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MASSES

Saturday	
Sunday	
Eve of the Holy Day	4·30 n m
Holy Day	12:05 p.m.
Mon-Fri	12:05 p.m.
Confessions	12:05 p.m. 12:05 p.m. 12:05 p.m. Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 p.m.
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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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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	Rt. Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher	1888-1916
Reverend Alexander Pax	1836-1843	Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry B. Laudenbach	1917-1944
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Reverend William Deiters		Reverend Clarence Ott	1964-1965
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Reverend Francis Anthony Gerber	1862-1863	Rev. Msgr. William A. Schwinger	1979-1995
Reverend Sergus Schoulepnikoff	1864-1867	Rev. Msgr. Robert A. Mack	1995-2002
Reverend Joseph M. Sorg	1867-1888	C	

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Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, July 23rd: Vigil for the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2:00 pm: Wedding of Kyle McHugh & Lauren Patterson 4:00 pm: Living & Deceased Members of the John Thomas

Family, by Marilyn Young

SUNDAY, July 24th: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 am: Dorothy Plemens, by Peter & Barbara Nagowski

11:00 am: Joan Wittig Casey, by Family

MONDAY, July 25th: St. James, the Apostle 12:05 pm: For the People of St. Louis Parish

TUESDAY, July 26th:

12:05 pm: God's Blessings for the Caputi, Gentile & Klosko

Families, by Family

WEDNESDAY, July 27th:

12:05 pm: God's Blessings for Nicholas Joseph Gentile &

Family, by Family

THURSDAY, July 28th:

12:05 pm: Joseph Herron, by John Ognibene

FRIDAY, July 29th: St. Martha

12:05 pm: John A. Pirrung, by Family

5:30pm: Wedding of Michael Moyer & Emily Grace Rechan

SATURDAY, July 30th: Vigil for the Eighteenth Sunday in **Ordinary Time**

2:00 pm: Wedding of Alex Carney & Brianna Miller 4:00 pm: Dick Agoston, by Gary & Sandy Witman

SUNDAY, July 31st: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am: Jacquelyn N. Betti, by Doug & Liz Benz 11:00 am: Deceased Members of the St. Louis & Blessed

Sacrament Choirs, by the St. Louis Choir

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS Weekend of July 30th & 31st:

4:00 pm: Diane Randazzo

9:00 am: John Loss 11:00 am: Mike Riester



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of July 30th & 31st:

4:00 pm: Marilyn Neil 9:00 am: Mary O'Shea 11:00 am: Tim McCarthy



WORD OF LIFE

"Married love differs from any other love in the world. By its nature, the love of husband and wife is so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with God and each other, that it is open to creating a new human being they will love and care for together That power to create new life with God is at the heart of what spouses share with each other." USCCB—"Married Love and the Gift of Life"

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.

FAMILY OF FAITH

Some families practice their religion together as just another event on their schedule: go to church, observe Lent, help at the parish picnic, go to a meeting, volunteer time, use their envelope But the focus needs to be on who we are-God's people, in relationship with Him, loved, forgiven, and redeemed, and called to live and proclaim the Gospel. Our awareness of God's presence and our sense of mission are supported by the daily rituals, celebrations, and traditions that help us stay focused. Sharing our faith strengthens us and clarifies the beliefs and values of Christian Living.

Daily family practices include time for prayer—before meals, before bed, before important meetings and activities. Attend Sunday Mass together and discuss the homily afterward. Create family celebrations for holy days and holidays. Make religion a regular part of your discussions. Include others, especially the elderly and the less fortunate, in your activities and charitable efforts. By applying the virtues of faith, hope and love each day, faith becomes part of who our family is. It influences how we act towards others, what we value, and how mindful of God we are. Faith is the leaven of life that helps all of us rise to our calling and dignity as God's people. Msgr. Manganello

FALL EUCHARISTIC CONFERENCE

"The Eucharist, Our Source and Summit" will take place September 16th & 17th at St. Gregory the Great Parish in Williamsville. Two outstanding speakers will present—Dr. John Bergsma and Dr. Scott Hahn for this Fall Eucharistic Conference. The conference will begin Friday evening at 7PM with sessions and then go deeper into the riches of our Catholic faith on Saturday starting with 8AM Mass. You are welcome to bring your own lunch or choose from some options on that day. To view the schedule and purchase tickets, visit https://stpaulcenter.com/buffalo2022 or call 740 264-9535.



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Gary Witman, Billy Jacobbi, Bill & Donna Reeves, Richard Shepheard, Joseph Barba, Sr., Maria Madden, Dr. Fred Luongo,

Michael MacPherson, Patricia Guerra, Jay Deveau, Gerald Frawley, Sondra Schreiber, Christine Maciejewski, David Marchetti, Frank Zawistowski, Bernadette R. Crawford, and Margaret Foegen.

Please contact the Parish Office to have a loved one placed on the Prayer List.

We remember all those recently deceased, especially John Donovan and our deceased parishioners and loved ones.

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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 250 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$4584.00. Our online donations totaled \$105.00.

You can also support your parish by mailing your donation or using our pay pal 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, July 23rd:

4:00 pm: Regular Weekly Offering Collection

SUNDAY, July 24th:

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

12:00 noontime: Baptism of Bodie Dennis Whitted

SATURDAY, July 30th:

4:00 pm: Regular Weekly Offering Collection

SUNDAY, July 31st:

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

WIN A LABOR DAY PICNIC AND BENEFIT THE ST. LOUIS PRESERVATION FUND

Three great prizes will be raffled at a drawing on Sunday, August 28th, 2022:

First Prize is a Weber Spirit Gas Grill with 3 lbs. of Steak, 3 lbs. of Hamburgers and 3 lbs. of Hot Dogs.

Second Prize is a Picnic Table also with 3 lbs. of Steak, 3 lbs. of Hamburgers and 3 lbs. of Hot Dogs.

Third Prize is a YETI Cooler also with 3 lbs. of Steak, 3 lbs. of Hamburgers and 3 lbs. of Hot Dogs.

Tickets are only \$10 each and proceeds benefit the St. Louis Preservation Fund. Tickets will be available after Mass and by contacting Tim (Mac) McCarthy at tmcc24249 @yahoo.com or 716 345-7054

DIOCESAN SYNOD

Have you read the report from the work of the Diocesan Synod team? It is the summary of the 35 Listening Sessions conducted around the Diocese over the past five months. These results have been shared with Bishop Michael Fisher and Diocesan Leadership for their use in guiding the Diocese. Bishop Mike has expressed his hope that Synodal practices will continue in our Diocese. You can read the report at www.buffalodiocese.org/synod

VOCATION THOUGHT

A priest is an intercessor between God and humanity, like Abraham praying "Spare us, O Lord." This cannot be prayed often enough. Will you help us? Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716 847-5535 or visit www.buffalovocations.org.

INTERESTED IN BEING A CATECHIST?

A Poem by St. Teresa of Avila, entitled *Christ Has No Body*, says:

"Christ has no body but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he looks
Compassion on this world,
Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good ..."

The St. Louis Faith Formation program is looking for individuals to serve as catechists—to embody Christ's love and help teach our Faith to the next generation. Classes are held in-person three times each month, from September to April, on Sunday mornings from 9:50AM to 10:50AM. Classes are multi-age (PreK-K, 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, & 9-10) and are typically small, between 8-10 students. St. Louis provides all classroom and educational resources. Please prayerfully consider this ministry! If interested, or for more information, contact the DRE, Ashlee Campbell (443 744-0354 / email religioused@stlouisrcchurch.org).

RCIA REGISTRATION

Are you considering becoming a Catholic? Do you know someone who is being called to join our faith? RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process through which adults are received into the Catholic Church. The process is intended for adults: (1) who were never baptized; (2) those baptized in another Christian faith who wish to become Catholic; and (3) those baptized Catholic, but who did not make their First Communion or Confirmation.

Classes are free and are held on Sundays directly after the 11:00AM Mass (approximately 12:00Noon to 1:00PM), in the Sacristy. RCIA will begin in Mid-September and continue through March. St. Louis provides all class materials. More information and the registration form are on the St. Louis website. Contact Ashlee Campbell, Director of Religious Education, at 443 744-0354 or email religioused @stlouisrcchurch.org with inquiries or to register. Interested individuals must register and/or contact Ashlee Campbell no later that Sunday, August 28th to ensure there will be class materials for everyone.

2022-2023 FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION BEGINS

The St. Louis Faith Formation program will begin Sunday, September 18th and will run through April 2023. In-person classes will be held on Sundays from 9:50AM—10:50AM. There will be two PreK-10th grade classes each month and one Family Faith Formation class each month. Regular class attendance is expected.

All children age 4 through 10th grade, are welcome to attend and there is no cost to enroll. Families new to St. Louis need to register by Sunday, August 21st. The registration form, class schedule, and more program information are available on the St. Louis website. Contact the DRE, Ashlee Campbell, (443 744-0354 / religioused@stlouisrcchurch.org) with questions.

BECOME A FOSTER GRANDPARENT

If you are an Erie County resident age 55 or older, consider being a Catholic Charities Foster Grandparent. You'll stay active by developing one-on-one relationships with children age 3-18 in a school setting. You'll also gain a stipend, social-emotional health benefits, and the joy of guiding and supporting our next generation. To connect with the program, call 716 896-6388.



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