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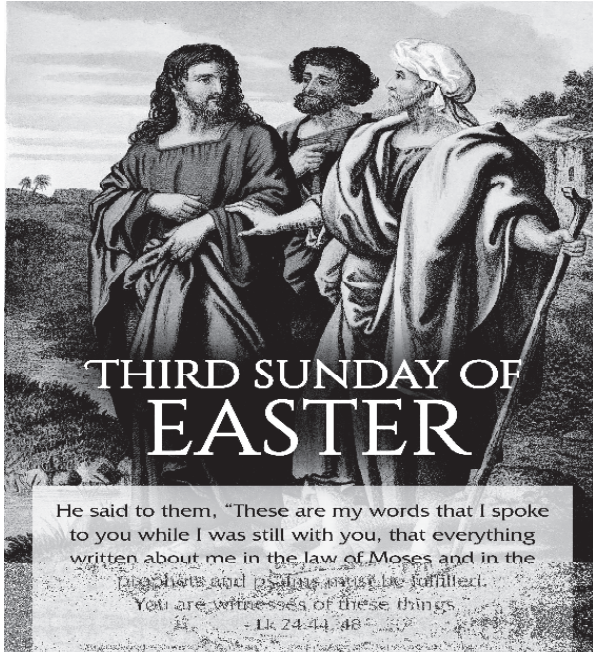
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## PARISH COUNCIL OFFICERS

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.

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. Laudenschach..... 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

## 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.

*Announced Masses of the Week*

**SATURDAY, April 14:**  
**4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
 Michael and Chris Marie Halicki, by Family

**SUNDAY, April 15: THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**9:00 am:** Joseph Vasi, by Family  
**11:00 am:** Charles Barone, by Anthony Mauro

**MONDAY, April 16: EASTER WEEKDAY**  
**12:05 pm:** For the People of Saint Louis Parish

**TUESDAY, April 17: EASTER WEEKDAY**  
**12:05 pm:** Marge Douglas, by Tom and Shelly Reidy

**WEDNESDAY, April 18: EASTER WEEKDAY**  
**12:05 pm:** Larry J. and Marie E. Schieber, by Marie Schieber Estate

**THURSDAY, April 19: EASTER WEEKDAY**  
**12:05 pm:** George Rodgers, by D. Hausle

**FRIDAY, April 20: EASTER WEEKDAY**  
**12:05 pm:** Catherine Feist, by Estate

**SATURDAY, April 21:**  
**2:00 pm:** Wedding of Peter Grace, Jr. and Bridgett Scahall  
**4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
 Dr. and Mrs. George O'Grady, by Family

**SUNDAY, April 22: FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**9:00 am:** Deceased Members of the Vetter Family  
**11:00 am:** Richard Neil, by William and Patricia Kraft

**SCHEDULE OF LECTORS**

**Weekend of April 21st and April 22nd**

**4:00 pm:** Ann Dumansky  
**9:00 am:** John Loss  
**11:00 am:** Christina Mandolfo

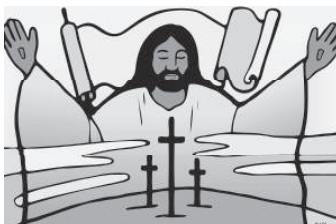


**SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL**

**MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**Weekend of April 21st and April 22nd**

**4:00 pm:** Mike Mikos, Debbie Guillow, Jane Pelosi and Jim Ferrini  
**9:00 am:** Al Bluemle, Rosemary Bloch and Fred and Marilyn Steffan  
**11:00 am:** Debbie Beller, Michael Mandolfo and Ryan and Lindsay McGowan



**MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLE**



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of **Brian Swiech, requested by the Sprague Family.**

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.

**RESEARCH AND PLANNING**

Just as the pastor of the parish relies on the Parish Council and Finance Council for direction, so too the bishop of the diocese relies on several bodies for advice and direction in his ministry to the people of the church entrusted to him. One body that the bishop relies on is the Presbyteral Council, a council of priests appointed by the bishop, elected and ex officio.

At a recent Presbyteral Council meeting, concerns were raised about certain matters regarding the spiritual welfare of the priests and people of our Diocese, including the liturgical life in our parishes, and the number of Masses celebrated at each parish.

It was recommended to Bishop Malone that a task force begin a comprehensive study and research of our parish weekend Mass schedules. Of great importance is the spiritual and physical health of our priests and the vibrant celebration of the Eucharist in all our parishes. The task force will be reviewing the Mass schedules to assure that parishes have the appropriate number of weekend Masses. The research will include an emphasis on strengthening the prayerful celebration of the Eucharist.

This study will include measuring the seating capacity in churches and counting Mass attendance for 3 consecutive weeks: April 15, 22 and 29. This is something we do each week already so our statistics are readily available. However, it is recommended that we count the number of people attending Mass these weekends at St. Michael's Church and for St. Michael's Church to count the number of Mass attendees at St. Louis. Therefore, I will be in contact with Father Ben Fiore, SJ, the pastor of St. Michael's Church to coordinate our efforts.

As you know, several years ago we consolidated our schedule of Masses so that one priest could take care of the whole weekend. The goal of this is to ensure that with a declining number of priests, we should not expect priests to celebrate more liturgies on a weekend than are needed and to encourage more vibrant celebration of the Eucharist.

*Msgr. Manganello*



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Joel Rivera, Theresa Dominski, Norene Wesolek, Paul Setlock, Loretta Rembold, Lynn Goslinski, Carla Latucca, Theresa Dixon, Tracy Abram, Mamie Kate Johnson, Bud Vetter, Deborah Buyers, John Zawistowski, 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 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 398 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$8,122.00.

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, April 14th

**4:00 pm:** The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection

#### SUNDAY, April 15th

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

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

**12 noon:** Baptism of Isabel Mae DiPerna

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### WORD OF LIFE

"All of us are called to offer others an explicit witness to the saving love of the Lord, who despite our imperfections offers us his closeness, his word and his strength, and gives meaning to our lives."

~ Pope Francis

### VOCATION THOUGHT

After some time of journeying to Emmaus, and after failure to recognize the risen Jesus at first, two of Jesus' disciples recognized the Risen Lord as he broke bread with them. Might Jesus be calling you to make His presence known by this very gesture? If God is calling you to a Church vocation call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

### FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

There is a powerful message in Luke's Gospel today that peace and communion come from understanding. We learn of encounters Jesus had with his followers, where people are gathered together listening and learning. The followers begin to find peace, not only with God, but with one another. Jesus opened up their minds and they began to understand. Jesus tells them "you are witnesses of these things" and they learn that the understanding they have received is to be shared with others. As Christians, we need to know that God desires that all nations, all people, should share in this peace and communion. Like Jesus, we need to help others to overcome ignorance of God's love, both for every individual and for the entire world.

### PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION BALLOT AND CANDIDATES' BIOGRAPHIES

This weekend we are conducting our annual Parish Council election. Every year, parishioners nominate and elect five willing parishioners to serve as Parish Council members for a three-year term. Six parishioners have accepted nomination for election this year. You will find the Parish Council election ballots in this week's bulletin. Please take a few minutes to review each candidate's biography and vote for the five candidates of your choice. Place the ballots in the ballot boxes located at the church entrances. Election results will be announced in next week's bulletin. It is important that the parishioners have input into guiding the work of the parish. The Parish Council election is another way for everyone to participate in the life of our faith community.

### PEOPLE OF FAITH:

#### LIVING AS DISCIPLES PROGRAM

Please join us for our People of Faith: Living as Disciples program on Sunday, April 29th from noon to 1:30 p.m. in our Church basement and museum. Our topic will be "Celebrating St. Louis Parish: The Men and the Women behind the Saint and the Church." Presented by Michael Riester, Church Archivist, and Dr. Wendy Mistretta.

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES

**Blossom into a New Friendship**—The Telephone Assurance Program (TAP) serving Erie and Chautauque Counties, and the Friendly Phones program serving Orleans County, are free volunteer services providing regular telephone calls to homebound elderly and disabled persons to check on their well-being and to give people an opportunity to socialize. Relationships grow and last for years through a regular 5 to 15 minute call. These friendly calls can alleviate some concerns facing those who live alone, and can help them maintain their independence. If you know of someone who would like to receive calls or to volunteer to make calls, call (585) 343-0614, ext. 18, for Friendly Phones and (716) 218-1400 for TAP. **"Love your neighbor" Gal. 5:14. Appeal 2018 is still ongoing. Donate at [ccwny.org/donation](http://ccwny.org/donation).**

### JOURNEY INTO LOVE

The Office of Family Life Ministries is looking for married couples to assist with the monthly diocesan marriage preparation program, Journey Into Love. Married couples help by giving a 20 minute talk once or twice year on essential topics and issues that engaged and newly married couples face. Married couples that support this ministry find it beneficial to their own marriage and their efforts contribute to the strengthening of family life as couples prepare for their marriage. If you are interested in finding out more about this very successful diocesan marriage program, call the Family Life Office at 847-2210.

### CATHOLIC ACADEMY CORNER

- ◆ **Spring Open House** for families interested in enrolling children for September 2018 will be held on **Sunday, April 15th from 10:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.** Limited space is available in our very popular **part-time Pre-K 3 year-old program**. Meet our principal, faculty and parents. Information on tuition assistance and registration available. Please call 885-6111 for further information.
- ◆ CAWB Auction is **Saturday, April 28th at 6:00**. New this year (4) day passes to Disney Theme Park!! Admission is a low \$10.00, adults only, beer and wine. Come join the fun!

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