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2021

Celebrating Our 192nd Anniversary

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President		Timothy McCarthy	
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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 23:

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

Tiffany Lauren Hayes, by Gina and Daniel Roblin

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

11:00 am: Madonna Buscaglia, by Kevin Brayer

MONDAY, January 25: CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL, APOSTLE

12:05 pm: John DeGain, by Susan Holden

TUESDAY, January 26: SAINT TIMOTHY AND SAINT TITUS, BISHOPS

12:05 pm: All Souls

WEDNESDAY, January 27: SAINT ANGELA MERICI 12:05 pm: Rita Marie Rozbicki, by Estate

THURSDAY, January 28: SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS, PRIEST AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

12:05 pm: Special Intentions of Jessica Marie Caputi, by Family

FRIDAY, January 29: WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: Repose of the Souls of the Klosko and Jemiolo Families, by Family

SATURDAY, January 30:

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

Carol Regan, by Douglas Regan

SUNDAY, January 31: FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am: Susan Bousquet, by Kathryn Missert 11:00 am: Madonna Buscaglia, by Marilyn Neil

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of January 30th and January 31st

4:00 pm: Krysta Doerfler 9:00 am: Tom Pirrung 11:00 am: Michael Riester



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION Weekend of January 30th and January 31st

4:00 pm: Marilyn Neil 9:00 am: Susan Ministero 11:00 am: Steve Kane





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.

"WITH A FATHER'S HEART"

On December 8, 2020, Pope Francis proclaimed a yearlong celebration dedicated to the foster father of Jesus, marking the 150th anniversary of St. Joseph being declared patron of the universal Church by Pope Pius IX on December 8. 1870.

In 1847, when our diocese was founded, the Diocese of Buffalo was placed under the patronage of St. Joseph.

In his apostolic letter, "Patris Corde" ("With a Father's Heart"), recalled that St. Joseph often goes unnoticed. "With a Father's Heart," St. Joseph loved Jesus. We know that he was a carpenter, betrothed to Mary. He was a "just man ready to carry out God's will. The greatness of St. Joseph is that he was the spouse of Mary and the father of Jesus. St. Joseph is an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble.

St. Joseph reminds us that those who appear hidden or in the shadows can play an outstanding role in the history of salvation. St. Joseph was called by God to serve the person and mission of Jesus through the exercise of his fatherhood.

Pope Francis pointed out that "Today, in our world where psychological, verbal and physical violence toward women is so evident, Joseph appears as the figure of a respectful and sensitive man." He goes on to say: "The Holy Family had to face concrete problems like every other family, like so many of our migrant brothers and sisters who, today, too, risk their lives to escape misfortune and hunger. In this regard, I consider St. Joseph the special patron of all those forced to leave their native lands because of war, hatred, persecution, and poverty.'

St. Joseph as a carpenter who earned "an honest living to provide for his family" is an example for both workers and those seeking employment. St. Joseph demonstrates the importance of dignified work and also is known as the Patron Saint of Workers.

Msgr. Manganello

Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, In your prayers... especially Mary Lou Summers, Dr. Richard Collins, Rev. Guy Siracuse, Anthony Jordan, Saab, Charles S., Patricia Guerra, George Jay Deveau, Gerald Frawley, 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 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 183 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$4,713.00.

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 23rd

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection

SUNDAY, January 24th

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

SATURDAY, January 30th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Catholic Relief Services Collection

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RECEIPT OF TAX DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS

We will only issue year contribution statements for 2020 if requested. Anyone who requires a tax statement may contact the rectory at 852-6040 or write "Tax Statement" <u>on the front of your church envelope.</u>

VOCATION THOUGHT

St. Paul shakes up our world view in the 2nd Reading from 1st Corinthians 7. Let us tune out the world's noise and listen to the still, small voice of God. If you're being called to a Church vocation, contact Father Dave Baker at 716-847–5535 or visit buffalvocations.org.

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 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.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Appeal 2021 is underway! Bishop Michael Fisher, Appeal 2021 Chair Rick Cronin and Deacon Steve Schumer launched the Appeal earlier this week and announced the \$10 million goal, as well as HOPE for all seasons as the campaign theme and St. Ignatius Loyola as this year's patron saint. Your donation to the Appeal can support Catholic Charities of Buffalo and the Fund for the Faith. Your donation stays in Western New York. Your gift helps those in our communities who are struggling to live, work and support families, and those who need spiritual care and support. You provide **HOPE for all seasons.** And it couldn't be easier: visit <u>ccwny.org/ donation</u> or call Helpline at 716-218-1419 today!

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.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and help **Jesus in disguise.** Learn more about the collection at *www.usccb.org/ catholic-relief.*

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.HelpOur Marriage.org. The next weekend is February 26-28, 2021. All calls are confidential and pre-registration is required. Space is limited.

WORD OF LIFE

Many people know someone personally who is suffering because of an abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? ...Even a woman who doesn't go to church or think of herself as religious can be afraid that God will never forgive her for having an abortion. She should know that God loves and forgives those who are sorrowful. He wants to comfort them and give them his peace.

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.



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