2016
St. Louis Church
Oldest Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Buffalo
Founded 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..........................................................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.

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 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, July 2:
2:00 pm: Wedding of Jonathan Yioulos and Stephanie Hobbs
4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Joseph Scharf, by Dick and Mary Agoston
5:30 pm: Wedding of Grant Reed and Nicole Mosey

SUNDAY, July 3: FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9:00 am: Deceased Members of the Wafter Families, by Hoffman Family
11:00 am: Thomas Quinlivan, by Paul State

MONDAY, July 4: NO MASS TODAY

TUESDAY, July 5: SAINT ANTHONY ZACCARIA AND SAINT ELIZABETH OF PORTUGAL
12:05 pm: Larry J. and Marie E. Schieber, by Estate of Marie Schieber

WEDNESDAY, July 6: SAINT MARIA Goretti
12:05 pm: Michael Cancro and Family, by Josephine Pellicane

THURSDAY, July 7: WEEKDAY
12:05 pm: For the People of Saint Louis Parish

FRIDAY, July 8: WEEKDAY
12:05 pm: Stephen de Rosa and Tina Wolcott, by Hoffman Family

SATURDAY, July 9:
12 noon: Wedding of Jason Shell and Jeanine Funnell
4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Mae Halicki, by Family

SUNDAY, July 10: FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9:00 am: Bill Pax, by Dick and Mary Agoston
11:00 am: Michael J. Desiderio, by Lori Conti

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS
Weekend of July 9th and July 10th
4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky
9:00 am: Wendy Mistretta
11:00 am: Ed Kuzan

SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION
Weekend of July 9th and July 10th
4:00 pm: Ryan Keating, Jim Ferrini and Robert Sprague
9:00 am: Rosemary Bloch, Susan Minnieto and John and Nancy Pax
11:00 am: Pam Nordstrom, 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.

OUR FIRST, MOST CHERISHED LIBERTY
This weekend we are celebrating our Independence as a Nation. We are celebrating the freedoms that we have come to enjoy as the nation of the United States of America.

As American Catholics, we are Catholics and we are Americans. We are proud to be both, grateful for the gift of faith which is ours and grateful for the gift of liberty which is ours as American citizens. To be Catholic and American should mean not having to choose one over the other.

The teaching of our Catholic faith, obliges us to work together with fellow citizens for the common good of all who live in this land. That is the vision of our founding and our Constitution, which guarantees citizens of all religious faiths the right to contribute to our common life together.

In 1887, when the archbishop of Baltimore, James Gibbons, became the second American cardinal, he defended the American heritage of religious liberty during his visit to Rome. From well before Cardinal Gibbons, Catholics in America have been advocates for religious liberty, and the teaching of the second Vatican Council on religious liberty was influenced by the American experience.

As we celebrate this weekend, we also pause to pray that God may continue to Bless America and the freedoms we have come to enjoy.

Msgr. Manganello

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
Thank you, faithful Appeal donors and volunteers! We are so appreciative of our donors and volunteers who contributed generously to the 2016 Appeal in support of Catholic Charities, pushing us to meet the $11 million goal. You found good within, which will allow Catholic Charities to continue to serve our neighbors in Jesus' name. Learn more about what we have to offer those in need by visiting ccwny.org or calling (716) 218-1400.

In your prayers...
Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Geraldine Shiwinski, Sara Rimmler, Joan Taylor, Catalina Alo, George Calhoun, Miúmn Tekie, Mary Almeida, Pam Arrigo, Debbie Buyers, Paul Sweeney, Ronald Beller, Kathleen Walter, Spencer Daly, Kathyrn 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 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 380 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was $5,451.00.

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.”

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**THIS WEEK AT SAINT LOUIS**

**SATURDAY, July 2nd**
- 4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection and Peter’s Pence Collection
- 4:00 pm: Western New York Catholic Available

**SUNDAY, July 3rd**
- 9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection and Peter’s Pence Collection
- 9:00 am & 11:00 am: Western New York Catholic Available
- 12 noon: Baptism of Adria Antoinette Utzig

**MONDAY, July 4th**
- No Mass Today—Parish Office Closed

**WEDNESDAY, July 6th**
- 6:00 pm: Saint Louis Garden Society (SLGS)

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

**SUNDAY, July 10th**
- 9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Maintenance and Repairs Collection

**VOCATION THOUGHT**

“The harvest is rich but the workers are few; therefore, ask the harvest-master to send workers to his harvest! Pray for vocations! If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

**FAITH MOMEMT REFLECTION**

“Come and see the works of the Lord” is our invitation from the Psalms today. Come and see that he changed the river into dry land so His people could easily walk through. Today, come and see new mothers being cared for at the St. Gianna Molla house. Come and see people being fed at the Response to Love Center. Come and see former prisoners helping the community through Peace Prints Ministries. Examples are all around us of good people answering God’s invitation and doing His work. When we see veterans being honored, or an elderly person receiving a visitor, we are witnessing the will of God at work. Look around today at the good things and good people in your life. And take a moment to stop and thank God. God always hears your prayers and is always offering His kindness. What blessings have you received from Him? What can we “come and see” in your life?

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**PASS ON THE GOOD NEWS!**

What good news? The Good News of Jesus Christ and our Catholic Faith! This year, many preschool through grade 10 children will attend faith formation classes to learn more about the love of God and the Catholic faith. Can you help them learn and grow in faith by becoming a catechist? As you nurture the faith of our young, you will learn and grow as well!

Catechists teach 1 to 3 hours each month, from Sunday, September 18th to Sunday, April 30th. Classes are multi-age (PreK—Kindergarten, 1-2 grade, 3-4 grade, 5-6 grade, 7-8 grade, & 9-10 grade) and are typically small, between 8-10 students. St. Louis provides all teaching material, classroom materials, and support.

If interested or for more information, contact the DRE, Ashlee Campbell (834-2439/stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com).

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**RCIA REGISTRATION**

Are you considering becoming Catholic? Do you know someone who is being called to join our faith? RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process through which adults who have been received into the Catholic Church. The process is intended for adults: (1) who were never baptized; (2) those baptized in another Christian faith who wish to become Catholic; and (3) those baptized Catholic, but did not make their First Holy Communion or were not Confirmed. Classes are held on Sundays, directly after the 11:00 Mass (approximately 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.), in the St. Louis Sacristy.

The first class for the 2016-2017 year will be Sunday, September 18th. More information, the registration form, and the calendar are available on the St. Louis website: [http://stlouisrcchurch.org/faith_formation.php](http://stlouisrcchurch.org/faith_formation.php). 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.”

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**ANNUAL NOVENA IN HONOR OF OUR BLESSED LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL**

to be held at the Carmelite Monastery
75 Carmel Road—Buffalo, NY

The annual Solemn Public Novena in honor of Our Blessed Lady of Mount Carmel, beginning on Friday, July 8, and closing on the feast day, Saturday, July 16 will be conducted by Rev. Joseph Gabriel Cusimano, O.S.B., of the Monastery of Christ in the Desert in Abiquiu, New Mexico.

Services each evening of the Novena will begin with the Rosary at 7:00 p.m., followed by Holy 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 Sunday, July 10.

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**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 richness 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](http://www.cbstudies.org) or call us at 871-9180 if you would like to visit a class.

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**PETER’S PENCE COLLECTION**

This weekend we are supporting Pope Francis in his charitable works. The Peter’s Pence Collection is taken up worldwide to support our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, the collection is an opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous in today’s collection.