PASTORAL STAFF
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
DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION ..........................Ashlee Campbell
BUSINESS MANAGER .................................................................John Beller
SECRETARY ..........................................................................Dolores Vasi

PARISH COUNCIL OFFICERS
President ............................................................................James Reeves
Vice-President ........................................................................Jane Pelosi
Secretary ................................................................................Robert Sprague

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.

PARISH MUSEUM & ARCHIVES: OPEN BY APPOINTMENT.

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.

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 Schouленникoff .........................1864-1867
Reverend Joseph M. Sorg ..................................1867-1888

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher ............................1888-1916
Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry B. Lundenbach .................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

As we present the 10 year update on the Church Windows:

**Preservation of Church Windows**

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The project is now complete. The north side of the church facing St. Louis Place revealed no serious problems of deterioration. However, the south side of the church facing St. Louis Place was another story. There was a lot of damage that needed to be repaired in addition to painting the wood frames. There was a great deal of rotted wood on the windows that needed to be replaced which was completely gone. The acrylic protecting the stained glass windows was cracked and needed to be replaced as well. The acrylic was replaced with glass on all seven windows so we will not have to deal with further deterioration in the near future. Also the stained glass windows are held in place by steel bars. On some of the windows the steel bars were completely rusted through. If these were not replaced, we faced the possibility that the windows would have fallen out or into the church. The south side of the church had very little damage that needed to be repaired. Much of this was done 10 years ago when the windows were last painted.

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**Schedule of Lectors**

Weekend of September 30th and October 1st

- 4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky
- 9:00 am: Maureen Saab
- 11:00 am: Ed Kuzan

**Schedule of Special Ministers of Holy Communion**

Weekend of September 30th and October 1st

- 4:00 pm: Jane Pelosi, Keith Boerner, Mike Mikos and Jim Ferrini
- 9:00 am: Jim Brigante, Rosemary Bloch and Tim and Mary O’Shea
- 11:00 am: Carolann Besch, Sue Kolbe and Ryan and Lindsay McGowan

**Announced Masses of the Week**

**Saturday, September 23:**
- **12 noon:** Wedding of Emanuele Tamayo and Megan Hanselman
- **2:00 pm:** Wedding of Garrett Sontag and Kimberly Dziulko
- **4:00 pm:** Vigil for Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
  - Lonnie Chandler, by Judy Perkowski
- **5:30 pm:** Wedding of John Dolan, III and Allison Finnell

**Sunday, September 24:**
- **9:00 am:** Msgr. William A. Schwinger, by Estate Walter Witman
- **12:05 pm:** Wedding of Emanuele Tamayo and Megan Hanselman

**Monday, September 25:**
- **12:05 pm:** For the People of Saint Louis Parish

**Tuesday, September 26:**
- **12:05 pm:** All Souls

**Wednesday, September 27:**
- **12:05 pm:** The Crane Family, by Mary K. Crane Estate

**Thursday, September 28:**
- **12:05 pm:** Edward and Rose Witman, by Gary and Sandy Witman

**Friday, September 29:**
- **12:05 pm:** Msgr. William A. Schwinger, by Estate

**Saturday, September 30:**
- **2:00 pm:** Wedding of Justin Webster and Lauren Mazzadri
- **4:00 pm:** Vigil for Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
  - Kenneth W. Boerner, by Dick and Mary Agoston

**Sunday, October 1:**
- **9:00 am:** Edward Nemetz, by John and Melanie Loss
- **11:00 am:** Charles Besch, by Children

**Announced Masses of the Week**

**Ordinary Time**
- **Sunday, October 1:** Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**Preservation of Church Windows**

Back in July my column entitled An Army of Lifts announced the project for our Preservation Fund 2017 is the restoration and preservation of the Church windows. The project is now complete. The original quote for the project was $88,000. Once the work began that amount quickly grew. The final cost of the project was $137,430.

This was due to extensive rehabilitation work that needed to be completed in order to preserve the integrity of the windows. The north side of the church facing St. Louis Place revealed no serious problems of deterioration. However, the Apsis of the church with the windows that depict the life of St. Louis was another story. There was a lot of damage that needed to be repaired in addition to painting the wood frames. There was a great deal of rotted wood on the windows that needed to be replaced which was completely gone. The acrylic protecting the stained glass windows was cracked and needed to be replaced as well. The acrylic was replaced with glass on all seven windows so we will not have to deal with further deterioration in the near future. Also the stained glass windows are held in place by steel bars. On some of the windows the steel bars were completely rusted through. If these were not replaced, we faced the possibility that the windows would have fallen out or into the church. The south side of the church had very little damage that needed to be repaired. Much of this was done 10 years ago when the windows were last painted.

All the work that had to be done was very necessary if we are to protect the integrity of the beautiful windows which are irreplaceable.

The Preservation Fund Drive is now underway and is for the preservation of our beautiful stained glass windows. The Preservation Fund Drive has raised $20,655 so far. Your continued support for the preservation of our beautiful historic church is most gratefully appreciated.

**Msgr. Manganello**

**In your prayers...**

Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Bud Vetter, Ben Cambria, Amy Vilz, Raymond Sharer, Deborah Buyers, John Zawistowski, Delores Needham, Barbara Yellen, Marline Reaves, Spencer Daly, Joseph Acquino, Eleanor Brayer, Linda Campbell, Barbara Soffoletto, Caitlin Kasberg, James Palka, Susan Bertin, Bernadette R. Crawford, Heidi Cornell, Niziti Ascela, Donald Kopp, Geraldine Skwinski, Catalina Alois, Paul Sweeney, Larry DiGiulio, James Watson, Carlos Calhoun, Marie Miller, Tom and Mary O'Shea, Mike Mikos and Jim Ferrini.

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.

We remember all those recently deceased, especially Ronald Beller 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 336 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was $6,213.00 Campaign for Catholic Education collection was $1,789.00.

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.”

ANNUAL PRESERVATION FUND DRIVE

Thank you to everyone who has so generously contributed to our Preservation Fund Drive. So far, $20,655 has been donated.

This year the Preservation Fund Drive will go toward the preservation of our beautiful stained glass windows. Your continued support for the preservation of our beautiful historic church is greatly appreciated.

OKTOBERFEST 2017

It’s that time of year again for St. Louis to celebrate their amazing volunteers. Set aside Sunday, October 22nd after the 11:00 Mass for our annual Oktoberfest! See you in the church hall!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Struggling to make ends meet and still put food on the table? We can help. Catholic Charities is the provider of Women, Infants and Children (WIC) federal nutrition program in Erie, Niagara and Chautauqua counties. WIC provides nutrition education and counseling, breastfeeding support, prenatal and postpartum support, referrals and supplemental food vouchers for all kinds of families and children under 5 years old. Services are free of charge. For more information, call (716) 218-1484 or visit ccwny.org/wic.

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 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 (Pre-K-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).

LITTLE SAINTS

St. Louis’ Early Childhood Ministry

Jesus said, “let the children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.” (Matthew 19:14). Are you interested in your young child(ren) learning about God’s love through fun, faith-based lessons? “Little Saints” is faith formation designed for children from birth to five years old (through kindergarten). Children will sing songs, hear Bible stories, pray, and do crafts to learn about our Catholic Faith. Parents are welcome to attend with their child(ren). Classes are held during regular faith formation class time, from 9:50 to 10:50 a.m. on Sundays. Check the St. Louis website for class dates (http://stlouisrcchurch.org). For more information or to register, please contact Ashlee Campbell (834-2439/stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com).