2017
St. Louis Church
Oldest Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Buffalo
Founded in 1829

Celebrating Our 188th 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 Raffineier .............................................1850-1851
Reverend William Deiters ..............................................1855-1861
Reverend J. E. Moshall ....................................................1861-1862
Reverend Francis Anthony Gerber ................................1862-1863
Reverend Sergus Schouplenikoff ................................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, February 4:
2:00 pm: Wedding of Konstantinos Tsigkrelis and Melissa Heffler
4:00 pm: Vigil for Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
   Carol Zobel, by Richard and Mary Agoston

SUNDAY, February 5: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am: Austin and Irene Short, by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Leslie
11:00 am: Rhea Riester Shaddock, by Michael Riester

MONDAY, February 6: Saint Paul Miki
12:05 pm: Rosalia Kurtzman and Spouse, by Estate

TUESDAY, February 7: Weekday
12:05 pm: For the People of Saint Louis Parish

WEDNESDAY, February 8: Saint Jerome Emiliani and Saint Josephine Bakhita
12:05 pm: Peter McKee, by Central Services/Cafeteria Staff

THURSDAY, February 9: Weekday
12:05 pm: Joan Smyntek, by Michael Smyntek

FRIDAY, February 10: Saint Scholastica
12:05 pm: Deceased of the Sylvester Eagan Family, by Estate

SATURDAY, February 11:
4:00 pm: Vigil for Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
   Helen Frost, by Family

SUNDAY, February 12: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am: Matthew Morris, by Lori Ann Conti
11:00 am: Carol Zobel, by State Family

Schedule of Lectors
Weekend of February 11th and February 12th
4:00 pm: Kristin Bender
9:00 am: Tom Pirrung
11:00 am: Gina Derrico

Schedule of Special Ministers of Holy Communion
Weekend of February 11th and February 12th
4:00 pm: Robert Sprague, Jim Ferrini, Mike Mikos and Debbie Guillow
9:00 am: Al Bluemle, Susan Minstero and Tim and Mary O’Shea
11:00 am: Pam Nordstrom, Carolann Besch and Ryan and Lindsay McGowan

Memorial Prayer Candles
The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of Michael Zawistowski, requested by Zawistowski Family. The St. Joseph Church burns this week in memory of Roger Broadhead, requested by Wendy Mistretta and the Pieta Candle burns this week in memory of Aniyah Lewis, requested by Wendy Mistretta.

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.

Catholic Charities 2017

This will be the 93rd annual appeal to benefit and support those who need assistance in Western New York. Because of the generosity of the people of Western New York, Catholic Charities has been able to expand its services to reach out to more people over the years.

Last year partially our support Catholic Charities was able to reach their goal. Once again this year, Catholic Charities is depending on our support along with the many other parishes in our Diocese to help Catholic Charities achieve their goal. Last year St. Louis parishioners contributed $129,000 toward the Catholic Charities Appeal. Catholic Charities is depending on us once again to reach this goal and God willing to surpass it. With all of us working together perhaps we can surpass our personal goal again this year.

This year the appeal is under the patronage of Saint Marianne Cope who is a native of upstate New York (Utica). She was a member of the Sisters of St. Francis of the Neumann Communities of Syracuse perhaps better known to us as the Williamsville or Mill Street Franciscans. St. Sr. Marianne completed her ministry to the lepers in Molokai, Hawaii along with St. Damian of Molokai.

The theme of this year’s Catholic Charities is “Finite Time—Infinite Good.” This year’s theme reminds us that we have only so much time to accomplish infinite good in the lives of other people who need our support.

I believe requests for donations to the Catholic Charities Appeal 2017 have been sent out to our parishioners or will be arriving soon. Everyone knows the needs are great in Western New York. Many people in need depend on our generosity for assistance to help them live dignified lives so that they may face a brighter future.

Msgr. Manganello

Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Barbara Suffoletto, Caitlin Kasberg, James Palka, Susan Bertin, Bernadette R. Crawford, Heidi Cornell, Niziti Asceia, Leah Manth, Donal Kopp, Geraldine Sliwinski, Sara Rimmler, Joan Taylor, Catalina Aloi, George Calhoun, Miriam Tekie, Mary Almeida, Debbie Buyers, Paul Sweeney, Ronald Beller, Kathleen Walter, Spencer Daly, Raymond Sharner, John Zawistowski, John Forsythe, Amy Vilz, Paulette Snayle, Sharon Warner, Larry DiGiulio, James Watson, Carlos Calhoun, Marie Miller, Tracy Abram and Margaret Foegen.

We remember all those recently deceased, especially Rev. Joseph C. Carlo 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 385 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was $5,830.00 and Catholic Relief Services collection was $817.00.

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.”

CHILI COOK-OFF AT ST. LOUIS
Please join us at our annual Chili Cook-Off in our hall on Saturday, February 18th after the 4:00 vigil Mass. We are not only looking for contestants to bring their best chili to see who will be St. Louis’ Chili Cook-Off champion, but for great company and fun with our fellow parishioners. Everyone will have a chance to sample the entries and cast a vote for your favorite. If you are interested in entering the Cook-Off, please either email Debbie Beller at dbjb2@roadrunner.com or call and leave a message at the rectory.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
Our Domestic Violence Program for Men is just one of the many services offered through Catholic Charities of Buffalo. In January 2016, Daniel entered the program for 26 weeks following a court order. “I enjoyed coming every week,” Daniel said. “I learned how to have respect for women and others, and how to be calm. It destabilized the theory of a man needing to be macho.” After completing the program, Daniel’s case was closed and his harassment charges were dropped. Our Domestic Violence Program for Men is offered in all eight counties of Western New York.

Your donation to the Catholic Charities’ 2017 Appeal helps us to continue to mentor, counsel and change hearts for the better across Western New York. To make a donation today, call 716-218-1400 or visit ccwny.org/donation.

RECEIPT OF TAX DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS
We will only issue year end contribution statements if requested. Anyone who requires a tax statement may contact the rectory at 852-6040 or write “Tax Statement” on the front of your church envelope.

“A REQUIEM IN OUR TIME”
On Sunday, February 12, 2017 at 3:00 p.m., the Buffalo Brass Choir presents “A Requiem in our Time” at Blessed Trinity Church, 317 Leroy Avenue in Buffalo.

This liturgically-themed program will feature the title piece by Finnish composer Einojuhani Rautavaar, as well as Pablo Casals’ O Nos Omnes, Bach’s Jesu Joy of Man’s Desiring, and works by three living American composers: John Cheetham, Anthony Plog, and Brian Balmage. This powerful and uplifting concert is a perfect prelude to the Lent and Easter seasons. Free-will offering: $10 suggested donation.

CATHOLIC ACADEMY WINTER OPEN HOUSE
FEBRUARY 7TH AND 9TH
A Winter Open House for families interested in enrolling children at Catholic Academy of West Buffalo in September 2017, will be held on Tuesday, February 7th from 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. and Thursday, February 9th from 6:30—8:00 p.m.

Catholic Academy offers rigorous academics, excellent religious and moral education and a wide array of sports and extracurricular activities in grades Pre-K 3 to 8. Pre-K for 3 year olds is a part time program. According to Business First rankings for Middle Schools in June 2016, we are ranked among the top 10% of private, parochial, charter and public schools in the city of Buffalo!

Come tour our building, meet principals, faculty and parents and learn more about the school’s programs. Registration for September 2017 in ongoing, and office staff will be available to review forms and answer questions regarding financial aid and admission. For information, call the school @ 885-6111 or visit us at cawb.org, Facebook or Twitter.