2017
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Celebrating Our 188th Anniversary

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

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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 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, June 17:
2:00 pm: Wedding of Joseph Konrad and Sarah Shelden
4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
Living and Deceased Fathers of Saint Louis Parish

SUNDAY, June 18: THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
9:00 am: Living and Deceased Fathers of Saint Louis Parish
11:00 am: Living and Deceased Fathers of Saint Louis Parish

MONDAY, June 19: SAINT ROMUALD
12:05 pm: Joseph State, by Family

TUESDAY, June 20: WEEKDAY
12:05 pm: For the People of Saint Louis Parish

WEDNESDAY, June 21: SAINT ALOYSIUS GONZAGA
12:05 pm: Charles and Susanna Lautz, by Estate

THURSDAY, June 22: SAINT PAULINUS OF NOLA, SAINT JOHN FISHER AND SAINT THOMAS MORE
12:05 pm: Sybil Feliciano, by Jimmy and Sarah Leahy

FRIDAY, June 23: THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS
12:05 pm: Charles Lautz, by Estate

SATURDAY, June 24:
2:00 pm: Wedding of David Driess and Kristen Herman
4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Momberger, by Sondra Schreiber

SUNDAY, June 25: TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9:00 am: Deceased Members of the Vetter Family
11:00 am: Maria Bocko, by Hoffman Family

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS
Weekend of June 24th and June 25th
4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky
9:00 am: Wendy Mistretta
11:00 am: Christina Mandolfo

SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION
Weekend of June 24th and June 25th
4:00 pm: Jane Pelosi, Robert Sprague and Ron and Margaret Foegen
9:00 am: Jim Brigante, Susan Ministro and John and Nancy Pax
11:00 am: Pat Doyle, Sue Kolbe and Ryan and Lindsay McGowan

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLE
The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and Special Intentions of Heather, Jessica and James Thomas Caputi, requested by Family.
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.

DO NOT FORGET THE LORD YOUR GOD

This weekend our Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). This feast celebrates God’s presence with us in the Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Christ.

The celebration began in a small quiet Belgian convent in the 13th century, with the vision of a holy nun, St. Juliana. In her vision, she saw the moon, full and bright. It was glorious, except one part of its disk was in a shadow. The meaning of the vision was revealed to her: the moon represented the liturgical year; the shadow, a missing feast in honor of the Blessed Sacrament. Juliana spoke to her confessor about what she had seen. Amazingly, within thirty-five years, Pope Urban IV had established the Feast of Corpus Christi, the Body of Christ. Hundreds of years later, in 1849, Pope Pius IX added the feast of the Precious Blood on July 1st. Following the second Vatican Council, the two liturgical feasts became one solemnity in honor of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

Corpus Christi is an expression of our faith in the Real Presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. It is a celebration that is all about the sacred. This weekend we also honor our fathers and those who have been a father figure to us. Father’s Day gives us the opportunity to express our thanks to our fathers for all of their unconditional love and affection. The observance of Father’s Day makes our fathers feel that their contribution to individual families and society are acknowledged and appreciated. It provides us an opportunity to express our respect for fatherhood.

Msgr. Manganello

VOCATION THOUGHT
Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink so as to nourish us on our journey as his disciples. God has called some to share this very gift of himself in a profound way. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

In your prayers...
Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Spencer Daly, Joseph Acquino, Eleanor Brayer, Linda Campbell, Barbara Sufioletto, Caitlin Kasberg, James Palka, Susan Bertin, Bernadette R. Crawford, Heidi Cornell, Niziti Ascela, Donald Kopp, Geraldine Slivinski, Sara Rimmler, Joan Taylor, Catalina Alo, Debbie Buyers, Paul Sweeney, Ronald Beller, Larry DiGiulio, James Watson, Carlos Calhoun, Marie Miller, 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 369 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was $6,481.00 and the Catholic Communication Campaign Collection was $759.00.

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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CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Updating your wardrobe? Cleaning out storage closets and boxes? Whatever the measure, keep Ladies of Charity in mind. The volunteer organization, which is affiliated with Catholic Charities, accepts donations of new or gently used clothing, footwear, purses and bags; and household items such as small kitchen appliances, curtains and drapes, dishes and utensils and bed linens. The donations are used for the Ladies’ Lots of Clothes Thrift Store and for the Fresh Start program, which provides basic household goods for those who have experienced home displacement for a variety of reasons. Donations may be dropped off from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the first Saturdays of the month (excluding holiday weekends). For more information, call (716) 895-4001.


JOURNEY INTO LOVE

The Office of Family Life Ministries is looking for married couples to assist with the monthly diocesan marriage preparation program, Journey Into Love. Married couples help by giving a 20 minute talk once or twice a year on essential topics and issues that engaged and newly married couples face. Married couples that support this ministry find it beneficial to their own marriage and their efforts contribute to the strengthening of family life as couples prepare for their marriage. If you are interested in finding out more about this very successful diocesan marriage program, call the Family Life Office at 847-2210.

WORD OF LIFE

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CATHOLIC ACADEMY CORNER

With our registration now in full swing, requests for Tuition Assistance are coming in from families who have a difficult time paying the necessarily increasing tuition costs at the Catholic Academy of West Buffalo. The current economic situation has greatly increased the need for tuition assistance. Our Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) relies on the good will offerings made by parishioners of our affiliated parishes. Information and envelopes are available in the church if you wish to make a donation. We have simplified the donation process by adding a donate now button on our website page at cawb.org. Thank you for your support!

THIS WEEK AT SAINT LOUIS

SATURDAY, June 17th
4:00 pm: First Collection: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection and Summer Flowers Collection
4:00 pm: Second Collection: Diocese of Kumbo
4:00 pm: Catholic Academy of West Buffalo Tuition Assistance Appeal

SATURDAY, June 24th
4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection

SUNDAY, June 18th—Happy Father’s Day
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9:00 am & 11:00 am: Second Collection: Diocese of Kumbo Collection
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SUNDAY, June 25th
9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN

Thank you for your generosity to last week’s collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support will help the CCC connect millions of people with Christ and spread the gospel message. If you missed the collection, it’s not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections, and click on the “How to Give” link on the left.

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

Change can be very difficult. Think about getting in shape, eating healthier or losing weight. You have to work at it consistently in order to see results. The same is true of our faith. Like exercise, we need to be challenged in our faith in order to grow stronger and change for the better as God desires for us. Like getting in shape, faith takes work and we must be consistent in our efforts. And we can’t change unless we have the right intention. For Catholics the Eucharist is key to keeping our intentions focused on Jesus. This central sacrament of our faith gives us the spiritual nourishment we need to grow stronger. Through the Eucharist, Jesus invites us to change, to share in His life in order that we may have eternal life in heaven. Catholics believe the more we celebrate the Eucharist, the stronger we become in our faith.

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