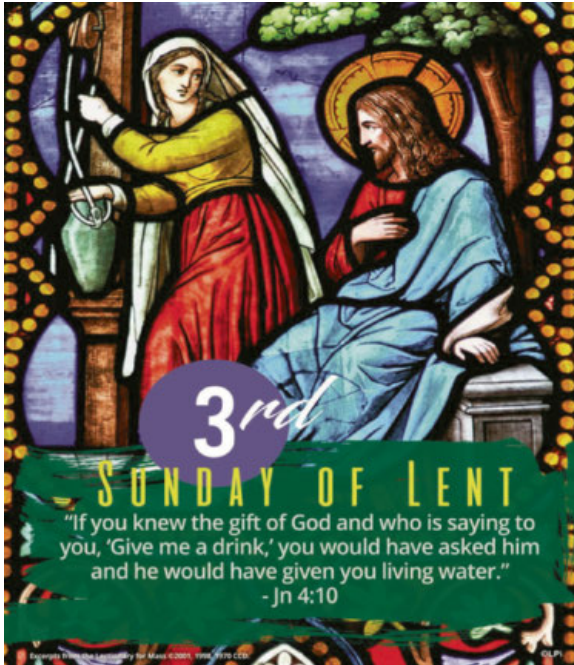


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MASSES

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

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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
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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 11th: Vigil for the Third Sunday of Lent
4:00 pm: Herbert C. Bucki, by the Bucki Family

SUNDAY, March 12th: Third Sunday of Lent
9:00 am: Melvin J. Sliwinski, by David Sliwinski
11:00 am: Pasquale Frisina, Jr., by Bert, Joan, Nick & Jaime Tamer

MONDAY, March 13th:
12:05 pm: For the Parishioners of St. Louis Parish

TUESDAY, March 14th:
12:05 pm: Lucille "Lucy" Grabowski, by Marilyn Evans & Christopher Evans

WEDNESDAY, March 15th:
12:05 pm: The Crane Family, by the Mary K. Crane Estate

THURSDAY, March 16th:
12:05 pm: In Thanksgiving, by Tim & Mary Reid, by Mary Reid

FRIDAY, March 17th: St. Patrick
12:05 pm: Joan Dean, by a Friend

SATURDAY, March 18th: Vigil for the Fourth Sunday of Lent
4:00 pm: Living & Deceased Members of the Earl Young Family, by Marilyn Young

SUNDAY, March 19th: Fourth Sunday of Lent
9:00 am: Dorothy & Al Schneggenberger, by Tom Pirrung
11:00 am: Thomas Gaiser, by Marilyn Neil

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS Weekend of March 18th & 19th:

4:00 pm: Krysta Doerfler
9:00 am: Joyce Persico
11:00 am: Ed Kuzan



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION Weekend of March 18th & 19th:

4:00 pm: Marilyn Neil
9:00 am: Mary O'Shea
11:00 am: Pam Nordstrom



"BODY OF CHRIST"

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE THIS WEEK

Lent is a holy season of prayer much of which is focused on doing penance, seeking God's forgiveness, and renewing our spiritual lives. One of the ways to help us prepare for the celebration of the Easter Resurrection is to receive the Sacrament of Penance by which God renews us. Our Penance Service this Lent will be held on March 15th at St. Anthony of Padua church at 4:00 p.m. and at Our Lady of Perpetual Help at 6:30 p.m. This will be a communal penance service followed by the opportunity for individual confession. Please join our family of parishes: St. Anthony of Padua, Blessed Sacrament, St. Joseph Cathedral, St. Louis, St. Michael, and Our Lady of Perpetual Help, for this celebration of pardon and peace.



MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES

The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of Dorothy Schneggenberger, requested by Margaret and Ronald Foegen. The St. Joseph Candle burns this week in memory of Thomas M. Rooney, requested by Ron & Margaret Foegen and the Pieta Candle burns this week in memory of Martin Malone, also requested by Ron and Margaret Foegen.

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.

INQUIRING MINDS WANT TO KNOW

This Friday, March 17th, is St. Patrick's Day and many people want to know if it is permitted to eat meat on this Feast Day during Lent when all Catholics are asked to abstain from eating meat on Fridays during Lent.

Recognizing the spiritual and cultural significance of St. Patrick's Day, Bishop Fisher is granting a commutation of the discipline of abstaining from meat on March 17th, 2023.

A commutation of this discipline means that those Catholics who choose to eat meat on Friday, March 17th are obliged to choose another day before March 24th, 2023 to abstain from eating meat.

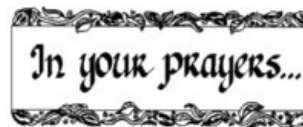
May the love and protection of St. Patrick be yours in abundance, as long as you live. **St. Patrick, pray for us.**

Msgr. Manganello

BONNETS FOR BABIES

PROVIDING COMFORT AND WARMTH FOR CHILDREN THROUGHOUT WNY

Bonnets for Babies is a non-for-profit 501c3 organization in Buffalo serving children birth to age five. There is an urgent and ongoing need for new hand-crafted knitted hats, scarves, bonnets and blankets. We have provided children at Catholic Charities, Women Infant and Children's, St. Gianna Molla House and Jericho Road with these articles of warm clothing. This is a beautiful reminder of the church communities' love and prayer. Please join them in fulfilling the Gospel call to comfort those in need with warmth and love. Donations can be made online at www.bonnetsforbabies.com or check us on Facebook. **A special thank you on behalf of our children and families, and to all who have been so generous in this ministry**



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Rosemary Bloch, Clarence Fomess, Laurie Hoehn, Tracy Allen Abram, Pasual Yauzzi, 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.

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 298 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$6146.00. The Black and Indian Missions collection totaled \$884.00. 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 purposes."

THIS WEEK AT SAINT LOUIS

SATURDAY, March 11th:

4:00 pm: Regular Offertory including the Weekly Collection and Maintenance & Repairs Collection and Fuel Collection

SUNDAY, March 12th:

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

9:50—10:50: PreK-10th Grade Faith Formation Classes in the Church Hall

12:00 noontime: RCIA meets in the Sacristy

SATURDAY, March 18th:

4:00 pm: Regular Offertory including the Weekly & Pew Rent Collection

SUNDAY, March 19th:

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Regular Offertory including the Weekly & Pew Rent Collection

12:00 noontime: St. Joseph's Table in the Church Hall

12:00 noontime: RCIA meets in the Sacristy

12:00 noontime: Baptism of Mia Rose Ieraci

WORD OF LIFE

"We are facing an enormous and dramatic clash between good and evil, death and life, the 'culture of death' and the 'culture of life'. We find ourselves not only 'faced with' but necessarily 'in the midst of' this conflict; we are all involved and we all share in it, with the inescapable responsibility of choosing to be unconditionally pro-life."

The Gospel of Life 28

VOCATION TOUGHT

A random encounter with Jesus completely transformed the woman at the well. This happens all the time in ministry, and it's a joy to behold. Come and find that joy. Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716 847-5535 or visit www.buffalovocations.org.

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 18th and Sunday March 19th. Carnations will be \$1.00 each and available at the Main Street entrance. All sales will be donated to Catholic Charities.

ST JOSEPH'S TABLE TICKETS ON SALE THIS WEEKEND

Please join us to celebrate our annual St. Joseph's Table on Sunday, March 19th from 12:00 — 2:00 pm in the church hall. Tickets can be purchased this weekend after the 4pm Mass on Saturday and after both masses on Sunday at the Main Street entrance of the church. Prices are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children. Your ticket entitles you to a dine-in or take-out dinner. Gluten-free options will be available. Advance tickets help us plan how much food to include. We hope you can join us for this delicious meal.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

There is still time to participate in Catholic Charities' **HOPE for the 100th**. Personal Care Items Drive. From now until March 24th, we are asking the community to collect donations of new and unopened toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, feminine hygiene products, deodorant, lotion etc. Items collected will be given to individuals and families in need across our eight counties. To sign up your group, parish or school, email Jewell Eason, Catholic Charities Events & Administrative Associate, at jewell.eason@ccwny.org. Appeal 2023 is ongoing. Make a contribution at www.ccwny.org/donate or text GIVEHOPE23 to 44321 today.

BISON FUND APPLICATION DEADLINE

The Bison Fund is a tuition assistance program helping economically eligible children attend private grammar schools of their choice. The application process is now open for new families. To start the process, families can complete a pre-application form online at <http://bisonfund.com/our-scholarships>. The deadline to apply for a scholarship is **March 15, 2023**. Scholarships are awarded using a lottery system from all submitted pre-application forms and all applicants will be notified of lottery results via mail on March 16th, 2023.

If you have questions or need further information, please contact the BISON Fund office at 716 854-0869 or email cmcdonald@bisonfund.com.

PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND

Travel to Ireland, the "Land of Saints and Scholars," from October 19-27, 2023 with Fr. Paul Seil, Pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, a member of our "Family of Parishes." Limited openings for the group are available. For complete information and to register, call Kathy-Jo at Travel Outlet, 716 675-1190.

HOPE AFTER HEARTACHE

The Buffalo Diocesan Cemeteries offers a comprehensive grief support program for those who have lost a loved one. Open to the community; no charge. Call Marianne Hubert, Director of Grief Support Services, at 716 873-6500 for a brochure of grief support times and locations as well as other activities provided, or email mhubert@buffalocatholiccemeteries.org.



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