2018
St. Louis Church
Oldest Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Buffalo
Founded in 1829
Celebrating Our 189th Anniversary
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TRUSTEES ........................................................Rosemary Bloch, Michael Mikos
CURATOR OF 1903 KIMBALL PIPE ORGAN ........... William Kurzdorfer
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PARISH COUNCIL OFFICERS
President ............................................................ Frank Pelosi
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.

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 Schouplenikoff .............. 1864-1867
Reverend Joseph M. Sorg ....................... 1867-1888
Rt. Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher ............. 1888-1916
Reverend Michael A. Anstett .................. 1944-1948
Reverend Howard J. Schwartz ................. 1948-1964
Reverend Clarence Ott ......................... 1964-1965
Reverend Alfred M. Mosack ................... 1965-1979

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLE

The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of Matthew Colomaio, requested by Jim Ferrini. 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.

MISSIONARY VISIT TO ST. LOUIS

Every year during the summer months the parishes of the Diocese host missionaries from around the world. These missionaries come to the parishes in the Diocese to explain the work that they do and to ask for our prayers and support for their various missions.

This year the Office of the Propagation of the Faith in our Diocese has assigned the “Missionaries of Faith, India” to visit St. Louis Parish as well as parishes in North Tonawanda and Lakewood. We welcome Father Joy Kumarthusseril next weekend Saturday, June 30th and Sunday, July 1st to preach to us about their missions.

The religious congregation “Missionaries of Faith” was founded in Italy by Anna Maria Andreani and Fr. Luigi Duilio Graziotti. Its missions extended to the Philippines, Samoa, India, Vietnam, Myanmar, Venezuela and the West Indies. The Charism of the Institute is “Faith and Mission.”

The mission in India was begun in 1989 with seven priests. Today there are 85 priests in two provinces of India. The “Missionaries of Faith” are also found in Italy, United States and Canada. Its main activities are evangelization, orphanages to educate poor children, promotion of religious vocations and other charitable works.

The Missionary activities of the Province of India totally depend on the providence of God. Sometimes the activities of the “Missionaries of Faith” are curtailed by lack of financial resources. The support the congregation receives from the MCP program are used generally to support their 78 seminarians who are in formation, support the more than 600 poor children for education, other charitable works and the support of opening new mission parishes.

A second collection will be taken up next weekend to support the missionary activities of the “Missionaries of Faith, India.”

Msgr. Manganello

Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Ray Sharrer, Frank Zawistowski, Delores Needham, Sara Ascela, Will Travis, Amy Vilz, Patricia Bortle, Patricia Guerra, Joel Rivera, Theresa Dominski, Lorett Remboli, Lynn Goslinski, Carla Latucci, Theresa Dixon, 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, especially Matthew Colomaio and our deceased parishioners and loved ones.
SPRITUAL AND FINANCIAL REPORT
We warmly welcome all who come to St. Louis for Mass—tourists, visitors, parishioners and friends. Last weekend 381 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was $4,722.00 and Father’s Day collection was $845.00.
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, June 23rd
4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection

SUNDAY, June 24th
9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection
3:00 pm: Organ Re-Dedication Recital

WEDNESDAY, June 27th
6:00 pm: Saint Louis Garden Society—SLGS

SATURDAY, June 30th
4:00 pm: First Collection: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection and Peter’s Pence Collection
4:00 pm: Second Collection: “Missionaries of Faith, India” Collection
4:00 pm: Western New York Catholic Available

SUNDAY, July 1st
9:00 am & 11:00 am: First Collection: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection and Peter’s Pence Collection
9:00 am & 11:00 am: Second Collection: “Missionaries of Faith, India” Collection
9:00 am & 11:00 am: Western New York Catholic Available

PETER’S PENCE COLLECTION
Next week our diocese will take up the Peter’s Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression and disaster.
Join our Holy Father as a witness of charity to those who are suffering.

IGNITION VOLUNTEER CORPS BUFFALO
Ignation volunteers are semi-retired and retired men and women who share their time and talents to help local non-profit agencies address important community issues through volunteerism. If you are interested in the opportunity to use your leadership and professional skills to transform our communities while being supported through spiritual reflection in your ministry and passion to serve others, contact Minnie Wyse, Director of Ignation Volunteer Corps Buffalo at St. Michael’s Parish, 854-6726 or 479-1334; www.ivcusa.org. IVC needs volunteers for the following positions: administrative; processing donations, mail, answering calls for a local non-profit; communications and volunteer coordinator for a local school district.

ORGAN RE-DEDICATION RECITAL AT ST. LOUIS
St. Louis will host a “re-dedication recital” in observance of the new 2016 keyboard console to the historic Kimball pipe organ. The recital will take place on Sunday, June 24th at 3:00 p.m. in the church. The program also will pay tribute to Mr. William Kurzdorfer, our former organist and long-time curator of the organ. A reception will follow. Please join us for an hour of great organ music!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
We are now in the final week of our 2018 Appeal. Your support of our annual campaign ensures that Catholic Charities can continue to serve those who are most in need and most vulnerable in Western New York. It means things like accessible and affordable counseling and mental health treatment, and basic needs assistance such as food, shelter and clothing. To bring good close to home and to show love for your neighbor, call (716) 218-1400 or visit ccwntny.org/donation. “Love your neighbor” Gal. 6:14. Thank you for your generous support!

ANNUAL NOVENA IN HONOR OF OUR BLESSED LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL
to be held at the Carmelite Monastery
75 Carmel Road, Buffalo, NY

The annual Solemn Public Novena in honor of Our Blessed Lady of Mount Carmel, beginning on Sunday, July 8, and closing on the feast day, Monday, July 16, will be conducted by Rev. Tony Stephens, CPM of the Fathers of Mercy.
Services each evening of the Novena will begin with the Rosary at 7:00 p.m., followed by Holy Mass. We ask that all who attend be modestly and suitably dressed, as is proper in the House of God.
There will be no afternoon Benediction services on either Sunday during the Novena.

VOCATION THOUGHT
Our Lord calls us to take His yoke upon our shoulders. How do you hear this call for you specifically? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
If you are a victim of domestic violence and are in need of access to safety planning, spiritual care, legal assistance, limited medical assistance, counseling, law enforcement, the Family Justice Center of Erie County, Inc. “Where Families Come First” is for you! All services are free and all conversations private. For more information, call 716-558-7233 or visit www.fjcsafe.org.

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION
Who are you named after? Our names underscore our unique identity and often are given to honor a parent, grandparent or relative. In today’s reading, Elizabeth and Zechariah name their newborn child according to the instructions of the angel, Gabriel. They broke with tradition, and named the child John, recognizing him as the gift of a gracious God. The naming of John the Baptist reminds us not only that our names have meaning, but also they uniquely identify us as children of God. Like John the Baptist, we are born with a purpose and called to be faithful to God’s plan for us. Reflect on the words of the prophet Isaiah: “Thus says the Lord, fear not: I have called you by your name; you are mine.” Imagine God calling out your name. What is He asking and how will you answer?