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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
Reverend Sergus Schoulepnikoff 1864-1867
Reverend Joseph M. Sorg..... 1867-1888

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher 1888-1916
Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry B. Laudenschach..... 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
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Most Rev. Robert J. Cunningham, D.D., J.C.L., 2002-2004

Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, February 5th: Vigil for the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm: Michael J. Sliwinski, by Tom, Irene & Denver Kazmierczak

SUNDAY, February 6th: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am: Antonio Manzella, Jr., by Mary Cirino

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

MONDAY, February 7th:

12:05 pm: For the People of St. Louis Parish

TUESDAY, February 8th: St. Jerome Emiliani & St. Josephine Bakhita

12:05 pm: Dorothy & Edmund Radwan, by Marie Haremski

WEDNESDAY, February 9th:

12:05 pm: Mary K. Crane, by Estate

THURSDAY, February 10th: St. Scholastica

12:05 pm: Deceased of the Sylvester Eagan Family, by Estate

FRIDAY, February 11th: Our Lady of Lourdes

12:05 pm: Helen Frost, by Family

SATURDAY, February 12th: Vigil for the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2:00 pm: Wedding of Mark Wallenhorst & Brianna Bartholomew

4:00 pm: Michael J. Sliwinski, by Helen Piskorz

SUNDAY, February 13th: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am: Dorothy & Edmund Radwan, by Marie Haremski

11:00 am: Susan Riester Bognar, by Michael Riester

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of February 12th & 13th

4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky

9:00 am: John Loss

11:00 am: Matt Glynn



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of February 12th & 13th

4:00 pm: Jim Ferrini

9:00 am: Susan Ministero

11:00 am: Joyce Persico



"BODY OF CHRIST"

VOCATION THOUGHT

Jesus is still calling fishers of men! This is the title of the classic video on vocational discernment. Watch it free at <https://vimeo.com/2845985> and then if God is calling you to jump in the boat, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716 847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God in His presence in the Tabernacle. The St. Joseph Candle burns this week in memory of Richard G. Taylor, requested by Marilyn Young.

If you desire to have a Memorial Prayer Candle lit in memory of a loved one or for your own special intention, please use the envelope available for that purpose. We try to honor requested dates as they are available.

DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE

During the month of February, there are many days set aside for specific purposes both religious and secular. Among the days observed in February are Groundhog Day, Valentine's Day, Presidents' Day commemorating Lincoln's and Washington's Birthdays, and Chinese New Year.

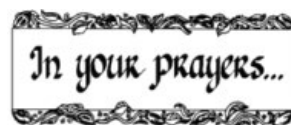
The Church also sets aside several days focusing our attention on important aspects of the Church in the world. February 2nd was World Day for Consecrated Life. The Church designated the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, Candlemas Day, as an appropriate moment to thank God for the gift of consecrated life. Jesus is manifest as "light of revelation for the Gentiles" and "Glory for God's people Israel." Consecrated men and women reflect this light as witnesses of Jesus in a world that is often shrouded in shadow. They are the glory of God's people. We pray for consecrated men and women and ask God to continue enriching the Church with their unique vocation. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day.

February 8th is International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking. The first International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking was celebrated on February 15th, 2015. This is also the Feast Day of Josephine Bakhita, a Sudanese slave who became a Christian nun.

World Marriage Day is celebrated on the second Sunday of February, this year February 13th. Marriage is an irreplaceable good for society and all people. Promoting and strengthening marriage remains a pastoral priority today.

February 11th is World Day of the Sick. World Day of the Sick was instituted May 13th, 1992 by St. Pope John Paul II. The Pope himself had been diagnosed with Parkinson's a year before and it is considered that his own illness was the impetus for his designation of the day. It was first observed on February 11, 1993 which is also the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. People around the world take time to pray for the sick and for those who work very hard to alleviate the sufferings of the sick on this day.

Msgr. Manganello



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially 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 Gliński, Richard Devita, Frank Zawistowski, James Palka, Bernadette R. Crawford, Carlos Calhoun and Margaret Foegen.

We remember all those recently deceased, especially 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 261 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$9003.00

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.frddb.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, February 5th:**

2:00-4:00pm: Faith Formation Day Topic: Parts of the Mass

4:00 pm: Regular Offering Including Weekly & Monthly Offering Collection

SUNDAY, February 6th:

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Regular Offering Including Weekly & Monthly Offering Collection

12:00 noontime: RCIA Meets in the Sacristy on the Topic: Places in a Catholic Church

SATURDAY, February 12th:

4:00 pm: Regular Offering Including the Weekly Offering and Maintenance & Repairs Collection

SUNDAY, February 13th:

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Regular Offering Including the Weekly Offering and Maintenance & Repairs Collection

Parish Council Installation of Officers

9:50-10:50 am: PreK-10th Grade Faith Formation Classes Meet in the Church Hall

12:00 noontime: RCIA Meets in the Sacristy on the Topic: Conversion & Evangelization.

PARISH COUNCIL INSTALLATION

It is with pleasure that we congratulate, introduce and install our newly elected Parish Council members. We are grateful to the nominees for their willingness to serve and to the parishioners who nominated them. The Council received nominations of five well qualified candidates for five open seats.

Pearl Brown, Sondra Schreiber, and Paul LaCroix have been re-elected to three-year terms. Michelle Warford and Sal Polizzi are newly elected to three-year terms.

Installation of all fifteen Parish Council members will take place this weekend at the Sunday 11:00 AM Mass. Again, we thank all of them for their added dedication to sustaining St. Louis as a wonderful and vibrant parish.

**SAINT OF THE WEEK—FEBRUARY 8TH
ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA**

The story of Josephine Bakhita (1869-1947) is a story that many people taken into slavery have experienced. Born in the Darfur region of Sudan, she was kidnapped at the age of 8 and sold into slavery many times. As she passed from owner to owner, she experienced the moral and physical humiliations associated with slavery. It was at the age of 13 that her suffering was alleviated after she was bought for the Italian Consul in Sudan. It was here that she was fortunate to receive kindness, respect, and peace from her new master.

She was handed over to the Canossian Sisters where she made the case that slavery had been outlawed in Italy for many years. She was baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church in 1890, where she took the name Josephine. She entered the Institute of St. Magdalene of Canossa in 1892 and made her profession three years later.

St. Josephine Bakhita's next 50 years were spent serving people through cooking, sewing, embroidery, and housekeeping. She was a source of encouragement and her constant smile won people's hearts, as did her humility and simplicity. She dedicated her life to sharing her testament of deliverance from slavery and comforting the poor and suffering.

She was declared a saint in 2000. The day of prayer on February 8th is intended to raise awareness of and encourage reflection on the violence and injustice that impact victims of human trafficking.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION &
FIRST EUCHARIST SPRING 2022**

St. Louis will be offering the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist this spring. All children making a sacrament this spring must attend sacrament preparation classes on Saturday, March 5th, March 12th, & March 19th from 9:30-11:30 AM in the church basement. The First Reconciliation ceremony will be on Saturday, April 30th and the First Eucharist ceremony will be on Sunday, May 1st.

First Reconciliation classes are open to children who are in second grade. First Eucharist classes are open to children who are in third grade. All children should be actively participating in faith formation classes, either at St. Louis or their school. Parents must register by February 13th. Registration forms can be found on the St. Louis website (<https://stlouisrcchurch.org/>). Contact the Director of Faith Formation, Ashlee Campbell, with questions (443 744-0354 / stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com).

**TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR PRIVATE
GRAMMAR SCHOOLS**

New families can now apply for scholarships for the 2022-2023 school year. To start the process, families can complete a pre-application form online at <http://bisonfund.com/our-scholarships>. The BISON Fund provides tuition assistance to economically eligible children K-8th grade. If selected, the scholarships can be used at any private grammar school in WNY. The deadline to apply is February 28th. The average scholarship is \$1500 and the maximum award is \$2500. For more information, call Cindy McDonald at 716 854-0869.



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