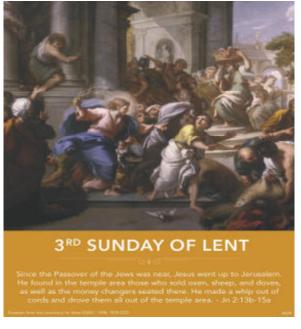
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MASSES Saturday 4:00 p.m. (Sunday Liturgy) Sunday 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Eve of the Holy Day 4:30 p.m. Holy Day 12:05 p.m. Mon-Fri 12:05 p.m. Confessions Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 p.m.

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.

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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	1836-1843 1844-1850 1850-1851 1855-1861 1861-1862 1862-1863	Rt. Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher	1917-1944 1944-1948 1948-1964 1964-1965 1965-1979 1979-1995
Reverend Sergus Schoulepnikoff	1864-1867	Rev. Msgr. Robert A. Mack	1995-2002
Reverend Joseph M. Sorg	1867-1888		

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

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Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, March 6:

4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Mr. & Mrs. Otto Scharf, Sr., by Dick and Mary

SUNDAY, March 7: THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 am: Sam Ponticello, by Conti Family

11:00 am: Deceased of the Albert Riester Family, by

Michael Riester

MONDAY, March 8: LENTEN WEEKDAY—SAINT JOHN OF

GOD, RELIGIOUS

12:05 pm: Frank Mikos, by Family

TUESDAY, March 9: LENTEN WEEKDAY—SAINT

FRANCES OF ROME, RELIGIOUS

12:05 pm: Susan Kolbe, by James Kolbe

WEDNESDAY, March 10: LENTEN WEEKDAY

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

THURSDAY, March 11: LENTEN WEEKDAY

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

FRIDAY, March 12: LENTEN WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: In Thanksgiving for Daughter, Ellen Therese

Reid, by Tim and Mary (Jerge) Reid

SATURDAY, March 13:

4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Living and Deceased of the Earl Young Family,

by Marilyn Young

SUNDAY, March 14: FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 am: Salvatore and Stephano Galante, by Kathryn

11:00 am: Virginia Manganello, by Carolann Besch

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of March 13th and March 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 March 13th and March 14th

4:00 pm: Marilyn Neil 9:00 am: Susan Ministero

11:00 am: Jim Ferrini



MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of Melvin Sliwinski, requested by Michael and David. The Pieta Candle burns this week in memory of Geraldine Sliwinski, requested by Michael and David and the St. Joseph Candle burns this week in memory of Darlene Sliwinski, requested by Michael and David.

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.

UPON THIS ROCK UPDATE

From January 2016 until June 2016 St. Louis was part of the Upon This Rock initiative. As a part of this program, parishes were asked to identify a need that they would like to address in order that each parish may continue their good works. Because of your generosity to the Upon This Rock Campaign, we have been able to complete several major projects. We have received our ninth disbursement from the Campaign. Over the years these funds helped us to complete some very major projects. This year we were able to do some painting in the church, install a chair lift to go up to the choir loft and re-sealing and striping the parking lot.

St. Louis continues to receive two yearly disbursements from the Upon This Rock Campaign. At the end of January the parish received \$32,343.14. This added to our previous disbursements totals \$339,645.79. Thank you for remaining faithful to your pledge commitment to *Upon This Rock*.

The Finance/Restoration Committee is now meeting to identify projects that we hope to complete this year. Some items already mentioned are repairing the porch railing on the rectory, painting the stairwells going up to the choir loft, and making repairs to the parking lot which seemed to have suffered from the cold this year.

As with any old house there will always be something that needs to be done. Once again thank you your support of the projects that St. Louis is able to complete each year allowing us to maintain our Gothic Grandeur. As always, may St. Louis bless you in return for your generous support of our Annual Preservation Fund and Upon This Rock.

Msgr. 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, 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

We remember all those recently deceased, especially Dennis DePerro, Rita Crawford and our deceased parishioners and loved ones.

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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 189 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$7,798.00.

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, March 6th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including

Monthly Collection

SUNDAY, March 7th

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

Including Monthly Collection

SATURDAY, March 13th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Fuel

Collection and Maintenance and Repairs

Collection

4:00 pm: St. Patrick's Day Carnation Sale

SUNDAY, March 14th-Daylight Saving Time Begins Spring Forward 1 Hour

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

Including Fuel Collection and Maintenance and Repairs Collection

9:00 am & 11:00 am: St. Patrick's Day Carnation Sale

WORD OF LIFE

"[The Gospel of Life] is therefore meant to be a precise and vigorous reaffirmation of the value of human life and its inviolability, and at the same time a pressing appeal addressed to each and every person, in the name of God: respect, protect, love and serve life, every human life! Only in this direction will you find justice, development, true freedom, peace and happiness!" (The Gospel of Life 5)

ST. FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL 7TH GRADE PRACTICE ENTRANCE EXAM

St. Francis High School **Practice Exam** is on the following date:

Saturday, March 20, 2021: 8:30—12 noon

Must be in 7th Grade

- Check in begins at 8 a.m. in the Foyer of Alumni Hall (located on LaSalle Entrance))
- Preparation for the mandatory exam for consideration of attending St. Francis High School
 - Calculators and Pencils will be provided
 - Register at www.stfrancishigh.org

Any questions please contact us at 716-627-1200 Ext. 582 or via email: admissions@stfrancishigh.org

St. Francis High School is located at 4129 Lake Shore Road, Hamburg, NY 14075

ST. PATRICK'S DAY CARNATION SALE

The Faith Formation program will be selling green carnations for St. Patrick's Day before and after all Masses on Saturday, March 13th and Sunday, March 14th. Carnations will be \$1.00 each and available at the Main Street entrance and parking lot entrance. All sales will be donated to Catholic Charities.

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 Mass. The cost is \$10.00.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

When you are hungry, we are hope. Catholic Charities maintains nine food pantry and outreach centers in Western New York. Seven sites are in Erie County (Central, East and South Buffalo, Getzville and Lackawanna) and one each, in Allegany County in Wellsville, and in Cattaraugus County in Franklinville. Each location has emergency food pantry service and offers information and referrals to other needed services to those who are food insecure, free of charge. Show your support of our food pantries by donating to Appeal 2021. Call 716-218-1419 or visit ccwny.org/donation.

For more information on our pantries, go to ccwny.org/food. With your support, we can continue to be HOPE for All Seasons.

VOCATION THOUGHT

On Mount Tabor, Jesus revealed a glimpse of glory, not to show off, but to express his desire to share his glory with us. Thanks to Christ, it is this glory that we are destined for. The same Christ calls some to priesthood and religious life to show his followers how to live for this glory. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Dave Baker at 847-5535 or visit buffalovocation.org.

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., ("<u>Diocese</u>") 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/dioceseofbuffalo 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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