

# 2017 St. Louis Church

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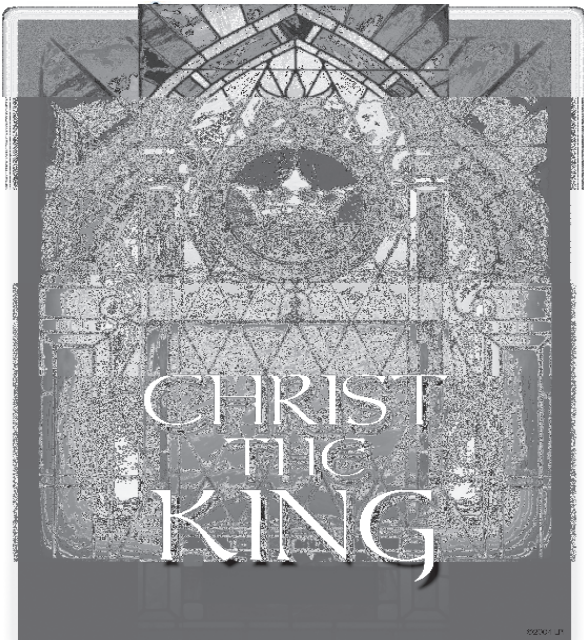
Rev. Msgr. Salvatore Manganello, J.C.L., S.T.L. .... Pastor  
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President..... James Reeves  
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### MASSES

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.



### 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. 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  
 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, November 25:

- 2:00 pm:** Wedding of Chase Pellow and Katherine Germain  
**4:00 pm:** **VIGIL FOR OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**  
 Grace Burruano, by Charles and Grace Martorana

### SUNDAY, November 26: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

- 9:00 am:** Mary Scully, by Rosemary Bloch  
**11:00 am:** William Riester Family, by Michael Riester

### MONDAY, November 27: WEEKDAY

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

### TUESDAY, November 28: WEEKDAY

- 12:05 pm:** All Souls

### WEDNESDAY, November 29: WEEKDAY

- 12:05 pm:** Andrew and Rosalia Bortzmeier, by Estate

### THURSDAY, November 30: SAINT ANDREW, APOSTLE

- 12:05 pm:** Rita Marie Rozbicki, by Estate

### FRIDAY, December 1: WEEKDAY

- 12:05 pm:** Deceased of the Sylvester Eagan Family, by Estate

### SATURDAY, December 2:

- 2:00 pm:** Wedding of Brian Dibble and Dominique DiPietro  
**4:00 pm:** **VIGIL FOR FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
 Thomas Guzowski, by Joe and Maryann Petrella

### SUNDAY, December 3: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- 9:00 am:** Msgr. Robert A. Mack, by Mike and Christina Mandolfo  
**11:00 am:** Joseph State, by Family

## SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of December 2nd and December 3rd

- 4:00 pm:** Ann Dumansky  
**9:00 am:** Anne Continetti  
**11:00 am:** Matt Glynn



## SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of December 2nd and December 3rd

- 4:00 pm:** Jim Ferrini, Mike Mikos and Debbie Guillow  
**9:00 am:** Rosemary Bloch, Jim Brigante and Tim and Mary O'Shea  
**11:00 am:** Sue Kolbe, Carolann Besch and Keith and Kathy Boerner



"BODY OF CHRIST"

## MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God. The St. Joseph Candle burns this week in memory of **Kurt E. Klaes, requested by The 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.

## REJOICING IN GOD'S BLESSINGS

As we near the end of November not only do we conclude another month, but we conclude our Church Liturgical Year and we conclude our harvest season by giving thanks to God for our blessings.

We have just celebrated Thanksgiving Day by gathering with friends and family to feast on the rich bounty of the harvest season. We give thanks to God and our friends and family not only for the food we eat, but also for the many other gifts and blessings we have enjoyed throughout the year.

Our final feast of this liturgical year is the Feast of Christ the King. It was begun in 1925 by Pope Pius XI to conclude one liturgical year and to prepare us for a new one which begins next week with the First Sunday of Advent.

All of these are tied together. Christ's kingship is to be fulfilled at the end time and cannot be separated from the idea of last things. Thanksgiving reminds us that the growing season for this year is ended and we celebrate with a harvest of rich foods. In Advent we spend time preparing for the coming of Christ.

In a way the Feast of Christ the King is a time for looking back and giving thanks. It is also a time of looking forward to what is to come and praying for God's renewed blessings.

*Msgr. Manganello*

## VOCATION THOUGHT

How blest are we to be heirs of the one eternal kingdom! As heirs, we have each been given unique gifts and talents, and have unique roles to play for the kingdom. What is YOUR role? 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](http://www.buffalovocations.org)!



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Lynn Goslinski, Carla Latucca, Theresa Dixon, Desirea Moyica, Peggy Scott, Tracy Abram, Mamie Kate Johnson, Bud Vetter, Ben Cambria, Amy Vitz, 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 Aloi, Paul Sweeney, Lary DiGiulio, James Watson, Carlos Calhoun 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.

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, November 25th**

**4:00 pm:** The Regular Offertory Collection

**SUNDAY, November 26th**

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

**SATURDAY, December 2nd**

**4:00 pm:** The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection and Christmas Flowers Collection

**4:00 pm:** St. Louis Christmas Toy Drive

**4:00 pm:** Western New York Catholic Available

**5:00 to 6:30 pm:** RCIA & Pre-K—Grade 10—"People of Faith: Living as Disciples" Event—Church Hall

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### THANK YOU

Dear St. Louis Parishioners,

Thank you for your generous supply of foods from your annual Octoberfest. The food tasted good and was a treat for our clients in the dining room. May God Bless you and your families for your kindness to the poor and less fortunate.

Happy Thanksgiving,  
Sister Mary Johnice

### FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

Imagine a king, splendid in all his glory, coming down from his throne to invite the least among us to join him in his kingdom. That is exactly what we celebrate today on the Feast of Christ the King. In the Gospel, Christ invites those who are "blessed by his Father" to share in his kingdom, that of eternal life. To be blessed means nothing less than to share in God's holiness, to be *of* God and act toward each other as God acts toward us, especially the least among us. Jesus tells us, "Whatever you do for one of the least brothers of mine, you do for me." Christians believe we honor Christ the King by acknowledging that he is within others and within us. We help to build up his kingdom by our caring for one another. Let's be *of* God and act *like* Christ.

### ANNUAL PRESERVATION FUND DRIVE

Thank you to everyone who has so generously donated to our Preservation Fund Drive. So far, \$33,985 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.

### "PEOPLE OF FAITH" SERIES

Please mark your calendars! The next program of the "People of Faith" Series will be on Saturday, December 2nd at 5:00 p.m. Our topic will be "The Meaning of Christmas: Celebrating the Miracle of the Incarnation." Everyone is invited to an enjoyable evening sharing our Christmas traditions—please bring a story and a dish to share!

### ST. LOUIS CHRISTMAS PARTY Save the Date!

The annual St. Louis Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, **December 10, 2017** after the 11 a.m. Mass. Lunch will be served by our dedicated volunteers and there will be fun activities for young and old alike! You will see the return of the gingerbread house auction and cookie contest! Rumor has it that Santa will be stopping by once more! If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Lindsay at [lindsay.ee@gmail.com](mailto:lindsay.ee@gmail.com) or call the rectory.

### ST. LOUIS CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

By popular demand, St. Louis will again be accepting toy donations! This year, we will be collecting gift cards, new and gently used toys, and books (unwrapped please) for Buffalo Public Schools' Community Schools Saturday Academy Holiday activities. Please place donations in the boxes by the church entrances the weekends of December 2nd & 3rd and December 9th & 10th.

### THE WARMTH TREE

St. Louis Church parishioners are once again decorating our gigantic Warmth Tree with colorful winter hats, mittens, scarves and gloves. These items will then be given to area families. Help us make this year's tree the most festive ever. Donations will accepted the weekends of **December 9th & 10th and December 16th & 17th.**

### RESPONSE TO LOVE CENTER

Just in time for Christmas, the Response to Love Center is holding their Annual Christmas Treasures Gala Sale. Save big on everything you need for Christmas. Friday, December 1st and Saturday, December 2nd at Response to Love Center, 130 Kosciuszko Street. An amazing selection of Christmas Décor, vintage and new jewelry, household items, toys and games, clothing and much more. Handicapped accessible, homemade soups, cookies and other treats! For more information, call 894-7030. Adults \$1 includes a beverage and a treat! Children under 12 are FREE.

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES

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