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Monday at noon.

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Information.

- Classes are offered monthly. Please call the Rectory for

information.

- Holy Communion for the Sick, anytime

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
Registered Parishioners please call the Rectory for appointment.
Arrangements should be made at least one year in advance.

FAITH FORMATION
We offer a variety of religious education, Sacrament preparation,
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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.

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
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Reverend Howard J. Schwartz …………………… 1948-1964
Reverend Clarence Ott …………………… 1964-1965
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MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES

The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in honor of Engagement of Matthew Hummel and Michaela Zawistowski, requested by Zawistowski Family. The St. Joseph Candle burns this week in honor of Rhonda Tarquin, requested by Ron and Margaret Foegen and the Pieta Candle burns this week in memory of Melvin J. Sliwinski, 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.

DISASTER RELIEF COLLECTION

Over the last several years there have been more and more natural disasters, storms, hurricanes and the like. In each case, we have been asked to help out those who have been affected to put their lives back together.

Bishop Malone has reminded all parishes that the storm season for 2018 has just begun and already creating havoc in the lives of many people. The Carolinas have just experienced Hurricane Florence severely damaging and destroying many homes, businesses, and churches.

The United States Catholic Conference of Bishops has asked all dioceses to take up a collection for the humanitarian, long-term recovery of those affected by the storms. This weekend October 6 and 7 the second collection is for the 2018 Disasters Emergency Collection. The funds collected will be used to support the efforts of Catholic Charities USA and/or Catholic Relief Services to assist the rebuilding of those areas affected by natural disasters this year.

Once again your generosity in this collection will be greatly appreciated.

Msgr. Manganello

VOCATION THOUGHT

Jesus calls all people to Himself, even the children. How is Jesus asking you to help others to find Him? 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!

In your prayers...

Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Ray Sharer, Frank Zawistowski, Delores Needham, Sara Ascela, Will Travis, Amy Vilz, Patricia Borte, Patricia Guema, Joel Rivera, Theresa Dominiski, Loretta Rembold, Lynn Gosliniski, Tracy Abram, Mamie Kate Johnson, Bud Vetter, Deborah Buyers, John Zawistowski, Spencer Daly, Joseph Acquino, Linda Campbell, James Palka, Bernadette R. Crawford, Niziti Ascela, Geraldine Sliwinski, 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. Last weekend 351 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was $3,868.00 and Christ the King Seminary collection was $1,235.00.

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. As the structure of the church ages there is always something that needs attention. We noticed that the top of the stairway near the handicap ramp has deteriorated leaving an open hole. Obviously it will need immediate attention. Our Preservation Fund this year will be used to address this situation as well as some other minor projects.

Thanks to your generosity in the past we have been able to maintain our beautiful church. With your generous support we will continue to be able to keep everything in good repair.

So far, $24,993 has been donated.

Pass on the Good news!

Help pass on the Good News of Jesus Christ and our Catholic faith! This fall, children and adolescents, preschool through grade 10, will sign up to learn more about Jesus and the Catholic faith. You can help by becoming a catechist for Faith Formation. Catechists teach 1 to 3 hours each month from October 14 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)

CANDY SALE

Students from Catholic Academy of West Buffalo will be selling Fowler’s candy bars after Masses October 6th and 7th and October 13th and 14th at church exits. The candy bars cost $1. The proceeds of the sale benefit the Home School Association, Please support our parish school by purchasing candy. Thank you.

Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities can be a light at the end of the tunnel. If you have a child ages 12 to 17 who is displaying chronic behaviors such as: noncompliance, verbal and/or physical aggression, truancy, school failure, curfew violations, running away, illegal substance abuse and/or criminal activity in two or more environments (home, school and/or community), consider our Multisystemic Therapy Program in Erie, Niagara, Cattaraugus and Allegany counties. MST is an intensive, family-focused intervention provided in the natural environment of the youth. Interventions are research-based and the program offers 24/7 availability. For more information on Catholic Charities’ MST program, call (716) 204-0555, ext. 330 or visit cwny.org.

Catholic Academy Corner

The Catholic Academy of West Buffalo wants you to win! The 2019 Calendar Club calendar has two numbers for $25.00, and is good for the entire year. Purchase your calendar and be eligible for daily drawings of $50, weekend drawings of $100 and selected holiday drawings of $250 and $25 awarded if you have the number above or below the number drawn. A Grand Prize of $2,000 will be awarded on December 19th for Christmas Day 2019. Calendars are located in church for your convenience.

Send in your stub before November 1, 2018 to participate in the Early Bird Drawing for one of five $150 prizes. Call 885-6111 for information or calendars.

Faith Moment Reflection

From the very beginning, God intended us to live in harmony with one another. We see it in today’s first reading when God creates woman as a suitable partner for man. This story teaches us that successful relationships are based on equality—that God intends there be no indication of one being greater or lesser than the other. Certainly there are differences among us, but we are equal before God, each deserving of being treated with love and respect. When we bring our differences together and join together for the greater good, we truly live in harmony just as God has planned for us. Take a moment to reflect on at least one way in which you can promote harmony—in your relationships, your workplace, your community, and in the world God created for us.

This Week at Saint Louis

SATURDAY, October 6th
4:00 pm: First Collection: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection
4:00 pm: Second Collection: 2018 Disasters Emergency Collection
4:00 pm: Respect Life Mass—Bishop Richard Malone
4:00 pm: Catholic Academy of West Buffalo Candy Sale
4:00 pm: Western New York Catholic Available

SUNDAY, October 7th
9:00 am & 11:00 am: First Collection: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection
9:00 am & 11:00 am: Second Collection: 2018 Disasters Emergency Collection
9:00 am & 11:00 am: Catholic Academy of West Buffalo Candy Sale
9:00 am & 11:00 am: Western New York Catholic Available
12 noon: Baptism of Dominic Paul Utzig

SATURDAY, October 13th
4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Maintenance and Repairs Collection and Fuel Collection
4:00 pm Western New York Catholic Available

SUNDAY, October 14th
9:50 am—10:50 am: Pre-K– Grade 10
9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Maintenance and Repairs Collection and Fuel Collection
9:00 am & 11:00 am: Catholic Academy of West Buffalo Candy Sale
After 11:00 am Mass: Oktoberfest—Church Hall
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