2016
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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.

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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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.

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.

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
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, 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 Derico

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

VOICATION 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 Shamer, John Zawistowski, John Forsythe, James Vasi, Amy Vilz, Paulette Snavely, 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.
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

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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