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.

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 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
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 honor of James Evans, requested by Ted and Janet Reinke. 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.

**GARDEN WALK 2018**

The 24th annual Garden Walk Buffalo was held the weekend of July 28th and 29th. Every year St. Louis Church participates in the Garden Walk by advertising our gardens. This year following the Garden Walk I received a short note from Assemblyman Sean Ryan.

He wrote: “I write to applaud your recent participation in the 2018 Garden Walk. An annual tradition for over twenty years, the Garden Walk continues to serve as an exciting way for residents to enhance the city, house by house. I commend you for contributing to the beautification of our community. Your participation is what makes Buffalo such a wonderful place to call home.”

St. Louis is blessed to have a great group of gardeners (SLGS) that take care of our little green acre on the corner of Main and Edward Street. They donate their time and effort throughout the summer planting and maintaining our grounds. They spend countless hours of back breaking work so that our church grounds are beautiful throughout the summer.

We thank God for them and thank them for all they do to make us look good.

**Msgr. Manganello**

**VOCATION THOUGHT**

When Jesus proclaimed that His body is true bread and that His blood is true drink for the life of the world there were many who found these words troubling. What does your sharing in the Eucharist afford you, and how can you help others appreciate the greatness of this gift? Are you being called to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister? Humbly ask the Lord. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

You can also check out the “Priest of the Month” stories on our website—www.buffalovocations.org!

**In your prayers...**

Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Ray Sharer, Frank Zawistowski, Deorees Needham, Sara Ascela, Will Travis, Amy Vilz, Patricia Bortle, Patricia Guerra, Joel Rivera, Theresa Dominski, Loretta Rembok, Lynn Goslinski, Carla Latucca, Theresa Dixon, Tracy Abram, Mamie Kate Johnson, Bud Vetter, Deborah Buyers, John Zawistowski, Spencer Daly, Joseph Acquino, Linda Campbell, James Palka, Bemadette R. Crawford, Niziti Ascela, Geraldine Silwinski, 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 Janice Morawski, Janet Wenner 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 350 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was $7,171.00. 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, August 18th
4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection

SUNDAY, August 19th
9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection

WEDNESDAY, August 22nd
6:00 pm: Saint Louis Garden Society (SLGS)

SATURDAY, August 25th
4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection

SUNDAY, August 26th
9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection
After 11:00 am Mass: Parish Picnic—Church Hall

2018-2019 FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

St. Louis Faith Formation will begin Sunday, September 16th and continue through April. All children, from birth to 10th grade are welcome to attend and there is no cost to enroll. Classes are held on Sundays, from 9:50-10:50 a.m., in the Church Hall. Families new to St. Louis need to register. Families who completed Faith Formation classes last year do not need to re-register.

The registration form is available on the St. Louis website (http://www.stlouissrchurch.org) or by contacting the DRE, Ashlee Campbell (834-2439/stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com).

Please register by August 19th to ensure class materials will be available for your child.

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

A verse in today’s second reading from Ephesians advises “watch carefully how you live.” That straightforward advice is the key to obtaining the true wisdom God wants to share with us. We must not live in ignorance, but rather we must try to understand what is the will of God. The wise person watches carefully and lives by the moral order of God—trying to live in accord with the will of God for his or her life. As the reading suggests, we will gain a better understanding of God’s will whenever we join one another in prayer and worship through “psalms and hymns and spiritual songs...singing and playing to the Lord in our hearts.” And we will gain wisdom whenever we read and reflect on God’s Word, whenever we worship together, and especially as we try to imitate the life of Jesus.

ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

Our Annual Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, August 26 following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Sahlen’s hot dogs, Italian sausage and hamburgers will be prepared by our Award Winning Grilling Experts, and beverages will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass; salads are always needed and desserts are a welcome addition. Volunteers are needed to help before, during and after the picnic, and even the smallest contribution of your time is greatly appreciated. Sign-up sheets for volunteers are located at the church entrances. Come and enjoy the afternoon with your friends and meet your fellow parishioners.

BASKET RAFFLE

Back by popular demand! If you are interested in donating a basket for the raffle at our picnic, please contact Debbie Guillow @ 716-465-6196 or dlguillow@yahoo.com.

7TH ANNUAL MSGR. MANGANELLO BOCCE OPEN TOURNAMENT

Two-person teams for the 7th Annual Msgr. Manganello Bocce Open Tournament are now forming and the competition will be held during the parish picnic. You need not have Bocce skills or be Italian to compete. Team sign-up sheets are located at the church entrances. Get a team together and enjoy the fun!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

If you’re doing some summer cleaning and sorting through children’s clothing for the upcoming school year, keep Ladies of Charity in mind. The volunteer organization (featured last spring on an Al Roker segment of the TODAY Show) is affiliated with Catholic Charities and accepts donations of new or gently used clothing, footwear, purses and bags, and household items like small kitchen appliances, curtains and drapes, dishes and utensils and bed linens. Donations are used for the Ladies’ Lots of Clothes Thrift Store and for the Fresh Start program, which provide basic household goods for those who have experienced home displacement. Donations can be dropped off from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. weekdays at 1122 Broadway, Buffalo, or from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the first Saturdays of the month (excluding holiday weekends). For more information, call (716-895-4001). For more information on Catholic Charities and other services and programs we provide, visit ccwny.org.

CATHOLIC ACADEMY CORNER

♦ Summer office hours are 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday, closed on Friday.

♦ Enrollment is strong with several classes at or near capacity. There are limited openings in Pre-K and Kindergarten. Call for registration information at 885-6111.

♦ School starts Thursday, September 6th. It will be a full day, with both breakfast and lunch being served. After School Program begins as well. Uniforms are required for 1st day of school.

♦ The 3-year old program will begin on Tuesday, September 11th from 8:00—11:00 a.m.

♦ The Home School Association Welcome Back Picnic will be held on Friday, September 14th from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

♦ The Meet the HSA and Teacher Night will be held on Thursday, September 20th at 7:00 p.m.

♦ The very popular Candy Bar sale will begin October 4th and end October 18th. The bars remain $1 and the children will be selling them after Masses.