2016

St. Louis Church

Oldest Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Buffalo
Founded in 1829

Celebrating Our 187th 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 Zyga
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 John Nicholas Mertz..........................1829-1836
Reverend Alexander Pax ..................................1836-1843
Reverend Francis Guth ........................................1844-1850
Reverend Joseph Raffeliner ...............................1850-1851
Reverend William Deiters .................................1855-1861
Reverend J. E. Moshall .................................1861-1862
Reverend Francis Anthony Gerber ....................1862-1863
Reverend Sergus Schoulenpikoff .........................1864-1867
Reverend Joseph M. Sorg ................................1867-1888

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher .......................1888-1916
Reverend Michael A. Anstedt ..............................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, June 11:
4:00 pm: **VIGIL FOR ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
   Repose of the Souls of Aloisius Oczek and Diane Oczek Gentile, by Charlotte Oczek

SUNDAY, June 12: **ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
9:00 am: William Pax, by Rosemary Bloch
11:00 am: Sylvina Miller, by Bill and Pam Nordstrom

MONDAY, June 13: **SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA**
12:05 pm: Rev. Michael Drzewucki, OFM Conv., by Family

TUESDAY, June 14: **WEEKDAY**
12:05 pm: For the People of Saint Louis Parish and Ruth Gaglione, by Classmates from Rosary Hill College

WEDNESDAY, June 15: **WEEKDAY**
12:05 pm: Marion F. Orcutt, by Daybreak TV Productions

THURSDAY, June 16: **WEEKDAY**
12:05 pm: Rose F. Witman, by Gary and Sandy Witman

FRIDAY, June 17: **WEEKDAY**
12:05 pm: Joseph State, by State Family
3:00 pm: Wedding of James Curry and Kristine Aigner

SATURDAY, June 18:
4:00 pm: **VIGIL FOR TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
   Living and Deceased Fathers of Saint Louis Parish
5:30 pm: Wedding of Joseph Pecht and Thea Tio

SUNDAY, June 19: **TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
9:00 am: Living and Deceased Fathers of Saint Louis Parish
11:00 am: Living and Deceased Fathers of Saint Louis Parish

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS
Weekend of June 18th and June 19th
4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky
9:00 am: Wendy Mistretta
11:00 am: John Zyga

SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION
Weekend of June 18th and June 19th
4:00 pm: Kevin Brayer, Jane Pelosi and Ron and Margaret Foegen
9:00 am: Tim and Mary O’Shea and John and Nancy Pax
11:00 am: Pat Doyle, Debbie Beller and Keith and Kathy Boerner

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLE
The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and for all those battling breast cancer, requested by Bertha Hyde and 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.

OUR UPON THIS ROCK EFFORT CONTINUES TO GROW

The weekly Upon This Rock Newsletter reported earlier in the week that St. Louis Parish has reached our Challenge Goal of $1,350,000. “Msgr. Salvatore Manganello is happy to report that St. Louis has reached their Challenge Goal of $1,350,000! For our readers, a Challenge Goal is another goal set by a parish once the initial goal has been met. Currently, St. Louis is at 141% of their goal, raising an additional $10,400 just this past week.”

You probably recall that our original goal was $959,000 which we surpassed weeks ago. Our current total is $1,350,305 and continues to grow each week. Along with our support this historic initiative has raised $43,585,306 or 43.6% of the overall goal for the Diocese.

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.

Thank you for all that you continue to do for our parish. May God bless you all.

Msgr. Manganello

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Do you have your tickets for a great evening of song yet? The Forte Tenors concert at Kleinhans Music Hall in Buffalo to benefit Catholic Charities is Thursday, June 30. It’s a terrific Father’s Day gift idea, too. Presented by LP Ciminelli and an anonymous donor, all proceeds will benefit the programs and services of Catholic Charities. Forte has quickly established itself as the hottest new crossover sensation and the most successful group to be launched from the reality series America’s Got Talent. There is even a special meet and greet VIP ticket opportunity. Find out more and purchase tickets at kleinhansbuffalo.org. Find Good Within. Open hearts follow Jesus’ lead. Appeal 2016 deadline: June 30.

In your prayers...

Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Sara Rimmer, Joan Taylor, Catalina Alois, George Calhoun, Miriam Tekie, Mary Almeida, Pam Arrigo, Debbie Buyers, Paul Sweeney, Ronald Beller, Kathleen Walter, Spencer Daly, Kathryn Guise, Raymond Sharer, John Zawistowski, John Forsythe, Amy Vila, 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 Donald Tomasullo, Gisela McGarry and our deceased parishioners and loved ones.
FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

The 18th century English poet, Alexander Pope, wrote “to err is human; to forgive divine.” Pope perfectly sums up our scripture readings this week. From the first reading, in which David acknowledges his sins...to Paul’s message to the Galatians in the second reading...to the compassion of Jesus for the woman in the Gospel...we understand that as humans, we will all make mistakes. The good news is that God always offers forgiveness. And it is His love that brings the forgiveness. Note, however, that in order to experience that forgiveness, we must acknowledge that we have done wrong. When we do that and are forgiven, we experience the peace of reconciliation and we grow in our ability to love. We often become less self-righteous and less judgmental of others. Forgiveness is not earned. It is a gift from God who loves us. We are called to receive this gift and share it with others.

FATHER’S DAY REMEMBRANCE

On Father’s Day weekend, June 18th and 19th, all three Masses will be offered for our fathers—living or deceased. We invite you to enroll your father in this remembrance by using one of the envelopes provided for that purpose.

Envelopes can be found in the May/June envelope packet and at the church entrances. The best gift of gratitude that we can give our father is a spiritual gift. Remembering our father in such a way—if he still has an earthly address or a heavenly one—expresses our appreciation and respect for him.

May God reward him for his unselfish life of service to us.

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN

Today, we will take up the Collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). This collection communicates the Gospel through Catholic social media activities and enriches our faith through television, radio, social media, podcasts, and print media. Please be generous in this week’s collection and support this important work. Remember, half of your donation stays in our diocese to support local communication needs. The CCC is how we share our experience of faith, worship, and witness.

WORD OF LIFE

“When a patient says I don’t want to be a burden, it may really be a question, Am I a burden? ...when a patient says I might as well be dead, he may really be saying No one cares about me. Many studies show that assisted suicide requests are almost always for such psychological or social reasons.”

~ "Life Matters: Doctor-Assisted Death"  
2013-14 Respect Life Program

OFFICE OF PRO-LIFE ACTIVITIES

TELEPHONE HOTLINE NUMBERS

♦ Unplanned Pregnancy, Abortion Alternatives & Healing  
  (716) 847-2205

♦ St. Gianna Pregnancy Outreach Centers  
  Helping Mothers and Fathers in Need  
  Buffalo (716) 842-BABY (2229)  
  Chautauqua County (716) 203-7593  
  Niagara County (716) 284-BABY (2229)

♦ Project Rachel, Post-Abortion Reconciliation  
  (716) 847-2211

WHAT IS DIFFERENT ABOUT THE CATHOLIC BIBLICAL STUDIES PROGRAM?

The CBS has been teaching classes for nearly 25 years, providing access to the world of the Bible and relying on solid biblical scholarship. What is different is the emphasis. Our focus is on the faithful who wish to learn the essentials of biblical scholarship. Along with a basic knowledge of scripture comes biblical spirituality.

Entry into a study of the Bible is a life-long journey. It begins with the first step! Please join us in September at one of our introductory classes:

♦ Tuesday 7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.—St. Mary’s Church  
  1 St. Mary’s Hill, Lancaster, NY

♦ Wednesday 10:00 a.m.—Noon—Newman Center  
  UB North Campus—495 Skinnersville Road, Amherst, NY

Registration information, including class dates and cost, is available on our website where you can also learn more about who we are and other upcoming events and programs.

Visit us at www.cbstudies.org or call 871-9180.