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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



"FOR EVERYONE WHO DOES WICKED THINGS HATES THE LIGHT AND DOES NOT COME TOWARD THE LIGHT, SO THAT HIS WORKS MIGHT NOT BE EXPOSED. BUT WHOEVER LIVES THE TRUTH COMES TO THE LIGHT, SO THAT HIS WORKS MAY BE CLEARLY SEEN AS DONE IN GOD." - JN 3:20-21

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PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Msgr. Salvatore Manganello, J.C.L., S.T.L. Pastor
Rev. Msgr. John W. Madsen..... Weekend Assistant
Rev. Andrew R. Lauricella..... 12:05 Mass—Friday
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President..... James Reeves
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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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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 Rafffeiner..... 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
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, March 10:

4:00 pm: **VIGIL FOR FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**
Mr. and Mrs. Otto Scharf, Sr., by Richard and Mary Agoston

SUNDAY, March 11: FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 am: Kieran and Mary Ann Kreiss, by Estate
11:00 am: Rev. Charles Werth, by Michael Riester

MONDAY, March 12: LENTEN WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: For the People of Saint Louis Parish

TUESDAY, March 13: LENTEN WEEKDAY

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

WEDNESDAY, March 14: LENTEN WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: John Esser and Elizabeth Hartman, by Estate

THURSDAY, March 15: LENTEN WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: Rita Marie Rozbicki, by Estate

FRIDAY, March 16: LENTEN WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: Maria Jackson, by Donna Dobbins

SATURDAY, March 17:

4:00 pm: **VIGIL FOR FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**
Living and Deceased of the Earl Young Family,
by Marilyn Young

SUNDAY, March 18: FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 am: Deceased Members of the Vetter Family
11:00 am: Deceased Members of the Albert Riester
Family, by Michael Riester

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of March 17th and March 18th

4:00 pm: Diane Randazzo
9:00 am: Wendy Mistretta
11:00 am: Matt Glynn



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of March 17th and March 18th

4:00 pm: Ron and Margaret Foegen
and Frank and Jane Pelosi
9:00 am: Susan Ministero, Jim Brigante
and Tim and Mary O'Shea
11:00 am: Bro. Nick Romeo, Pam Nordstrom
and Ryan and Lindsay McGowan



MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and For the Vocation of the Seminarians at Christ the King Seminary, requested by Bill and Pam Nordstrom. The Pieta Candle burns this week in memory of Edith and Rosanna Hebert, requested by Michael Riester.

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.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL CONTINUES

The 2018 Catholic Charities Appeal is now under way and continues through the end of June. Two important dates during this year's Appeal are First Report Sunday on March 18th and the culmination of the Appeal week on Palm Sunday, March 25th. All of our parishioners have been contacted by mail regarding a donation to Catholic Charities.

Through your generosity last year St. Louis parishioners donated \$116,216.25 to the Catholic Charities Appeal. Thus our goal set by Catholic Charities for this year is \$116,216.25.

The goal for the 2018 Catholic Charities Appeal is \$11 million. They still need help to make the goal this year. Catholic Charities and the people they serve are grateful for your gift of faith and love. Your donation helps educate, counsel and train parents, provide care to young children and provide social support to seniors, enabling them to remain safe and healthy in their own homes. Catholic Charities is also there to offer individual, family and marriage counseling and GED education and job assistance for youth. For more information and to read about and watch those who have benefited from Catholic Charities, visit their website cccwny.org.

Catholic Charities addresses the physical and spiritual needs of many Western New Yorkers. When you answer the call to support Catholic Charities you improve the lives of many in Western New York, one donation at a time.

The theme for this year's appeal is "Love Your Neighbor" and the patron saint is St. Clare of Assisi. With all of us working together we can achieve our goal and help the Catholic Charities Appeal reach their goal to provide for the many needs of Western New York. Once again we are asking everyone to do what they can to help those in need.

Msgr. Manganello

ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE

There will be a St. Joseph's Table on Sunday, March 18th from noon until 2:00 p.m. in the Church Hall. Tickets are \$8.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 12.

Tickets are available this weekend after Masses.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY CARNATION SALE

The Faith Formation program will be selling green carnations for St. Patrick's Day before and after all Masses on Saturday, March 17th and Sunday, March 18th. Carnations will be \$1.00 each and available at the Main Street entrance and parking lot entrance. All sales will be donated to Catholic Charities.



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Jeff Dory, Joel Rivera, Theresa Dominski, Norene Wesolek, Paul Setlock, Loretta Rembold, Lynn

Goslinski, Carla Latucca, Theresa Dixon, Desirea Moyica, Peggy Scott, Tracy Abram, Mamie Kate Johnson, Bud Vetter, Ben Cambria, Amy Vilz, Raymond Sharrer, Deborah Buyers, John Zawistowski, Delores Needham, Barbara Yellen, Mamise Reaves, Spencer Daly, Joseph Acquino, Eleanor Brayer, Linda Campbell, James Palka, Bernadette R. Crawford, Niziti Ascela, Geraldine Sliwinski, 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 Dr. Ronald G. Korn 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. Last weekend 335 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$6,668.00.

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.

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, March 10th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Maintenance and Repairs Collection and Fuel Collection

4:00 pm: Tickets for St. Joseph's Table Available

SUNDAY, March 11th

2:00 am: Daylight Saving Time Begins
Spring Forward 1 Hour

9:50 am—10:50 am: Pre-K—Grade 10—Church Hall

9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Maintenance and Repairs Collection and Fuel Collection

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Tickets for St. Joseph's Table Available

After 11:00 am Mass: RCIA—Sacristy

5:00 pm: Diocesan Choral Festival Concert

MONDAY, March 12th

7:00 pm: Parish Council—Sacristy

FRIDAY, March 16th

After 12:05 Mass: Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, March 17th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection and Easter Flowers Collection

4:00 pm: St. Patrick's Day Carnation Sale

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9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection and Easter Flowers Collection

9:00 am & 11:00 am: St. Patrick's Day Carnation Sale

Noon—2:00 pm: St. Joseph's Table—Church Hall

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

Today's reading from the book of Chronicles relates stories about the leaders of Judah who were dishonest, incompetent and weak. The people of the time followed them blindly, like lemmings, allowing their actions to lead them away from God's will. We may find ourselves in similar situations today. Sometimes people we know or those in leadership positions may lead us down the wrong path and away from God. It is up to us to turn back toward his love. Keep in mind that God's love and loyalty to us are always there. No matter how many mistakes we may make, or how far we may stray from God, he will always lead and welcome us back. We only need to choose to love God to discover that he is with us and among us.

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

March 19th is the Feast of St. Joseph the husband of Mary and foster father of Jesus. He is also the patron of the Diocese of Buffalo. Each year the Diocese recognizes those who have followed in the footsteps of St. Joseph and honors them for all they have done for the Church, especially their parish.

This year Ron and Margaret Foegen are receiving the **Lay Award of St. Joseph the Worker** at a Mass and reception Sunday, March 11th at St. Joseph Cathedral. During the Mass Bishop Malone will present an award to the recipients of the St. Joseph the Worker Award.

Ron and Margaret are being recognized for their many years of service to St. Louis Church in various ways, especially for their kind attention to the retired priests and pastors of St. Louis Church, and their care for our parishioners who need a little extra assistance as well as visiting the sick.

We thank Ron and Margaret for their selfless service and dedication to St. Louis and congratulate them on their Award and honor.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Are you interested in becoming more involved in St. Louis Parish or do you know a fellow parishioner who would be? If so, please consider nominating yourself or someone else for one of the five open seats on the Parish Council. Elections are scheduled for the weekend of April 14 and 15. Elected members will serve a three year term. It is very important for the Catholic laity to be involved in the functions of the parish. Please consider running for a council seat and accept this needed and important leadership role. Nomination forms are included with this week's bulletin and may be submitted in the collection basket or to the sacristy.

For questions or more information about the Parish Council, please contact Keith Boerner at (716) 698-3132, or Email "KeithBoerner@roadrunner.com".

CHILI COOK-OFF

Thanks to all who cooked, baked, set up and cleaned up at the Annual Chili Cook-Off! More than 50 people tasted 9 different Chili Recipes.

Congratulations to our newest winner Kevin Brayer.

DON'T GIVE UP SOMETHING

Dear St. Louis Family,

Lent is here. Don't give up something. Give something. This Lent you can help those carrying their cross. The Response to Love Center is in need of soup to help serve families in our community who need a helping hand

Can you help provide these soups?

Chicken Noodle, Cream of Chicken, Cream of Mushroom and Cream of Celery. Boxes are available at the entrances of the church for donations.

CHURCH MUSICIANS GUILD TO HOST DIOCESAN CHORAL FESTIVAL CONCERT

The Church Musicians Guild of Buffalo will present a *Choral Festival Concert* on Sunday, March 11th at 5:00 p.m. in St. Louis Church, 35 Edward Street (at Main) in downtown Buffalo. The program is free and open to all.

The concert will feature individual performances by the choirs of All Saints, St. Benedict, St. Katharine Drexel, St. Louis and St. John Paul II Churches as well as St. Joseph Cathedral. All choral participants will join for a *finale* performance of works by Christiansen, Praetorius, Bach, and Vaughan Williams.

Please join us for a lovely afternoon of great choral music!

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