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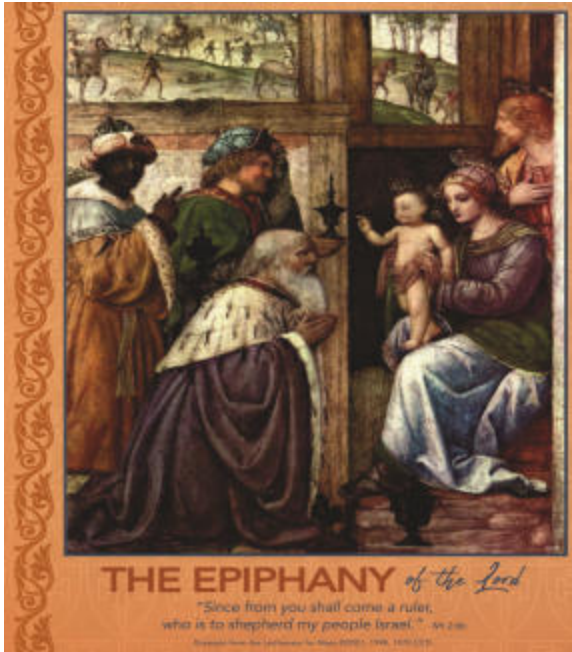
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President..... Timothy McCarthy  
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### MASSES

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.

### FAITH FORMATION

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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### HEARING ASSISTANCE

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  
Reverend J. E. Moshall..... 1861-1862  
Reverend Francis Anthony Gerber ..... 1862-1863  
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Reverend Joseph M. Sorg..... 1867-1888

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher ..... 1888-1916  
Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry B. Laudenbach..... 1917-1944  
Reverend Michael A. Anstett ..... 1944-1948  
Reverend Howard J. Schwartz..... 1948-1964  
Reverend Clarence Ott..... 1964-1965  
Reverend Alfred M. Mosack ..... 1965-1979  
Rev. Msgr. William A. Schwinger ..... 1979-1995  
Rev. Msgr. Robert A. Mack..... 1995-2002

Most Rev. Robert J. Cunningham, D.D., J.C.L., 2002-2004

## Announced Masses of the Week

### SATURDAY, January 1st: New Years Day: Solemnity of Mary and World Day of Peace

12:00 pm: Mary Ball Pirrung, by Family

### SUNDAY, January 2nd: Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

9:00 am: Milton & Florence Speyer, by Family

11:00 am: Deceased Members of the St. Louis & Blessed Sacrament Choirs, by the St. Louis Choir

### MONDAY, January 3rd: Most Holy Name of Jesus

12:05 pm: God's Blessings and Good Health in the New Year for the Caputi & Gentile Families, by Family

### TUESDAY, January 4th: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

12:05 pm: Repose of the Souls of Mary, John, Joseph & Thaddeus Klosko, by Family

### WEDNESDAY, January 5th: St. John Neumann

12:05 pm: John Feist, by Estate

### THURSDAY, January 6th: St. Andre Bessette

12:05 pm: Repose of the Souls of Jessica Marie & Janet Caputi, by Family

### FRIDAY, January 7th: St. Raymond of Penyafort

12:05 pm: Repose of the Souls of Diane Occek Gentile & Aloisius Joseph Occek, by Family

### SATURDAY, January 8th: Vigil for the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

4:00 pm: Robert Sprague, Sr., by Family

### SUNDAY, January 9th: Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

9:00 am: Janice Fusina, by Dolores Murphy

11:00 am: Deceased Members of the Albert Riester Family

## SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of January 8th & 9th

4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky

9:00 am: Joyce Persico

11:00 am: Mike Wrona



## SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of January 8th & 9th

4:00 pm: Diane Randazzo

9:00 am: Susan Ministero

11:00 am: Jim Ferrini



"BODY OF CHRIST"

## MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and for the intention of Peace and Healing for Debra, James, Heather and James T. Caputi, requested by family. The St. Joseph Candle and the Pieta Candles burn this week in memory of Rev. Richard Rasch, O. de M., and Rev. Michael Rock, O. de M., requested by Rev. Robert Ramser of the Mercedarian Fathers (Order of the Blessed Virgin Mary).

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.

## THE GIFT OF JESUS TO THE WORLD

The Feast of Epiphany focuses on revealing Jesus to the world. Following the Christmas celebration, the liturgical year lays out a series of manifestations in which Jesus is made known publicly. From its very beginning, the Christian community highlighted three events in the life of Jesus. These are the Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord and the wedding feast of Cana.

The Epiphany reveals Jesus to the gentiles, represented by the magi from the East. The accounts of Jesus' baptism reveal his identity and mission, along with introducing him to those to whom he was sent. The miracle of turning water into wine at the wedding feast of Cana, unique to John's Gospel, is the first public sign that Jesus performs, thus manifesting his public identity and his powers.

Today these three feasts are usually celebrated on three successive Sundays: Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord which is usually the Sunday following Epiphany, and the wedding feast of Cana, which is proclaimed on the 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time in the Lectionary Year C.

These feasts connect around the concept of the public manifestation of Jesus to the world. They help us to know who Jesus is and what he is about. And so our Christmas Season continues.

Happy New Year to all. May 2022 be a better year and may you be filled with God's many blessings.

*Msgr. Manganello*

Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Jeremy Beck, Cathy DePlato, Bill & Donna Reeves, Michael Daumen, Richard Shephard, Joseph Barba, Sr., Maria Madden, Dr.

Fred Luongo, Gary Whitnauer, Michael MacPherson, Patricia Guerra, Jay Deveau, Gerald Frawley, Sondra Schreiber, Christine Maciejewski, Ashley Winder, David Marchetti, Eric Ginski, Richard Devita, 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 Lucy Missert 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.

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.frcdb.org](http://www.frcdb.org).

Thank you for your support.

**ST. LOUIS 2022 CALENDARS**

Your Saint Louis 2022 calendar is available this weekend. You will note there is no donor or sponsor for these calendars. This cost is covered by the parish. An extra dollar in the collection will help meet the expense. It is hoped that every day in 2022 will be a day of joy, health and happiness for you and your families.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

As we look back on 2021, we give thanks for all that we have been able to accomplish by working together and praying together despite the ongoing and also unexpected challenges that have characterized the year. We pray that 2022 will be a year filled with happiness and success. May we all be even closer to God and to each other one year from now.

**THIS WEEK AT SAINT LOUIS**

**SATURDAY, January 1st:**

12:00 noon: Solemnity of Mary Collection

**SUNDAY, January 2nd:**

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Regular Offertory including Weekly & Monthly Collection

**SATURDAY, January 8th:**

4:00 pm: Regular Offertory Collection

**SUNDAY, January 9th:**

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Regular Offertory Collection

**RECEIPT OF TAX DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS**

By law, contributions that are to be used as a 2021 tax deduction by a donor must be postmarked or in the hands of the parish no later than December 31st. As in past years, we only issue year-end contribution statements if requested.

Anyone who requires a tax statement may contact the rectory at 716 852-6040 or write "TAX STATEMENT" on the front of your church envelope.

**CALLED TO SERVE**

Seminarian C.J. Wild will present a reflection on Christian Leadership entitled "Called to Serve" at Our Lady of Pompeii parish on Monday, January 3rd at 7:00PM as part of the Faith Enrichment Series. Our Lady of Pompeii is located at 129 Laverack Avenue, Lancaster, NY 14086. For more information, call 716 683-6522 or visit [www.olpparish.com](http://www.olpparish.com).

**ANNUAL PRESERVATION FUND DRIVE**

Thank you to everyone who has so generously contributed to our Preservation Fund Drive so far. As the structure of our church ages, there are always items that need attention. This past year the benefits we received from Upon This Rock were added to our annual projects underway.

Thanks to your generosity in the past we have been able to maintain our beautiful church. With your generous support we will continue to be able to keep everything in good repair. So far, over \$95,530 has been donated. The Drive for 2021 ends December 31st.

**HEARTFELT THANKS**

Thank you to all parishioners and friends of St. Louis who donated items for the Welcome Kits for the Afghan Evacuees. We received enough donations to create 2 full welcome kits and we even had extra supplies to donate. All of the items were greatly appreciated. Thank you to all of the Faith Formation Program families that worked hard to sort supplies and compile the kits.

**VOCATION THOUGHT**

The greatest gift we can place before the newborn Jesus is the gift of our life's work. What is He calling you to accomplish in your life? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716 847-5535 or visit [www.buffalovocations.org](http://www.buffalovocations.org).

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

Happy New Year! **Is giving back on your to-do list for 2022? If so, consider becoming a Catholic Charities volunteer.** View all current opportunities at [www.cwny.org](http://www.cwny.org) and become a beacon of HOPE right here in Western New York. Thank you for your support throughout the year! Join us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. If someone you know needs help, go to [www.cwny.org](http://www.cwny.org) or call our Helpline at 716-218-1419

**MORE FROM CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

**Despite a joyful time for many, we know the holidays can bring out feelings of sadness, grief and anxiety.** If you or a friend or family member experience any of these emotions and think talking to someone could help, please turn to Catholic Charities. We are a beacon of **HOPE**. Our agency offers several types of counseling including: comprehensive assessment and counseling for children, adults and families, marriage counseling, substance use treatment, and Diocesan counseling for church ministers. To get connected, call our Helpline at 716 218-1419.



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