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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.

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 Schoulepnikoff ............................. 1864-1867
Reverend Joseph M. Sorg ....................................... 1867-1888

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

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES
The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of Sheila Cavaretta, requested by Jim and Marilyn Knowles. 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.

MISSIONARY VISIT TO ST. LOUIS
This weekend Father Joy Kumarthusseril is visiting St. Louis Church. He is a member of the “Missionaries of Faith, India.” Fr. Joy will be telling us about the work of the Missionaries of Faith and asking for our support so that they may continue and expand their ministries to the people they serve.

The second collection this weekend will help to support the missionary activities of the “Missionaries of Faith, India.” Fr. Joy requests your prayers as well as your generous support.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES UPDATE
I received a note this week from Sr. Mary McCarrick the Diocesan Director of Catholic Charities thanking the parishioners of St. Louis for all we do to serve those in need by our faithful support of the Catholic Charities Appeal.

Sr. Mary writes: “You have made generous sacrifices on behalf of the Catholic Charities Appeal for 2018.” (Our goal for the Appeal this year was $116,216.25). “Congratulations on meeting and exceeding your parish goal!” (St. Louis parishioners have donated $119,750.60. $3,534.35 over our goal). “Because of your efforts the poor will be fed and clothed and given medicine. Counseling services will be made available to families and individuals who would otherwise not have been able to get professional help; it is through the Appeal that people receive counseling for domestic violence, addictions and a myriad of personal and family problems. You are the gift to Catholic Charities and have shown love to your neighbors!”

Gratefully, Sr. Mary McCarrick

In your prayers...
Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Ray Sharrer, Frank Zawistowski, Debra Needham, Sara Ascela, Will Travis, Tony Vin, Patricia Bortle, Patricia Guerra, Joel Rivera, Theresa Dominski, Loretta Remboli, Lynn Gosliniski, Carla Lattuca, 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 and our deceased parishioners and loved ones.

Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, June 30:
12 noon: Wedding of Gregory Anne and Angela Janiszewski
2:00 pm: Wedding of Connor Lorenzo and Ashley LaPorta
4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Jean A. Halicki and John Paul Halicki, by Rosemary Bloch

SUNDAY, July 1: THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9:00 am: Norman Paolini, by Daybreak TV Productions
11:00 am: Eleanor Bennett Brayer, by Bill and Pam Nordstrom

MONDAY, July 2: WEEKDAY
12:05 pm: For the People of Saint Louis Parish

TUESDAY, July 3: SAINT THOMAS, APOSTLE
12:05 pm: Clyde W. Larsen, by Cafeteria/Central Services Staff

WEDNESDAY, July 4: NO MASS TODAY

THURSDAY, July 5: SAINT ANTHONY ZACCARIA, PRIEST AND SAINT ELIZABETH OF PORTUGAL
12:05 pm: Living and Deceased Members of the Gentile and Fink Families, by Family

FRIDAY, July 6: SAINT MARIA GORETTI
12:05 pm: John and Elizabeth Kraus, by Estate

SATURDAY, July 7:
2:00 pm: Wedding of Matthew Marks and Adrienne Battaglia
4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Linda McSwain, by Mr. and Mrs. Gwilym Brick

SUNDAY, July 8: FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9:00 am: Richard E. Benz, by Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Benz
11:00 am: Eleanor Brayer, by Michael Riester

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS
Weekend of July 7th and July 8th
4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky
9:00 am: Wendy Mistretta
11:00 am: Matt Glynn

SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION
Weekend of July 7th and July 8th
4:00 pm: Debbie Guillow, Jim Ferrini and Anne Continetti
9:00 am: Susan Ministero, Rosemary Bloch and John and Nancy Pax
11:00 am: Michael Riester, Pam Nordstrom and Ryan and Lindsay McGowan
SPiritual AND FINANCIAL REPORT

We warmly welcome all who come to St. Louis for Mass—tourists, visitors, parishioners and friends. Last weekend 308 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was $3,893.00.

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 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

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9:00 am & 11:00 am: Second Collection: "Missionaries of Faith, India" Collection
9:00 am & 11:00 am: Western New York Catholic Available

WEDNESDAY, July 4th
No Mass Today—Parish Office Closed

SATURDAY, July 7th
4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Maintenance and Repairs Collection

SUNDAY, July 8th
9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Maintenance and Repairs Collection

PETER’S PENCE COLLECTION

This weekend we are supporting Pope Francis in his charitable works. The Peter’s Pence Collection is taken up worldwide to support our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. The collection is an opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous in today’s collection.

JOURNEY INTO LOVE

The Office of Family Life Ministries needs married couples willing to give of their time for a 20-minute talk to share their experiences with engaged couples at our Journey Into Love monthly diocesan program. The commitment can be as much or as little time as you are available; even just once a year would be helpful. Contact the Family Life Office at 847-2210 or email familylife@buffalodiocese.org for more details.

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.

LADIES OF CHARITY

Updating your wardrobe? Cleaning out storage closets and boxes? Whatever the measure, keep Ladies of Charity in mind. The volunteer organization, which is affiliated with Catholic Charities, accepts donations of new or gently used clothing, footwear, purses and bags, and household items such as small kitchen appliances, curtains and drapes, dishes and utensils and bed linens. The donations are used for the Ladies’ Lots of Clothes Thrift Store and for the Fresh Start program which provides basic household goods for those who have experienced home displacement for a variety of reasons. Donations can be dropped off from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. weekdays at 1122 Broadway, Buffalo or from 10:00 a.m.—1:30 p.m. on the first Saturday of the month (except holiday weekends). For more information, call 716-895-4001.

VOCATION THOUGHT

Great things, even miracles, can happen to those who call upon and put their trust in Jesus. How are you called to remind those in despair of the great and unmatched hope that they have in Jesus? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Do you have an older adult loved one who has been diagnosed with a mental illness and is now at risk for out-of-home placement? Consider Project HOPE (Helping Older People Excel) in Erie County. The program provides services to keep an older adult with a mental health diagnosis independent in their home environment through linkage, referral, advocacy and intervention with formal and informal supports. Care coordinators and nurses provide an in-depth assessment before creating an individualized action plan to empower older adults and help them thrive in the environment they deem most comfortable. For more information, call (716) 362-2388, ext. 401.

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

Labels or stereotypes are standardized conceptions people have based on prior assumptions and experiences. The trouble with stereotypes is that they prevent us from gaining a more thorough understanding of a person, culture or situation. Thus, we overlook information that would change our perception. In today’s Gospel, Jesus heals an ill woman that society had labeled “unclean” and a “lawbreaker”. As the Gospel unfolds, we see that the woman, in fact, had greater faith and trust in God's love and healing power than the disciples and crowd around her. The Gospel challenges us to do away with labels and stereotypes and look for new ways of thinking in all of life’s circumstances. God can always bring something new out of any situation, even when it may seem hopeless. We only need to trust him.
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