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MASSES

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.

OUR PARISH SCHOOL

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

Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, February 6:

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

James P. McLellan, by Family

SUNDAY, February 7: FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am: Alfred and Helen Missert, by Kathryn Missert

11:00 am: Virginia Manganello, by Carolann Besch

MONDAY, February 8: SAINT JEROME EMILIANI AND SAINT JOSEPHINE BAKHITA

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

TUESDAY, February 9: WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: Larry J. and Marie E. Schieber, by Marie Schieber Estate

WEDNESDAY, February 10: SAINT SCHOLASTICA

12:05 pm: Deceased of the Sylvester Eagan Family, by Estate

THURSDAY, February 11: OUR LADY OF LOURDES

12:05 pm: Helen Frost, by Family

FRIDAY, February 12: WEEKDAY

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

SATURDAY, February 13:

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

Carol Regan, by Douglas Regan

SUNDAY, February 14: SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am: Repose of the Soul of Aloisius J. Occek, by Family

11:00 am: Susan Riester Bogner, by Michael Riester

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of February 13th and February 14th

4:00 pm: Krysta Doerfler

9:00 am: Wendy Mistretta

11:00 am: Ed Kuzan



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of February 13th and February 14th

4:00 pm: Marilyn Neil

9:00 am: Susan Ministero

11:00 am: Steve Kane



"BODY OF CHRIST"

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God. The St. Joseph Candle burns this week in memory of **Scherf and Berst Families, 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.

LENT 2021

Lent is coming! Next Wednesday, February 17th is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. For us it is a time of repentance and renewal. For others among us it is also a time of preparation for the sacraments to be celebrated at Easter.

On Ash Wednesday we hear the call to come back to the Lord through prayer, fasting, and works of charity. We begin the Season of Lent with the distribution of Blessed Ashes. The ashes come from branches of the olive tree, or the palm tree which were used the previous year for Palm Sunday.

As with everything else this past year, Ash Wednesday will be different this year. We have had a year filled with different ways of living and praying. The obligation to attend Mass is suspended. There are fewer people in church. Many people participate in Mass by way of live streaming or on television. There is no Holy Water in the Fonts at the entrances to the church to bless ourselves. We are greeted with hand sanitizer instead. People must wear masks when they are in church. There is no Sign of Peace. People must be separated from one another. There are no gatherings after Mass. Yet we still have been able to pray, just in different ways.

This year due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic ashes will not be imposed on our foreheads because there isn't adequate opportunity for the minister distributing ashes to sanitize their hands between each individual. Instead of the traditional method of a cross of ashes on our foreheads, we will use the European custom of sprinkling ashes on the crown of a person's head as directed by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments. This method recalls the biblical manner of putting on sackcloth and ashes as a sign of repentance that we hear so often in scripture.

We can still repent and believe in the Gospel. We can still carry out our Lenten practices. We can still grow closer to God.

Mmgr. Manganello



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Michael MacPherson, Mary Lou Summers, Dr. Richard Saab, Patricia Guerra, George Collins, Rev. Guy Syracuse, Anthony

Jordan, Jay Deveau, Gerald Frawley, James Vasi, Sondra Schreiber, Christine Maciejewski, Ashley Winder, David Marchetti, Eric Glinski, Richard Devita, Ray Sharrer, Frank 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 Florence Rembold 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 182 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$4,004.00. We had 103 visitors to the livestream page.

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

THIS WEEK AT SAINT LOUIS

SATURDAY, February 6th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection

SUNDAY, February 7th

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

SATURDAY, February 13th

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

SUNDAY, February 14th

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

VOCATION THOUGHT

"An obligation has been imposed on me and woe to me if I do not preach it!" St. Paul didn't want to disappoint the God who had called him into ministry. If you're being called to a Church vocation, contact Father Dave Baker at (716) 847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection and for helping *Jesus in disguise*. Your contributions make a difference for the poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/national/collections for more information on how to give.

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 2021-2022 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 www.bisonfund.com. The average scholarship is \$1,480 and the maximum award is \$2,500.

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

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

"Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." Jesus calls us to help and love our neighbors, especially those who are struggling. Catholic Charities of Buffalo offers several basic and emergency services, such as food, housing, mediations and clothing. Your donation to **Appeal 2021** can help us continue to give food to the hungry, clothes to the naked and shelter to the homeless. For more information about Catholic Charities and our other services and programs, visit ccwny.org or call our Helpline at 716-218-1419. Catholic Charities is **HOPE for All Seasons**. To make a secure online donation, go to ccwny.org/donation.

ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION, LANCASTER TO HOST BEFORE CANA PROGRAM

St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, Lancaster, will host a daylong Before Cana program for couples preparing for marriage in the Catholic Church. The program will take place on Saturday, February 20 from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Center—concluding with 4:30 Mass at St. Mary's Church. Cost is \$90 per couple.

The Parish Center is located in the St. Mary's Elementary School building at the corner of Aurora and St. Joseph Streets in the Village of Lancaster. The Church is located behind the school building, with a parking lot in between the two buildings. (Street address: 1 St. Mary's Hill, Lancaster, NY, 14086).

Before Cana is a Buffalo diocesan requirement prior to being married in the Church.

For more information, visit <http://stmarysonthehill.org/before-cana>. Or, contact Deacon John Owczarczak at (716)-683-3269 or deaconjohnowczarczak@gmail.com.

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.

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re The Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y.

Case No. 20-10322

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, On February 28, 2020, The Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y., ("Diocese") filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").

The Bankruptcy Court has established August 14, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time) as the deadline to file proofs of claim against the Diocese (the "Bar Date").

If you have a claim against the Diocese, including, without limitation, a claim related to sexual abuse committed by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim on or before the Bar Date.

Please visit <https://case.stretto.com/diocesefofbuffalo> or call (855) 292-7696 for more information on how to file your proof of claim.

If you do not timely file a proof of claim, you may forfeit your right to vote on any plan of reorganization and to share in any distributions to creditors in connection with the Diocese's Chapter 11 Case.



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