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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
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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 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 Wife

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

MONDAY, February 15: WEEKDAY

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

TUESDAY, February 16: WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: All Souls

WEDNESDAY, February 17: ASH WEDNESDAY

8:00 am: Rita Marie Rozbicki, by Estate

12:05 pm: Special Intentions of Jessica, Heather Ann and James T. Caputi, by Family

THURSDAY, February 18: THURSDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

12:05 pm: Barb Costuros, by Ashlee Campbell

FRIDAY, February 19: FRIDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

12:05 pm: The Curtis Family, by Irene D. Curtis Estate

SATURDAY, February 20:

4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Dr. and Mrs. George O'Grady, by Family

SUNDAY, February 21: FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 am: Eva Tamoga, by Pat Robinson

11:00 am: Virginia Manganello, by Carolann Besch

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of February 20th and February 21st

4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky

9:00 am: John Loss

11:00 am: Joyce Persico



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of February 20th and February 21st

4:00 pm: Diane Randazzo

9:00 am: Mary O'Shea

11:00 am: Jim Ferrini



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.

“NOW IS THE DAY OF SALVATION”

This Wednesday begins the Season of Lent. Masses for Ash Wednesday will be at 8:00 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. Masses will also be livestreamed. Due to COVID restrictions, ashes will be sprinkled on the top of the head to safely distribute ashes.

This is a season of repentance and renewal. For Kimberly Danna it is also a time to prepare for receiving the Easter Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. Kim has been a part of the RCIA program this year in which she has been learning about our faith.

On the First Sunday of Lent, the Church celebrates the Rite of Election. Those who have been preparing to join the Church on Easter enter more deeply into their spiritual journey toward the Sacraments.

The Rite celebrates the choice of those who wish to be admitted to the Easter Sacraments. The Bishop himself, as the Head of the local Church presides at the Rite of Election. During the Rite, the Bishop declares the approval of the candidates after they are presented to him.

Next Sunday, February 21st at 3:00 p.m. at the Cathedral, Bishop Fisher will celebrate the Rite of Election for those who will receive the Sacraments of Initiation this Easter. We are happy to present to our Bishop Kimberly Danna who will be Baptized, Confirmed, and receive the Eucharist for the first time at St. Louis at the Easter Vigil. We show her our prayerful support in our Parish Celebration for Sending Catechumens for Election. Our parish celebration will take place next Sunday at the 11:00 Mass, the First Sunday of Lent.

Please pray for her as she continues her journey to our faith.

Msgr. Manganello

VOCATION THOUGHT

“Go, show yourself to the priest... for your cleansing.” We no longer have leprosy, but we do need priests to be purified of mortal sins. If God is calling you to take up this healing mission, contact Father Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.



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, Anthony Jordan, Jay Deveau, Gerald Frawley, James Vasi, Sondra Schreiber, Christine Maciejewski, Ashley Winder, David Marchetti, Eric Ginski, 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 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 140 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.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, 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

WEDNESDAY, February 17th—Ash Wednesday

8:00 am: Distribution of Ashes

12:05 pm: Distribution of Ashes

FRIDAY, February 19th

After 12:05 Mass: Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, February 20th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection and Black and Indian Mission Collection

SUNDAY, February 21st

9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection and Black and Indian Mission Collection

WORD OF LIFE

"Married love differs from any other love in the world. By its nature, the love of husband and wife is so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with God and each other, that it is open to creating a new human being they will love and care for together.

USCCB, *Married Love and the Gift of Life*

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.

OUR LENTEN SACRIFICE

Days of Abstinence—Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday for all who have reached their 14th birthday, and no meat can be taken.

Days of Fast—Ash Wednesday and Good Friday for all who have reached their 18th birthday and have not as yet reached their 60th birthday, a limit of one full meatless meal.

Weekdays of Lent—No obligation to fast; however, voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

Easter Duty Obligation—Must be made from the First Sunday in Lent (February 21st through Trinity Sunday (May 30th).

Self-Denial—Is encouraged on a voluntary basis. Acts may include daily Mass, spiritual study, Lenten Devotions, the Rosary, Stations of the Cross and deeds of mercy and kindness.

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 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.

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

When you are lonely, we are hope. What we do with the 24 hours in a day can effect countless hours and days ahead. Our volunteers at Catholic Charities know this to be true. Through our programs, volunteers have the opportunity to serve the community through our multiple food pantries, lend a friendly ear through Friendly Phones and the Telephone Assurance Program, and much more. Help continue to move hands and hearts through Catholic Charities and the Fund for the Faith by giving to **Appeal 2021**. Call our Helpline at 716-218-1419 if you need assistance or want to donate, or visit ccwny.org/donation today. Catholic Charities of Buffalo is **HOPE for All Seasons**.

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.

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