2016 St. Louis Church
Oldest Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Buffalo
Founded in 1829

Celebrating Our 187th Anniversary

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President.................................................................James Reeves
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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.

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 Raffeeiner …………………………………………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

Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, July 9:
12 noon: Wedding 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

MONDAY, July 11: ***SAINT BENEDICT, ABBOT***
12:05 pm: Neunder Family, by Estate

TUESDAY, July 12: ***WEEKDAY***
12:05 pm: Mary K. Crane, by Estate

WEDNESDAY, July 13: ***SAINT HENRY***
12:05 pm: Gerhard Lang, by Estate

THURSDAY, July 14: ***SAINT KATERI TEKAKWITHA***
12:05 pm: For the People of Saint Louis Parish

FRIDAY, July 15: ***SAINT BONAVENTURE, BISHOP***
12:05 pm: John and Elizabeth Kraus, by Estate
3:00 pm: Wedding of Timothy Wilson and Caryn Bartolotta

SATURDAY, July 16:
12 noon: Wedding of Conor Flynn and Ann Dillon
2:00 pm: Wedding of Anthony Nowak and Laura Lomanto
4:00 pm: ***VIGIL FOR SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME***
5:30 pm: Wedding of Robert Greason and Megan Steiner

SUNDAY, July 17: ***SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME***
9:00 am: Jeanne Stark, by Kathryn Missert
11:00 am: Deceased of the Albert Riester Family, by Michael Riester

**SCHEDULE OF LECTORS**
Weekend of July 16th and July 17th

4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky
9:00 am: Maureen Saab
11:00 am: Gina Derrico

**SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**
Weekend of July 16th and July 17th

4:00 pm: Kevin Brayer and Frank and Jane Pelosi
9:00 am: Jim Brigante, Judy Perkowski and Tim and Mary O’Shea
11:00 am: Carolann Besch, Paul Griffin and Keith and Kathy Boerner

**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.

**THE SPIRITUALITY OF SUMMER**

Typically, when people hear the word “summer,” images of beaches, pools, vacations, picnics and festivals are some of the first things to come to mind. After a long cold winter in Western New York, we all look forward to reconnecting with the great outdoors to enjoy the fresh air, sunshine and warmth. There is a sense of relaxation that enters into our summer routines. The rhythms of our work changes and we try to take advantage of every opportunity to enjoy all that we can.

The spirituality of rest is often an overlooked aspect of our faith, but to God, it is far from insignificant. When forming the universe and all of creation when God was done creating the earth, He took a day off. As the Book of Genesis tells us on the seventh day God rested, not because he was tired from creating, but because He was setting a precedent for us. Rest is a gift from God, created by God to give us time to recuperate and spend time with Him. Just as we are meant to work during the week and set aside the Sabbath, summer is for us the “Sabbath” of our year. We have been given a time when the pace of society slows down.

So do fun things, take vacations to interesting places and explore. It is critical for our spiritual development that we take the time to rest, relax and enjoy the life that God has created for us.

Msgr. Manganello

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

Do you have room in your heart to help a child in need? Learn more about the joys and responsibilities of foster parenting at an information session scheduled for July 12. Other sessions will be held on August 9, September 13 and October 11. Find out how you can make a difference in the life of a child on a temporary basis. Children are provided financial support, a clothing allowance and medical coverage. For times, more information and to register for an intro session, please call (716) 856-4494, ext. 360, or email elizabeth.murphy@ccwny.org. For more about foster care, go to ccwny.org. You can also find us on Facebook, Twitter and YouTube.

Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Donald Kopp, Geraldine Sliwinski, Sara Rimmler, Joan Taylor, Catalina Alo, George Calhoun, Miriam Tekie, Mary Almeida, Pam Arigo, Debbie Buyers, Paul Sweeney, Ronald Beller, Kathleen Walter, Spencer Daly, Kathryn Guise, Raymond Sharrer, John Zawistowski, John Forsythe, Amy Vilz, Paulette Snively, Sharon Wamer, 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.
SPRITUAL AND FINANCIAL REPORT
We warmly welcome all who come to St. Louis for Mass—tourists, visitors, parishioners and friends. Last weekend 346 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was $6,149.00 and Peter's Pence collection was $1,025.00.
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, 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

SATURDAY, July 16th
4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection

SUNDAY, July 17th
9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection
12 noon: Baptisms of Ava Melanie McAllister, Connor Michael Trinh, Maxwell Christopher Trinh, Luca Xavier Romano and Tessa Jane Traver

PETER’S PENCE COLLECTION
Thank you for your generous support of our Holy Father’s charitable works through the Peter’s Pence Collection. Our contributions will be combined with those from our brothers and sisters around the world to help Pope Francis provide essential relief to people in need. Your generosity is an act of solidarity with the universal Church, answering the call to become a witness of charity. May God bless you.

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION
In one of his homilies, Pope Francis emphasized the importance of “doing good” as a principle that unites all humanity. He could have easily been referring to our readings this week and their message of tolerance for one another. Pope Francis explained in his sermon that God created all of us in His image and likeness. Christians, Jews, Muslims, even atheists. “Everyone!” he emphasized. In a hypothetical conversation, the pope stated, “But I don’t believe, Father, I am an atheist!” To which he responded, “Just do good: we will meet one another there.” Pope Francis was urging all religions and people to work together, to have tolerance for one another, like the Samaritan in the Gospel who helps the injured man. Tolerance—doing good—is more than just a nice act. It is how we love our neighbors. It is a way we can help ensure that God’s kingdom will come.

JOB OPPORTUNITY
Our custodian, Christopher Evans, has decided to retire and has given his notice. He will be leaving us at the end of July. We are grateful for the wonderful job he did in caring for our church and keeping it neat and clean. We wish Chris well for the future and thank him for his dedicated efforts.
His departure leaves an opening for a custodian at St. Louis. If you know of anyone who would be interested in a part-time job caring for our historic church, please encourage them to apply for this job opportunity.
The position consists of maintenance of church building and grounds, snow removal, act as a sacristan for funerals, Masses and other services, and other work as directed by the Pastor or Business Manager. The hours are Monday—Friday—8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
Anyone interested should contact St. Louis Rectory at 852-6040 or email at stlouischurch@verizon.net.

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

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 are 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. Contact the DRE, Ashlee Campbell, (834-2439/stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com) to register or with inquiries.

VOCATION THOUGHT
Since we are all created in Christ, it is only fitting that we live as Christ. How does Christ call YOU to live as he lives? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

CATHOLIC ACADEMY CORNER
♦ Graduation took place at Blessed Sacrament Church on June 23rd. Fourteen students graduated and 71% of them will be going to private high schools and the other 29% will be attending top notch public or charter schools. The 2016 graduating class earned over $135,000 in academic scholarships.
♦ Registration is strong and several classes are full or near capacity. Contact the school office @ 885-6111 to schedule a tour or receive registration information.
♦ Summer office hours are Monday—Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.