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.

**WEDDINGS**
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**PASTORAL STAFF**
- Rev. Msgr. John W. Madsen - 12:05 Mass
- Rev. Andrew R. Lauricella - Friday

**TRUSTEES**
- Rosemary Bloch, Michael Mikos

**CURATOR OF 1903 KIMBALL PIPE ORGAN**
- William Kurzdorter

**ORGANIST/CHOIRMASTER**
- Frank Scinta

**DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION**
- Ashlee Campbell

**SECRETARY**
- John Beller

**BASILICA OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**
- Dolores Vasi

**PARISH COUNCIL OFFICERS**
- President: Ryan McGowan
- Vice-President: Keith Boerner
- Secretary: James Reeves

**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.

**Heardon**
- 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.

**PASTORAL STAFF**
- Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher - 1888-1916
- Rev. Msgr. Henry B. Laudenbach - 1917-1944

**PARISH MUSEUM & ARCHIVES:**
OPEN BY APPOINTMENT.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FORMER PASTORS**
UPON THIS ROCK SURPASSES $90,000,000!

The Diocese of Buffalo is thrilled to announce that Upon This Rock has now surpassed $90 million in gifts from donors across Western New York! On February 18, 2016, Bishop Richard Malone unveiled a bold new initiative for the Diocese of Buffalo called Upon This Rock. Upon This Rock is a five year initiative to raise $100 million to support the ongoing ministries of the Diocese. It was announced last Monday that the Upon This Rock initiative has reached 90.9% of its goal. Many thanks to all of you who have contributed your time, talent, and treasure to allow us to strengthen essential pillars within our Church.

So many organizations and individuals have already benefited from this incredible support including our own parish. On January 31st, St. Louis received its first portion of the Upon This Rock proceeds. We received $61,417.51 to further our efforts at St. Louis.

As a part of this program, parishes were asked to identify a need that they would like to address in order that each parish may continue their good works. For more than 10 years we have been discussing the possibility of making the church hall handicapped accessible. This entails installing a lift to make it easier for people to access the hall, a new handicapped accessible bathroom and to enclose the handicapped ramp to make it easier for people entering the church. Thanks to the Upon This Rock program we are able to undertake this project. It is already underway. The trustees and the Finance/Restoration Committee have been meeting with an architect on design work and future implementation. Our next step is to make a presentation to the Planning Board and Preservation Board of the City of Buffalo to secure the proper permits allowing us to begin this work. Over the course of the next few years we will receive two disbursements to be used for enclosure of the handicapped ramp, lift and modifications to the church hall.

The benefits of the Upon This Rock initiative are many. Not only are we supporting our own mission at St. Louis Church but also the continued mission of the Diocese and the mission of Catholic Charities.

Msgr. Manganello

In your prayers...

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 Asceta, Leah Manth, Donaki Kopp, Geraldine Sliwinski, Sara Rimmler, Joan Taylor, Catalina Aloj, George Calhoun, Miriam Tekie, Mary Almeida, Debbie Buyers, Paul Sweeney, Ronald Beller, Kathleen Walter, Spencer Daly, Raymond Sharrer, John Zawistowski, John Forsythe, Amy Vilz, Paulette Snavely, Sharon Warner, Larry DiGiulio, James Watson, Carlos Calhoun, Marie Miller, Tracy Abram and Margaret Foezen.

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 David Forness and our deceased parishioners and loved ones.

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Gerald Stevens, requested by James and Marilyn Knowles.

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.

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SCHEDULE OF LECTORS
Weekend of April 1st and April 2nd
4:00 pm:  Diane Randazzo
9:00 am:  Wendy Mistretta
11:00 am: Ed Kuzan

SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION
Weekend of April 1st and April 2nd
4:00 pm:  Kevin Brayer, Jim Ferrini and Ron and Margaret Foezen
9:00 am:  Al Bluemle, Jim Brigante and Tim and Mary O’Shea
11:00 am: Pam Nordstrom, Carolann Besch and Keith and Kathy Boerner

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EASTER FLOWERS

The March/April packet of envelopes contains the special Easter Flowers envelope. Your generosity and the talents of our dedicated volunteers guarantee that we will again experience a spectacle to behold. The Easter Flowers collection will be taken next weekend.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Superman had foster parents. Catholic Charities gives ordinary citizens the opportunity to raise a superhero through our Foster Care and Adoption programs.

Catholic Charities provides foster care for children of all ages, racial and ethnic groups in Erie County who cannot safely live in their own homes. Additionally, Catholic Charities works with birth families towards reunification, all while providing referrals for needed services and support to ensure the children can return safely to their homes. To support our mission of providing happy and safe homes for children across Erie County, please donate to our 2017 Appeal by calling 716-218-1400 or visiting ccwny.org/donation.

Multiply God's goodness in Erie County and beyond.

GERMAN MASS AT ST. LOUIS

The annual St. Ann's German Mass will be held at St. Louis Church on Sunday, April 2, 2017 at 12:30 p.m. Rev. Daniel Jamros, S.J. will be the celebrant. The St. Louis Church Choir, directed by Frank Scinta, will be singing. Readings and Homily are in English. Following the Mass, a reception will be hosted by St. Ann's Community and St. Louis Parish. All are welcome to attend this celebration of our German Catholic Heritage! Ushers and Eucharistic Ministers needed!!

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Interested in becoming more involved in St. Louis Parish or know a fellow parishioner who would be? If so, consider running yourself, or nominating someone for one of the five open seats on the Parish Council. Elections are scheduled for the weekend of May 20 and 21. Elected members will serve a three year term. It is very important for the Catholic laity to be informed and involved with the functions of the parish. Please consider a run for a council seat and accept this needed and important leadership role.

Nomination forms are included in this week's bulletin and can be submitted in the collection or sacristy. For questions or more information about the Parish Council, please contact KEITHBOERNER@ROADRUNNER.COM.

Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 9th is Palm Sunday. All children are invited to join in a procession of palms at the beginning of the 11:00 Mass that day. Children interested in participating should meet by 10:50 at the Main Street entrance of the church. Families of children participating are asked to sit near the front of the church so that children can easily join their parents after the procession.

Vocation Thought

There are many forms of blindness from which Jesus delivers us. Sometimes certain kinds of blindness prevent us from appreciating the purpose for which we have been created, and our unique place in God's kingdom. Ask Jesus today to remove whatever is preventing you from seeing or understanding the will of the Father. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

Catholic Academy Corner

Catholic Academy of West Buffalo is pleased to announce the 23rd Annual Silent Ticket Auction on Saturday, April 1st at 1069 Delaware Avenue. The evening is once again adults only and beer and wine will be served, along with great kitchen items. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and drawings will begin promptly at 7:50 p.m. Entertainer Keith Shuskie will be performing at 6:45. Our admission price is a low $10.00 and includes 25 tickets. There will be over 100 theme trays and raffle items available as well as a special raffle for a Salvatore's Italian Gardens overnighter package. Silent Auction items includes (2) baskets of cheer, a kayak and fine dining packages. Don't miss out on a great evening!