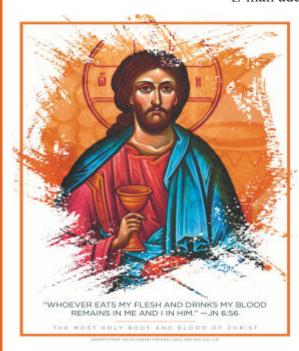
# St. Louis Church

Oldest Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Buffalo Founded in 1829

# Celebrating Our 191st Anniversary

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#### **MASSES**

Saturday	4:00 p.m. (Sunday Liturgy)
Sunday	
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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#### 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.

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#### **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	Rt. Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry B. Laudenbach	1888-1916
Reverend Alexander Pax	1836-1843	Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry B. Laudenbach	1917-1944
Reverend Francis Guth	1844-1850	Reverend Michael A. Anstett	1944-1948
Reverend Joseph Raffeiner	1850-1851	Reverend Howard J. Schwartz	1948-1964
Reverend William Deiters	1855-1861	Reverend Clarence Ott	1964-1965
Reverend J. E. Moshall	1861-1862	Reverend Alfred M. Mosack	
Reverend Francis Anthony Gerber	1862-1863	Rev. Msgr. William A. Schwinger	1979-1995
Reverend Sergus Schoulepnikoff	1864-1867	Rev. Msgr. Robert A. Mack	1995-2002
Reverend Joseph M. Sorg	1867-1888		

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

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# Announced Masses of the Week

Mass for the People of Saint Louis Parish was celebrated privately on:

Sunday May 31st

Masses also were celebrated privately for the following intentions:

> Living and deceased Members of the Pera Family req. by Tom Pera Judy Gerlach req. by Richie Ryan Carol Regan req. by Douglas Regan

SATURDAY, June 13:

4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR THE MOST HOLY BODY AND

**BLOOD OF CHRIST** 

Rev. Michael Drzewicki, OFC Conv., by Family

SUNDAY, June 14: THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

9:00 am: Deceased Members of the Mikos Family, by

11:00 am: Peter Sawicz, by Family and Friends

MONDAY, June 15: WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: For the People of Saint Louis Parish

**TUESDAY, June 16: WEEKDAY** 

12:05 pm: Clement Eckert, Sr., by Clem and Anne

Eckert

**WEDNESDAY, June 17: WEEKDAY** 

12:05 pm: Leonard Horton, by Clem and Anne Eckert

THURSDAY, June 18: WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: Mary and Willard Steimel, by Roseann

Curtis

FRIDAY, June 19: THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

12:05 pm: Joseph State, by State Family

SATURDAY, June 20:

2:00 pm: Wedding of Mark Paganelli and Kimberly

Knott

4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR TWELFTH SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

Living and Deceased Fathers of Saint Louis

Parish

SUNDAY, June 21: TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am: Living and Deceased Fathers of Saint Louis

Parish

11:00 am: Living and Deceased Fathers of Saint Louis

Parish





#### MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLE

The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God. 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.

#### RETURNING TO CHURCH-WHAT WE NEED TO KNOW AND DO

When returning to Church for Mass, things are going to look and feel different. What will be different?

Everyone will be wearing a mask. Some may be wearing face shields. Markings on the floor will mark 6 feet distancing. There will be two pews closed between people. Only immediate family will be able to sit together. We won't be able to cross over from side of the pew to the other. Missalettes will not be available. Hand sanitizer will replace Holy Water. Communion will only be given in the hand while you are wearing a mask. Bulletins will be handed out by ministers of hospitality. There will be no Sign of Peace. There will be no Presentation of the Gifts of bread and wine to be used in the Eucharist. There will be no Altar Servers, no Choir, no congregational singing, no Holy Water in the fonts, and no gathering before or after Mass.

Anyone who wishes to attend Mass should be healthy. If you have a sore throat, cough, or fever, please rest at home. The dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass will remain in effect for those uncomfortable attending Mass at this time and for those who have a vulnerable condition, and for those in frail health and for those of advanced years.

Governor Cuomo announced June 6th that places of worship may open at 25% capacity as soon as they are safely and responsibly able to do so. Bishop Scharfenberger followed by allowing the Diocese of Buffalo to open churches at the same capacity where it can be done safely and responsibly. The Bishop has left the reopening date to the discretion of the Pastor so that proper arrangements can be made for reopening. This may mean that all Churches may not be able to open at the same time or with the same schedule they once

The Church will need to be cleaned after each Mass. Pews, entrances, and other areas will need to be thoroughly cleaned before another Mass can begin.

Please follow the directions of those who are in the Church to assist. This may mean you will have to sit some where other than where you are accustomed to sitting. Entering and exiting the Church may also be different than we are used to.

Msgr. Manganello



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Rev. Guy Siracuse, Mary Lou Summers, Anthony Jordan, Jay Deveau, Gerald Frawley, Theresa Favorito, James

Vasi, Sondra Schreiber, Christine Maciejewski, Ashley Winder, David Marchetti, Eric Glinski, Richard Devita, Ray Sharrer, Frank Zawistowski, Delores Needham, Will Travis, Amy Vilz, Tracy Abram, Mamie Kate Johnson, John Zawistowski, James Palka, Bernadette R. Crawford, 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 Theresse Pirrung and our deceased parishioners and loved ones.

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#### SPIRITUAL AND FINANCIAL REPORT

We warmly welcome all who come to St. Louis for Mass—tourists, visitors, parishioners and friends.

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.

Last week our regular collection was \$4,041.10.

You can still support your parish during this time of pandemic by mailing your donation, using our pay pal account on our web page or through the foundation of the Diocese at www.frcdb.org.

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."

#### **VOCATION THOUGHT**

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink so as to nourish us on our journey toward the Kingdom. God has called some to share this very gift of himself in a profound way. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

#### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES UPDATE**

Catholic Charities still needs our support. As of last week, Catholic Charities had raised more than \$7,713,041.37 of its \$10 million goal, 77%.

This year the goal for St. Louis is \$110,000. St. Louis parishioners have contributed \$96,347.92 to the 2020 appeal. Thank you for whatever you can do to continue supporting the good works of Catholic Charities.

#### **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

It is no wonder that followers of Christ are called the Body of Christ. After all, sharing in the same spiritual food and sacred meal, they become what they eat and reveal the Divine Image. There is so much power for healing in the community of believers. Through the Eucharist, Christ becomes as present in those who have partaken of his Body and Blood as he has the elements themselves. The very presence of God touches the depths of the human soul. We are God's.

The community of believers receives the power and the presence to touch and heal in the name of the One they have welcomed within. It is now within their grasp to change the way life is lived and to more intentionally put into practice the Beatitudes that the Divine Guest has revealed. We are asked to be like Christ and work to create a world of sufficiency, where the greed of some no longer creates the want of others but where all of God's children can find a home and a place at the table of life. The One who makes a home within calls us to live a life that transforms. We are changed ourselves and now become agents of change for others. We are the Body of Christ. God is with us. We have been nourished.

As long as want, injustice, division, prejudice, and scarcity still exit, there is tremendous work for the Body of Christ.

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#### FATHER'S DAY REMEMBRANCE

On Father's Day weekend, June 20th and June 21st, we invite you to enroll your father—living or deceased—in this Father's Day remembrance by using one of the envelopes provided for this purpose.

Envelopes can be found in the May/June envelope packet. The best gift of gratitude that we can give our father is a spiritual gift. Remembering our father in such a way—if he still has an earthly address or a heavenly one—expresses our appreciation and respect for him. May God reward him for his unselfish life of service to us.

#### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

Has your financial or employment status been negatively affected by the pandemic? Catholic Charities is here to answer your call for help. We are able to assist with things like food, toiletries, transportation and utilities through our COVID-19 Helpline at (716) 218-1419. The helpline is staffed weekdays from 8:45 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., but you can leave a message at any time. Think of me.

#### Mary and the Saints

Why do Catholics pray to Mary and the saints?

One of the statements of faith we make when we pray the Nicene Creed and the Apostles Creed is that we believe in "the communion of saints." The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us that this communion (another word for community) includes all the faithful on earth, the souls in Purgatory, and the blessed women, men, and children who are in heaven. This teaching is grounded in our belief that, through Baptism, we are united with Christ and to one another with bonds that arestronger even than death.

And so from the time of the early Church, Christians have turned to other believers for prayers and assistance, including those who have gone before us, confident that God hears the prayers of all of His children. While we ask the saints (and one another) for prayers and support, we remember that the saints join us in prayer. But it is God who blesses and sanctifies us.

When we think of Mary and the saints in heaven, we have to remember that we can turn to them for intercession and assistance because they were faulted, limited human beings, just like us. This means that they are able to understand our struggles, doubts, fears, joys, and hopes. But as we learn their stories, we can also begin to recognize that they stand out in the history of the Church because they persevered in their commitment to follow Christ. Whether they were ordained, vowed religious, martyrs, husbands, wives, or even children, they show us that holiness is possible. We can not only follow their example but also benefit from their prayerful support.

Our devotion to the saints and gratitude for their witness, prayers, and protection should also be an inspiration for us, especially when we become aware of the needs of others or when others ask us to pray for them. We are called to share the blessings we receive. This is also part of our own journey of growing in holiness.

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