

Oldest Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Buffalo Founded in 1829

Celebrating Our 193rd Anniversary

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DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION BUSINESS MANAGER	
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PARISH COUNCIL OFFICERS

President	
Vice-President	
Secretary	

MASSES

Saturday	
Sunday	
Eve of the Holy Day	4:30 p.m.
Holv Day	
Mon-Fri	
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

The Catholic Academy of West Buffalo Grades Pre-K to 8 1069 Delaware Ave. • Buffalo, NY 14209 • (716) 885-6111

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 Raffeiner	1850-1851
Reverend William Deiters	1855-1861
Reverend J. E. Moshall	
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, September 24th: Vigil of the Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2:00 pm: Wedding of Brett Lanham & Courtney Dec 4:00 pm: Robert & Jean Halicki, by Family 5:30 pm: Wedding of Steve Mesmer and Becky Jean Horace

SUNDAY, September 25th: Twenty Sixth Sunday in **Ordinary Time**

9:00 am: Doreen Zimpfer, by Kevin & Mark Brayer 11:00 am: Deceased Members of the St. Louis & Blessed Sacrament Choirs, by the St. Louis Choir

MONDAY, September 26th: Sts. Cosmas & Damian 12:05 pm: For the People of St. Louis Parish

TUESDAY, September 27th: St. Vincent de Paul 12:05 pm: For All Souls

WEDNESDAY, September 28th: St. Wenceslaus, St. Lawrence Ruiz & Companions

12:05 pm: For All Souls

THURSDAY, September 29th: St. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael

12:05 pm: Bill Kurzdorfer, by Marilyn Young

FRIDAY, September 30th: St. Jerome

12:05 pm: Herbert Bucki, by the Bucki Family

SATURDAY, October 1st: Vigil for the Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

12:00 noon: Wedding of Marco Ciccarelli & Mary Blackley 2:00 pm: Wedding of William Tierney & Erika Kielich 4:00 pm: Living & deceased Members of the Earl Young Family, by Marilyn Young

SUNDAY, October 2nd: Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time—Respect Life Sunday

9:00 am: Souls of Jim & MaryAnn cannon, by the Burns Family

11:00 am: Kathleen A. Drury & Thomas M. Smith, by Charles & Grace Martorana

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS Weekend of October 1st & 2nd

4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky 9:00 am: John Loss 11:00 am: Mike Wrona



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION Weekend of October 1st & 2nd

4:00 pm: Jim Ferrini 9:00 am: Susan Ministero 11:00 am: Tim McCarthy





MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES

The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of Evelyn Foegen Jaros, requested by Ron & Margaret Foegen. The St. Joseph Candle burns this week in memory of Martin Malone, requested by Margaret & Ron Foegen.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone and anyone who helped me to celebrate 40 years of priesthood last Sunday. I know there were many people who worked on the celebration but I don't want to leave anyone out. So, I won't mention names.

The Mass on Saturday, my actual anniversary date, was attended by family and priest friends who were able to join us. The Mass on Sunday was a joyful celebration enhanced by the presence of the choir. They were most gracious in returning from their summer break a week early.

The reception on Sunday in the church hall received many compliments from those who attended. The gift from the parish of an etched decanter and six glasses are beautiful.

Thank you for your presence, prayers and kind wishes which made the day a true celebration in honor of God's many blessings over the last 40 years.

May God bless all who participated in the joyful celebration.

Msgr. Manganello

ROAD TO RENEWAL UPDATE

As we all have been hearing, all parishes in the Diocese will be configured into families of parishes. This will mean that the 161 parishes in the diocese will become 36 families of parishes. Each family will have one pastor leading the parishes in that family.

As was announced some time ago the downtown parishes will make up one family of parishes. This includes Blessed Sacrament, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, St. Anthony, St. Louis, St. Michael, and St. Joseph Cathedral.

Originally, we were scheduled to begin forming our family of the downtown parishes next year. The team that is leading the Road to Renewal decided it would be better to begin earlier so that everyone would be functioning under the same model of church. Therefore, as part of the new phase 1, we will begin formation of our family of parishes November 1st this vear.

Activation on November 1st in no way implies that parishes are functioning as a family. This simply begins the process of collaboration and forming the family to function in the future. The goal is that after six months, the preparation and work over that period of time will result in the family beginning to function as a *family* which is foreseen to be May 1, 2023.

As more information becomes available, we will keep you informed.

In your prayers...

Manager Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Joan Smeader, Beverly Grover, Gary Witman, Billy Jacobbi, Kim Bach, Bill & Donna Reeves, Richard Shepheard, 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 John Rozanski and all of our recently 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 248 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$4051.00. Our online donations totaled \$55.00. The Campaign for Catholic Education collection totaled \$358.00

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, September 24th:

4:00 pm: Regular Weekly Offering Collection and collection for Seminarian & Diaconate Formation

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- 9:00 am & 11:00 am: Regular Weekly Offering Collection and collection for Seminarian & Diaconate Formation
- 9:50-10:50 am: PreK-10th grade Faith Formation Classes in the Church Hall

12:00 noon: RCIA Meets in the Sacristy

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2:30 pm: Holy Trinity Church (Medina, NY) Confirmation Class tours St. Louis Church

PARISH RETREAT OPPORTUNITY

Please join us on October 11st at 5:30PM for our parish retreat. Joining the parish community of St. Louis will be Tim Redinger leading us on a journey of encountering Christ more in our daily lives through the use of Art and Music. The evening will conclude with adoration and solemn vespers as we journey through the life of Christ looking for truth in answering the question of "*Who do you Say that I Am?*" Light refreshment to follow. Please RSVP to 716 852-6040 ext. 2.

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY OCTOBER 2ND

The second collection is to support our diocesan ministries that have directly served over 1500 families at the five locations of the St. Gianna Pregnancy Outreach Centers and Mother Teresa Home.

RESPECT LIFE MASS ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2ND

Bishop Michael Fisher invites all to St. Joseph Cathedral (50 Franklin St., Buffalo) on Respect Life Sunday as we celebrate the Eucharist at 10:30AM. Blessings of families, babies and expectant mothers will be held after Mass. Come celebrate the gift of LIFE. For more information, call the Office of Pastoral Ministries at 716 847-2205.

NATIONAL LIFE CHAIN

The National Life Chain will take place on Sunday, October 2nd, from 2:00-3:00PM along Niagara Falls Blvd. and outlying areas. Together let us build up the largest chain by participating in this prayerful, peaceful event.

WORD OF LIFE

"Suicidal individuals—with or without a terminal illness typically do not want to die... The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking: Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through a difficult time?"

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Every Suicide is Tragic"

CANDLE PRICES GOING UP

As with most things these days, the cost of Church Candles also has increased substantially lately. We have not raised the price of votive candles in over 20 years. The cost of a votive candle will increase \$1.00. They are going from \$3.00 to \$4.00.

CURSILLO WEEKEND FOR WOMEN

St. Vincent DePaul Parish, 6441 Seneca Street at Rice Road in Elma, will host a Cursillo weekend for women October 20th-23rd. Cursillo is for practicing Catholics who are trying to live their lives as best they know how; free to participate fully in the sacramental life of the Catholic Church; seeking opportunities to deepen their relationship with Jesus and their friendships within their parish community; and active in the life of their parish programs. We invite you to join a refreshing weekend spent meeting Jesus as he comes to you through other Christians. For more information and to register, visit www.buffalocursillo.com.

"CAN WE BECOME A PEACEBUILDING CHURCH AFTER UKRAINE?"

A presentation on the topic above will take place Friday, September 30th at 7PM at the OLV Charities' Glynn Family Conference Center, 780 Ridge Road, Lackawanna. Noted author and Notre Dame professor, Gerard Powers, will be on hand to discuss this thought provoking topic. To register, call 716 828-9616 or online at www.olvbasilica.org/speakers. Free will offering welcome.

VOCATION THOUGHT

All the rich man's wealth could not save his soul. Faith is the only investment that lasts for eternity. Your faith is worth more than gold, real estate, or bitcoin. How will you manage this precious commodity of grace? If God is calling you to a church vocation, Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716 847-5535 or visit www.buffalovocations.org

