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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.

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We offer a variety of religious education, Sacrament preparation,
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earplugs. Please come to the Sacristy for assistance.

WEDDINGS
Registered Parishioners please call the Rectory for appointment.
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PARISH MUSEUM & ARCHIVES: OPEN BY APPOINTMENT.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FORMER PASTORS

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher ........................ 1888-1916
Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry B. Lundenbach ...................... 1917-1944
Rev. Michael A. Anstett .................................. 1944-1948
Rev. Howard J. Schwartz .................................. 1948-1964
Rev. Clarence Ott ......................................... 1964-1965
Rev. Alfred M. Mosack .................................... 1965-1979

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLE
The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of Maria Jackson, requested by Donna Dobbins. 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.

IN THE NEWS

The last several weeks have been very difficult even painful for the Church of Buffalo. Over the course of the last several weeks several people have come forward to express their hidden pain of abuse by priests of our diocese many years ago. They, in many cases, have been carrying that secret and hidden pain for a long time and now are relieved to be able to speak out about.

This is not a secret that the diocese has been trying to keep quiet, but a sin that has confronted the diocese for many years. As situations have arisen and allegations against clergy made, the diocese has attempted to do everything possible to aid the victim and remove the priest from ministry.

Sadly, this sin is not just a Church matter, but occurs in every walk of life. However, it is more pronounced and perhaps more scandalous because these are trusted people who are held to a higher standard and are looked up to by parishioners. When such a sin occurs people feel a deep sense of betrayal because someone who was thought to be trustworthy has taken advantage of their position in the community.

This past week Bishop Malone released the names of known diocesan priests who have been accused of sexual abuse of a minor. This may trigger memories for others who have been abused. Anyone who has been carrying this secret, painful burden with them is encouraged to contact The Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Buffalo, Ms. Jacqueline Joy at 716-895-3010 (jacqueline.joy@ccwny.org) and the Diocese of Buffalo for assistance.

One post I read on social media this week suggested: “Pray for the victims, pray for the men on this list, pray for future priests, and pray for the Church presently having to deal with this difficult time for all.”

Msgr. Manganello

Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Joel Rivera, Theresa Dominski, Norene Wesolek, Paul Sedock, Loretta Rembold, Lynn Gosinski, Carla Latucca, Theresa Dixon, Desirea Moyica, Peggy Scott, Tracy Abram, Mamie Kate Johnson, Bud Vetter, Ben Cambria, Amy Wilz, 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 Slivinski, 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 Richard Sasala 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 386 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was $4,520.00 and Easter Flowers collection was $1,291.00.

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, March 24th
4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection
4:00 pm: Catholic Charities Volunteers
4:00 pm: Distribution of Palms

SUNDAY, March 25th—Palm Sunday
9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection
9:00 am & 11:00 am: Catholic Charities Volunteers
9:00 am & 11:00 am: Distribution of Palms
11:00 am: Children’s Procession of Palms

HOLY THURSDAY, March 29th
7:00 pm: Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper followed by the procession with the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Reposition. The Church will remain open until 10:30 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY, March 30th—Holy Land Collection
2:00 pm: Celebration of the Lord’s Passion

HOLY SATURDAY, March 31st
9:00 am: Saint Louis Garden Society (SLGS) Decorate Church for Easter
7:00 pm: The Easter Vigil—The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection and Easter Offering Collection
7:00 pm: Western New York Catholic Available

SUNDAY, April 1st—Happy Easter
9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection
Including Monthly Collection and Easter Offering Collection
9:00 am & 11:00 am: Western New York Catholic Available

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

When Jesus entered into Jerusalem in today’s Gospel, the crowds greeted him with great jubilation. But Jesus knew what he was heading into—that these very same people who shouted “Hosanna” would soon turn against Him. He continued on anyway. It took incredible selflessness for Christ to make that journey. He faced betrayal, torture and crucifixion. Nevertheless, Jesus gave of himself completely to fulfill the Father’s will. As faithful disciples of Christ, there are journeys we face in order to fulfill God’s will for us. It is not always easy. However, we can ask God for the strength to give of ourselves with selfless love; and in doing so we take another step closer to the salvation God has promised.

ALTAR SERVER OF THE YEAR

The 49th Annual Altar Servers Mass and Award Ceremony was held at St. Joseph Cathedral on Saturday, March 24th.

Congratulations to Angelina Mistretta who was honored this Saturday by Bishop Malone for her service to our parish. Angelina, who serves at the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, received the Altar Server Award Medal from Bishop Malone at a Mass and Ceremony Saturday morning at the Cathedral followed by a luncheon at the Convention Center. We are most grateful to Angelina for being of service to our parish.

HOLY THURSDAY OPEN HOUSE

Following Holy Thursday Mass at 7:00 p.m. we will be keeping the church open until 10:30 p.m. Last year there were many visitors who came either individually, in small groups, or by bus to view the beauty of our building.

If you are able to help staff the church after Mass, so we can continue to welcome those who have never seen St. Louis, please sign up on the provided sheet located in the Sacristy. Come and enjoy visiting with your fellow parishioners and meeting people from other churches and those of other faiths.

ST. PATRICK’S DAY CARNATION SALE

This year’s St. Patrick’s Day Carnation Sale was a huge success! Maureen’s Flower Market generously donated the flowers, allowing all proceeds ($384.00) to be donated to Catholic Charities. Thank you to all the parishioners who purchased flowers or made a donation. Also, thank you to all the families that helped sell the carnations.

PREPARE FOR EASTER

The Saint Louis Garden Society (SLGS) will meet on Saturday, March 31st at 9:00 a.m. to clean and decorate the church for Easter. Please join us and help prepare our most beautiful church for the Lord’s Resurrection.

New volunteers are always welcome and appreciated!

THE PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land.

Your support helps the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

This is the second weekend of Appeal Week 2018! Now is the perfect time to show love for your neighbors in your community and make a donation if you haven’t done so already. Every day, Catholic Charities is helping those most in need, and your donation continues that reality for so many across the Diocese of Buffalo’s eight counties. Our services protected, strengthened and empowered the lives of nearly 153,000 people last year. Your gift makes that power of love known. Call 716-218-1400 or visit ccwny.org/donation and contribute to our 2018 Appeal. Join us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. “Love your neighbor” Gal. 5:14
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