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2021

Celebrating Our 192nd Anniversary

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PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Msgr. Salvatore Manganello, J.C.L	., S.T.LPastor
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CANTOR	
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SECRETARY	Dolores Vasi

PARISH COUNCIL OFFICERS

President		Timothy McCarthy	
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Secretary		Paul LaCroix	
MASSES			
Saturday		1.00 n m (Sunday Lituray)	

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Saturday Sunday	
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Mon-Fri	12.05 n m
Confessions	

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	
Reverend Francis Anthony Gerber	1862-1863
Reverend Sergus Schoulepnikoff	1864-1867
Reverend Joseph M. Sorg	

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher 1888-19	10
Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry B. Laudenbach 1917-19)44
Reverend Michael A. Anstett 1944-19	948
Reverend Howard J. Schwartz	
Reverend Clarence Ott	965
Reverend Alfred M. Mosack 1965-19	979
Rev. Msgr. William A. Schwinger 1979-19	95
Rev. Msgr. Robert A. Mack	002

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

Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, January 16:

4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Vincent J. Halicki, by Family

SUNDAY, January 17: SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am: Charles Militello, by Jim and Cindy Messina **11:00 am:** Michael C. Harmon, by Michael Riester

MONDAY, January 18: WEEKDAY

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

TUESDAY, January 19: WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: Francis L. Schreck, by Estate

WEDNESDAY, January 20: SAINT FABIAN AND SAINT SEBASTIAN

12:05 pm: Rita Marie Rozbicki, by Estate

THURSDAY, January 21: SAINT AGNES

12:05 pm: The Crane Family, by Mary K. Crane Estate

FRIDAY, January 22: WEEKDAY

- **12:05 pm:** Happy Repose of the Griffis and Fink Souls, by Family
- SATURDAY, January 23:
- 4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Tiffany Lauren Hayes, by Gina and Daniel

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SUNDAY, January 24: THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9:00 am: Charles Militello, by Ed Gress

11:00 am: Madonna Buscaglia, by Kevin Brayer

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of January 23rd and January 24th

4:00 pm: Diane Randazzo 9:00 am: John Loss 11:00 am: Christina Mandolfo



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION Weekend of January 23rd and January 24th

4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky 9:00 am: Tim O'Shea 11:00 am: Michael Mandolfo





MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES

The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and the St. Joseph Candle burns this week in memory of Earl and Mary Young, requested by Marilyn Young.

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.

DIOCESE OF BUFFALO WELCOMES NEW BISHOP

The Diocese of Buffalo was pleased to receive the news that Pope Francis appointed Bishop Michael William Fisher as the 15th bishop of Buffalo. Bishop Fisher has been serving as an auxiliary bishop in the Archdiocese of Washington since 2018. He arrived in Buffalo Sunday, January 10 and will reside at St. Joseph's Cathedral.

Bishop Fisher was born in Baltimore, Maryland where he grew up. Before becoming a priest, he acquired a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration and Accounting from the University of Maryland. He worked as a comptroller for a psychiatric practice in Bethesda before discerning a vocation to the priesthood.

Bishop Fisher attended Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Washington on June 23, 1990. He served in various parishes in the Archdiocese of Washington and other leadership positions in the Archdiocese before being named an auxiliary bishop by Pope Francis on June 8, 2018 for the Archdiocese of Washington. He was ordained to the episcopate on June 29, 2018.

On December 1, 2020, Pope Francis appointed Bishop Fisher as the 15th Bishop of Buffalo. He was installed as our bishop on Friday, January 15th at a ceremony in our Cathedral in the presence of Timothy Cardinal Dolan, Metropolitan Archbishop of New York. His motto is in "Faithfulness and love" from Psalm 25:10.

Because of the pandemic, the Apostolic Nuncio, Cardinal George, Cardinal Wuerl and many other bishops and priests were not able to attend the installation. Many of the New York State bishops were in attendance as well as diocesan priests and representatives of various groups of the diocese.

We welcome Bishop Fisher to Buffalo and wish him well and many years with us.

Msgr. Manganello

In your prayers... Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Dr. Richard Saab, Charles S, Patricia Guerra, George Collins, Rev. Guy

Frawley, James Vasi, Sondra Schreiber, Christine Maciejewski, Ashkey 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 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 165 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$3,330.00.

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.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."

THIS WEEK AT SAINT LOUIS

SATURDAY, January 16th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection and Fuel Collection

SUNDAY, January 17th

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

SATURDAY, January 23rd

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection

SUNDAY, January 24th

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

SHOW THE SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS WITH A MASK

St. Louis Parish Council is selling reversible masks. The mask is royal blue trimmed in black with trim of our Fleur-de-lis logo. The opposite side is all black. The masks are available at the handicap side entrance and the Main Street entrance after each Mass or you can call Marilyn Neil at 882-6395.

The cost is \$10.00.

RETROUVAILLE BUFFALO

Thinking about Separation or Divorce? Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Retrouvaille is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages. For details or to register call (716) 474-9371 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org. The next weekend is February 26-28, 2021. All calls are confidential and pre-registration is required. Space is limited.

TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR PRIVATE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS

The BISON Children's Scholarship Fund's pre-application is now available for NEW families in the 8 counties of Western New York for the 2021-22 school year. The BISON fund provides tuition assistance to economically eligible children entering kindergarten—8th grade. If selected, the scholarships can be used at any private grammar school in WNY. The deadline to apply is February 28, 2021. You can apply online at <u>www.bisonfund.com</u>. The average scholarship is \$1,480 and the maximum award is \$2,500.

For more information call 716-854-0869, ext. 1

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 (<u>https://stlouisrcchurch.org</u>) or emailed from the Director of Faith Formation, Ashlee Campbell (<u>stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com</u>).

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

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

When you are alone and uncertain, we are hope. The majority of us have been in a situation where we were in a brand new, unfamiliar place and surrounded by strangers. For many of the refugees coming to Buffalo, this is their reality. Catholic Charities' Immigration & Refugee Assistance Program helps to ease the unfamiliarity of a new country and culture. The program offers these sponsored refugees-forced out of their home country by war or persecution-a new start through assistance with housing, food, clothing and employment, and enrolling in English-start through assistance with housing, food, clothing and employment, and enrolling in English language classes. Catholic Charities has been supporting refugees and immigrants since it was established in 1923. Catholic Charities offers HOPE for all seasons. For more information, go to ccwny.org/refugees. Join us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter for timely updates.

VOCATION THOUGHT

Today's First Reading is the perfect Vocation Story. Is it the Lord who is calling you in the night? Will you answer "Speak Lord, Your servant is listening"? If God is calling you to the commitment of being a priest, or a religious brother or sister, contact Father Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

WORD OF LIFE

"There is such a wide spectrum of issues involving the protection of human life and the promotion of human dignity. Good people frequently disagree on which problems to address, which policies to adopt and how best to apply them. But for citizens and elected officials alike, the basic principle is simple: We must begin with a commitment never to intentionally kill, or collude in the killing, of any innocent life, no matter how broken, unformed, disabled or desperate that life may seem. In other words, the choice of certain ways of acting is always and radically incompatible with the love of God and the dignity of the human person created in His image." United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

LITTLE PORTION FRIARY

Temporary Home for Homeless Men and Women

The Little Portion Friary is a shelter helping the needy in our society. Our mission is to assist those in need to find work, housing and direct them into programs as needed. While they are in this transition period Little Portion Friary is their home.

- We need people to tend this house. Staffing ranges from:
- Sanitizing, resupplying items as needed and laundry (9:00 am—1 pm).

• Checking guests in/out and serving snack (5:30—10:00) I've worked at the house for many years and remember the phrase "Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me". If you feel drawn to helping the poor for one shift a month or one shift a week, please visit <u>www.littleportionfriary.com</u> or call 882-5705 and fill in the volunteer form.



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