2018
St. Louis Church
Oldest Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Buffalo
Founded in 1829

Celebrating Our 189th Anniversary

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Rev. Msgr. John W. Madsen ..................................................Weekend Assistant
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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.

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
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 Schouplnoff .........................................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

Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, May 26:
4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
Deceased of the Peter Berst Family, by Marilyn Young

SUNDAY, May 27: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
9:00 am: Deceased Members of the Vetter Family
11:00 am: Charles, Virginia and Paul Barone, by Petrella Family

MONDAY, May 28: MEMORIAL DAY—NO MASS TODAY

TUESDAY, May 29: WEEKDAY
12:05 pm: George Rodgers, by D. Hausle

WEDNESDAY, May 30: WEEKDAY
12:05 pm: Carmela Milanovich, by Family and Friends

THURSDAY, May 31: THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
12:05 pm: For the People of Saint Louis Parish

FRIDAY, June 1: SAINT JUSTIN
12:05 pm: Rita Marie Rozbicki, by Estate

SATURDAY, June 2:
2:00 pm: Wedding of Anthony Dean and Gianna Conciardo
4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
Living and Deceased of the John Thomas Family, by Marilyn Young

SUNDAY, June 3: THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
9:00 am: Joseph Vasi, by Rosemary Bloch
11:00 am: Josephine Mandolfo, by Michael and Christina Mandolfo

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS
Weekend of June 2nd and June 3rd
4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky
9:00 am: Anne Continetti
11:00 am: Gina Derrico

SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION
Weekend of June 2nd and June 3rd
4:00 pm: Debbie Guillow and Jim Ferrini
9:00 am: Jim Brigante, Robert Sprague
and Tim and Mary O’Shea
11:00 am: Pam Nordstrom, Pat Doyle
and Keith and Kathy Boerner

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLE
The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in honor of Will Travis, requested by Bertha Hyde. 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.

MEMORIAL DAY
Memorial Day or Decoration Day is a Federal holiday in the United States for remembering the people who died while serving in the country’s armed forces. The holiday is currently observed every year on the last Monday of May. The holiday was previously held on May 30 from 1868 to 1970. It marks the unofficial start of the summer vacation season, while Labor Day marks its end.

Memorial Day is not to be confused with Veterans Day—Memorial Day is a day of remembering the men and women who died while serving our country in the military, whereas Veterans Day celebrates the service of all U.S. military veterans.

Soldiers’ graves were decorated in the U.S. before and during the American Civil War. Many people visit cemeteries and memorials, particularly to honor those who have died in military service. Many volunteers place an American flag on each grave in national cemeteries.

The practice of decorating soldiers’ graves with flowers is an ancient custom. In 1915, following the Second Battle of Ypres, Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae, a physician with the Canadian Expeditionary Force, wrote the poem, “In Flanders Fields”. Its opening lines refer to the fields of poppies that grew among the soldiers’ graves in Flanders.

In 1918, inspired by the poem, YWCA worker Moina Michael attended a YWCA Overseas War Secretaries’ conference wearing a silk poppy pinned to her coat and distributed over two dozen more to others present. In 1920, the National American Legion adopted it as their official symbol of remembrance.

The preferred name for the holiday gradually changed from “Decoration Day” to “Memorial Day,” which was first used in 1882. Memorial Day did not become the more common name until after World War II, and was not declared the official name by Federal law until 1967. On June 28, 1968, Congress passed the Uniform Monday Holiday Act, which moved four holidays, including Memorial Day, from their traditional dates to a specified Monday in order to create a convenient three-day weekend. The change moved Memorial Day from its traditional May 30 date to the last Monday in May. The law took effect at the Federal level in 1971.

Msgr. Manganello
Heavenly Father,

On this Memorial Day, we pray for those who courageously laid down their lives for the cause of freedom. May the example of their sacrifice inspire in us the selfless love of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Bless the families of our fallen troops, and fill their homes and their lives with your strength and peace.

In union with people of goodwill of every nation, embolden us to answer the call to work for peace and justice, and thus, seek an end to violence and conflict around the globe.

We pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.

In your prayers...
Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Will Travis, Amy Vilz, Patricia Bortle, Patricia Guerra, Joel Rivera, Theresa Dominski, Noreene Wosolek, Paul Setlock, Loretta Rembold, Lynn Godinski, Carla Latuca, Theresa Dixon, Tracy Abram, Mamie Kate Johnson, Bud Vetter, Deborah Buyers, John Zawistowski, Spencer Daly, Joseph Acquino, Linda Campbell, James Palka, Bernadette R. Crawford, Nizizi Ascel, 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 William “Bill” Egan 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 365 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was $4,814.00 and the Msgr. Schwinger Memorial Sandwich Program collection was $2,044.00.

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, May 26th
4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Church in Latin America Collection

SUNDAY, May 27th
9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Church in Latin America Collection

MONDAY, May 28th—Memorial Day
No Mass Today—Parish Office Closed

SATURDAY, June 2nd
4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection
4:00 pm: Western New York Catholic Available

SUNDAY, June 3rd
9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection
9:00 am & 11:00 am: Western New York Catholic Available
12:30 pm: St. Ann’s German Mass

MSGR. SCHWINGER MEMORIAL SANDWICH PROGRAM COLLECTION

Thank you to everyone who so generously donated to the Msgr. Schwinger Memorial Sandwich Program. With your help we are able to feed the many people who come to our door Monday through Friday. We are grateful for your continued support.

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

In today’s Gospel reading, the disciples resist Jesus and doubt his orders to them to “make disciples of all nations.” Despite their hesitation, Jesus trusts the disciples with the responsibility for His work on earth. He tells them, “I am with you always.” Over two thousand years later, we can see the disciples did a great job of carrying out their responsibility. Do you ever feel you are not prepared for the responsibility God calls you to? When this happens, stop and say a prayer. Ask God for His guidance and direction. God has entrusted you with a specific purpose in your life and He will not let you down. He is with you always. Remember this to help you: “God doesn’t call the equipped. He equips the called.”

GERMAN MASS AT ST. LOUIS

The annual St. Ann’s German Mass will be held at St. Louis Church on Sunday, June 3, 2018 at 12:30 p.m. Rev. Daniel Jamros, S.J. will be the celebrant. The St. Louis Church Choir, directed by Frank Scinta, will be singing. Readings and Homily are in English. Following the Mass, a reception will be hosted by St. Ann’s Community and St. Louis Parish. All are welcome to attend this celebration of our German Catholic Heritage! Ushers and Eucharistic Ministers needed!!

ALLENTOWN ART FESTIVAL

Over the past few years we have opened the church to welcome visitors who are attending the Allentown Art Festival. People from near and far have been awed by the magnificence of St. Louis Church, taken time to pray or light a candle, and enjoyed hearing about our parish and history. Once again, this year, the church will be opened on Saturday, June 9th and Sunday, June 10th.

We are in need of volunteers to welcome visitors during these two days. On Saturday volunteers are needed from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and on Sunday from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Last year many people visited the church, and some made donations to the parish. If you are available to help for a period of time on either day, please use the sign-up sheets located at the entrances to the church. Thank you!

RAINBOW K

Chiavetta’s Chicken Barbeque
Friday, June 1, 2018
3:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.
388 Franklin Street
Buffalo, NY
$10.00 Includes Half Chicken Plus 2 Sides (Salads and Potato Salads)
Bread and Butter—Dessert is Available

“CONCERTS FOR THE SOUL” PRESENTS
“SUMMER CONCERT OF JOY AND INSPIRATION”

Friday, June 8th at 7:30 p.m.
SS. Columba—Brigid Church
75 Hickory Street, Buffalo, NY
Event is by Donation

In this sacred season of Summer, come lay your burdens down and let your heart be nourished. Tenor Vocalist Cory James Gallagher and Writer/Poet Amy Gallagher will guide you on a Musical-Poetic Journey celebrating the many gifts and ordinary miracles that greet us each day. An evening to inspire.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

We believe in building stronger, healthier families. Catholic Charities is a children’s health home provider across WNY through Encompass Family Health Home. Through the health home, children and their families are given a network of providers, health plans and community-based organizations that work to ensure the child’s needs are met, including physical, dental, mental health or simple support. To learn more about the program and eligibility requirements, visit ccwny.org/encompass__health__home or call (716) 218-1400. “Love your neighbor” Gal. 5:14. Appeal 2018 is still ongoing. Donate at ccwny.org/donation.