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SEPTEMBER 6, 2026
THE 23RD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

FAMILY MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGILS

- St. Louis Parish: 4:00 pm
- Blessed Sacrament: 4:30 pm
- St. Michael's: 5:30 pm
- St. Joseph's Cathedral: 4:30 pm

SUNDAYS

- St. Louis Parish: 9:00 & 11:00 am
 - Blessed Sacrament: 10:30 am
 - St. Michael's: 12:00 pm
 - St. Joseph's Cathedral: 10:30 am
- WEEKDAYS: MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY**

- St. Louis Parish: 12:05 pm
- St. Michael's: 6:45 am

- St. Joseph's: St. Joseph's Cathedral: 12:10 pm (M-W-Th-F) 5:15 pm **Tuesday**

CONFESSION: ON REQUEST AFTER ANY MASS

- St. Louis: Saturdays: 3:15-4:00 pm
- St. Joseph's Cathedral: Wed & Fri 11:45 am; Saturday 4:00 pm
- St. Michael's: after 6:45 am daily until 8:30 am, or by appt. - Fiore20b@gmail.com

- St. Anthony's: 30 mins before all Masses

BAPTISMS: New parents must participate in a virtual pre-baptismal instruction class. Information and registration forms are available on the St. Louis website for the Downtown Family of Parishes. Questions? Contact the Faith Formation Office at religioused@StLouisrcchurch.org.

WEDDINGS: AT ST. LOUIS OR BLESSED SACRAMENT Registered parishioners should call the family office to discuss and check available dates. Arrangements should be made 8 months in advance.

NEW PARISHIONERS: AT ST. LOUIS OR BLESSED SACRAMENT We welcome you to the Downtown Family of Parishes! Registration forms can be found on the websites.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Anointing in preparation of surgery or illness can be done after any Mass. Communal anointing takes place the last Sunday of the month after the Noon Mass at St. Michael's.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS All bulletin submissions must be **pastor approved**. Email to dbfpbulletin@gmail.com



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY September 5

St. Louis 4pm

Bob Vasi ~ Req by: Diane Randazzo

Blessed Sacrament 4:30pm

All Souls

St. Michael's 5:30pm

All Souls

SUNDAY September 6

St. Louis 9am

Bridget Carr ~ Req by: The Frisina Family

St. Louis 11am

Pasquale Mustillo ~ Req by: Louis Mustillo

Blessed Sacrament 10:30am

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St. Michael's 12pm

Theresa K. Mang ~ Req by: Thomas R. Beecher, Jr.

MONDAY September 7 ~ Labor Day

St. Michael's 6:45am

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St. Louis 12:05pm

NO MASS

TUESDAY September 8 ~ The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

St. Michael's 6:45am

James O'Brien

St. Louis 12:05pm

All Souls

THURSDAY September 10

St. Michael's 6:45am

All Souls

St. Louis 12:05pm

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FRIDAY September 11

St. Michael's 6:45am

Birthday Remembrance for Mary Barone ~ Req by: Robert Barone

St. Louis 12:05pm

Kevin Fletcher ~ Req by: Family

SATURDAY September 12m ~ The Most Holy Name of Mary

St. Louis 4pm

All Souls

Blessed Sacrament 4:30pm

Ricky, Hoka, Olivia, & Isabella Cromwell ~ Req by: Peter & Tracy Cromwell

St. Michael's 5:30pm

Wedding Anniversary of James & Teresa Lyons ~ Req by: Family

SUNDAY September 13

St. Louis 9am

Marian & James McLellan ~ Req by: James McLellan

St. Louis 11am

Kevin Christner ~ Req by: Don, Sue, & Orrie Christner

Blessed Sacrament 10:30am

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St. Michael's 12pm

St. Michael's Parishioners ~ Req by: Kevin & Peggy Lyons

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Saint



Louis

EVENTS AT ST. LOUIS

There will be no Mass on Monday, September 7th in observance of Labor Day.

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Kevin Christner by Don, Sue, & Orrie Christner.

The Pieta Altar Candle burns in Loving Memory of Kevin Christner by Don, Sue, & Orrie Christner.

The St. Joseph Altar Candle also burns in Loving Memory of Kevin Christner by Don, Sue, & Orrie Christner.

If you desire to have a Memorial Prayer Candle lit in memory of a loved one or for your special intention, please use the envelope available for that purpose.

We honor requested dates as they are available.

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.

OUR COLLECTION FOR LAST WEEK WAS \$8,552.000
OUR WESHARE COLLECTION WAS \$1,234.71
OUR TOTAL COLLECTION LAST WEEK WAS \$9,786.71

**THE NUMBER OF PARISHIONERS WHO
ATTENDED WAS 334**

PLEASE CONTACT JENNIFER COLLESANO, ESQ. REGARDING A REQUIRED MINIMAL DEDUCTIONS (RMD)

****Please Note: We are only accepting online giving through WeShare.**

WeShare registration forms will be provided electronically and at the back of the church for your convenience.



IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Diane Andriaccio, Gabriella Parisi, Rosemary Bloch, Laurie Hoehn, Tracy Allen Abram, Greg Joseph, Marcella Ng, Beverly Grover, Kim Bach, Bill & Donna Reeves, Richard Shephard, Joseph Barba, Sr., Dr. Fred Luongo, Michael MacPherson, Patricia Guerra, Jay Deveau, Sondra Schreiber, Christine Maciejewski, David Marchetti, Frank Zawistowski, Bernadette R. Crawford, Joyce Persico, Gail Neil, Ed Kast, Linda Holben, Rachel Gaiser, Michael Hawkins, Allie Urbanski, Dr. William Fiden, Sharon Hunger, Fr. Drew Morgan, Larry Kennebeck, Denise Goodman, Jason Parks, Kienan Duggan, Hazel, Jeanine Miranda, John Campbell, Rebecca McCormick Boyle, Joan Kubiniec, Kyleena F., Greg Pratt, Stephanie Dickinson, Daniel Bamrick, Timothy Galbato, Sal Polizzi, Maverick Marchese, Judy Robinson, Cynthia Goetz, Frank Floyd, Daniel Floyd, Margaret Foegen.

Please contact the Parish Office to have a loved one placed on the Prayer List. If their condition continues to warrant our prayers, we will gladly include them as long as necessary.

We remember all those recently deceased, especially Frank J. Calire, and our deceased parishioners and loved ones.

LECTORS/EUCHARIST MINISTERS SEPTEMBER 13 & 14, 2026

Lectors:

Saturday, 4:00 Ann Dumansky

Sunday, 9:00 Diane Randazzo

Sunday, 11:00 Ed Kuzan

Eucharistic Ministers:

Saturday, 4:00 Diane Randazzo

Sunday, 9:00 Paul State

Sunday, 11:00 Lisa & Tim McCarthy

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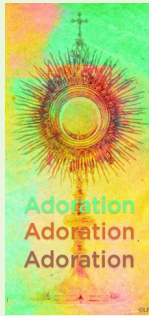


Sacrament

ADORATION WITH ROSARY AND DEVOTION TO THE HOLY FACE

Adoration with Rosary and Devotion to the Holy Face will resume Tuesday, September 15th at 6:00 pm at Blessed Sacrament Church, Delaware Ave.

All are invited to come and spend time in prayer and reflection before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament



LECTOR/EM SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 2026

Lectors

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 4:30 pm

September 5 P. Jones D. Russell

September 12 M. Cusack C. Jones

September 19 L. Urbanski-Farrell C. Russell

September 26 D. Galucki B. Mierszwa

Sunday 10:20 am

Sunday 10:30 pm

September 6 G. Reidel J. Knab

September 13 M. J. Carroll-Devine R. Morgante

September 20 A. Wulf L. Buckley

September 27 M. Pitek C. Pitek

COLLECTION FOR AUGUST 16, 23 & 30, 2026

The collection report for last two weeks is as follows:

August 16

E-giving \$1,980.01

August 23, 2026

E-giving - \$890.01

Weekly - \$1,662.00

Total - \$2,552.01

August 30, 2026

E-giving - \$1,775.01

Weekly - \$2,761.00

Total - \$4,536.01

There will be one collection next week

IS "CHRISTIAN NATIONALISM" CHRISTIAN?

The "Compassion Not Cruelty" Education Team is sponsoring an evening of learning and discussion to answer the question together. This program will be held at North Presbyterian Church, 300 North Forest Road, Williamsville, 14221 on Wednesday, October 14 from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. "Compassion Not Cruelty" is an ecumenical movement (United Church of Christ, Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist, and Roman Catholic clergy and laity) in Western New York urging Christians to advocate for compassion, justice, and inclusion in governance.

For more information contact Catherine Pitek at cathe-rinepited@gmail.com or Kathleen McCarthy at mccarthy2937@aol.com

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES - ENGAGE PARISHIONERS IN DAILY MASS AND PRAYER

Readings for the week of September 6, 2026

Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7b, 7c-9/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24/Lk 6:27-38

Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18/Lk 6:43-49

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

September 6, 2026

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 18:15-20

A few summers ago, my family had a big reunion. It included my parents, my four siblings, and all their many children. One of my favorite moments was simply watching my parents' contented faces as they took in all of us together, laughing, sharing food, singing, telling stories. They loved seeing their children happily together with each other.

That is something like the heart of God we see in today's Gospel message about Christian reconciliation. These verses come right after Jesus' parable of the lost sheep. He is not giving the disciples a cold formula for dealing with conflict. He is revealing the Father's longing for children who love and reconcile with each other. His heart aches when His children are divided and isolated.

So when Jesus says, **"Go and tell your brother his fault,"** He is not deputizing us as morality police. He is inviting us into His mission of reconciliation. When He adds, **"If he listens to you, you have won over your brother,"** we glimpse the real goal. Not winning arguments, but reuniting a divided family.

These days, we often think religion is just between God and me. But the Father's dream is about a lively family, one in which His children forgive, gather, and rejoice together.

Lord Jesus, give me the courage to seek reconciliation where it is needed. Make my heart resemble the Father's heart, longing and working for unity among His children. Amen.

~ Father John Muir

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ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH ATTENDANCE & COLLECTIONS

8/30/26 The collection will be noted in next week's bulletin.

Weekly Collection needed to cover expenses— \$3,200

Registered Families - 42

INFORMATION REQUESTS

For any Parish Information regarding St. Michael's Masses, funerals, prayer requests, please contact the Downtown Family of Parishes office -

Phone - 716-884-0053 Email - dbfpbulletin@gmail.com

IN YOUR PRAYERS FOR ST. MICHAEL'S

Evan, Fran, and Mo Angelo, Judith Barone, Alexander & Michael Brickel, Alonso/Caceres/Rios Santa Cruz, Peter Caruso, Annie Feldman, Mary Biuttner Gutierrez, Gloria Knight, Elain Love, Dr. David Marchetti, Jean McCarthy, Tom Passmire, Arlo Thomas Stadler, Jack Stepniak, Angelo Tomsello, Mark Lisiecki.

ST. MICHAEL'S INFORMATION

Holy Hour: Join us Sundays for a Holy Hour starting at 1pm, featuring exposition, adoration, rosary, and silent prayer until 2pm at which time the church will close.

St. Michael's Update:

As of 4/16/2026, twice, the Dicastery of the clergy (Vatican) has upheld Bishop Fisher's decision to merge St. Michael's with St. Louis.

A third and final petition has been filed with the Signatura of the Dicastery of the clergy.

We are awaiting this final decision of the Vatican.

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Happenings

VOCATION JOURNEYS IN OUR DOWNTOWN FAMILY OF PARISHES...PRIEST, SEMINARIAN, PERMANENT DEACON

Br. Paul Pierre Maturin was born in 1994 in Maurice, LA. to Randy & Tammy Maturin. He is the third of six children. He graduated from North Vermilion High School in 2013 and then attended the University of Louisiana at Lafayette for two years before entering the seminary for the Diocese of Lafayette in 2015. He graduated from St. Joseph's Seminary college in 2018 with a Bachelor's of Liberal Arts. He spent a year teaching at St. Edmund's Catholic in Eunice, LA. and serving at St. Anthony of Padua Parish. He then spent two years at Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans, LA. before joining the Oratory of Philip Neri in 2011 with hopes of forming an Oratory of St. Philip Neri here in Buffalo. Paul Pierre was ordained a transitional Deacon by Bishop Fisher in 2026 and will be ordained a priest in November 7th at St. Louis. He is in residence at the Oratory of St. Anthony of Padua.

Br. Angelo Catalano, a Buffalo guy, was born on July 20, 1999 to Roseanne & Scott Catalano. He is one of two children. He grew up in St. Gregory the Great Parish. He graduated St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute in 2018 and then attended Niagara University. After college, he worked various jobs and has been in full time discernment with the St. Philip Neri House since February 2025. Br. Angelo has been accepted by the Diocese as a Seminarian and will begin his studies for priesthood in September. He will be in residence at the Oratory of St. Anthony of Padua.

Mark Conlon is a devoted husband to his wife, Wendy, and the proud father of eight children, as well as a joyful grandfather - "Nonno" - to four grandchildren. A man whose life is rooted in faith and family. He is usually serving on our altars downtown! He is beginning his third year in his formation for the Permanent Deacon program, where he continues to deepen his commitment to service, prayer, and the life of the Church. Mark is also a proud member of the Federation of Italian Societies, celebrating his heritage and contributing to the cultural life of the community. Mark and Wendy live in Tonawanda.

All three men are asking for your continued prayers as they discern their vocations and begin their ministry to the Church of Buffalo!

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SPIRIT JEOPARDY

Spirit Jeopardy will take place Wednesday, October 21, 2026 from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm in the **Church Hall at St. Louis Church** at Main and Edward Streets. All are welcome to attend.

Parking is available in the parking lot behind St. Louis - off of Franklin Street.

2026 - 2027 FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

We are excited to welcome families to the 2026-2027 Faith Formation Program! Our year will begin on **Catechetical Sunday, September 20th**, and continue through April.

Faith Formation sessions will alternate between Blessed Sacrament and St. Louis Churches, and will include a variety of opportunities for families to grow in faith together, including family faith formation lessons, service experiences, and at-home sessions each month.

All children, ages 4 through 10th grade, are warmly invited to participate. Whether your family is returning or joining us for the first time, we look forward to growing together in faith and community throughout the year.

Detailed program information can be found here:

<https://stlouisrcchurch.org/religious-education/prek-10-grade-faith-formation/>

New Families: Please complete the online registration form and submit via email to Ashlee Campbell.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Ashlee Campbell at 443-744-0354 or religious@stlouisrcchurch.org

We look forward to a wonderful year full of faith, service, and community!

VIRTUES, EXPLAINED!

Virtues, Explained!

Vindication

Mini Explanation

Vindication is related to the virtue of justice, which seeks to ensure the fairness of human interaction. If we truly put our trust in God and seek to do His will, we may not always have popularity, but we will have truth.

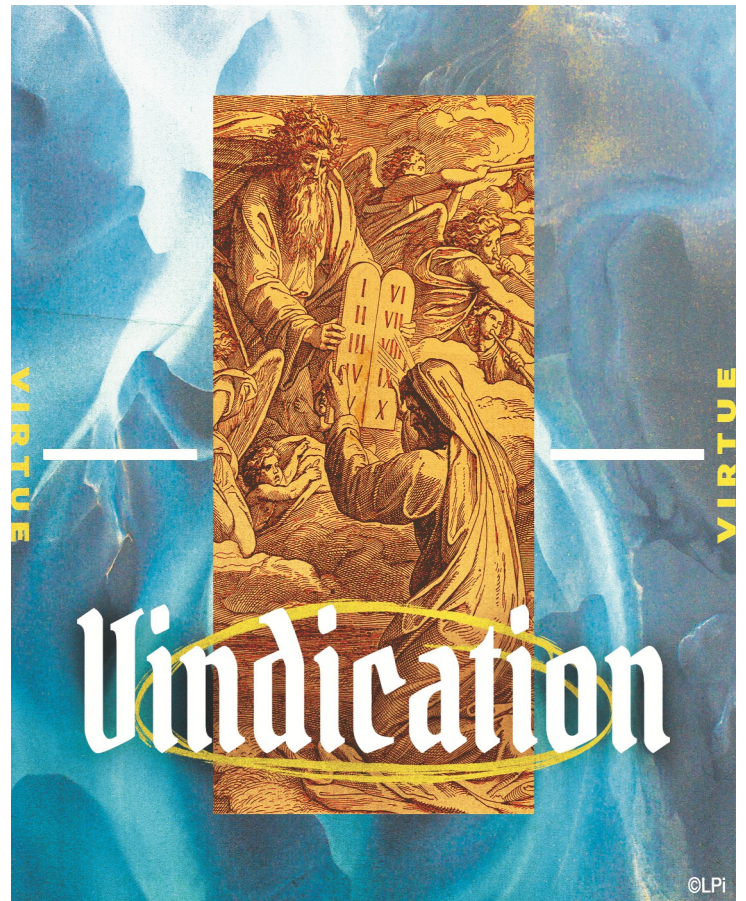
Vindication, Explained!

Most commonly, we understand the term “vindication” in a very legal, argumentative context. We say someone is “vindicated” when they are proven innocent, or when their good name is defended from an accusation.

This isn’t so far from what vindication means in the sense of virtue, either. Vindication is related to the virtue of justice, which demands we honor our duty to God and to one another. Justice seeks to ensure the fairness of human interaction. It seeks to safeguard truth against those who would co-opt it for their own purposes.

If we truly put our trust in God and seek to do His will, we may not always have popularity, but we will have truth: “Commit your way to the Lord, trust in Him and He will act, and make your righteousness shine like the dawn, your justice like noonday.” (Psalm 37:5-6)

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