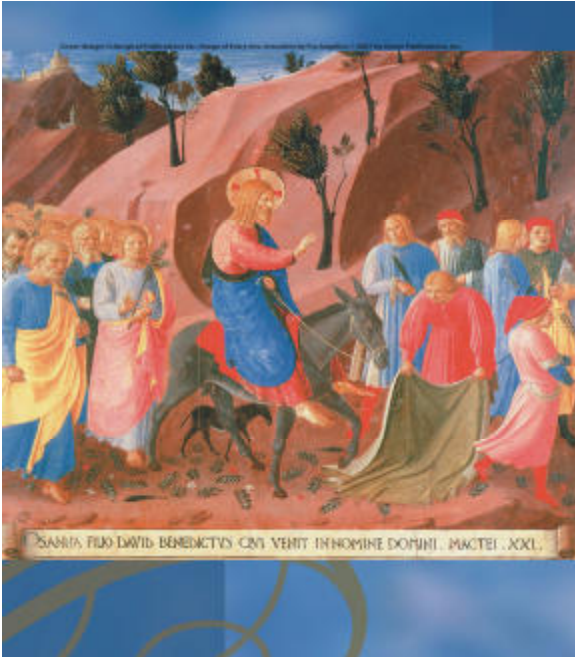


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Saturday 4:00 p.m. (Sunday Liturgy)
Sunday..... 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Eve of the Holy Day 4:30 p.m.
Holy Day 12:05 p.m.
Mon-Fri 12:05 p.m.
Confessions Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 p.m.

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.

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We offer a variety of religious education, Sacrament preparation, and adult faith formation programs. Please contact 853-1972 for more information.

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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 Rafffeiner..... 1850-1851
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Reverend Michael A. Anstett 1944-1948
Reverend Howard J. Schwartz 1948-1964
Reverend Clarence Ott..... 1964-1965
Reverend Alfred M. Mosack 1965-1979
Rev. Msgr. William A. Schwinger 1979-1995
Rev. Msgr. Robert A. Mack..... 1995-2002

Most Rev. Robert J. Cunningham, D.D., J.C.L., 2002-2004

Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, April 13:
4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
 Dr. and Mrs. George O'Grady, by Family

SUNDAY, April 14: PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
9:00 am: Janice Morawski, by Peter and Barbara Nagowski
11:00 am: Deceased Members of Berent and Leslie Families, by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Leslie

MONDAY, April 15: MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK
12:05 pm: John Kraus, by Estate

TUESDAY, April 16: TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK
12:05 pm: For the People of Saint Louis Parish

WEDNESDAY, April 17: WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK
12:05 pm: Larry J. and Marie E. Schieber, by Marie Schieber Estate

THURSDAY, April 18: THURSDAY OF HOLY WEEK (HOLY THURSDAY)
7:00 pm: SOLEMN MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
 All Souls

FRIDAY, April 19: FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (GOOD FRIDAY)
2:00 pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion

SATURDAY, April 20:
7:00 pm: THE EASTER VIGIL LITURGY
 Living and Deceased Parishioners of Saint Louis Parish

SUNDAY, April 21: EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
9:00 am: Lois Jordan, by Geoffrey Klass
11:00 am: Eleanor Brayer, by Kevin and Mark Brayer

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of April 20th and April 21st

7:00 pm: Diane Randazzo and Ann Dumansky
9:00 am: Tom Pirrung
11:00 am: Christina Mandolfo



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of April 20th and April 21st

7:00 pm: Debbie Guillow, Diane Randazzo, Jim Ferrini and Ann Dumansky
9:00 am: Ron and Margaret Foegen and Tim and Mary O'Shea
11:00 am: Kevin Brayer, Michael Mandolfo and Keith and Kathy Boerner



MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of **Melvin J. Sliwinski**, requested by **Michael and David Sliwinski**. The St. Joseph Candle burns this week in memory of **Darlene Sliwinski-Hill**, requested by **Michael and David Sliwinski** and the Pieta Candle burns this week in memory of **Geraldine B. Sliwinski**, requested by **Michael and David Sliwinski**.

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.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL WEEK

Catholic Charities Appeal Week runs from April 7th to April 14th. This is when Catholic Charities hopes to meet the majority of their goal if not the whole goal. The goal again this year will be \$11 million. More than \$5 million has already been raised. This is about 50% of the goal.

The Theme for the appeal this year is "Help your neighbor find HOPE." The patron saint of the 2019 Appeal is Saint Faustina, a Polish Roman Catholic nun born in 1905 who lived her life in imitation of Christ's mercy. It is important to support the critical programs and services that Catholic Charities provides to the most vulnerable populations across Western New York. In this way we too can live our lives in imitation of Christ's mercy.

The 2019 Appeal will run through June 30th, but Catholic Charities would like to meet as much of their goal as possible during the Appeal, if possible the whole goal. If the goal is reached during the Appeal Week, then Catholic Charities can concentrate on going over their goal.

Starting this year donors can designate their appeal gift choosing three options. One option is giving to the appeal as in the past. These donations benefit Catholic Charities and the Bishop's Fund for the Faith. Another option is to give 100 percent of your gift to Catholic Charities. A third option is to give 100 percent of your gift to the Bishop's Fund for the Faith.

The goal for St. Louis this year is \$116,216.25. \$63,765 has already been donated to the 2019 Catholic Charities Appeal through St. Louis. This represents more than 50% of our goal so far. The annual appeal helps fund 70 programs and services administered by Catholic Charities across 61 sites in the eight counties of Western New York, along with a number of programs and ministries that benefit all parishes through the Fund for the Faith. More than 152,000 people benefited from the good work of Catholic Charities in 2018.

With all of us working together we can achieve our goal and help the Catholic Charities Appeal reach their goal to provide for the many needs of Western New York. Once again we are asking everyone to do what they can to help those in need.

Msgr. Manganello



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially **Ashley Winder, David Marchetti, Eric Gliniski, Richard Devita, Ray Sharrer, Frank Zawistowski, Delores Needham, Sara Ascela, Will Travis, Amy Vilz, Patricia Bortle, Patricia Guerra, Joel Rivera, Theresa Dominski, Lynn Goslinski, Tracy Abram, Mamie Kate Johnson, Bud Vetter, Deborah Buyers, John Zawistowski, James Palka, Bernadette R. Crawford, Niziti Ascela, Carlos Calhoun and Margaret Foegen.**

We remember all those recently deceased, especially **Astoria Thurman, Viktorija Sturiska** 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 307 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$4,707.00 and Easter Flowers collection was \$871.00.

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, April 13th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Maintenance and Repairs Collection

4:00 pm: Distribution of Palms

SUNDAY, April 14th—Palm Sunday

9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Maintenance and Repairs Collection

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Distribution of Palms

11:00 am: Children's Procession of Palms

HOLY THURSDAY, April 18th

7:00 pm: Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by the procession with the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Reposition. The Church will remain open until 10:30 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY, April 19th—Holy Land Collection

2:00 pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion

HOLY SATURDAY, April 20th

9:00 am: Saint Louis Garden Society (SLGS) Decorate Church for Easter

7:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection and Easter Offering Collection

SUNDAY, April 21st—Happy Easter

9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection and Easter Offering Collection

VOCATION THOUGHT

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Today is called Passion Sunday because our Lord's love for us is so passionate that it was unhindered by harsh mockery and a painful death on a cross. How passionate is your love for God? If he readily took up the cross for us, how ready are you to respond to His call? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

This is the second weekend of Appeal Week 2019! Now is the perfect time to help your neighbor find hope by making a donation if you haven't done so already. Every day, Catholic Charities is helping those who are most in need. Our services help protect, strengthen and empower the people of Western New York. **Your gift allows others to find peace, kindness, strength, hope.** You can select your new gift designation option when making a secure donation online at ccwny.org/donation or by calling Catholic Charities at 716-218-1400.

HOLY THURSDAY OPEN HOUSE

Following Holy Thursday Mass at 7:00 p.m. we will be keeping the church open until 10:30 p.m. Last year there were many visitors who came either individually, in small groups, or by bus to view the beauty of our building.

If you are able to help staff the church after Mass, so we can continue to welcome those who have never seen St. Louis, please sign up on the provided sheet located in the Sacristy. Come and enjoy visiting with your fellow parishioners and meeting people from other churches and those of other faiths.

PREPARE FOR EASTER

The Saint Louis Garden Society (SLGS) will meet on Saturday, April 20th at 9:00 a.m. to clean and decorate the church for Easter. Please join us and help prepare our most beautiful church for the Lord's Resurrection.

New volunteers are always welcome and appreciated.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS

It is our pleasure to congratulate the newly elected and re-elected members of our parish council. We are grateful to the nominees for their willingness to serve and to the parishioners who nominated and voted for them. We had eight qualified candidates running for five open council seats. Marilyn Neil, Tim (Mac) McCarthy, and Timothy O'Shea were newly elected, and Patricia Doyle and Debra Guillow were re-elected, each for a three year term. Ryan McGowan, Krysta Doerfler, and Joyce Persico will serve as alternates.

Lindsay McGowan, Robert Sprague, and Ryan McGowan have completed their terms on the parish council and we thank them for their dedicated service. Installation of all 15 parish council members will take place at the 11 a.m. Mass, Sunday, June 2, 2019.

THE PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Christians around the world are united in a special way during Lent, Holy Week and Easter. Our hearts, minds and prayers are also especially aware of the Holy Land.

Our parish, once a year on Good Friday, is called on to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives.

Your support helps the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the shrines.

The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these time of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. **Please be generous in your support.**

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

The scripture reading from St. Paul today centers on what the Greeks called "tapeinos". It means to make low or to be humble, and it describes our human form before God. The point St. Paul makes is that being humble does not mean that we convince ourselves that we are less worthy or that we lower our self-esteem. Rather, true humility expresses our willingness to do God's will and love one another through our conduct and actions. And, in fact, it often takes great strength. Paul points to Jesus as having demonstrated the ultimate act of humility. Jesus humbled Himself, He emptied Himself, willingly becoming a servant for God and us to the point of death. Although most of us probably won't be called to give our life, Christ's humility serves as a model for us in living for others. Let's freely make the choice to serve God and one another with, tapeinos, that is, with humble hearts.

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