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Celebrating Our 188th Anniversary

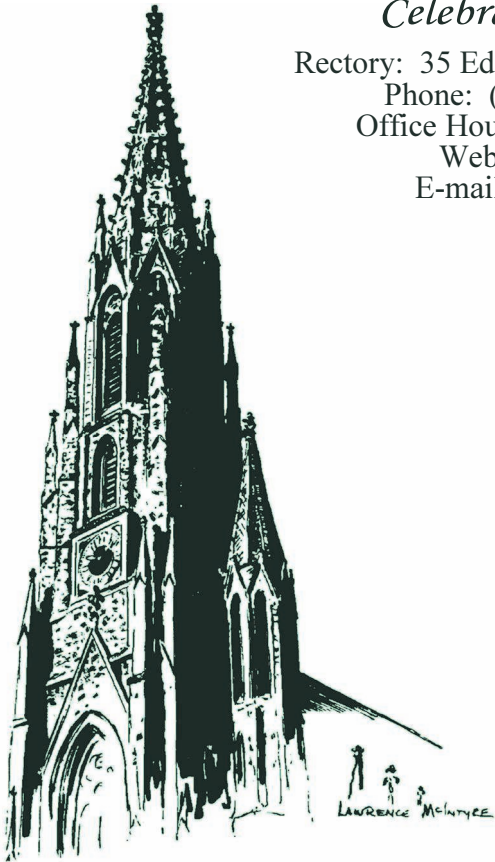
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MASSES

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.

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.

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

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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.

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 Rafffeiner..... 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. Laudensch..... 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
 Rev. Msgr. William A. Schwinger 1979-1995
 Rev. Msgr. Robert A. Mack..... 1995-2002

Most Rev. Robert J. Cunningham, D.D., J.C.L., 2002-2004

Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, July 15:

- 2:00 pm: Wedding of Ronald Ruffino, Jr. and Jeannine Wagner
 4:00 pm: **VIGIL FOR FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
 Mr. Joseph Scharf, by Dick and Mary Agoston
 5:30 pm: Wedding of Frank Adams and Claire McGrath

SUNDAY, July 16: FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 9:00 am: Deceased Members of the Vetter Family
 11:00 am: Michael Hayes, by Katie, Michaelleene and John

MONDAY, July 17: WEEKDAY

- 12:05 pm: For the People of Saint Louis Parish

TUESDAY, July 18: SAINT CAMILLUS DE LELLIS

- 12:05 pm: Karen McCabe Thomas, by Colleen Burke

WEDNESDAY, July 19: WEEKDAY

- 12:05 pm: Linda McSwain, by Joseph and Beverly McNamara

THURSDAY, July 20: SAINT APOLLINARIS

- 12:05 pm: Jane Majka, by Robert and Marilyn Bujnicki

FRIDAY, July 21: SAINT LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI

- 12:05 pm: Gregory T. Miller, by William P. Keefer

SATURDAY, July 22:

- 2:00 pm: Wedding of Anthony Gregory and Amanda Zanotelli
 4:00 pm: **VIGIL FOR SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
 Living and Deceased of the John Thomas Family, by Marilyn Young

SUNDAY, July 23: SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 9:00 am: Dorothy and Edmund Radwan, by Marie Haremski
 11:00 am: Deceased of the Albert Riester Family, by Michael Riester

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of July 22nd and July 23rd

- 4:00 pm: Kristin Bender
 9:00 am: Clark Jordan
 11:00 am: John Zyga



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of July 22nd and July 23rd

- 4:00 pm: Debbie Guillow and Jim Ferrini
 9:00 am: Rosemary Bloch, Susan Ministero and John and Nancy Pax
 11:00 am: Sue Kolbe, Carolann Besch and Ryan and Lindsay McGowan



MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLE



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and for the **Successful Treatment for Ben Cambria, requested by Bert Hyde.**

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.

AN ARMY OF LIFTS

You may have noticed last weekend that there were two high lifts parked in our parking lot. Since last weekend two more have arrived and another is on its way or may be here already.

Ten years ago the *Annual Fund Drive* was dedicated to preserving the exterior window frames of all the stained glass windows. At that time all of the window frames were repainted and any wood that was in need of repair was fixed. Our contractor informed us that in order to continue to maintain the integrity of the windows that we would need to periodically paint and replace any wood that was in disrepair. He suggested we attend to the preservation of the windows at least every ten years.

This year the *Annual Preservation Fund Drive* will go toward the preservation of our beautiful stained glass windows. The work began this week. The project will address any issues that are found. The windows will be repainted as well as the gutters and downspouts. Preventive maintenance goes a long way in preserving the beauty of the church and lowering costs that could be astronomical if this work was left unattended.

McHugh Painting and Restoration will be moving around the church until they have completed the project. They will also put us on a time line for the next time the windows will need attending. Your generosity to the upcoming *Preservation Fund Drive* will go a long way to help complete this very costly preservation project.

Msgr. Manganello

VOCATION THOUGHT

The Kingdom of God grows in a way likened to the planting and nurturing of seeds. What seeds has God given you to scatter? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

You can also check out the "Priest of the Month" stories on our website—www.buffalovocations.org!



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Ben Cambria, Amy Vilz, Raymond Sharrer, Deborah Buyers, John Zawistowski, Delores Needham,

Barbara Yellen, Marnise Reaves, Spencer Daly, Joseph Acquino, Eleanor Brayer, Linda Campbell, Barbara Suffoletto, Caitlin Kasberg, James Palka, Susan Bertin, Bernadette R. Crawford, Heidi Cornell, Niziti Ascela, Donald Kopp, Geraldine Sliwinski, Catalina Aloj, 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, especially Kevin McCue 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 309 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$5,807.00.

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 15th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection

SUNDAY, July 16th

9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection

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4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection

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9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection

WORD OF LIFE

"The challenge is to *make the Church's 'yes' to Life concrete and effective*. The struggle will be long, and it needs each one of you. Place your intelligence, your talents, your enthusiasm, your compassion and your fortitude at the service of life!"

~ Pope John Paul II, "Homily," August 15, 1993
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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

If you are a victim of domestic violence and are in need of access to safety planning, spiritual care, legal assistance, limited medical assistance, counseling, law enforcement, the Family Justice Center of Erie County, Inc. "Where Families Come First" is for you! All services are free. All conversations strictly private. For more information, call 716-558-7233 or visit www.fjcsafe.org.

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

How do you measure achievement in your life? Is it by the size of your house, the car you drive, your job title? Today's readings challenge us to reflect on what God has sent us to achieve here on earth. We can be certain it is not to gather as much material wealth as we can. In the scriptures, Isaiah tells us that God's word—his desire for us—is like a seed sown in fertile soil. His word goes forth, achieving the end for which he sent it. God wants us to hear his word and live it—to experience the fruit of his love, and achieve his will for us. That means we must constantly prepare the soil of our hearts so that we can receive God's word and nurture it to grow. Today, try to be more attentive to God's word and what he is trying to achieve in your life.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

If you know of any couple or couples that are celebrating their 50th, 60th or 70th Wedding Anniversary for the year of 2017, a special Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, October 15, 2017 by Bishop Richard J. Malone, at 3:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Cathedral located in downtown Buffalo. Following the Mass, an informal reception will be held at the Adam's Mark Hotel. Please contact your parish rectory as soon as possible if you wish to attend.

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. Classes will begin in September. More information and the 2017-2018 registration form are available on the St. Louis website. Contact the DRE, Ashlee Campbell, (834-2439/stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com) with inquiries or to register.

PASS ON THE GOOD NEWS!

Being a catechist by "helping children, young people, and adults to get to know and love God more and more deeply is one of the most beautiful educational adventures you can have" (Pope Francis, 2013).

St. Louis is in need of individuals to join a team of catechists, willing to teach 1 to 3 hours each month from late September through April. Classes are multi-age (PreK-K, 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10) and are typically small, between 8-10 students. St. Louis provides all classroom and educational resources. Classes run on Sundays, from 9:50—10:50 a.m. Please prayerfully consider this ministry! If interested, or for more information, please contact the DRE, Ashlee Campbell (834-2439/stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com).

2017-2018 FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION

St Louis' 2017-2018 Pre-K to 10th grade Faith Formation program will begin in late September and continue through April. All children are welcome to attend and there is no cost to enroll. Classes are held on Sundays, from 9:50—10:50 a.m., in the church hall. Families new to St. Louis need to register. Families who completed Faith Formation classes last year do not need to re-register. The registration form is available on the St. Louis website (<http://www.stlouisrcchurch.org>) or families can contact the DRE, Ashlee Campbell, (834-2439/stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com).

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 calmer. 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. To learn more, call 896-6390.

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