

# 2019 St. Louis Church

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President..... Frank Pelosi  
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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.



### 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." - Jn 20:27

### 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.

### 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 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

## Announced Masses of the Week

### SATURDAY, April 27:

- 2:00 pm: Wedding of Brandon Bova and Alison Barone  
 4:00 pm: **VIGIL FOR SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)**  
 Living and Deceased of the Earl Young Family,  
 by Marilyn Young

### SUNDAY, April 28: THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

- 9:00 am: Ann Marie Piccillo, by Family  
 11:00 am: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Majka, by Marilyn and Robert Bujnicki

### MONDAY, April 29: SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA

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

### TUESDAY, April 30: SAINT PIUS V, POPE

- 12:05 pm: Sammy Alberts, by Geoffrey Klass

### WEDNESDAY, May 1: SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER

- 12:05 pm: Lee Volo, Sr., by Marilyn Young

### THURSDAY, May 2: SAINT ATHANASIUS, BISHOP

- 12:05 pm: Repose of the Soul of Sister Elizabeth Kovacs,  
 by Oczeck Family

### FRIDAY, May 3: SAINT PHILIP AND SAINT JAMES, APOSTLES

- 12:05 pm: Marian Kettler, by Geoffrey Klass and Sarah Steffer

### SATURDAY, May 4:

- 2:00 pm: Wedding of Robert Selby and Lauren Kryszak  
 4:00 pm: **VIGIL FOR THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
 Kevin McCue, by Sondra Schreiber

### SUNDAY, May 5: THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

- 9:00 am: Janice Morawski, by Walter and Florence Kowal  
 11:00 am: Eleanor Brayer, by Sr. Carol Cimino and Department of Catholic Schools

### SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of May 4th and May 5th

- 4:00 pm: Kaitlin Kasperski  
 9:00 am: Wendy Mistretta  
 11:00 am: Joyce Persico



### SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of May 4th and May 5th

- 4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky, Diane Randazzo and Frank and Jane Pelosi  
 9:00 am: Rosemary Bloch, Susan Ministero and Tim and Mary O'Shea  
 11:00 am: Pam Nordstrom, Carolann Besch 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 **Ethel Agoston, requested by Dick and Mary Agoston**. 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.

### TELL THE WORLD THE GOOD NEWS

We have all been troubled by the events in the Church during the past year that the clergy sex abuse scandal has caused. April 29th is the feast of St. Catherine of Siena, who we honor at the end of the month. St. Catherine was born in 1347 and became a lay Dominican who learned to read and write as a teenager. She would go on to write over four hundred letters to close associates, as well as influential political and Church leaders, including the pope. Today she is considered a doctor of the Church. As a young woman, she traveled to Avignon in France to tell Pope Gregory XI, who was living there at the time, to return to Rome and dedicate himself to rebuilding the Church.

St. Catherine lived at a time of deep division and corruption among Christians and Church leaders. Her advice to herself and others was "be who God meant you to be, and you will set the world on fire."

Most of us won't be called to act as dramatically as St. Catherine, but our love for the Church can inspire us to do the work that Christ has called us to do, that is be true to the Gospel.

We have just begun the Easter season, a season of grace and renewal for all Church members as we give witness to the living and loving Christ in our world.

*Msgr. Manganello*

### Catholic Charities

As of April 22, 2019

Goal: \$11,000,000  
 Raised: \$6,605,495.54  
 Amount to Raise: \$4,394,504.46

St. Louis Goal: \$116,216.25  
 Raised: \$75,570  
 Amount to Raise: \$40,646.25



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Ashley Winder, David Marchetti, Eric Gliniski, Richard Devita, Ray Sharrer, Frank Zawistowski, Delores Needham,

Sara Ascela, Will Travis, Amy Vilz, Patricia Bortle, 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 752 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$11,142.00 and Holy Land collection was \$832.00.

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 27th

**4:00 pm:** The Regular Offertory Collection Including Catholic Home Missions Appeal Collection

#### SUNDAY, April 28th

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

**9:00 am & 11:00 am:** The Regular Offertory Collection Including Catholic Home Missions Appeal Collection

**12:00—1:30 pm:** People of Faith: Honoring our Earliest Parishioners—Church Hall

#### SATURDAY, May 4th

**9:00 am:** First Communion Rehearsal

**10:30 am:** First Penance Service

**4:00 pm:** The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection

**4:00 pm:** Western New York Catholic Available

#### SUNDAY, May 5th

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

**9:00 am & 11:00 am:** Western New York Catholic Available

**11:00 am:** First Communion Mass

### WORD OF LIFE

"When battered by life's storms, or immersed in a dense fog of suffering and uncertainty, we may feel alone and unequipped to handle the circumstances. Yet with words that echo through thousands of years into the corners of our hearts, the Lord says to us, 'Do not fear: I am with you' (Isaiah 41:10)."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

2017-18 Reflect Life Reflection

### VOCATION THOUGHT DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

It is an unspeakable blessing that from our Lord flows boundless mercy, which is stronger than all of our sins combined. We should never forget this or take it for granted. Can God be calling you to help share His mercy in a profound way? 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](http://www.buffalovocations.org)!

### PEOPLE OF FAITH HISTORY PROGRAM

We welcome our parishioners and friends to our program on **Sunday, April 28th from 12—1:30 p.m.** in our Church Hall. The event will include lunch and the **GRAND OPENING** of a **NEW** exhibit for our Museum with a program **HONORING OUR EARLIEST PARISHIONERS** led by our own Michael Riester (Church Archivist) and Dr. Wendy Mistretta.

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Spring is a time of hope and renewal. If you or someone you know is struggling with addiction, we can help. **Catholic Charities' Chemical Dependency Treatment Program** in Buffalo has immediate openings. The outpatient program is New York State OASAS licensed and aims to treat addiction with a combination of therapy and medicine. More information on the program can be found at [www.ccnw.org/services/outpatient-clinic](http://www.ccnw.org/services/outpatient-clinic). To begin the referral process, call Central Intake at (716) 895-1033. In addition, counseling for individuals and families is always available at our neighborhood offices across WNY. Donate at [ccwny.org/donation](http://ccwny.org/donation).

**Help your neighbor find hope. Appeal 2019 is still ongoing.**

### A CHORAL EVENING

The Events Committee of St. Margaret Parish will host the Choir of St. Louis Church as they present *A Choral Evening* on May 9 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Margaret Church, 1395 Hertel Avenue, Buffalo. Featured will be works of Bach, Mozart, Farrant, Ouseley, Friedel, Poston, and others. A free-will offering will benefit St. Luke's Mission of Mercy. The St. Louis Choir, led by Frank Scinta, is an all-volunteer ensemble composed of members from St. Louis Parish and beyond. They lead the musical worship of St. Louis Church each Sunday at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. For more information, contact Diane, Secretary at St. Margaret Church—716-876-5318.

### CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! Right now, over 40% of dioceses in the United States are considered mission territory because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work in their communities. Your donations support programs, such as religious education, seminary formation, and lay ministry training, to build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. Find more information at [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).

### FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus say twice to His disciples, "Peace be with you." What he was offering was complete peace—a real wholeness and well-being for their lives. His message still has powerful meaning today. Rabbinic literature at the time of Christ extolled peace as the greatest possible blessing. In fact, one of the most renowned sages of that time, Rabbi Hillel, defined peace as the heart of Judaism, instructing people to, "Love peace...and pursue it." To bring about this peace, Jesus took action. After saying, "Peace be with you," Jesus tells the disciples, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." He is telling them to go forth and help those in need so that others may experience peace too. The disciples went on to follow his direction: healing and caring for others...and bringing peace...just as Jesus did. How might we be agents of peace in our time?

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