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Third Sunday of Lent

Jesus said to them in reply, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!"
Lk. 13:2-5



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
TRUSTEES Rosemary Bloch, Michael Mikos
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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

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 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 23:

4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
James P. McLellan, by Marian McLellan

SUNDAY, March 24: THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 am: Camille Krenglicki, by Gary A. Halicki
11:00 am: Deceased Members of the Mikos Family

MONDAY, March 25: THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

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

TUESDAY, March 26: LENTEN WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: George D'Arcy, by Peter Sawicz

WEDNESDAY, March 27: LENTEN WEEKDAY

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

THURSDAY, March 28: LENTEN WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: All Souls

FRIDAY, March 29: LENTEN WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: Rita Marie Rozbicki, by Estate

SATURDAY, March 30:

2:00 pm: Wedding of Michael Terranova and Melina Buck
4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
Margaret (Peggy) Burns, by Evan and Trish Lewis

SUNDAY, March 31: FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 am: Carl and Marie Miller, by Estate
11:00 am: Charles and Victoria Drescher, by Estate

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of March 30th and March 31st

4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky
9:00 am: Anne Continetti
11:00 am: Ed Kuzan



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of March 30th and March 31st

4:00 pm: Debbie Guillow, Diane Randazzo, Jim Ferrini and Ann Dumansky
9:00 am: Anne Continetti, Joyce Persico, Al Bluemle and Susan Ministero
11:00 am: Pam Nordstrom, Michael Riestler and Keith and Kathy Boerner



"BODY OF CHRIST"



MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLE



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of **Gerald C. Jordan, requested by Anthony and Kim Jordan.**

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.

REPENT AND BELIEVE THE GOSPEL

The season of Lent is the Church's annual retreat. It is a time for us to prepare ourselves through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving for the great celebration of Easter. As we take time each year during this time to reflect more deeply on the Paschal Mystery (the suffering, death, and rising of Jesus), we look at our own lives and uncover all that diminishes or distracts us from our relationship with God and Christ.

Jesus began his public ministry with the words: "Repent and believe in the gospel." Since that time the Church has never ceased to call people from sin to conversion especially through the celebration of the Sacrament of Penance.

During Lent the whole Church responds to the call of the Lord to be reconciled with each other and with God. The practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving offer opportunities to all the faithful to make Jesus' call to repentance a personal journey in these forty days.

Msgr. Manganello

ST. PATRICK'S DAY CARNATION SALE

This year's St. Patrick's Day Carnation Sale was a huge success! Maureen's Flower Market generously donated the flowers, allowing all proceeds (\$348.00) to be donated to Catholic Charities. Thank you to all the parishioners who purchased flowers or made a donation. Also, thank you to all the families that helped sell the carnations.

VOCATION THOUGHT

At the sight of the burning bush, Moses was responsive to God's call, while his followers were too self-righteous to hear it. God's call will only lead us to what is best for us. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

You can also check out the "Priest of the Month" stories on our website—www.buffalovocations.org!



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially David Marchetti, Eric Glinksi, 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 309 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$4,362.00.

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 23rd

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection

SUNDAY, March 24th

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

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

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12 noon: Baptism of Aidan William Fitch and Parker Jeffrey Besecker

LITTLE PORTION FRIARY

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As an all volunteer shelter for the homeless we rely on your time to help those less fortunate than us. We are currently in need of help with cooking, maintenance, office duties and house supervision during the day and evening.

Please contact us at 882-5705 for a tour or to answer any questions you may have. The gift of your time will be greatly appreciated.

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us the parable of the fig tree. It's a story ripe with a lesson on the importance of following through with what God calls us to do. The fig tree had a purpose—it was planted to bear fruit. When the tree didn't produce, the orchard owner was ready to remove it. But the gardener had great patience and continued to tend to the fig tree in hope that it would eventually blossom. We are like the fig tree—God has a purpose for us. He wants us to enjoy the fruits of a good life with one another. God is tremendously patient, always working the soil of our lives and giving us what we need. Now we must follow through. It's not enough to have good intentions. What should we be doing—or not doing—to bear fruit for God?

ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE

Our annual St. Joseph's Table will be held this Sunday from 12:00—2:00 p.m. in the church hall. We hope to see you there for this delicious meal!

VOLUNTEER RESEARCHERS NEEDED!

Volunteers are needed to assist parish archivist with research at Grosvenor Room, Central Library or online. Please call the rectory if interested.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Growing up in a neighborhood riddled with gang activity, Jah-Keem was just 9 when he fell in with the wrong crowd. **By age 10, he was working as a mule carrying drugs.** Despite his mother's best efforts, he continued down that troublesome path until his mother moved them to a new neighborhood. While he stayed out of trouble, Jah-Keem did find himself falling behind in school academically, and it wasn't long before he dropped out. **With no diploma and no job, Jah-Keem's cousin suggested Catholic Charities.** Upon his arrival, he linked up with James from the agency's Workforce and Education Services to obtain his high school equivalency degree. "Coming to Catholic Charities was the best move I ever made," he said. "James told me he saw potential in me and nobody but my momma ever told me that before." Today, Jah-Keem has his diploma in hand and is working a full-time job. **Will you help others like Jah-Keem find hope?**

IGNATIAN VOLUNTEER CORPS

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Discover The Ignatian Volunteer Corps® (IVC) and ways you can volunteer, empower others, and grow in your own spirituality. The unique program, rooted in the Jesuit tradition, combines volunteer service with individual and communal reflection. To learn more about the Ignatian Volunteer Corps, sign up for informational talks planned for Tuesday, April 2, 1:00 p.m. and Tuesday, April 26, 6:00 p.m. at St. Michael's Parish, 651 Washington Street, Buffalo, NY. **Contact Minnie Wyse, Director, at 716-479-1334 mwyse@ivcusa.org, to RSVP or learn more.**

CATHOLIC ACADEMY SPRING

OPEN HOUSE MARCH 31ST

Come learn more about the Catholic Academy difference at our **Spring Open House** for families interested in enrolling children at **Catholic Academy of West Buffalo** in **September 2019**. The Open House will run from **10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

Catholic Academy offers rigorous academics, excellent religious and moral education and a wide array of sports and extracurricular activities in grades Pre-K 3 to 8. Pre-K for 3 year olds is a very popular part time program, with a 10:2 ratio. According to **Business First** rankings for **Middle Schools** in June 2018, we are ranked **among the top 10% of private, parochial, charter and public schools in the city of Buffalo!**

Come tour our building, meet the Catholic Academy family and learn more about our programming. Registration for September 2019 is ongoing, and office staff will be available to review admission forms and answer questions regarding the different **tuition assistance available**. For information, call the school at 885-6111 or visit us at cawb.org, on Facebook or Twitter @cawb1069.

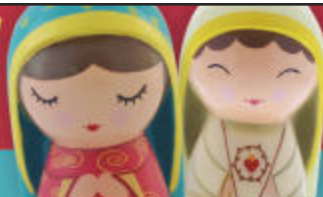
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