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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 by appointment. 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.

OUR PARISH SCHOOL

The Catholic Academy of West Buffalo

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

Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, February 18th: Vigil for the Seventh Sunday in ordinary Time

2:00 pm: Wedding of Calvin Klemmer & Morgan Maley
4:00 pm: James P. McLellan, by Family

SUNDAY, February 19th: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am: Curtis Family, by the Irene Curtis Estate
11:00 am: Pasquale Frisina, Jr., by Bert & Joan Tamer & family

MONDAY, February 20th:

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

TUESDAY, February 21st: St. Peter Damian

12:05 pm: James Majchrzak, by the Pirrung Family

WEDNESDAY, February 22nd: Ash Wednesday

8:00 am: For All Souls
12:05 pm: Larry J. & Marie E. Schieber, by the Marie Schieber Estate

THURSDAY, February 23rd: St. Polycarp

12:05 pm: Benedict "Dick" Pancamo, by Marian Trigilio

FRIDAY, February 24th:

12:05 pm: Deceased Members of the Fink & Rusnak Families, by Family

SATURDAY, February 25th: Vigil for the First Sunday of Lent

4:00 pm: Herbert Bucki, by the Bucki Family

SUNDAY, February 26th: First Sunday of Lent

9:00 am: Dr. & Mrs. George O'Grady, by Family
11:00 am: Deceased Members of the St. Louis & Blessed Sacrament Choirs, by the St. Louis Choir

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of February 25th & 26th:

4:00 pm: Krysta Doerfler
9:00 am: Wendy Mistretta
11:00 am: Mike Riestler



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of February 25th & 26th:

4:00 pm: Paul State
9:00 am: Susan Ministero
11:00 am: Tim McCarthy



OUR LENTEN SACRIFICE

Days of Abstinence—Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday for all who have reached their 14th birthday, no meat can be taken.

Days of Fast—Ash Wednesday and Good Friday for all who have reached their 18th birthday and have not as yet reached their 60th birthday, a limit of one full meatless meal.

Weekdays of Lent—No obligation to fast; however, voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

Easter Duty Obligation—Must be made from the First Sunday in Lent (February 26th) through Trinity Sunday (June 4th).

Self-Denial—Is encouraged on a voluntary basis. Acts may include daily Mass, spiritual study, Lenten Devotions, the Rosary, Stations of the Cross and deeds of mercy and kindness.

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in honor of the many generous parishioners of St. Louis who share their resources, time and talents to sustain our beautiful church and parish community in so many ways.

If you desire to have a Memorial Prayer Candle lit in memory of a specific 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.

NEW ORDER OF PENANCE

Recently, it was announced that a *New Order of Penance* will be introduced during 2023. Its mandatory use is effective the Second Sunday of Easter/Sunday of Divine Mercy, April 16th.

For the past several years, our ritual books have been undergoing revisions. The most notable occurred in 2011 with the promulgation of the *Roman Missal*. The *Order of Baptism* and the *Order of Celebrating Matrimony* have already been in use for the last few years.

Most of us will not see many changes. The Act of Contrition people have learned over the years remains the same. A couple of the words the priest uses in the formula for absolution have changed but nothing substantial. The three orders for celebrating the Sacrament of Penance remain: the *Order of Reconciling Individual Penitents*, the *Order for Reconciling Several Penitents with Individual Confession and Absolution*, and the *Order for Reconciling Several Penitents with General Confession and Absolution* which is almost never used.

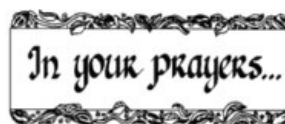
We are now approaching the Season of Lent which is a penitential season and good time to receive the Sacrament of Penance. The Sacrament of Penance is available on Saturday afternoons before the 4:00 p.m. Mass and upon request. During the Season of Lent we will once again be offering the *Order of Reconciling Several Penitents with the Individual Confession and Absolution* which will take place on March 15th.

On Ash Wednesday, Masses are at 8:00 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. Ashes will be distributed during Mass. Please join us for our Lenten Season.

Msgr. Manganello

ST JOSEPH'S TABLE SAVE THE DATE!

Save the date for the annual St. Joseph's Table Dinner on Sunday, March 19th after the 11:00 am Mass. Please join us for wonderful traditional foods in the Church Hall. Tickets will be sold each weekend in March prior to the dinner. More information to come!



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Rosemary Bloch, Clarence Fomess, Laurie Hoehn, Tracy Allen Abram, Pasual Yauzzi, Greg Joseph, Claire Meyers, Marcella Ng, Joan Smeader, Beverly Grover, Billy Jacobbi, Kim Bach, Bill & Donna Reeves, Richard Shepherd, Joseph Barba, Sr., Maria Madden, Dr. Fred Luongo, Michael MacPherson, Patricia Guerra, Jay Deveau, Sonda Schreiber, Christine Maciejewski, David Marchetti, Frank Zawistowski, Bernadette R. Crawford, and Margaret Foegen.

We remember all those recently deceased, especially 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 305 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$5966.00. Our online donations totaled \$557.00.

You can also support the parish by mailing your donation or using our PayPal account on our web page.

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 18th:

4:00 pm: Regular Offertory Collection including the Weekly Offering and Pew Rent Collection

SUNDAY, February 19th:

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Regular Offertory Collection including the Weekly Offering and Pew Rent Collection

12:00 noontime: Baptism of Caleb Schnopp

MONDAY, February 20th: Presidents Day

WEDNESDAY, February 22nd: Ash Wednesday

8:00 am & 12:05 pm: Distribution of Ashes during Mass

Friday, February 24th:

12:05 pm: Stations of the Cross after Mass

SATURDAY, February 25th:

4:00 pm: Weekly Offering

SUNDAY, February 26th:

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Weekly Offering

11:00 am: *Rite of Sending Ceremony* with RCIA Candidates and Sponsors within Liturgy at St. Louis

3:00 pm: *Rite of Election Ceremony* with RCIA Candidates and Sponsors at St. Joseph Cathedral

WORD OF LIFE

"We often assume parenthood happens easily after "I do", but for many married couples, it does not. For some, the joy of conception never happens. Others suffer repeated miscarriages. Still others experience secondary infertility ... If you experience difficulty bringing a child into your family, know that you were not alone. God is with you, and his Church desires to walk with you ... God has a beautiful plan for your life as a married couple." ...USCCB *"Seven Considerations While Navigating Infertility"*

VOCATION THOUGHT

"Do you not know that you are a temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?" Holy things should be used for a holy purpose. Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716 847-5535 or visit www.buffalovocations.org if you feel called to serve the Gospel with your life.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Venerable Nelson H. Baker, patron of Catholic Charities Appeal 2023, was known as The Priest of the Poor. His dedication to serving those who were destitute and most in need turned into a legacy of compassion, charity and love for our neighbors in need. Today, Catholic Charities is honored to carry on his legacy of care to our neighbors in need. Each day, we provide help and HOPE to those who come to us — the mother fleeing an unsafe situation for her and her children, the teenager seeking comfort and counseling, the newcomer looking for a fresh start. Your donation to the Appeal makes all of this, and more, possible. Please give today at www.cwny.org/donate or text **GIVEHOPE23** TO 44321 today.

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

*In re The Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y.,
Case No. 20-10322*

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, On February 28, 2020, The Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y. ("Diocese") filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").

The Court entered an Order (the "Supplemental Bar Date") setting April 17, 2023, at 11:59 P.M. (prevailing Eastern time) (the "Supplemental Bar Date") as the deadline to assert claims against the Diocese arising from or relating to abuse that occurred when the survivor was 18 years of age or older, and which, prior to the enactment of the Adult Survivors Act (S.66A/A.648A) would have been subject to a statute of limitations defense ("Adult Claims").

If you have an Adult Claim against the Diocese you must file a claim on or before the Supplemental Bar Date.

ANY CLAIM FILED PURSUANT TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL BAR DATE ORDER SHALL BE WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE RIGHT OF ANY PARTY IN INTEREST TO ASSERT OBJECTIONS TO ANY CLAIM OR ITS TIMELINESS.

Please visit <https://case.stretto.com/dioceseofbuffalo> or call (855) 292-7696 for more information on how to file your proof of claim.

IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY DISTRIBUTIONS TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DIOCESE'S CHAPTER 11 CASE.

BISON FUND

The Bison Fund is a tuition assistance program helping economically eligible children attend private grammar schools of their choice. The application process is now open for new families. To start the process, families can complete a pre-application form online at <http://bisonfund.com/our-scholarships>. The deadline to apply for a scholarship is **March 15, 2023**. Scholarships are awarded using a lottery system from all submitted pre-application forms and all applicants will be notified of lottery results via mail on March 16th, 2023.

If you have questions or need further information, please contact the BISON Fund office at 716 854-0869 or email cmcdonald@bisonfund.com.



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