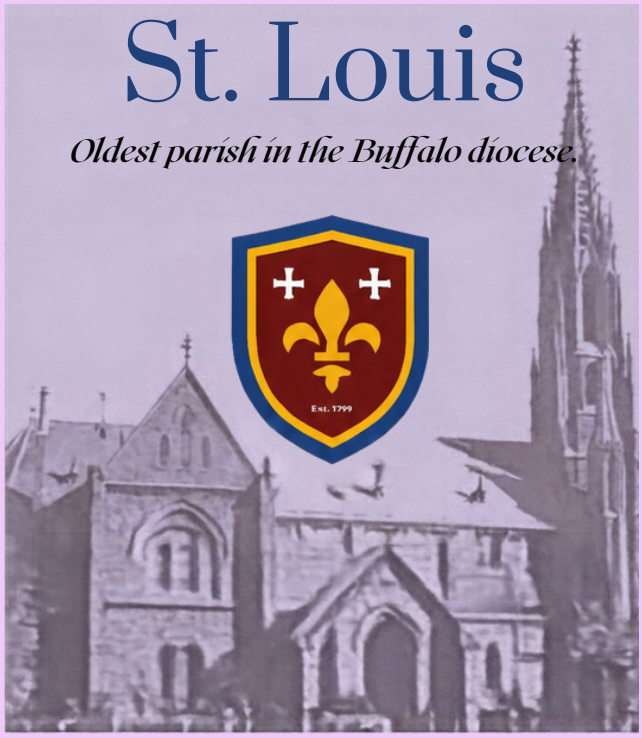
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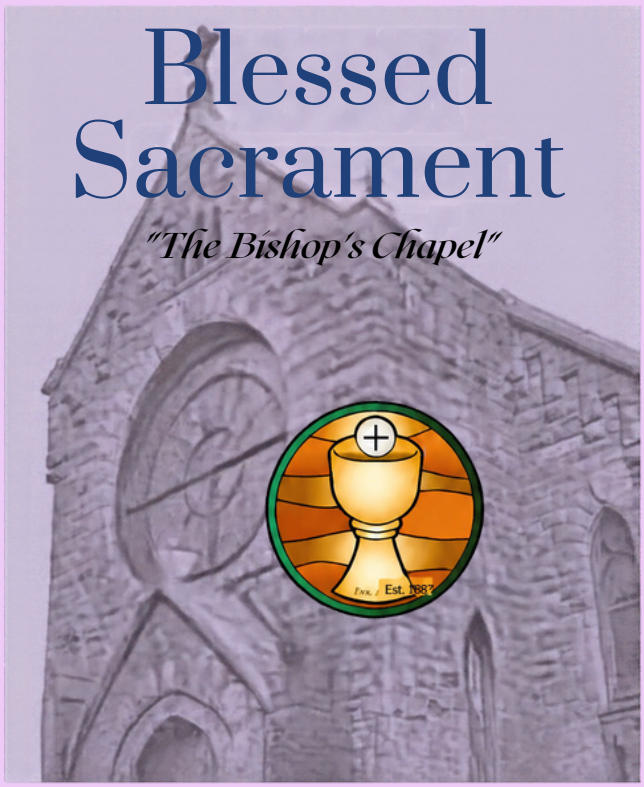
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November 8, 2026
The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 Cathredral 10:30 am

WEEKDAYS: MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY

- St. Louis Parish 12:05 pm
- St. MIchael's 6:45 am
- St. Joseph's Cathredral 12:10 pm (M/W/Th/Fr) 5:15 pm Tuesday
- Oratory of St. Anthony of Padua 6pm Traditional Latin Mass

CONFESSION: ON REQUEST AFTER ANY MASS

St. Louis: Saturday 3:15-4:00 pm
St. Joseph's Cathredral: Wed & Sat 11:45 am, Saturday 4:00 pm
St. Michael's: After 6:45 am daily until 8:30 am or by appt.
Firoe20b@gmail.com
St. Anthony's: 30 min 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

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 preparttionof 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

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday November 7

St. Louis 4 pm
David Randazzo ~ Req by: Diane Randazzo, The Pelosi & Leman Families
Blessed Sacrament 4:30 pm
All Souls
St. Michael's 5:30 pm
For the Soul of Ernest Etoll ~ Req by: Tim & Mary Reid

Sunday November 8

St. Louis 9 am
Jane Rice & (Intentions of) Jean Jain ~ Req by: Thomas Rice
St. Louis 11 am
Bill Nordstrom ~ Req by: Orrie Christner
Blessed Sacrament 10:30 am
Downtown Family of Parishes
St. Michael's 12 pm
Joan Budzynski ~ Req by: Family Friend

Monday November 9 ~ Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

St. Michael's 6:45 am
Robert John Olivieri ~ Req by: Jane & Frank Pelosi
St. Louis 12:05 pm
Bill Nordstrom ~ Req by: The Joseph Sorg Foundation

Tuesday November 10 ~ St. Leo the Great

St. Michael's 6:45 am
Michelle Lehner ~ Req by: Richard Lehner
St. Louis 12:05 pm
Deceased Members of the State & Ritzel Families ~ Req by: The State Family

Thursday November 12 ~ St. Josaphat

St. Michael's 6:45 am
Florence Suminski ~ Req by: Richard Lehner
St. Louis 12:05 pm
Peter Filim ~ Req by: Marla Bujnicki

Friday November 13 ~ St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

St. Michael's 6:45 am
Joan & Jan Tatala ~ Req by: Irene Rozmus
St. Louis 12:05 pm
Deceased Pastors of St. Louis Church

Saturday November 14

St. Louis 4pm
Joseph Dumansky ~ Req by: The Dumansky Family
Blessed Sacrament 4:30 pm
Florence McCarthy ~ Req by: James McCarthy
St. Michael's 5:30 pm
Living & Deceased Members of the Leslie & Ciura Families ~ Req by: Family

Sunday November 15

St. Louis 9am
Jerry & Mary Stockman ~ Req by: Family
St. Louis 11am
Mary A. Deveau ~ Req by: Jay Deveau
Blessed Sacrament 10:30 am
All Souls
St. Michael's 12pm
St. Michael's Parishioners ~ Req by: Kevin & Peggy Lyons

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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Blessed Sacrament	Tuesdays 6pm to 7pm
Saint Michael's	Sundays 1pm to 2pm

SAINT LOUIS

DATE CHANGE!!!!! ST. LOUIS GARDEN SOCIETY (SLGS)

The St. Louis Garden Society (SLGS) will meet Saturday,November 14th at 10:00 am to begin the annual fall cleanup. New volunteers are most welcome!

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Joseph Dumansky by the Dumansky Family.

The Pieta Altar Candle burns in Loving Memory of Joseph Dumansky by the Dumansky Family.

The St. Joseph Altar Candle also burns in Loving Memory of Joseph Dumansky by the Dumansky Family.

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

We honor requested as they are available.

Thank you for Helping children Sleep in Heavenly Peace!

Thank you to all the parishioners who volunteered with Sleep in Heavenly Peace on Saturday, October 31! Together, we built 29 beds, learned new skills, and had a worderful time serving others.

We are also grateful for your generous linen donation, which filled a six-foot bin with all the linen people donated! Sleep in Heavenly Peace was thrilled with our parish's generosity. Thank you for sharing chirst's love and helping children enjoy a warm, comfortable place to sleep.

If you have any suggestions for our next community outreach project, please email Ashlee Campbell (religioused@stlouisrcchurch.org).



SPIRITUAL & 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 asists in reaching out to the people of our neighborhood.

OUR COLLECTION FOR LAST WEEK WAS $5,011.00
OUR WESHARE COLLECTION WAS $1,335.00
OUR TOTAL COLLECTION LAST WEEK WAS $6,346.00
THE NUMBER OF PARISHIONERS WH ATTENDED WAS 348.

Utility envelopes can be put in any collection during the month.

PLEASE CONTACT JENNIFER COLLESANO, ESQ. REGARDING MINIMAL DEUCTIONS (RMD) 716-288-5198 or Jen@jrcollesano.com

**Please Note: We are only accepting online giving through WeShare.WeShare registration forms will be provided electronically and at the back of church for your convenience.

St. Louis Angel Tree

Help share Christmas joy with Buffalo-area children who have an incarcerated parent. Beginning **November 14**, choose an angel tag from the Christmas tree, purchase a gift valued at approximately **$25**, and return it wrapped or unwrapped by **Sunday, December 6**. Each tag includes a gift idea.

Prefer to donate? A **$25 cash donation** allows Angel Tree volunteers to purchase and wrap a gift on your behalf. Parish volunteers will deliver gifts to the children's homes.

Many participating families received gifts last year. Through this ongoing outreach, we hope to strengthen relationships and help families feel connected to our parish community.

For questions or to volunteer to deliver gifts contact **Ashlee Campbell** at **443-744-0354** or **religioused@stlouisrcchurch.org**.

Thank you for sharing Christ's love, joy, and hope this Christmas!

LECTORS/EMs
NOVEMBER 14 & 15, 2026

Lectors

Saturday	**4pm**	Ann Dumansky
Sunday	**9 am**	Christian Gugliuzza
Sunday	**11 am**	Pam Nordstrom

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday	**4 pm**	Jim Ferrini
Sunday	**9 am**	Bob Sprague
Sunday	**11 am**	Lisa & Tim McCarthy

Blessed Sacrament

COLLECTION FOR NOVEMBER 1, 2026

The collection report for last week is as follows:

E-giving $2,925.01

Weekly $5,595.00

Total $8,520.01

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Parishioners Who Have Passed Away in 2026

Concetta LaPenna 1/27/2026

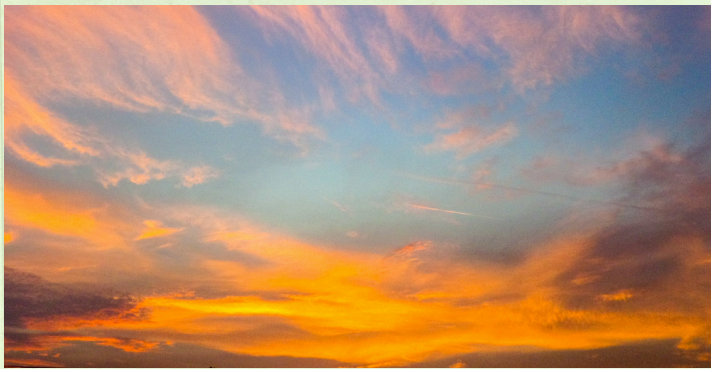
Miriam Langan 2/13/2026

Mary Jo Goldstein 3/16/2026

Mary Davidson-Rodriguez 5/8/2026

Barbara Gough Dutton 5/13/2026

May they rest in eternal peace.

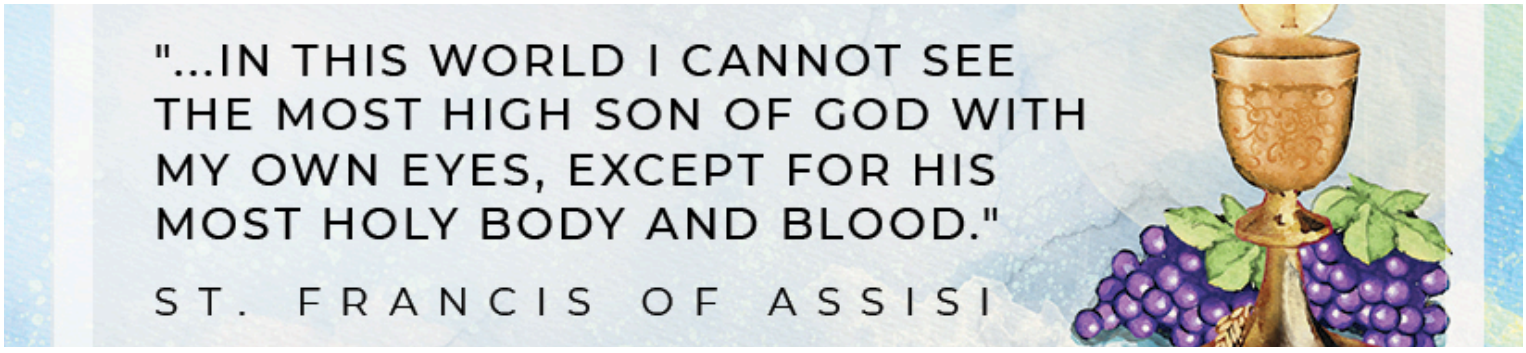


LECTORS/EMs November 2026

Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Saturday 4:30 pm	**Saturday 4:30 pm**
Oct 31: M. Cusack	B. Mierszwa
Nov 7: P. Jones	C. Russell
Nov 14: L. Urbanski-Farrell	D. Russell
Nov 21: D. Galucki	B. Mierszwa
Nov 28 F. Conti	C. Jones
Sunday 10:30 am	**Sunday 10:30 am**
Nov 1: G. Riedel	J. Knab
Nov 8:	R. Morgante
Nov 15: M. Pitek	
Nov 22: A. Wulf	L. Buckley
Nov 29: M. Pitek	C. Pitek

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES - ENGAGE PARISHIONERS IN DAILY MASS AND PRAYER
Readings for the week of November 8, 2026

Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13
Monday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7/Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Lk 17:20-25
Friday: 2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 18:1-8



Saint Michael's



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GOSPEL MEDITATION ~ ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

November 8, 2026
Thirty~Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 25:1-13

My first instinct up waking is to grab my phone and start scrolling. Sometimes I'd it for 20 or 30 minutes, and it makes me feel distracted and agitated. I feel guilty, too, for wasting my first moments of the day. So recently, I committed those minutes to reading a book that would focus my mind on Jesus. I enjoy the fact that I am not scattering my attentions as much. I feel more peaceful and focused on God.

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks about attention. He contrasts wise and foolish virgins, and then sums up the teaching by saying, **"Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour" (Matthew 25:13)**. The basic currency of the human heart is *attention*. The foolish bridesmaids are not immoral or malicious; they are unfocused, distracted, and unprepared. They assume that borrowed oil will suffice, that someone else's readiness can make up for their own lack. But the attention which is love cannot be outsourced. A relationship with God requires personal attentiveness cultivated over time.

This Gospel leaves us with an honest question. What am I giving my attention to each day, and am I forming a heart that is awake, watchful, and ready to meet the Lord when He comes? How can I use key moments of my day to focus my attention where I need it to be?

~ Father John Muir ©LPi





ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH ATTENDANCE & COLLECTIONS

11/1/26 $1,749
Second Collection $325.00
Total $2,074.00
11/1/26 Attendance 124

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INFORMATION REQUESTS

For any Parish Information regarding St. Michael's ~ Masses, funerals, prayer requests, please contact the Downtown Family of **Parishes office -**
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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 McCarhty, 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 1 pm, featuring exposition, adoration, rosary, and silent prayer until 2 pm 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 iwith the Signatura of the Dicastery of the clergy.
We are awaiting this final decision of the Vatican.

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Happenings

ADORATION WITH ROSARY AND DEVOTION TO THE HOLY FACE



Adoration with Rosary and Devotion to the Holy Face will occur Tuesday evenings 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

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ADVENT FOOD COLLECTION

The Downtown Families Pastoral Council is again this year sponsoring an **Advent Food Collection**. The idea is a variation on Advent Calendars. **Members of the Downtown Family of Parishes are asked to give a gift every day.**
See the flyer on the tables with suggested food items for each day. **Please bring the items to weekend Masses each week during Advent**. Each parish will collect for the food pantry with which they usually work.



St. Louis Choir to Perform at St. Margaret Church

The choir of St. Louis Church will present ***A Choral Evening*** on **Thursday, November 12th at 7:30 pm in St. Margaret Church**, 1395 Hertel Avenue in Buffalo.
Featured will be works of Gabrieli, Palestrina, Garrant, Ouseley, Friedel, Poston, and others.
The concert is offered in celebration of the North Buffalo Family of Parihes. Admission is free.
Please join us for a lovely hour of great choral music!
MORE INFORMATION: Please call the Downtown Family of Parishes Office - 716-884-0053 / dbfpbulletin@gmail.com



UPCOMING CONVERSATIONS IN CHRIST AT CANISUS UNIVERSITY

Monday, 3/1/2027 5:00 pm

"Constantine's Reign and Influence" George Demacopoulos, Prof of Orth. Christian Studies, Fordham University.
In the Grupp Fireside Lounge

Tuesday, 4/20/2027 7:00 pm

"Hallelujah Anyway: Faith, Hope, and Real Life" Anne Lamott.
In the Montante Cultural Center, Main Street



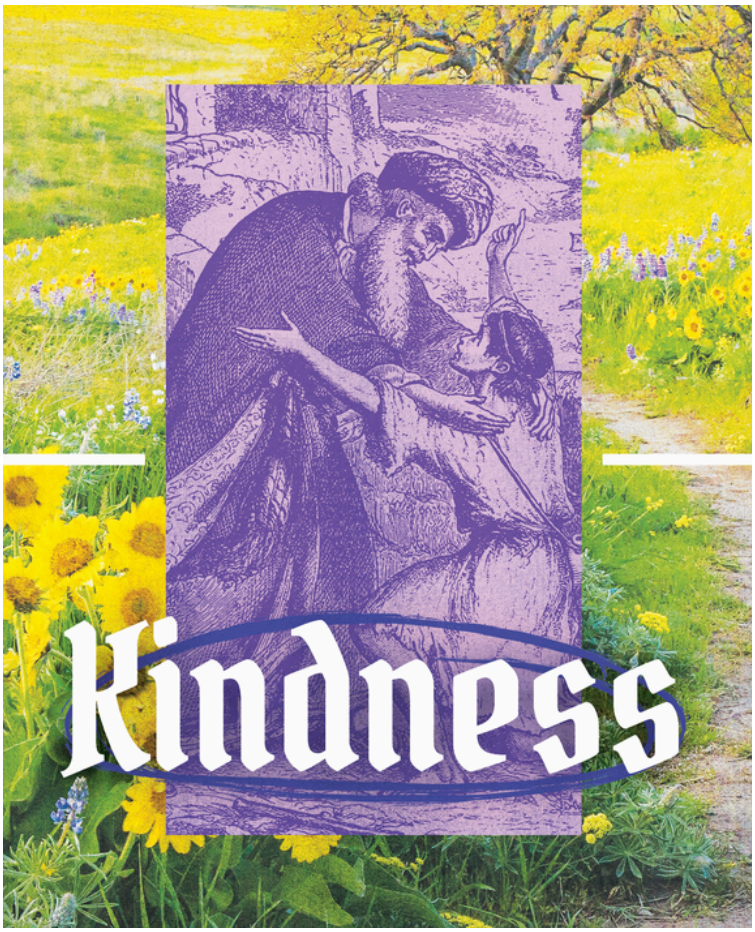
VIRTUES, *EXPLAINED!*

Kindness
Mini Explanation
Also known as benevolence or beneficence and derived from the theological virtue of charity, kindness is a way of seeing others through the eyes of God, who has adopted us as His own.

Kindness, *Explained!*
In the modern lexicon, the quality of "kindness" is often equated with politeness - but real, virtuous kindness is so much more. Virtuous kindness is a way of seeing others through the eyes of God.

God is not polite - God is kind, and His kindness is abundantly evident in all of creation. It was suspicion of this divine kindness that precipitated the fall of Adam and Eve (CCC214), and it was this unfailing kindness that facilitated our own adoption as God's children, conformed to the image of His Son (CCC 257).

Also known as benevolence of beneficence and derived from the theological virtue of charity, kindness is a fruit of the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:44) and is a central theme in the famous parable of the Good Samaritan. In practicing kindness and seeking the good of another without prejudice or condition, the Samaritan reflects God's own plan of loving kindness for us. ©LPi



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