warrant our prayers, please call the office and we will gladly include them in one month increments as long as necessary.

We remember all those recently deceased, especially Mary Lu Summers and our deceased parishioners and loved ones.

SPIRITUAL AND FINANCIAL REPORT

We warmly welcome all who come to St. Louis for Mass—tourists, visitors, parishioners and friends.

Your generosity is deeply appreciated. It enables the preservation, ministry and maintenance of our historic church. It assists us in reaching out to the people of our neighborhood.

Last weekend 226 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$9,860.00.

You can still support your parish during this time of pandemic by mailing your donation, using our pay pal account on our web page or through the foundation of the Diocese at www.frccb.org.

Thank you for your support.

Please remember St. Louis Parish in your will. A bequest may be worded in this fashion - "I give to St. Louis Roman Catholic Church of Buffalo, NY the sum of _____ to be used for its general purposes."

THIS WEEK AT SAINT LOUIS

SATURDAY, April 24th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Catholic Home Missions Appeal Collection

SUNDAY, April 25th

9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Catholic Home Missions Appeal Collection

12 noon: Baptism of Enzo Lucas Scrivani and Abigail Everley Scrivani

SATURDAY, May 1st

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection

SUNDAY, May 2nd

9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection

VOCATION THOUGHT

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

On this Good Shepherd Sunday we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life—especially in our diocese. May Jesus raise up good shepherds in our midst. If you feel the call, talk with Father Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

WORD OF LIFE

Current laws in our country fail to protect the lives of unborn children. ... People of good will must boldly stand up against this intrinsic evil [of abortion], especially when it is occurring on a massive scale, implemented in law and funded, in some instances, by the government."

Most Reverend Joseph F. Naumann, Chair of the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities, "Priorities at the Polls"

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! Right now, over 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered mission territory, because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

A SPECIAL THANKS!

During the past 10 months, a group of dedicated parishioners have faithfully sanitized our pews after each Mass. We would like to extend a special thanks for their hard work in keeping our church a safer place to worship. Again, thank you for all your efforts.

YOU CAN NOW LIGHT DEVOTIONAL CANDLES

After reading reports in the news and hearing them in the media, it has been established that you do not get Covid from surfaces. Therefore, we are easing some of our restrictions in church. One such measure is allowing people to light their own candles.

As we return to traditional devotional practices, the tapers used to light candles have been returned to the candle stands throughout our church.

SHOW THE SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS WITH A MASK

St. Louis Parish Council is selling reversible masks. The mask is royal blue trimmed in black with trim of our Fleur-de-lis logo. The opposite side is all black. The masks are available at both church entrances or the St. Louis website. You can also contact Marilyn Neil at 716-882-6395. The cost is \$10.00.

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST EUCHARIST SUMMER 2021

St. Louis will be offering the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist this summer. All children making a sacrament this summer must attend both sacrament preparation classes on Saturday, July 17th and July 24th, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the church basement. The First Reconciliation ceremony will be on Saturday, August 21st and the First Eucharist ceremony will be on Sunday, August 22nd.

First Reconciliation classes are open to children who have finished second grade. First Eucharist classes are open to children who have finished third grade. All children should be actively participating in faith formation classes, either at St. Louis or their school. Parents must register by July 1st. Registration forms can be found on the [St. Louis website](http://St.Louiswebsite.org) or from the Director of Faith Formation, Ashlee Campbell (stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com).

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

These are challenging, uncertain times. But one thing remains a constant: **Just as we have for nearly 98 years, Catholic Charities is here and ready to help—now.** If you have an emergency need for food or toiletries, mental health counseling, substance abuse treatment, and more, Catholic Charities is ready to answer your call. Our **Helpline can be reached at (716) 218-1419.** The Helpline is staffed weekdays from 8:45 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., and you can leave a message at any time. Check out all of our services at ccwny.org/services. Appeal 2021 is ongoing through June 30. To make a secure online donation, visit ccwny.org/donation.

HOPE for all seasons.

LITTLE PORTION FRIARY TEMPORARY SHELTER FOR MEN AND WOMEN

There is a need for volunteers. Little Portion Friary located at 1305 Main Street in Buffalo provides temporary shelter, meals and counseling to homeless men and women as they struggle to acquire permanent housing and jobs. We are a 501c3 organization sustained solely by an all-volunteer staff and donations from private individuals and organizations. Volunteers can assist existing staff with; house supervision during the day, evening or night shifts, preparing evening meals, doing laundry, maintaining the house, administration and bookkeeping. Please call 882-5705 to schedule a visit or ask any questions. Thank you.

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