2015

St. Louis Church

Oldest Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Buffalo
Founded in 1829

Celebrating Our 186th Anniversary

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PASTORAL STAFF
Rev. Msgr. John W. Madsen………………………….....Weekend Assistant
Rev. Andrew R. Lauricella……………………………...12:05 Mass—Friday
TRUSTEES………………………………………………….Rosemary Bloch, Michael Mikos
CURATOR OF 1903 KIMBALL PIPE ORGAN …………William Kurzdorfer
ORGANIST/CHOIRMASTER ...................................................Frank Scinta
CANTOR .................................................................................James Mrozek
DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION ……………………..Ashlee Campbell
BUSINESS MANAGER ...............................................................John Beller
SECRETARY ............................................................................Dolores Vasi

PARISH COUNCIL OFFICERS
President ...............................................................................Wendy Mistretta
Vice-President .............................................................................. John Zygaj
Secretary................................................................ …………...Keith Boerner

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.

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………………………………………………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. 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

Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, October 10:
12 noon: Wedding of Justin Bingel and Melissa Bonito
2:00 pm: VIGIL FOR TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Dolores Jones, by Elizabeth Cummings

SUNDAY, October 11: TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9:00 am: Msgr. Robert A. Mack, by St. Louis Parish Council
11:00 am: Eugino Family, by Petrella Family

MONDAY, October 12: COLUMBUS DAY

TUESDAY, October 13: WEEKDAY

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14: SAINT CALLISTUS I, POPE
12:05 pm: Isabelle H. Keenan, by Family

THURSDAY, October 15: SAINT TERESA OF JESUS
12:05 pm: Alice Castlione, by Joseph State Family

FRIDAY, October 16: SAINT HEDWIG AND SAINT MARGARET MARY ALACOQUE
12:05 pm: Irene Sajdak, by 5th Floor Catholic Center
2:30 pm: Wedding of Thomas Scrivani and Lisa Spender

SATURDAY, October 17:
12 noon: Wedding of Anthony Mirabella and Lauren Piekarski
2:00 pm: Wedding of Casey Fenton and Lindsey Whissel
4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Douglas H. Schulte, by Gary A. Halicki
5:30 pm: Wedding of Christopher Uppington and Erin Mathias

SUNDAY, October 18: TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9:00 am: Lux and Bartlett Families, by James Bartlett and Family
11:00 am: Julia Bischof Riester, by Michael Riester

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLE
The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of Chuck Badding, Jr., requested by Mary and Dick 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.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Next weekend, October 17th and 18th, is World Mission Sunday. This year’s theme is “It’s Our World on Mission.” In 1926, Pope Pius XI instituted World Mission Sunday. He asked for prayer, celebration, and offerings for Missions. His concern was to engender a sense of responsibility in people for supporting the missions throughout the world.

The first commemoration was in 1927 and the Pope asked that this would be observed in every diocese, parish and institute. It was to be a true World Mission Sunday. The collection on that first World Mission Sunday, like today, is for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, providing support for the life-giving and hope-filled work and witness of priests, religious and lay pastoral leaders in mission churches.

World Mission Sunday, organized by the Propagation of the Faith, is a day set aside for Catholics worldwide to recommit themselves to the Church’s missionary activity through prayer and sacrifice.

Your prayers and generous support on World Mission Sunday directly benefit the Mission Church today. That support reaches clinics caring for the sick and dying, orphanages providing a place of safety and shelter, and schools offering education. Your help provides for seminarians preparing for the priesthood, and religious Sisters and Brothers in formation programs. All of this takes place in 1,150 mission dioceses, mostly in Africa and Asia, where the poorest of the poor receive an education and healthcare.

The second collection next weekend will support the missions throughout the world. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

Msgr. Manganello

VOCATION THOUGHT
If we really believe in something it does not seem to be a sacrifice to give up everything else to pursue that one dream. Jesus asks the same as any great leader...total dedication; but He promises rewards no one else can promise. “You will then have treasure in Heaven”. Come, follow the call of Christ as a priest, sister, brother, or deacon. If you think God is calling you to one of these, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Joyce McCracker, Sharon Warner, Herb Bucki, Eleanor Brayer, Larry DiGuilio, James Watson, Pam Arrigo, Kathryn Guise, Raymond Sharrer, Gertrude Fouchey, Mamie Kate Johnson, Bob and Mary Dickerson, Spencer Daly, Niziti Ascela, Catalina Alooi, Kathleen A. Walter, Kristina Lewis, Carlos Calhoun, Marie Miller, Tracy Abram 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, especially Rev. Theodore Rog, Jane Dalach Mierzwa 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 396 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was $6,187.00.

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, October 10th
4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Maintenance and Repairs Collection and Fuel Collection

SUNDAY, October 11th
9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Maintenance and Repairs Collection and Fuel Collection

SATURDAY, October 17th
4:00 pm: First Collection: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection
4:00 pm: Second Collection: World Mission Collection

SUNDAY, October 18th
9:50 am—10:50 am: Pre-K—Grade 10
9:00 am & 11:00 am: First Collection: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection
9:00 am & 11:00 am: Second Collection: World Mission Collection
After 11:00 am Mass: RCIA
12 noon: Baptism of Sadie Lou White

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE
A Bereavement Committee has been formed to assist parishioners and friends of St. Louis who are grieving the loss of a loved one. This loss may be recent or longstanding. Grief has no time limit. We would like input on what assistance would be the most beneficial for those in need.

Any ideas would be appreciated. You may remain anonymous if you wish. Please put responses in the collection basket or mail/call the rectory.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
It's Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and Catholic Charities wants to help. In October, America sets aside October as the month to remember all those who have died at the hands of domestic abuse and celebrate those who have survived. At the same time, the community is called to take action against domestic violence and spread awareness of this issue. If you or a loved one is in immediate danger from domestic violence, call 911. If you are in need of counseling and help planning for the future, call (716) 856-4494 or your nearest Catholic Charities office. Find us at ccwny.org.

SAINT LOUIS ANNUAL FUND DRIVE
We are grateful to all those who have so generously responded to our Annual Fund Drive. If you have not yet donated, please consider doing so, as every donation, large or small, is needed and is greatly appreciated. So far $22,064 has been contributed.

NINTH ANNUAL ST. LOUIS OKTOBERFEST
The Oktoberfest celebrating our amazing volunteers will be held Sunday, October 25, 2015 after the 11:00 Mass in the church hall.

MARRIAGE AND ANNULMENT IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH
The marriage of a man and a woman is revered by the Catholic Church as a vocation ordained by God. It is both a reflection of God's love, and a manifestation of God's love in the world. But our hearts go out to the many good people who have suffered the tragic breakup of their marriage. Anyone who find themselves in this type of situation should not fear the Church's procedures; but will experience the love and mercy of Christ. The annulment process is a way to find peace and healing in the arms of a loving God.

Reverend Robert W. Zilliox, JCL from the office of the Tribunal of the Diocese of Buffalo will speak about the Essence of Canon Law and the Sacrament of Marriage and he will explain the new procedures for annulments recently announced by Pope Francis. Many Catholics across the United States have welcomed Pope Francis' annulment reforms, the most far-reaching in almost three centuries. The seminar will be held at St. Martha Parish, 10 French Road in Depew on Thursday, October 22nd at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome!

LONGING FOR THE HOLY SCRIPTURE STUDY
Are you interested in deepening your faith and enriching the sense of the presence of God in your life? Join a small-group, faith-sharing community to explore the implications of the central mysteries of faith—the Incarnation, the Eucharist, and the Paschal Mystery. Attending to the cultural challenges that keep us from realizing our true desire, the book “Longing for the Holy” considers the important themes of church community, justice, the practices of the spiritual life, and being a mystic of the everyday.

Facilitated by parishioner, Michael Riester, this 12-week program, will be split into two-six-week sessions. Session one will run Sunday, October 18th to Sunday, November 22nd. Session two will run during Lent Sunday, February 14th to Sunday, March 20th. Sessions will be held on Sundays at 4:00 p.m. and will last between 60 to 90 minutes. The number of spots is limited.

Please register by Sunday, October 11th. St. Louis will provide all necessary supplies. To register, contact Ashlee Campbell, at 834-2439/stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com.

CATHOLIC ACADEMY CORNER NEWS
The Catholic Academy of West Buffalo wants you to win! The 2016 Calendar Club calendar has two numbers for $25.00. The calendar is good for the entire year of 2016. Purchase your calendar and be eligible for daily drawings of $50, weekend drawings of $100 and selected holiday drawings of $250 and $25 awarded if you have the number above or below the number drawn. A GRAND PRIZE of $2,000.00 will be awarded on December 19th for Christmas Day 2016. Calendars are located in church for your convenience. Send in your stub before November 1, 2015 to participate in the Early Bird Drawing for one of five $150 prizes. Call 885-6111 for information or calendars.