2016
St. Louis Church
Oldest Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Buffalo
Established in 1829
Celebrating Our 187th Anniversary
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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
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BUSINESS MANAGER .................................John Beller
SECRETARY ...............................................Dolores Vasi

PARISH COUNCIL OFFICERS
President ..........................................................Wendy Mistretta
Vice-President ..................................................John Zygan
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.

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.

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 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 Schouelnikoff ................................ 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**

**SUNDAY, May 29: THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**
- 9:00 am: Deceased Members of the Vetter Family
- 11:00 am: Margaret Ciesiulka, by Hoffman Family

**MONDAY, May 30: MEMORIAL DAY—NO MASS TODAY**

**TUESDAY, May 31: THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**
- 12:05 pm: For the People of Saint Louis Parish

**WEDNESDAY, June 1: SAINT JUSTIN**
- 12:05 pm: Anthony Mucci, by Youth and Young Adults Ministry

**THURSDAY, June 2: SAINT MARCELLINUS AND SAINT PETER**
- 12:05 pm: Larry J. and Marie E. Schieber, by Estate of Marie Schieber

**FRIDAY, June 3: THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS**
- 12:05 pm: Delphine Kucharski, by Nick and Nicole Tzetzo

**SATURDAY, June 4:**
- 12 noon: Wedding of Michael Caporoso and Lori Mecklenburg
- 2:00 pm: Wedding of Ryan Lydon and Erica Van Riper
- 4:00 pm: **VIGIL FOR TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
  - Alfred Vasi, by David and Mary Ann Borgioli
- 5:30 pm: Wedding of Anthony Le and Kelly Sullivan

**SUNDAY, June 5: TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
- 9:00 am: In Thanksgiving on 40th Wedding Anniversary, Karen and Ken Drzymala
- 11:00 am: Deceased Members of Mikos Family, by Family

**SCHEDULE OF LECTORS**
- Weekend of June 4th and June 5th
  - 4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky
  - 9:00 am: Tom Pirrung
  - 11:00 am: John Zygaj

**SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**
- Weekend of June 4th and June 5th
  - 4:00 pm: Debbie Guillow, Kevin Brayer and Frank and Jane Pelosi
  - 9:00 am: Rosemary Bloch, Jim Brigante and Tim and Mary O’Shea
  - 11:00 am: Pam Nordstrom, Carolann Besch and Ryan and Lindsay McGowan

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**UPON THIS ROCK PROGRESS REPORT**

Following our two Commitment Weekends for the Upon This Rock effort, we have almost reached our challenge goal of $1.5 million. As of earlier this week, our total for Upon This Rock was just over $1.400,000.

Our original goal was $959,000 which we surpassed weeks ago. This is $44,000 over the goal that was set for us. This once again reinforces the fact that the people of St. Louis Church are more than generous with their blessings.

We are most grateful to all who have supported this initiative so far. If you would still like to be a part of this historic undertaking, please complete your pledge card and either put it in the collection or mail it to the rectory.

May God bless all of you for your kind generosity.

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**MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES**

The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and for David Zawistowski—for strength and to get the position he applied for at work, requested by Aunt Bert. The Pieta Candle burns this week in memory of Rosanna and Edith Hebert, requested by Michael Riester.

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.

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**DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME**

This weekend our Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). This feast celebrates God’s presence with us in the Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Christ.

The celebration began in a small quiet Belgian convent in the 13th century, with the vision of a holy nun, St. Juliana. In her vision, she saw the moon, full and bright. It was glorious, except one part of its disk was in a shadow. The meaning of the vision was revealed to her: the moon represented the liturgical year; the shadow, a missing feast in honor of the Blessed Sacrament. Juliana spoke to her confessor about what she had seen. Amazingly, within thirty-five years, Pope Urban IV had established the Feast of Corpus Christi, the Body of Christ. Hundreds of years later, in 1849, Pope Pius IX added the feast of the Precious Blood on July 1st. Following the second Vatican Council, the two liturgical feasts became one solemnity in honor of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

Corpus Christi is an expression of our faith in the Real Presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament for by it we receive Christ himself.

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**Msgr. Manganello**

Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially George Beller, Kathleen Walter, Spencer Daly, Kathryn Guise, Raymond Sharrar, 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 Josephine Mandolfo 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 373 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was $11,210.00 and Church in Latin America collection was $391.00.

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, May 28th
4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection

SUNDAY, May 29th
9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection
12 noon:Baptism of Georgia Mae Campbell

MONDAY, May 30th—Memorial Day
No Mass Today—Parish Office Closed

WEDNESDAY, June 1st
6:00 pm: Saint Louis Garden Society (SLGS)

SATURDAY, June 4th
4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection
4:00 pm: Western New York Catholic Available

SUNDAY, June 5th
9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection
9:00 am & 11:00 am: Western New York Catholic Available
11:00 am: Installation of Parish Council
After 11:00 Mass: Coffee Hour

WORD OF LIFE

“In him we have redemption by his blood, the forgiveness of transgressions, in accord with the riches of his grace that he lavished upon us.” ~ Ephesians 1:7-8

MSGR. SCHWINGER MEMORIAL SANDWICH PROGRAM COLLECTION

We would like to thank everyone who so generously donated to the Msgr. Schwinger Memorial Sandwich Program. With your help we are able to feed the many people who come to our door Monday through Friday. We are grateful for your continued support.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Would you like to make a difference in the life of a student? Catholic Charities’ Foster Grandparent Program allows for income-eligible individuals ages 55 and older to be role models, mentors and friends to children with exceptional needs in a school setting. It also provides a way for volunteers to stay active by serving children and youth in the community. At schools throughout Erie County, Foster Grandparents provide a consistent model for children who welcome a loving hand. Now is the time to be ready for the opening of the 2016-2017 school year, contact us today. For more information call (716) 896-6388 or go to cwwny.org.

“A SOLDIER’S PRAYER”

Look God, I have never before spoken to you. But now I want to say “How do you do.” You see, God, they told me you didn’t exist—Like a fool, I believed all this. Last night from a shell hole I saw your sky. I figured right then they had told me a lie. Had I taken time to see things you made, I’d have known they weren’t calling a spade a spade. I wonder, God, if you’d take my hand, somehow I feel that you will understand. Funny I had to come to this hellish place before I had time to see your face. Well, I guess there isn’t much more to say, but I’m sure glad, God, I met you today. The zero hour signal—well, God, I have to go, I like you lots, this I want you to know. Look, now, this will be a horrible fight. Who knows, I may come to your house tonight. Though I wasn’t friendly to you before, I wonder, God, if you’d wait at your door. Look I am crying, me shedding tears, I wish I had known you these many years. Well I have to go now, God, goodbye—Since I met you I am not afraid to die.

Let us continue to pray for those who have and are sacrificing their lives for our freedom.

RAINBOW K PRESENTS THEIR ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

Chiavetta’s Chicken Dinner
June 3, 2016—3:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
388 Franklin Street—Franklin Street @ Edward
Pre-purchase your tickets at 433 Franklin Street
$10 includes 1/2 Chiavetta’s Chicken & 2 sides
Potato Salad—Coleslaw—Bread & Butter
Dessert for Sale
Eat In or Take Out

ENCORE PERFORMANCE OF PEACEPRINTS

Holy Family Church
Friday, June 3—7:00 p.m.
1885 South Park Avenue (Corner of Tifft)
Buffalo, NY

There will be an Encore Performance of “Peaceprints” A Musical–Poetic Tribute, honoring the life and legacy of Sister Karen Klimczak presented by “Concerts for the Soul” with Tenor Vocalist Cory James Gallagher and Writer-Poet Amy Gallagher. Join us as we take a journey into the heart and life of Sister Karen. Event is by donation and a reception will follow. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to Peaceprints of WNY.

VOCATION THOUGHT

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink so as to nourish us on our journey toward the Kingdom. God has called some to share this very gift of himself in a profound way. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

CATHOLIC ACADEMY OF WEST BUFFALO

With our registration now in full swing, requests for Tuition Assistance are coming in from families who have a difficult time paying the necessarily increasing tuition costs at the Catholic Academy of West Buffalo. The current economic situation has greatly increased the need for tuition assistance. Our Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) relies on the good will offerings made by parishioners of our affiliated parishes.

Information and envelopes are available at the church entrances if you wish to make a donation. We have simplified the donation process by adding a donate now button on our website page at cawb.org. Thank you for your support!