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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.

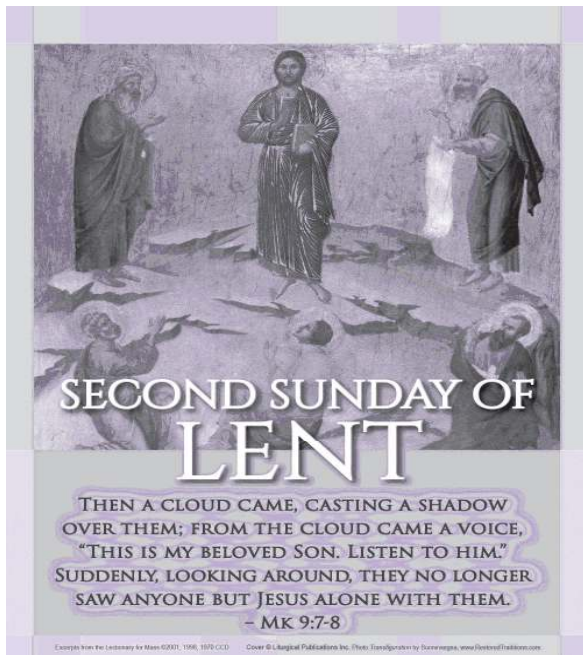
PARISH MUSEUM & ARCHIVES: OPEN BY APPOINTMENT.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FORMER PASTORS

Reverend John Nicholas Mertz..... 1829-1836
 Reverend Alexander Pax 1836-1843
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 Reverend Joseph Rafffeiner..... 1850-1851
 Reverend William Deiters 1855-1861
 Reverend J. E. Moshall..... 1861-1862
 Reverend Francis Anthony Gerber 1862-1863
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 Reverend Joseph M. Sorg..... 1867-1888

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher 1888-1916
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 Reverend Michael A. Anstett 1944-1948
 Reverend Howard J. Schwartz 1948-1964
 Reverend Clarence Ott..... 1964-1965
 Reverend Alfred M. Mosack 1965-1979
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 Rev. Msgr. Robert A. Mack..... 1995-2002

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Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, February 24:

2:00 pm: Wedding of Steve LeVangie and Jenelle Villani

4:00 pm: **VIGIL FOR SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**
Dr. and Mrs. George O'Grady, by Family

SUNDAY, February 25: SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 am: Deceased Members of the Vetter Family

11:00 am: Mary Guzowski, by Mike Mikos

MONDAY, February 26: LENTEN WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: Mary Eckert, by Clem and Anne Eckert

TUESDAY, February 27: LENTEN WEEKDAY

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

WEDNESDAY, February 28: LENTEN WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: The Crane Family, by Mary K. Crane Estate

THURSDAY, March 1: LENTEN WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: Devin Waring, by Shelly Reidy

FRIDAY, March 2: LENTEN WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: Emily Mikos, by Family

SATURDAY, March 3:

4:00 pm: **VIGIL FOR THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**
Mary Guzowski, by Fran and Bill O'Heir

SUNDAY, March 4: THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 am: Rita Marie Rozbicki, by Estate

11:00 am: Gustave and Helen Fehrer, by Michael Riester

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of March 3rd and March 4th

4:00 pm: Diane Randazzo

9:00 am: Tom Pirrung

11:00 am: Christina Mandolfo



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of March 3rd and March 4th

4:00 pm: Debbie Guillow, Jim Ferrini and Judy Perkowski

9:00 am: Al Bluemle, Jim Brigante and Tim and Mary O'Shea

11:00 am: Michael Mandolfo, Pam Nordstrom and Ryan and Lindsay McGowan



"BODY OF CHRIST"

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLE

The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of **Darlene Sliwinski-Hill, 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.



ST. LOUIS CONTINUES TO BENEFIT FROM UPON THIS ROCK

The *Upon This Rock* Campaign is in its final stages and has reached almost \$108 million. This total as of January 31, 2018 is 108% of the goal. The goal of this endeavor is to raise \$100 million to support the various ministries that are so necessary for the functioning of the diocese. A portion of this campaign is also meant to support individual parishes in the diocese to continue their unique and various ministries as well.

The next chapter of the campaign is now unfolding, *Upon This Rock* continues to send disbursement checks to parishes. The Foundation for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo, the organization that manages the generously donated funds, disburses funds every six months, on January 31 and July 31. Any parish that has completed its campaign receives a check with a portion of its parish share. We are one of those parishes that received a portion of the funds we raised for *Upon This Rock*.

On January 31, 2018 St. Louis received its third portion of the *Upon This Rock* proceeds. We received \$23,110.25 to further our efforts at St. Louis. The total we have received in the year of 2017 was \$87,786.91. To date St. Louis has received from *Upon This Rock* \$110,924.16. Over the course of the next few years we will receive two disbursements to be used for a lift and modifications to the church hall.

Thank you once again for your most kind generosity in supporting the works of St. Louis Parish.

Msgr. Manganello

ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE

St. Louis Church is hosting a St. Joseph's Table on Sunday, March 18, 2018 (noon until 2:00 p.m.). Tickets are available after Masses the weekends of March 3-4 and March 10-11. Donation: Adults: \$8.00, Children under 12: \$3.00.

Your ticket entitles you to a dine-in or take-out meal! Italian Cookies, Frittata, Fish, Bread, Soup, Pasta Con Sardi, Salads.

If you are interested in providing a traditional dish or to volunteer, please contact Debbie Guillow at 465-6196 or diguillow@yahoo.com.



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Joel Rivera, Norbert Sliwinski, Norene Wesolek, Paul Setlock, Loretta Rembold, Lynn Goslinski, Carla Latucca, Theresa Dixon, Desirea Moyica, Peggy Scott, Tracy Abram, Mamie Kate Johnson, Bud Vetter, Ben Cambria, Amy Vilz, Raymond Sharrer, Deborah Buyers, John Zawistowski, Delores Needham, Barbara Yellen, Mamise Reaves, Spencer Daly, Joseph Acquino, Eleanor Brayer, 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, especially Rev. Msgr. Samuel J. Faiola, Annamay Wise 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 367 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$5,024.00, Black and Indian Mission Collection was \$473.00, Ash Wednesday collection was \$614.00.

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

THIS WEEK AT SAINT LOUIS

SATURDAY, February 24th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection
After 4:00 Mass: Chili Cook-off—Church Hall

SUNDAY, February 25th

9:50 am—10:50 am: Pre-K—Grade 10—Church Hall
9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection
After 11:00 am Mass: RCIA—Sacristy
12 noon: Baptism of Francis Baptiste Rhoney and Clara Mae Doll

FRIDAY, March 2nd

After 12:05 Mass: Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, March 3rd

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection
4:00 pm: Tickets on Sale for St. Joseph's Table
4:00 pm: Western New York Catholic Available

SUNDAY, March 4th

9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection
9:00 am & 11:00 am: Tickets on Sale for St. Joseph's Table
9:00 am & 11:00 am: Western New York Catholic Available
12:00—1:30 pm: RCIA—Pre-K—Grade 10—"People of Faith: Living as Disciples" Event—Church Hall
7:00 pm: Choir of St. Louis & Camerata di Sant' Antonio Chamber Orchestra Concert

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

For Christians, Lent is an important time of reflection and prayer to deepen our faith in the promises of Jesus Christ's resurrection. It's a time to listen more closely to God and perhaps re-think how we are responding to his call. In today's reading from the Book of Genesis, Abraham gives us a good example. He is willing to do whatever God asks of him, responding "Here I am" to God's call. Abraham listened and was ready to respond as God willed. His ability to *continue* to listen saved his son. Abraham shows us that we need to constantly listen for God's call in our ever-changing lives. His faith resulted in God's promise of great blessings for his descendants. Remember to take the time during Lent to listen for God's voice. Spiritual reading, giving to charity and fasting are just some of the traditional Lenten disciplines that can help us do that.

DON'T GIVE UP SOMETHING

Dear St. Louis Family,

Lent is here. Don't give up something. Give something. This Lent you can help those carrying their cross. The Response to Love Center is in need of soup to help serve families in our community who need a helping hand.

Can you help provide these soups?

Chicken Noodle
Cream of Chicken
Cream of Mushroom
Cream of Celery

Boxes are available at the entrances of the church for donations.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

It doesn't have to be overwhelming. For parents or caregivers of a child who is struggling in multiple areas, or has chronic physical and mental needs, Catholic Charities can help parents and caregivers keep up with and address those needs. Our Care Managers for the Encompass Children's Health Home can help parents or caregivers and their child with an ongoing planning process that wraps services around the child and family. Care Managers across Western New York ensure the child gets appointments with doctors, dentists, mental health providers and specialists; links the child and family to others in similar situations for support; and provides other support and guidance. To help us continue this ministry to children and families in need, please donate to the 2018 Appeal by calling 716-218-1400 or by visiting ccwny.org/ donation. Join us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. **"Love your neighbor" Gal. 5:14**

CONGRATULATIONS

We would like to congratulate Madeline Leonard who has been named to the 2nd quarter 2017-18 Honor Roll at Sacred Heart Academy.

CAMERATA ORCHESTRA, ST. LOUIS CHOIR JOIN FORCES IN MARCH 4TH CONCERT

The Choir of St. Louis Church, Frank Scinta director, will join the Camerata di Sant' Antonio Chamber Orchestra under the direction of Christopher Weber in **Music from Aloft** on **Sunday, March 4th at 7:00 p.m.** in St. Louis Church, Main and Edward Streets in downtown Buffalo. Joining them will be soloists from the Harmonia Chamber Singers. Admission is \$18.00 and proceeds will benefit the orchestra's performance fund.

Music from Aloft will feature the area premiere four new works by Maarten Spruijt, Robert Ingals, George Pelecis, and Allan Stephenson. Rounding out the program will be Remo Giazotto's arrangement of Albinoni's *Adagio for Strings*. The first half of the program will be performed from the choir loft of St. Louis, followed by a reception and additional works in the church's historic sanctuary.

The Camerata di Sant' Antonio Chamber Orchestra remains one of Western New York's preeminent professional chamber groups. Hailed for its extensive repertoire inventive programming, the Camerata perform throughout the year both alone and in collaboration with many of the region's finest vocal and instrumental music organizations.

The Choir of St. Louis Church is an all-volunteer ensemble composed of members of the parish. Its members rehearse each Thursday evening and lead the musical worship at 11:00 a.m. each Sunday. Its repertoire covers nine centuries of sacred music and nearly every style of western composition. In past years, members of the choir have performed with the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra, Ars Nova Musicians, Greater Buffalo Opera Company, Opera Sacra, Camerata di Sant' Antonio and the Dave Brubeck Quartet.

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