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PASTORAL STAFF
Rev. Msgr. John W. Madsen ........................................Weekend Assistant
Rev. Andrew R. Lauricella ...........................................12:05 Mass—Friday
TRUSTEES .......................................................Rosemary Bloch, Michael Mikos
CURATOR OF 1903 KIMBALL PIPE ORGAN ...........William Kurzdorfer
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CANTOR ...............................................................James Mrozek
DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION .........................Ashlee Campbell
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SECRETARY ..........................................................Dolores Vasi

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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.

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We offer a variety of religious education, Sacrament preparation,
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With our sound system we now have the Phonic Ear. This
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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 CANDLES

The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in honor of Ron Buckanovich, requested by Ron and Margaret Foegen. The St. Joseph Candle burns this week in memory of Joseph and Evelyn Foegen, requested by Ron and Margret Foegen.

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.

YEAR OF PRAYER AND HEALING

This March, the Diocese of Buffalo began a special Year of Prayer for the Healing of Victims of Clergy Sexual Abuse and for the Church. This effort is coordinated by the Presbyter Council and Vicars Forane of the Diocese.

On Ash Wednesday, March 6th, the Season of Lent began for the year of 2019 leading up to Easter and the Resurrection of Our Lord. Lent is a time of prayer, mercy, forgiveness, and renewal. At the Ash Wednesday Mass at St. Joseph's Cathedral Bishop Malone lit a purple candle to remind all to pray for victims of clergy sexual abuse and for the healing of the Church. This candle will burn throughout the Year of Prayer and Healing before the statue of St. Joseph, the patron of the Diocese of Buffalo.

Also, during the year of Prayer and Healing, each vicariate throughout the diocese will host a special time of prayer. The vicars and pastors of all parishes have been asked to light a similar candle in their churches.

Our purple Candle will be placed on the altar of the Sacred Heart to remind us to pray for all who have been harmed by the actions of some of our Priests. Please pray for all in need of healing:

O Merciful Father,
Your Son in love stretched out his hands upon the cross to embrace us.
Embrace and heal our brothers and sisters
Who carry the wounds of abuse inflicted upon them.
Heal Your Church broken by this betrayal of trust.
Cleanse and sanctify Your Clergy
That they may radiate the selfless love of Your Son.
And strengthen and call the people of the Church throughout
Western New York to a new dawn of hope and grace in Your Holy Spirit.

We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Our Lord.
Amen.

Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially David Marchetti, Eric Glinski, Richard Devita, Ray Sharrer, Frank Zawistowski, Delores Needham, Sara Ascela, Will Travis, Amy Vilz, Patricia Bordeleau, Patricia Guerra, Joel Rivera, Theresa Dominski, Lynn Goslinski, Tracy Abram, Marnie Kate Johnson, Bud Vetter, Deborah Buyers, John Zawistowski, James Palka, Bernadette R. Crawford, Niziti Ascela, 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.
SPiritual and Financial Report

We warmly welcome all who come to St. Louis for Mass—tourists, visitors, parishioners and friends. Last weekend 338 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was $4,341.00. 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 30th
4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection

Sunday, March 31st
9:50 am—10:50 am: Pre-K—Grade 10—Church Hall
9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection
12 noon: Baptism of Aidan William Fitch and Parker Jeffrey Besecker

Tuesday, April 2nd
7:00 pm: Finance/Restoration Committee—Sacristy

Friday, April 5th
After 12:05 Mass: Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 6th
4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection and Easter Flowers Collection
4:00 pm: Western New York Catholic Available

Easter Flowers

The March/April packet of envelopes contains the special Easter Flowers envelope. Your generosity and the talents of our dedicated volunteers guarantee that we will again experience a spectacle to behold. The Easter Flowers Collection will be taken next weekend.

Faith Moment Reflection

In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the prodigal son who squanders his inheritance and then returns home to the joy of his father. When the son, who had abandoned his father, seeks and receives his forgiveness and help, the other son, who had remained with the father all along, is not happy about the lavish welcome his brother receives. The parable is all about reconciliation. So which son do you identify with? For those who are busy making our way in the world and who feel separated from God, the Gospel challenges us to remember and seek out our Creator. Like the father in our story, our heavenly father will rejoice over our return. For the steadfast faithful, the parable reminds us that we have access to and enjoy God’s presence and gifts every day. God’s joy over another does not diminish our inheritance. Whichever the case, we can rejoice that we have such a loving God who watches over and provides for us.

Volunteer Researchers Needed!

Volunteers are needed to assist parish archivist with research at Grosvenor Room, Central Library or online. Please call rectory if interested.

Parish Council Election

Parish Council election nominees and their biographies are included in this week’s bulletin. The election will be next weekend, April 6th and 7th. Ballots will be included in our bulletin. Parishioners are asked to vote for five candidates.

St. Joseph’s Table Dinner

We had a record number with 100 plus people who attended our annual St. Joseph’s Table Dinner last Sunday, March 24th. I want to thank everyone who joined us for this special and traditional meal. I especially want to thank all the people who made food and contributed their time and efforts so that we could have such a wonderful celebration. We are blessed to have such a great group of people at St. Louis.

With great appreciation,
Christina Mandolfo

Catholic Charities

With Catholic Charities, your dollar goes further. Each dollar raised during Catholic Charities’ annual Appeal leverages an additional $3 to $4 of government support and contracts. No gift is too small to make an impact in the lives of thousands of Western New Yorkers in need. Will you help your neighbor find hope? You can select new gift designation option when making a secure donation online at ccwny.org/donation or by calling Catholic Charities at 716-218-1400.

Catholic Academy of West Buffalo Annual Auction

Catholic Academy of West Buffalo is pleased to announce the 25th Annual Auction “Candyland” on Saturday, April 6th at 1069 Delaware Avenue. The evening is once again adults only and beer and wine will be served, along with new kitchen items. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and drawings will begin promptly at 7:45 p.m. Our admission price is a low $10.00 and includes 25 tickets. There will be over 100 theme trays and raffle items available as well as a special raffle for a Salvatore’s Italian Gardens Silver Package. Silent Auction items include Peter Fowler print, basket of cheer, Darien Lake Season passes and fine dining packages. Don’t miss out on a great evening!

Catholic Academy Spring Open House March 31st

Come learn more about the Catholic Academy difference at our Spring Open House for families interested in enrolling children at Catholic Academy of West Buffalo in September 2019. The Open House will run from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Catholic Academy offers rigorous academics, excellent religious and moral education and a wide array of sports and extracurricular activities in grades Pre-K 3 to 8. Pre-K for 3 year-olds is a very popular part time program, with a 10:2 ratio. According to Business First rankings for Middle Schools in June 2018, we are ranked among the top 10% of private, parochial, charter and public schools in the city of Buffalo!

Come tour our building, meet the Catholic Academy family and learn more about our programming. Registration for September 2019 is ongoing, and office staff will be available to review admission forms and answer questions regarding the different tuition assistance available. For information, call the school @ 885-6111 or visit us at cawb.org, on Facebook or Twitter @cawb1069.
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