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“His son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.’ But his father ordered his servants, ‘let us celebrate with a feast because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again.’” - Lk 15:21-22a, 23b-24a

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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.

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.

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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
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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, March 5:**
4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
 Mary Didley Hormell, by Nancy and Larry Kalinowski
- SUNDAY, March 6: FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**
9:00 am: Margaret and Ethan Ciesiulka, by Hoffman Family
11:00 am: Rita State, by Joseph State Family
- MONDAY, March 7: SAINT PERPETUA AND SAINT FELICITY**
12:05 pm: Mary K. Crane, by Estate
- TUESDAY, March 8: SAINT JOHN OF GOD**
12:05 pm: Frank Mikos, by Family
- WEDNESDAY, March 9: SAINT FRANCES OF ROME**
12:05 pm: For the People of Saint Louis Parish
- THURSDAY, March 10: LENTEN WEEKDAY**
12:05 pm: Gene Holbel, by Central Services/Cafeteria Staff
- FRIDAY, March 11: LENTEN WEEKDAY**
12:05 pm: In Memory of Kieran and Mary Ann Kreiss, by Estate
- SATURDAY, March 12:**
4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
 Living and Deceased of the Earl Young Family, by Marilyn Young
- SUNDAY, March 13: FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**
9:00 am: Deceased Members of the Vetter Family
11:00 am: Arlene V. Nagel

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of March 12th and March 13th

- 4:00 pm:** Robert Sprague
9:00 am: Tom Pirrung
11:00 am: Gina Derrico



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of March 12th and March 13th

- 4:00 pm:** Ron and Margaret Foegen, Kevin Brayer and Mike Mikos
9:00 am: Judy Perkowski, Susan Ministero and Tim and Mary O'Shea
11:00 am: Pam Nordstrom, Paul Griffin and Keith and Kathy Boerner



MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLE

The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of **Leo and Evelyn Guise, requested by Grandson, David Zawistowski.**

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.



UPON THIS ROCK AND CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Last week it was made known that Bishop Malone unveiled a new initiative in the Diocese of Buffalo called *Upon This Rock*. St. Louis Church has already been working toward our goal for this program. We are part of what is known as the Block 1 Parishes. We began this program before Christmas and have received a good deal of support from our parishioners thus far. Over the course of the next several weeks we will be inviting all of our parishioners to participate in this initiative which is not just for the Diocese but also for our parish.

For the time being there may be questions about Catholic Charities. As one of the Block 1 Parishes participating in the *Upon This Rock Program*, we will not be conducting a separate appeal for Catholic Charities this year. Our Catholic Charities Appeal is a part of the *Upon This Rock Program*. Therefore, the first \$129,000 of the *Upon This Rock Program* at St. Louis is going directly to Catholic Charities. Catholic Charities is guaranteed to receive our donations through the *Upon This Rock Program*.

For this reason you have not received any letters from Catholic Charities or myself asking for a separate donation to Catholic Charities. It was decided rather than attempting to do two large Appeals at the same time they would be combined.

There are those who have chosen to give directly to Catholic Charities outside of the *Upon This Rock Program*. Those donations are being sent to Catholic Charities and go toward our goal of \$129,000 for Catholic Charities this year. If anyone would like to donate to Catholic Charities outside of the *Upon This Rock Program*, a donation can be made directly to Catholic Charities or by putting your donation into the collection in a clearly marked envelope for Catholic Charities.

Thank you once again for your generous support of the Church in Western New York and the Diocese of Buffalo. Please keep us in your prayers as we continue to prepare for the future of the Church in Western New York.

Msgr. Manganello

VOCATION THOUGHT

Has shame and fear caused you to hide from God, thinking that if you listen to Him you would only hear harsh reprimands? Remember that God is merciful. Turn back to him, and listen to him speak to your heart. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, please call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Ronald Beller, Kathleen Walter, Spencer Daly, Kathryn Guise, Raymond Sharrer, John

Zawistowski, John Forsythe, James Vasi, Amy Vilz, Paulette Snavelly, Sharon Warner, Larry DiGiulio, James Watson, 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 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 415 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$6,536.00.

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, March 5th

- 4:00 pm:** The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection and Black and Indian Mission Collection
- 4:00 pm:** Tickets for St. Joseph's Table Available
- 4:00 pm:** Western New York Catholic Available
- 7:30 pm:** Into Light: A Concert by Candlelight Harmonia Chamber Singers

SUNDAY, March 6th

- 9:50 am—10:50 am:** Pre-K—Grade 10
- 9:00 am & 11:00 am:** The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection and Black and Indian Mission Collection
- 9:00 am & 11:00 am:** Tickets for St. Joseph's Table Available
- 9:00 am & 11:00 am:** Western New York Catholic Available

FRIDAY, March 11th

After 12:05 Mass: Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, March 12th

- 4:00 pm:** The Regular Offertory Collection Including Maintenance and Repairs Collection, Fuel Collection and Easter Flowers Collection
- 4:00 pm:** St. Patrick's Day Carnation Sale

SUNDAY, March 13th

- 2:00 am:** Daylight Saving Time Begins
Spring Forward 1 Hour
- 9:00 am & 11:00 am:** The Regular Offertory Collection Including Maintenance and Repairs Collection, Fuel Collection and Easter Flowers Collection
- 9:00 am & 11:00 am:** St. Patrick's Day Carnation Sale
- 12 noon:** St. Joseph's Table—Church Hall

J. S. BACH CONCERT THE ST. MATTHEW PASSION

The Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra, The Masterworks Chorus of SUNY Fredonia, The Chautauqua Youth Chorus and the Chancel Choir of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, present Bach's Masterpiece, the St. Matthew Passion, with English subtitles on Friday, March 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 1080 Main Street, Buffalo. Tickets may be purchased through the Buffalo Philharmonic box office (716) 885-5000, online @ www.bpo.org, or at the door the night of the concert.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY CARNATION SALE

The Faith Formation program will be selling green carnations for St. Patrick's Day before and after all Masses next weekend (Saturday, March 12th & Sunday, March 13th). Carnations will be \$1.00 each and available at the Main Street entrance and parking lot entrance. All sales will be donated to Catholic Charities.

ST. LOUIS CHURCH LENT IS HERE

Don't Give Up Something—Give Something

This Lent you can help those carrying their cross. The Response to Love Center is in need of these foods to help serve families in our community who need a helping hand.

Can you help provide these soups?

- Chicken Noodle
- Cream of Chicken
- Cream of Mushroom
- Cream of Celery

ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE

Please join us for our annual St. Joseph's Table on Sunday, March 13th from noon until 2:00 p.m. in the Church Hall. Tickets are \$8.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under the age of 12. Eat-In or Take-Out meals and gluten free options are available through PRE-SALE TICKET PURCHASE ONLY. Tickets will be sold after Masses this weekend. All are invited. Proceeds will be given to our Sandwich Program.

If you are interested in providing a traditional dish or if you wish to volunteer, please contact Debbie Guillow at 465-6196 or dguillow@montyinternational.com.

EASTER FLOWERS

The March/April packet of envelopes contains the special Easter Flowers envelope. Your generosity and the talents of our dedicated volunteers guarantee that we will again experience a spectacle to behold. The Easter Flowers collection will be taken next weekend.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

By contributing to Catholic Charities' 2016 Appeal, you provide support to some of Western York's most vulnerable youth. In early 2014, Heather, now 16, began to self-harm and suffered from depression, fearing she would take her own life. Her mother, Barb, admitted her to the hospital, and after she was released was referred to Catholic Charities' Monsignor Carr Institute Children's Mental Health Clinic in Niagara Falls. Through counseling with her therapist Shelli, Heather learned how to cope with certain situations and better handle stress. She is now happy, healthy and has built a better relationship with her mother. **Find Good Within. Open hearts follow Jesus' lead.** Join us as we provide care and support to all who need it.

ANNUAL NOVENA IN HONOR OF SAINT JOSEPH

to be held at the Carmelite Monastery
75 Carmel Road, Buffalo, NY

The annual Public Novena in honor of Saint Joseph, beginning Thursday, March 10 and closing on the vigil of the feast day, Friday, March 18, will be conducted by Rev. Bernard Confer, O.P., chaplain of the Dominican Nuns of the Monastery of Our Lady of the Rosary in Buffalo.

Services each evening of the Novena will begin with the Rosary at 7:00, followed by Mass. We ask that all who attend be modestly and suitably dressed, as is proper in the House of God.

There will be no Benediction services on the afternoon of Sunday, March 13.



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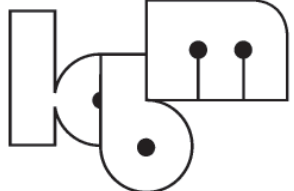
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