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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, January 19:

4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Vincent J. Halicki, by Family

SUNDAY, January 20: SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am: Gerald Stevens, by Wife, Isabelle Stevens

11:00 am: Austin and Irene Short, by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Leslie

MONDAY, January 21: SAINT AGNES

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

TUESDAY, January 22: WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: Rita Marie Rozbicki, by Estate

WEDNESDAY, January 23: SAINT VINCENT AND SAINT MARIANNE COPE

12:05 pm: All Souls

THURSDAY, January 24: SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES, BISHOP

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

FRIDAY, January 25: THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL, APOSTLE

12:05 pm: Carl and Marie Miller, by Estate

SATURDAY, January 26:

4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Anna May Wise, by Lorraine Bolt

SUNDAY, January 27: THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am: Janet Wenner, by Karen and John Wenner

11:00 am: John Branicky, by Jean Branicky

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of January 26th and January 27th

4:00 pm: Kaitlin Kasperski

9:00 am: Tom Pirrung

11:00 am: Joyce Persico



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of January 26th and January 27th

4:00 pm: Sue Kolbe, Diane Randazzo and Frank and Jane Pelosi

9:00 am: Al Bluemle, Susan Ministero, Rosemary Bloch and Jim Brigante

11:00 am: Linda Holben, Carolann Besch and Ryan and Lindsay McGowan



“BODY OF CHRIST”

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of **Gerald Stevens, requested by Wife, Isabelle Stevens**. The Pieta Candle burns this week in memory of **Melvin J. Siwinski, requested by Sons**.

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.

THANKS BE TO GOD

Another Christmas season has come and gone. It takes a great effort and many good people to have a successful Christmas season.

It all began back in the beginning of December with the First Sunday in Advent. Our Advent Wreath was once again prepared for us by Rosemary Bloch. The Christmas party and the arrival of Santa was hosted once again by the Parish Council. Several members of the parish contributed to a good time for all.

Our choir under the direction of Frank Scinta along with our cantor Jim Mrozek provided our sacred music throughout the season beginning with Lessons and Carols, followed by our Christmas and New Years' Masses.

The church was beautifully decorated once again thanks to John Beller and his crew of Santa's helpers. There were 36 people who helped transform the church in a beautiful and prayerful space. 25 were on hand to help stow everything away for another year.

Our liturgies were made holy by the many people who helped with our celebration. The liturgies could not be prayerful and uplifting without the many Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Greeters, Lectors and Ushers that are needed to make each service welcoming and spiritual.

Thank you to all who contributed their time and talent for a beautiful Advent—Christmas season. Thank you to all who prayed with us and visited us during the holidays.

Msgr. Manganello

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Next week, our parish will take up the Catholic Relief Services Collection. This collection supports six Catholic agencies that touch more than 100 million lives around the world. The funds from this collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and Christ's love and respect to all people. Please give generously to the Catholic Relief Services Collection and **help Jesus in disguise**.



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially **Spencer Daly, Richard Devita, Ray Sharrer, Frank Zawistowski, Delores Needham, Sara Ascela, Will Travis, Amy Vitz, Patricia Borte, Patricia Guerra, Joel Rivera, Theresa Dominski, Lynn Goslinski, Tracy Abram, Mamie Kate Johnson, Bud Vetter, Deborah Buyers, John Zawistowski, James Palka, Bernadette R. Crawford, Niziti Ascela, 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 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 328 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$4,774.00.

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, January 19th

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

SUNDAY, January 20th

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

12 noon: Baptism of Parker Jeffrey Besecker

SATURDAY, January 26th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Catholic Relief Services Collection

SUNDAY, January 27th

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

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PEOPLE OF FAITH PROGRAM

Please join us in our renovated and accessible Church Hall (basement) for our next People of Faith Program on **Sunday, February 17th from 12—1:30 p.m.** The program will include lunch and a Liturgy Presentation entitled—**Paschal Mystery: Finding the Ancient Roots of our Liturgy.** With our guest presenter (and member of our choir), Karen Podd, we will explore how some aspects of Christian Ritual have evolved from the ancient rituals of our Jewish brethren. In addition, there will be a discussion on portions of the Constitution (Sacrosanctum Concilium) on the Sacred Liturgy as promulgated by the Second Vatican Council.

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

In his letter to the Corinthians, Saint Paul shares his belief that God gave each one of us different gifts so that we may enrich the lives of one another. Instead of letting our differences keep us apart, we can and should recognize, accept and celebrate one another's gifts in community with God. Saint Paul notes that it is by God's design that one person should have great wisdom, while another is given deep faith and another commits to serving the poor. We are all different, but it is the same Spirit who provides our gifts. If we rejoice in our differences with one another, our lives and our community will be enriched—and that's God plan for us. What different gifts can you bring for the enrichment of others? If you have gifts, and you do, they are needed by someone.

FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST EUCHARIST, & CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION AND CLASSES

Children receiving the Sacrament of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, or Confirmation this spring at St. Louis must be registered to do so by March 1, 2019.

Registration forms and information about the sacrament prep classes can be found on the St. Louis website (<https://stlouisrcchurch.org>) or from the Director of Faith Formation, Ashlee Campbell (stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com).

MASS & PUBLIC PRAYER

The "Prayers for the Catholic Church" group is gathering to pray to strengthen the faith of Catholics, and to remember Dr. Martin King, Jr., on Monday, January 21 at 12:05 p.m. for Mass at St. Louis Church, 780 Main Street, Buffalo. We will pray the Rosary after Mass.

Visit Facebook or prayersforthecatholicchurch.com; contact prayersforthecatholicchurch@yahoo.com or 716-316-8550.

RECEIPT OF TAX DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS

We will only issue year end contribution statements if requested. Anyone who requires a tax statement may contact the rectory at 852-6040 or write **"Tax Statement"** on the **front of your church envelope.**

EMAIL ADDRESS

In an effort to better communicate with the parishioners of St. Louis, we will be asking you to submit your email address. For those parishioners submitting their email addresses, they will be used to notify you about upcoming events at St. Louis.

Your email address will not be shared. We hope you will consider this request to serve you better. The Parish Council

EXORCISM & DELIVERANCE:

The Catholic Medical Professional's Role

The Catholic Medical Association of Buffalo will be having its Annual White Mass for Healthcare workers on **February 9, 2019 at the 4:30 Mass** in St. Joseph's Cathedral. Dinner will follow at the Adam's Mark Hotel. The Keynote speaker will be **Dr. Cynthia Hunt, a psychiatrist** who will discuss the Catholic Medical Professional's Role in Exorcism and Deliverance and how it relates to mental health issues. For tickets and pricing information go to www.cmabuffalo.org.

VOCATION THOUGHT

The miracle that Jesus performed at the Wedding at Cana made it clear that Jesus came to do remarkable acts of love for us. These acts continue and Jesus asks some of us to assist him in very privileged ways. Is God calling you to the commitment of being a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If so, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Help your neighbor find hope is the theme for the 2019 Appeal in support of Catholic Charities and the Fund for the Faith. Last year, thanks to the generous support of donors like you throughout Western New York, Catholic Charities was able to positively impact the lives of more than 150,000 children, families and seniors across our eight counties with everything from basic needs like food, clothing and shelter, to counseling and parent education and support. Appeal Chairs John and Ruthanne Daly announced our goal of \$11 million and the patron of the 2019 Appeal, St. Faustina, who was known for her vision of the Divine Mercy image of Jesus and deep devotion of spreading his message of mercy and trust. Through your donation, you, too, can show great mercy and help others find hope. We look forward to working with you now through Appeal Week or until our goal is reached. Find out more at ccwny.org or call 716-218-1400.

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