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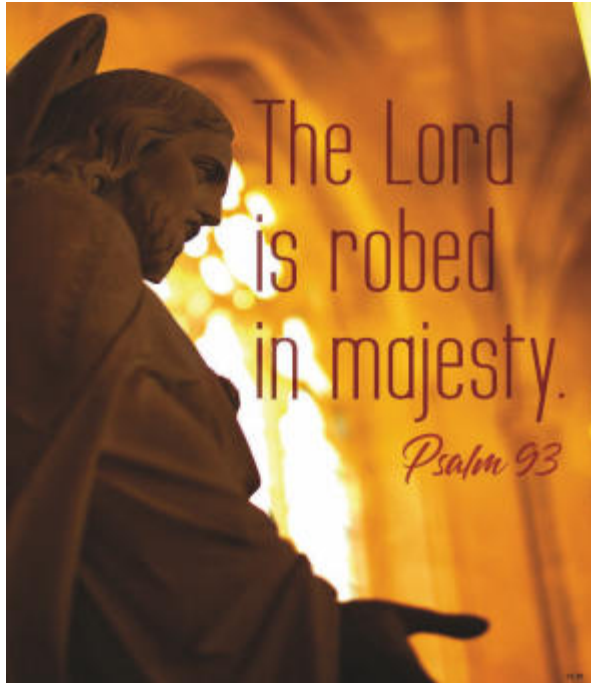
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MASSES

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
 Rev. Msgr. Robert A. Mack..... 1995-2002

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

Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, November 20th: Vigil for Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

4:00 pm: Richard Ulmer, Jr., by Kevin Brayer

SUNDAY, November 21st: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

9:00 am: Edwin & Louise Munschauer, by Richard Munschauer

11:00 am: Celebrating the Besch & Buchheit Families, by Carolann Besch

MONDAY, November 22nd: St. Cecelia

12:05 pm: Geraldine Sliwinski, by Michael & David

TUESDAY, November 23rd: St. Clement, St. Columban, & St. Miguel Agustin

12:05 pm: Louis H. Davis, by Estate

WEDNESDAY, November 24th: St. Andrew Dung-Lac

12:05 pm: Jacob & Emma Weppner, by Estate

THURSDAY, November 25th: Thanksgiving Day

10:00 am: For the People of St. Louis Parish

FRIDAY, November 26th:

12:05 pm: Norman M. Neil, by the Pirrung & Carlin Family

SATURDAY, November 27th: Vigil for the First Sunday of Advent

12:00 noon: Wedding of Michael Carroll and Brittney Page

4:00 pm: Michael Sliwinski, by The Four O'Clock Friends at St. Louis

SUNDAY, November 28th: First Sunday of Advent

9:00 am: In memory of Mary A. Deveau, by her Son and Daughter

11:00 am: Eleanor Bennett Brayer, by Kevin & Mark Brayer

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of November 27th & 28th

4:00 pm: Krysta Doerfler

9:00 am: Wendy Mistretta

11:00 am: Mike Riestler



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of November 27th & 28th

4:00 pm: Marilyn Neil

9:00 am: Susan Ministero

11:00 am: Keith Boerner



MSGR. SCHWINGER MEMORIAL SANDWICH PROGRAM

On Thanksgiving Day there will be a collection for the Msgr. Schwinger Memorial Sandwich Program. Many people come to our door from Monday through Friday and we are able to feed them thanks to your generosity. The Sandwich Program gives dignity, respect and compassion to those in need in our city, much as Msgr. Schwinger (born 11-3-1920, ordained 3-1-1958, deceased 1-15-2012) did throughout his ministry as a teacher, soldier, prison chaplain, counselor and pastor for many years. Thank you for your continued support so we can continue this program in Fr. Bill Schwinger's legacy.

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of Joseph J. Dumansky, requested by his Family. The St. Joseph Candle also burns this week in memory of Joseph J. Dumansky, requested by his family. In addition, the Pieta Candle burns this week in memory of Joseph J. Dumansky as reserved by his family members.

DEDICATE YOURSELVES TO THANKFULNESS

This Thursday we celebrate Thanksgiving Day. We set aside this day in particular to give thanks to God for His many blessings of love and infinite goodness that we have received throughout the year. Gratitude is an attitude that we should carry with us each day of the year. St. Paul encouraged people through his letter to the Colossians to "dedicate yourselves to thankfulness..." We are reminded to share the blessings we have received with those around us, especially those who are not as blessed as we may be.

Even though Thanksgiving is a secular holiday, it is made holy when we gather to give thanks to God and when we gather with family and friends to celebrate our blessings. Thanksgiving should make every day holy for us. Join us for our Thanksgiving celebration of the Eucharist Thursday, November 25th at 10:00AM to begin this day of thanks and truly make it a holy occasion.

Every Sunday we gather to celebrate the Eucharist which also means thanksgiving. In this way the Church encourages us to be a people of Thanks every day, not just one day a year.

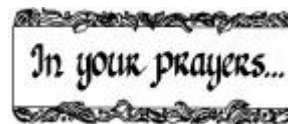
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THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Father of Love, Lord of creation, we give You thanks for Your many blessings on us: for the gifts of the earth which sustain and nurture our lives, for the gifts of your Spirit which make our lives complete and whole in Your love. May we give You thanks for your many gifts by sharing those gifts with one another; may we be worthy of Your great love for us by working constantly to make peace and compassion a reality. We offer these prayers to You, in the name of Your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

53RD ANNUAL WEIHNACHTSMESSE

This year's annual Weihnachtsmesse in German will be celebrated on Sunday, December 5, 2021 at 11:00AM at Saint Louis. Rev. Daniel Jamros, S.J. will be presiding. Traditional carols by the German American Musicians will begin at 10:30AM. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, the traditional reception afterwards will not take place. This event is a great way to usher in the Holiday Season! Please join us in celebrating German Heritage!



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Cathy DePlato, Bill & Donna Reeves, Michael Daumen, Richard Shephard, Joseph Barba, Sr., Maria Madden, Dr. Fred Luongo, Gary Whitnauer, Michael MacPherson, Patricia Guerra, Jay Deveau, Gerald Frawley, Sondra Schreiber, Christine Maciejewski, Ashley Winder, David Marchetti, Eric Glinski, Richard Devita, Frank Zawistowski, James Palka, Bernadette R. Crawford, Carlos Calhoun and Margaret Foegen.

We remember all those recently deceased, especially 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 290 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$5220.00.

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, November 20th:

4:00 pm: Regular Weekly Offertory Collection including Pew Rent, Fuel Collection, and Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development

SUNDAY, November 21st:

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Regular Weekly Offertory Collection including Pew Rent, Fuel Collection, and Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development

9:50 am: Prek-10th Grade Religious Education in the Parish Hall

12:00 noontime: RCIA Meets in the Sacristy

THURSDAY, November 25th: Happy Thanksgiving!

Mass at 10am: Msgr. Schwinger Memorial Sandwich Program Collection

FRIDAY, November 26th: Parish Office Closed

SATURDAY, November 27th:

4:00 pm: Regular Weekly Offertory Collection

SUNDAY, November 28th:

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

ANNUAL PRESERVATION FUND DRIVE

Thank you to everyone who has so generously contributed to our Preservation Fund Drive so far. As the structure of our church ages, there are always items that need attention. This year the benefits we received from Upon This Rock will be added to our annual projects underway.

Thanks to your generosity in the past we have been able to maintain our beautiful church. With your generous support we will continue to be able to keep everything in good repair.

So far, \$47,800.00 has been donated.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to parishioner Isabella RajECKi for being named to the Honor Roll at Sacred Heart Academy for the First Quarter of the academic year!

Requesting Donations for Afghan Evacuees

The children attending our PreK-10th grade Faith Formation program are collecting items to put together "Welcome Kits" for the Afghan evacuees settling in Buffalo.

Catholic Charities will be delivering these welcome kits to the families. We are asking for donations of household supplies, cleaning supplies, kitchen items, toiletries, and household items to help compile these kits. There will be donation boxes at the church entrances.

Please consider donating items, such as: sponges, paper towels, trash bags, tableware, mixing bowls, cutting boards, dish towels, toilet paper, shampoo, toothpaste, lotion, Kleenex, disinfectant wipes, and hand sanitizer.

Thank you for your support!

COME CELEBRATE THANKSGIVING

On Thursday, November 25th, we, as a parish faith community, will celebrate Thanksgiving Mass at 10:00AM.

Please join your fellow parishioners in giving thanks to God for all his many blessings we enjoy, individually and as a parish family.

CRAFT AND VENDOR SHOW

The senior class at Cardinal O'Hara High School will host a Holiday Craft and Vendor Show from 9AM to 2PM on Saturday, December 11th at the school, 39 O'Hara Rd, Town of Tonawanda. Admission is \$2. All proceeds from the fair will support the senior class prom. Registration for vendors/crafters is \$25 and includes one 8-foot table. Additional tables are \$20. For more information or an application, email rho Hoffman@cardinalohara.com or call Rena Hoffman at 716 695-2600 ext. 353.

ADVENT RETREAT PROGRAM

A two evening retreat program is being held at Our Lady of Pompeii Church, 129 Laverack Avenue, Lancaster on December 13th & 14th, with Rev. Aidan Rooney, CM. The event starts with Mass at 6:30, conference from 7-8PM, and prayer, silence and music by Mary Palmer. The Theme is "Upon A Darkened Night: Spiritual Poetry for Advent". For more information, call 716 683-6522 or visit www.olparish.com

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Thankful. As we look toward celebrating Thanksgiving this week, we find a renewed sense of gratitude—thankful for the people, places opportunities and blessings in our day-to-day lives. **We'd like to take this chance to offer our sincere thanks to all who support Catholic Charities.** Because of your support, we can continue to be a **beacon of hope** to those in need across Western New York. Thank you! If someone you know needs help, go to www.ccnny.org or call the Helpline at 716 218-1419.

VOCATION THOUGHT

Praised be Jesus Christ, King of the Universe! We assemble in church as the royalty of His court, brave knights and noble ladies sent out to do His bidding. What has Christ the King decreed for you? Could it be a life of service in the Church as an ordained or lay minister? Call Fr. Dave Baker at 716 847-5535 to start the conversation or visit www.buffalovocations.org



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