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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." - Mt 21:9

PASTORAL STAFF

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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

Grades Pre-K to 8

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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
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, April 1st: Vigil for Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

4:00 pm: Alfonso Mazzariello by Dominic Corigliano & Family

SUNDAY, April 2nd: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

9:00 am: Dorothy & Edward Radwan by Marie Radwan Haremski

11:00 am: Pasqual Frisina Jr. by Bert, Joan, Nick & Jaime Tamer

MONDAY, April 3rd: Monday of Holy Week

12:05 pm: For the Parishioners of St. Louis Church

TUESDAY, April 4th: Tuesday of Holy Week

12:05 pm: For the Most Forgotten Souls in Purgatory by Charlotte Occek

WEDNESDAY, April 5th: Wednesday of Holy Week

12:05 pm: Mary K. Crane by Estate

THURSDAY, April 6th: Holy Thursday

(There is no 12:05 Mass on Holy Thursday)

7:00 pm: Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper
For All Souls

FRIDAY, April 7th: Good Friday

(There is no 12:05 Mass on Good Friday)

2:00 pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion

SATURDAY, April 8th: Holy Saturday

(There is no 4 pm Mass on Holy Saturday)

7:00 pm: Easter Vigil Liturgy
Living & Deceased Members of St. Louis Church

SUNDAY, April 9th: Easter Sunday

9:00 am: Deceased members of the St. Louis & Blessed Sacrament choirs.

11:00 am: Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Louis Church

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Holy Thursday:

7pm: Diane Randazzo

Good Friday:

2pm: Diane Randazzo & Christina Mandolfo

Holy Saturday:

7pm: Diane Randazzo & Ann Dumansky

Easter Sunday:

9:00 am: John Loss

11:00 am: Pam Nordstrom

SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Thursday:

7pm: Diane Randazzo, Ann Dumansky & Kevin Brayer

Good Friday:

2pm: Diane Randazzo

Holy Saturday:

7pm: Jim Ferrini Ann Dumansky & Diane Randazzo

Easter Sunday:

9:00 am: Joyce Persico Susan Ministero & Kevin Brayer

11:00 am: Tim McCarthy Jim Ferrini & Pam Nordstrom

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.

THIS DO IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME

This Thursday is Holy Thursday, the day on which we celebrate the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper. Holy Thursday commemorates the Institution of the Eucharist by Christ when He celebrated the Passover with His disciples.

During the Passover Meal, Jesus gives His disciples bread and wine and instructs them that these have become his body and blood which is to be enacted every time they gather to share this Meal, known as the Eucharist.

St. Paul tells us in his letter to the Corinthians "that the Lord Jesus, on the night he was handed over, took bread and after he had given thanks, broke it and said, 'This is my body that is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'"

In the words of the consecration at Mass, Jesus says: "Take this, all of you, and eat of it for this is My Body." Then, giving the disciples the chalice, he says: "Take this, all of you, and drink from it, for this is the Chalice of My Blood." Jesus concludes: "Do this in memory of Me." Faithful to Jesus's words, the Second Vatican Council recommended receiving not only the body of Christ, but also the Blood of Christ.

Since the pandemic began three years ago, we have not been receiving the Blood of Christ. This year with Holy Thursday and the Easter Vigil, we will be re-introducing the option of receiving the Blood of Christ. In the coming months we hope to be able to make this a regular part of Communion.

Msgr. Manganello



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially **Gabriella Parisi, Rosemary Bloch, Alyssa Ketterer, Laurie Hoehn, Tracy Allen Abram, Greg Joseph, Claire Meyers, Marcella Ng, Joan Smeader, Beverly Grover, Billy Jacobbi, Kim Bach, Bill & Donna Reeves, Richard Shephard, Joseph Barba, Sr., Maria Madden, Dr. Fred Luongo, Michael MacPherson, Patricia Guerra, Jay Deveau, Sondra 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.

WORD OF LIFE

Despite our best efforts, it can sometimes be difficult to recognize the profound value of human life when we see its full weakness and fragility. Yet, the faithful care of human life until its natural end is entrusted to every person.

CATHOLIC HEALTH

Catholic Health Services is looking for volunteers for all of our hospital sites — Kenmore Mercy, Sisters of Charity, South Buffalo Mercy and Mt. St. Mary's. Volunteers are the heart of our community! For more information, call Lisa Carey, Supervisor of Volunteer Services, at 716-862-1106 or apply online at: <https://www.chsbuffalo.org/volunteer>.

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 333 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$5026.00. Our online donations totaled \$235.00. 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 pur-

THIS WEEK AT SAINT LOUIS

SATURDAY, April 1st Palm Sunday

4:00 pm:

Distribution & Blessing of Palms

SUNDAY, April 2nd:

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

Distribution & Blessing of Palms

HOLY THURSDAY, April 6th:

7:00 pm: Evening Mass of the Lord's Last Supper followed by the procession with the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Reposition. The Church will remain open until 9:00 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY, April 7th: Holy Land Collection

2:00 pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion

SATURDAY, April 8th:

7:00 pm: Regular Offertory including the Weekly Offering and Maintenance & Repairs Collection and the Easter Collection

SUNDAY, April 9th:

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Regular Offertory including the Weekly Offering and Maintenance & Repairs Collection and the Easter Collection

PREPARE FOR EASTER

The St. Louis Garden Society (SLGS) will meet on Saturday April 8th at 9:00AM to clean and decorate the church for Easter. Please join us and help prepare our most beautiful church for the Lord's Resurrection.

VOCATION THOUGHT

The crowds acclaimed Jesus as He rode into Jerusalem, then three days later they demanded His crucifixion. Public opinion can change in an instant. Let's forget about what the world wants, and focus on what God desires. If Jesus is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716 847-5535 or visit www.buffalovocations.org.

HOLY THURSDAY OPEN HOUSE

Following the Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper on Thursday, April 6th at 7PM, we will be keeping the church open until 10:00PM. In past years, before the pandemic, and last year, there were many visitors who came either individually or in small groups or by bus to view the beauty of our church building.

If you are able to help staff the church after Mass, so that we can continue to welcome those who have never seen St. Louis, please sign up on the sheet located in the Sacristy. Come and enjoy visiting with your fellow parishioners and meeting people from other churches and those of other faiths.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Palm Sunday typically means we have reached the mid-point of our Annual Catholic Charities Appeal. Your support of the Appeal is vital in continuing our mission of being a beacon of HOPE to all those we serve. All told, your gifts helped us bring HOPE to more than 134,000 lives last year through Catholic Charities and helped the Diocese support spiritual care through the Fund for the Faith programs. If you have already donated, we offer our sincerest thanks on behalf of the children, individuals, and families we serve. If you have not yet given to **Appeal 2023**, now is a great time! Visit www.ccnny.org/donate or text GIVEHOPE23 to 44321. No gift is too small to make a tremendous impact right here in Western New York.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL AS OF MARCH 2023

As of March 28th, 2023:

Diocesan Goal: \$9,500,000—Raised: \$4,510,900

St. Louis Goal: \$146,737 —Raised: \$74,570

We thank all of you who have so generously given to Catholic Charities.

ST. LOUIS ARTIST AT BURCHFIELD PENNEY

St. Louis Church's long-time parishioner and artist, Michael Mandolfo, will be exhibiting his latest work, "The Language Within Us," at the Burchfield Penney Art Gallery. This multimedia exhibit explores the intricacies of human communication and identity through the medium of language. The installation also explores ways language may be used as a unifying force rather than a dividing one.

To celebrate the opening of the exhibit, there will be a family-friendly reception on Friday, April 14th, from 5:30-8 pm which is free and open to the public.

For more information please visit the Burchfield Penney website under "Future Exhibits" or use this link: <https://burchfieldpenney.org/exhibitions/exhibition:the-language-within-us/>.



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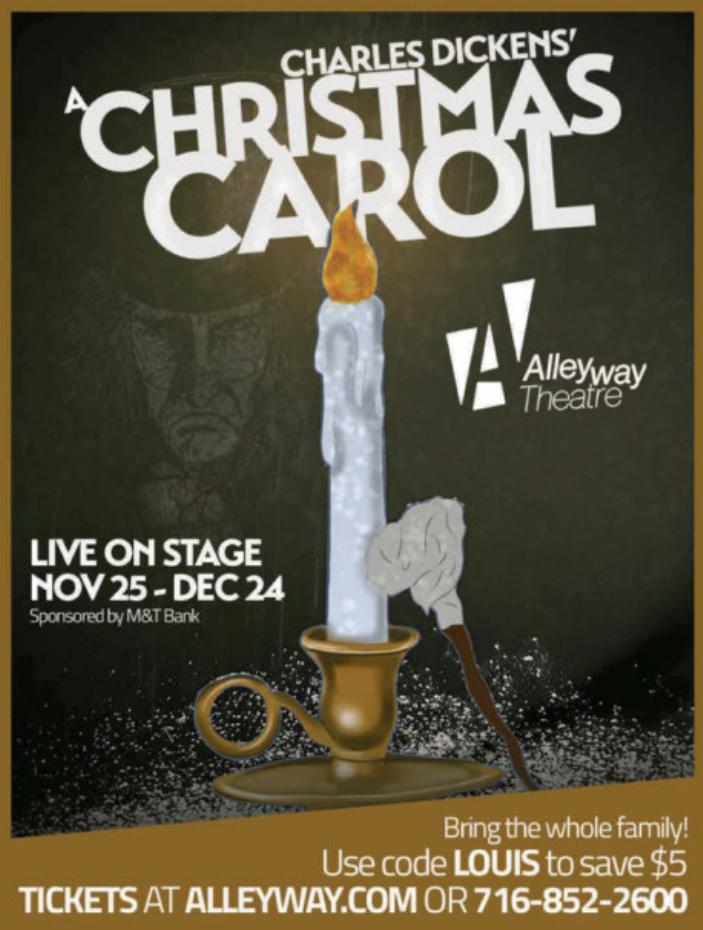
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