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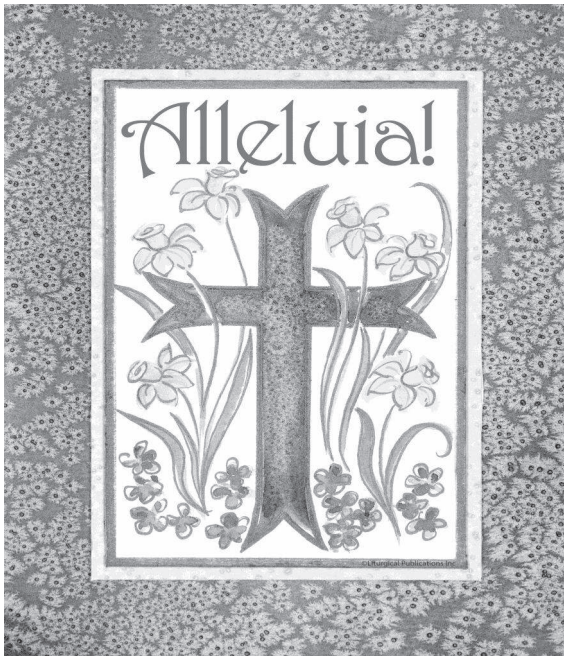

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Msgr. Salvatore Manganello, J.C.L., S.T.L. .....Pastor
Rev. Msgr. John W. Madsen.....Weekend Assistant
Rev. Andrew R. Lauricella.....12:05 Mass—Friday
TRUSTEES..... Rosemary Bloch, Michael Mikos
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PARISH COUNCIL OFFICERS

President..... Wendy Mistretta
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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
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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.

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
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, April 2:
4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
Living and Deceased of the Earl Young Family, by Marilyn Young

SUNDAY, April 3: DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
9:00 am: Florence J. Ricotta, by John and Melanie Loss Family
11:00 am: Lorraine Dobinski, by Lori Ann Conti

MONDAY, April 4: THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD
12:05 pm: For the People of Saint Louis Parish

TUESDAY, April 5: SAINT VINCENT FERRER, PRIEST
12:05 pm: Larry J. and Marie E. Schieber, by Marie Schieber Estate

WEDNESDAY, April 6: EASTER WEEKDAY
12:05 pm: Norman Frank, by Josephine Pellicane

THURSDAY, April 7: SAINT JOHN BAPTIST DE LA SALLE, PRIEST
12:05 pm: David Dobson, by Patricia Millemaci

FRIDAY, April 8: EASTER WEEKDAY
12:05 pm: Edward L. Witman, by Gary and Sandy Witman

SATURDAY, April 9:
2:00 pm: Wedding of Brett Hurley and Nicole Lawrence
4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
Aloysius Mack, by Ted and Mary Guzowski

SUNDAY, April 10: THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
9:00 am: Domenica "Diluccia" Frega, by Catherine Frega
11:00 am: Carmela, John, Mary and Carrie Arnone, by Family

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of April 9th and April 10th

4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky
9:00 am: Tom Pirrung
11:00 am: Ed Kuzan

SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of April 9th and April 10th

4:00 pm: Jim Ferrini, Kevin Brayer and Ron and Margaret Foegen
9:00 am: Susan Ministero, Al Bluemle and Tim and Mary O'Shea
11:00 am: Pam Nordstrom, Pat Doyle and Keith and Kathy Boerner

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLE

The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and **for the successful surgery for Debbie Buyers, requested by mother, Bertha Hyde**.

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.

THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

Easter is the Church's holiest day of the year. We announce to the world that Christ lives. This celebration will continue for 50 days until Pentecost when we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit.

Liturgically, the Octave of Easter, "eight days" begins with the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday and continues through the second Sunday of Easter. Every day is another Easter, to rejoice in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.

St. Augustine refers to the Octave of Easter as "days of mercy and pardon," calling the Sunday of the Paschal Octave "the summary of the days of mercy." After his resurrection, Jesus took great care to show his apostles the wounds of his passion, especially the wound in his heart, the source from which flows the mercy poured out on humanity.

Since 2000, the Church has designated the final day of the Octave, the Second Sunday of Easter, as the Sunday of Divine Mercy to celebrate the fact that Jesus still calls us to immerse ourselves in his mercy and love.

Throughout the Easter season, the Mass readings emphasize that all Christians must share the good news of the love of God: Christ has risen from the dead. As baptized Christians, we also are sent out to share this Good News with others. God, in his merciful love desires that we share the Good News of his mercy with others, especially during this Jubilee Year of Mercy.

Msgr. Manganello

VOCATION THOUGHT
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

It is an unspeakable blessing that from our Lord flows boundless mercy, which is stronger than all of our sins combined. We should never forget this or take it for granted. Can God be calling you to help share His mercy in a profound way? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

You can also check out the "Priest of the Month" stories on our website—wwwbuffalovocations.org!

Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Debbie Buyers, Paul Sweeney, Ronald Beller, Kathleen Walter, Spencer Daly, Kathryn Guise, Raymond Sharrer, John Zawistowski, John Forsythe, 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, especially Flora Marie (Willett) Koester 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 896 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was $10,685.00 and Holy Land collection was $1,013.00.

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, April 2nd
4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection
4:00 pm: Western New York Catholic Available

SUNDAY, April 3rd
9:50 am—10:50 am: Pre-K—Grade 10
9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection
9:00 am & 11:00 am: Western New York Catholic Available

TUESDAY, April 5th
7:00 pm: Finance/Restoration Committee—Sacristy

SATURDAY, April 9th
4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Maintenance and Repairs Collection

SUNDAY, April 10th
9:50 am—10:50 am: Pre-K—Grade 10
9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Maintenance and Repairs Collection
12:30 pm: St. Ann's German Mass

ARE YOU READY FOR THE NEXT STEP?

Are you looking for a challenging Bible Study? Are you thinking there is more to the Bible than you can know by simply reading it? Discover the riches that can be found when you STUDY the Bible with live, trained instructors. The Catholic Biblical Studies Program has been guiding people along this pathway for 25 years! Join us! See our website www.cbstudies.org or call us at 871-9180 if you would like to visit a class.

JOURNEY INTO LOVE

The Office of Family Life Ministries is looking for married couples to assist with the monthly diocesan marriage preparation program, Journey Into Love. Married couples help by giving a 20 minute talk once or twice a year on essential topics and issues that engaged and newly married couples face. Married couples that support this ministry find it beneficial to their own marriage, and their efforts contribute to the strengthening of family life as couples prepare for their marriage. If you are interested in finding out more about this very successful diocesan marriage program, call the Office of Family Life Ministries at 716-847-2210.

GERMAN MASS AT ST. LOUIS

The annual St. Ann's German Mass will be held at St. Louis Church on Sunday, April 10, 2016 at 12:30 p.m. Rev. Daniel Jamros, S.J. will be the celebrant. The St. Louis Church Choir, directed by Frank Scinta, will be singing. Readings and Homily are in English. Following the Mass, a reception will be hosted by St. Ann's Community and St. Louis Parish. All are welcome to attend this celebration of our German Catholic Heritage! Ushers and Eucharistic Ministers needed!!

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Interested in becoming more involved in St. Louis Parish or know a fellow parishioner who would be? If so, consider running yourself, or nominating someone for one of the five open seats on the Parish Council. Elections are scheduled for the weekend of April 23rd and 24th. Elected members will serve a three year term. It is very important for the Catholic laity to be informed and involved with the functions of the parish. Please consider a run for a council seat and accept this needed and important leadership role. Nomination forms are included in this week's bulletin and can be submitted in the collection or sacristy.

For questions or more information about the Parish Council, contact John Zygaj at zygajj@stfrancishigh.org.

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus say twice to His disciples, "Peace be with you." What he was offering was complete peace—a real wholeness and well-being for their lives. His message still has powerful meaning today. Rabbinic literature at the time of Christ extolled peace as the greatest possible blessing. In fact, one of the most renowned sages of that time, Rabbi Hillel, defined peace as the heart of Judaism, instructing people to, "Love peace...and pursue it." To bring about this peace, Jesus took action. After saying, "Peace be with you," Jesus tells the disciples, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." He is telling them to go forth and help those in need so that others may experience peace too. The disciples went on to follow his direction: healing and caring for others...and bringing peace...just as Jesus did. How might we be agents of peace in our time?

CATHOLIC ACADEMY CORNER

- **Spring Open House** for families interested in enrolling children for September 2016 will be held on Sunday, April 17th from 10:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. and Tuesday, April 19th from 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. You will have the opportunity to meet administrators, faculty and parents and on the 19th, you can observe classes in session. Office personnel will be available to discuss tuition, tuition assistance and review the registration process. Please call 885-6111 for information.
- The **Annual Auction** will be held on Saturday, April 30th. The event is now **ADULTS ONLY;** no one under 18 will be admitted. Beer and wine will be available, new menu items, over 100 adult-themed gift certificates and baskets. A great Salvatore's overnight package and TV will be available for a special raffle. Email amyraen@larkinsquare or N.H. Santiago@gmail for more information or to donate a basket.
- (12) students from 6, 7 & 8th grades and their science projects, will represent **Catholic Academy at the WNY Science Congress,** April 30th at Cheektowaga High School.
- On behalf of the entire school family, we wish you and your family a blessed and joyous Easter season.

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