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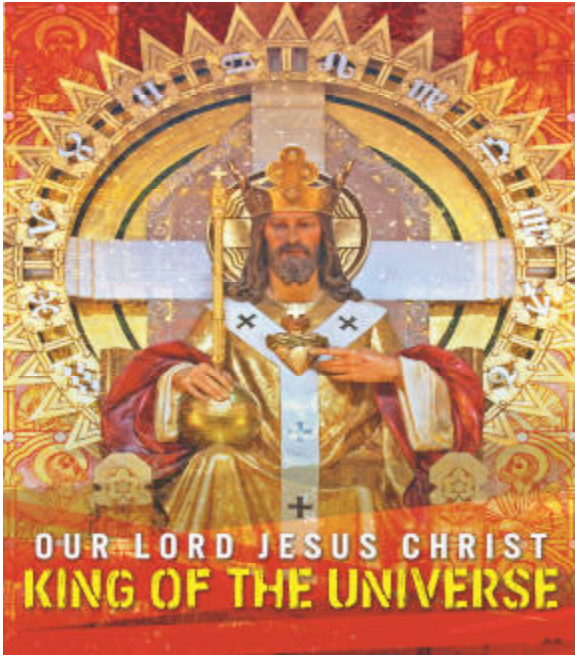
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Saturday 4:00 p.m. (Sunday Liturgy)
Sunday..... 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Eve of the Holy Day 4:30 p.m.
Holy Day 12:05 p.m.
Mon-Fri 12:05 p.m.
Confessions Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 p.m.



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.

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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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 Raffener 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
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, November 21:

4:00 pm: **VIGIL FOR OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

Donald Hobson and Margaret Gangloff, by Gina and Dan Roblin and Alisa Tibursi

SUNDAY, November 22: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

9:00 am: Madonna Buscaglia, by Nowicki Family

11:00 am: Edwin and Louise Munschauer, by Richard Munschauer

MONDAY, November 23: SAINT CLEMENT I, SAINT COLUMBAN AND SAINT MIGUEL AGUSTIN PRO

12:05 pm: Louis S. Davis, by Estate

TUESDAY, November 24: SAINT ANDREW DUNG-LAC

12:05 pm: Jacob and Emma Weppner, by Estate

WEDNESDAY, November 25: SAINT CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA

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

THURSDAY, November 26: THANKSGIVING DAY

10:00 am: In Thanksgiving for Debra A. and James R. Caputi and Family, by Family

FRIDAY, November 27: WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: Andrew and Rosalia Bortzmeier, by Estate

SATURDAY, November 28:

4:00 pm: **VIGIL FOR FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Deceased of the Emil Scherf Family, by Marilyn Young

SUNDAY, November 29: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:00 am: Brian Keating, by Family

11:00 am: Eleanor Brayer, by Kevin and Mark Brayer

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of November 28th and November 29th

4:00 pm: Krysta Doerfler

9:00 am: Wendy Mistretta

11:00 am: Ed Kuzan



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of November 28th and November 29th

4:00 pm: Marilyn Neil

9:00 am: Bob Sprague

11:00 am: Joyce Persico



MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God. The St. Joseph Candle burns this week in memory of **Mary Kontos, requested by Barbara Bonanno**.

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.

PLANNING AHEAD

With restrictions and limitations during the increased Covid-19 cases, many minds are on Christmas and what we are going to do. Some even ask are we going to have Christmas this year. That remains to be seen but right now we are planning on having Christmas, but it won't be the same this year.

We will not be able to accommodate the crowds we normally see on Christmas Eve at the 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass. With that in mind I have asked permission to add an earlier Mass on Christmas Eve at 2:30 p.m. In addition we are planning on having another Christmas Eve Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m. As a result there will be no traditional Midnight Mass. On Christmas Day we will have two Masses at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. instead of the usual Mass at 10:00 a.m. Hopefully, this will help reduce the number of people trying to attend one Mass.

We still must abide by social distancing and wearing of facial coverings during Mass. Because we must maintain 6 feet separation, we will be limited in the number of people we can accommodate. We will not be allowed to have people standing in the church during Mass. Everyone must be seated. At the present time we will have about 75 pews available. Please keep in mind this is not a whole pew but only half the pew is available.

One other important factor to keep in mind is that the **DISPENSATION FROM THE OBLIGATION TO ATTEND MASS** is still in force. Therefore, anyone who does not feel comfortable attending Mass does not have to attend Mass or feel guilty about not attending Mass.

As more details become more available I will share them with you.

Msgr. Manganello

MSGR. SCHWINGER MEMORIAL THANKSGIVING SANDWICH PROGRAM

On Thanksgiving Day there will be a collection for the Msgr. Schwinger Memorial Thanksgiving Sandwich Program. Many people come to our door every day Monday through Friday and we are able to feed them thanks to your generosity.



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially **Dr. Richard Saab, Charles S. Patricia Guerra, George Collins, Rev. Guy Siracuse, Anthony Jordan, Jay Deveau, Gerald Frawley, James Vasi, Sondra Schreiber, Christine Maciejewski, Ashley Winder, David Marchetti, Eric Ginski, Richard Devita, Ray Sharrer, Frank Zawistowski, Delores Needham, Will Travis, Amy Vitz, 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 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.

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 weekend 217 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$9,058.00 and Fuel Collection was \$735.00.

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.frddb.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."

THIS WEEK AT SAINT LOUIS

SATURDAY, November 21st

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection

SUNDAY, November 22nd

9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection

THURSDAY, November 26th—Happy Thanksgiving

10:00 am: Msgr. Schwinger Memorial Thanksgiving Sandwich Program Collection

FRIDAY, November 27th—Parish Office Will Be Closed. There will be a 12:05 Mass.

SATURDAY, November 28th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection

SUNDAY, November 29th

9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

Tenth-graders receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this spring at St. Louis must be registered to do so by January 1, 2021. To register, please submit the (1) Registration Form and (2) Confirmation Name & Sponsor form to the DRE, Ashlee Campbell, at stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com. There will be a virtual Confirmation retreat held during January and February, as well as two in-person sacrament prep classes on February 6th and 20th from 9:30—12:30. Candidates must attend both classes. Forms, as well as a list of all dates and confirmation requirements, can be found on the St. Louis website. For questions about Confirmation, please contact the DRE at 443-744-0354.

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Please be generous in this week's special collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human development. In the United States, one in six people lives in poverty. With this collection, you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, **25% of the funds we collect will remain in our diocese** to fund local antipoverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and work on the margins.

ANNUAL PRESERVATION FUND DRIVE

Thank you to everyone who has so generously contributed to the St. Louis Preservation Fund Drive. If you have not yet contributed, please consider doing so as every donation, large or small, is needed and greatly appreciated. The Fund Drive is an important way for us to raise funds so that we may complete special projects that need to be done.

So far, \$44,997.11 has been donated.

MISSALETTE GIVE-A-WAY

When churches were permitted to re-open again in June there were several protocols that needed to be put in place in order to re-open safely. The wearing of masks, keeping distance from fellow parishioners, and hand sanitizing were among the most obvious.

Emptying the Holy Water Fonts and removing printed materials from the church were also required. Hymn books and other resources were to be removed from pews and entry ways and put in storage until the outbreak has passed.

Since the outbreak of Covid-19 has not passed and is indeed on the rise we will not be able to put the missalettes out in the church. As we come to the conclusion of one liturgical year and begin a new one, we have received new missalettes for the 2020-2021 liturgical year.

We will be distributing the missalettes to anyone who would like one. This weekend the greeters will be handing them out for private use. **They are yours to keep for private use and use in church.** Since we can't leave them out it was decided that those who want can have one to bring back and forth with them for Mass.

SANDWICH PROGRAM COORDINATOR

St. Louis is looking for an individual to oversee our sandwich program. This position provides an outreach to the needy in the inner city of Buffalo. The job duties include maintaining an inventory of food items needed, slicing sandwich meat, preparing and bagging sandwiches, sanitizing the preparation area. Other duties include laundering of altar cloths, purificators, and other tasks as needed.

The position hours are Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m. until noon.

Please submit your resume to: St. Louis Business Manager, 35 Edward Street, Buffalo, NY 14202.

52ND WEIHNACHTSMESSE AT ST. LOUIS

This year's annual Weihnachtsmesse in German will be celebrated on Sunday, December 6, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Rev. Daniel Jamros, S.J. will be presiding. Traditional carols by the German American Musicians will begin at 10:30 a.m. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, the traditional reception and meal afterwards has been cancelled. This event is a great way to usher in the Holiday Season! Please join us in celebrating our German heritage!

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST EUCHARIST CLASS REGISTRATION

Children receiving the sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist this spring at St. Louis must be registered to do so by January 19, 2021. Registration forms can be downloaded from the St. Louis website (<https://stlouisrcchurch.org>) or emailed from the Director of Faith Formation, Ashlee Campbell (stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com).

To prepare for these sacraments, children will attend in-person sacrament preparation classes. Classes are scheduled for 3 consecutive Saturdays: February 6th, February 20th, and February 27th. All classes will be from 9:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m. in the church hall.

Attendance at all three classes is mandatory.

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