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Registered Parishioners please call the Rectory for appointment.

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.

WEDDINGS
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Holy Communion for the Sick
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Parish Council Officers
President..................................................James Reeves
Vice-President..............................................Ryan McGowan
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.

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 Museum & Archives: Open by Appointment.

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.

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. Schwartiz ..............................1948-1964
Reverend Clarence Ott .........................................1964-1965
Reverend Alfred M. Mosack .................................1965-1979

**Announced Masses of the Week**

**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

**MONDAY, June 20:**
12:05 pm: For the People of Saint Louis Parish

**TUESDAY, June 21:**
SAINT ALOYSIUS GONZAGA
12:05 pm: The Crane Family, by Mary K. Crane Estate

**WEDNESDAY, June 22:**
SAINT PAULINUS OF NOLA, SAINT JOHN FISHER AND SAINT THOMAS MORE
12:05 pm: Isabelle H. Keenan, by Family

**THURSDAY, June 23:**
12:05 pm: Adelaide D. Volo, by Family

**FRIDAY, June 24:**
**THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST**
12:05 pm: Charles Lautz, by Estate

**SATURDAY, June 25:**
2:00 pm: Wedding of Jeffrey Albiez and Amanda Ribbeck

4:00 pm: **VIGIL FOR THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
Howard Kerber, by Black Rock, Riverside Food Pantry Volunteers

5:30 pm: Wedding of Russell Sciandra and Christine Zinter-Chahin

**SUNDAY, June 26:**
**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
9:00 am: Emily and Thaddeus Mikos, by Family

11:00 am: Deceased Members of the Vetter Family

**SCHEDULE OF LECTORS**
Weekend of June 25th and June 26th

4:00 pm: Diane Randazzo

9:00 am: John Loss

11:00 am: Christina Mandolfo

**SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**
Weekend of June 25th and June 26th

4:00 pm: Jim Ferrini, Jane Pelosi
and Robert Sprague

9:00 am: Rosemary Bloch, Jim Brigante,
Susan Ministero and Judy Perkowski

11:00 am: Michael Mandolfo, Sue Kolbe
and Ryan and Lindsay McGowan

**MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLE**
The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God. 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.

**FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM**
The Bishops of the United States have called all the faithful to celebrate the Fortnight for Freedom: Witnesses to Freedom, which will take place from Tuesday, June 21st to Monday, July 4, 2016. This year’s theme emphasizes the many witnesses to religious freedom, both past and present.

The Fortnight for Freedom runs from the vigil of the feast of Sts. Thomas More and John Fisher, to July 4 when we celebrate our national Independence Day. It is a time to promote our Catholic heritage as a contribution to the good of our country, and to pray for those who suffer from persecution.

For decades, Catholics have worked to serve the common good in the United States. Catholics have faced opposition at times, but our commitment to doing the works of mercy through our institutions, like hospitals, schools, and charities has remained steadfast.

The U.S. bishops have called for a Fortnight for Freedom, two weeks for Catholics to reflect on religious freedom, to celebrate our Catholic heritage and to pray for our country and for our brothers and sisters in other parts of the world, who suffer persecution.

**Msgr. Manganello**

**FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION**
There are many factors in our lives that define us: what we do, where we come from, our economic or social status. We are all defined. Have you ever felt that the parameters of our definition are limiting? Isolating? Do they leave you thirsting for something different? In today’s, second reading, St. Paul talks about breaking down those barriers that define us to the world. These distinctions that seem to order us here on earth do not matter in the eyes of our ever-loving Heavenly Father. Jew or Greek, slave or free, man or woman... When we follow His teachings we are His children and we are one, as promised by God. What would happen if each of us took this to heart? Try going through your day treating everyone with a kind heart, seeing yourself and everyone around you as no more and no less than anyone else. God’s children, living His love, truly can and should transform communities.

Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Gloria Zaleski, Saral Rimmell, Joan Taylor, Catalina Aloi, George Calhoun, Miriam Tekie, Mary Almeida, Pam Arigo, Debbie Buyers, Paul Sweeney, Ronald Beller, Kathleen Walter, Spencer Daly, Kathleen Guise, Raymond Sherrer, John Zawistowski, John Forsythe, Mary Rosemary Bloch, Jim Brigante, Susan Ministero and Judy Perkowski, Michael Mandolfo, Sue Kolbe, and Ryan and Lindsay McGowan.

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 Robert A. Wright, Rev. Nicholas A. Rossello 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 337 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was $7,339.00 and Catholic Communication Campaign collection was $342.00.

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.”

FATHER’S DAY BLESSING

Today we remember all those who are a father figure to us: Fathers, Grandfathers, Uncles, Brothers, Stepfathers and friends who may be an image of father to us. So in appreciation to our father we pray:

God our Father,
In your wisdom and love you made all things.
Bless our fathers that they may be strengthened as Christian fathers.
Let the example of their faith and love shine forth.
Grant that we, their sons and daughters,
May honor them always,
With a spirit of profound respect.
Grant this through Christ our Lord.

Happy Father’s Day to all.

ALLENTOWN ART FESTIVAL OPEN HOUSE

This past weekend our church was open for tours to those who attended the Allentown Art Festival on Saturday and Sunday.

During the two-day open house, Rich Ryan, Jim Ferrini, Joan Strachan, Jim and Marilyn Knowles, Mike Riester and Bob Sprague welcomed 149 visitors including residents from the Buffalo area, as well as people from New Jersey, Texas, Nevada, Colorado, and Wyoming. Four visitors were from Beijing, China, one of whom was moved to tears as she toured our magnificent church.

Two families expressed interest in becoming members of our parish.
A leader from a local youth group will be arranging a tour of St. Louis for her organization in the future.
Many of these visitors made donations to be used for the maintenance and ongoing restoration of St. Louis Church.
Thank you to all the volunteers for welcoming these visitors. Through your efforts you have once again shown how welcoming our entire Parish Family is.

FATHER’S DAY REMEMBRANCE

On this Father’s Day weekend, all Masses are 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 this purpose. 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.

WORD OF LIFE

“Clinical labels describe some aspects of an individual’s ‘functioning,’ but they don’t tell the whole story. ...It’s like looking at a stained-glass window...From the inside...with the sun shining through it, the effect can be brilliant. From inside our family, love illuminates our life with Charlie.” What may seem dreary to others, perhaps even unbearable, is actually filled with beauty and color.”

~ “A Perfect Gift,” 2015-16 Respect Life Program
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

*Name changed for privacy.