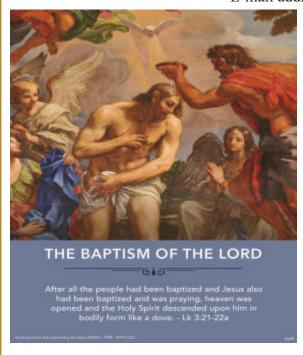
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#### **MASSES**

SaturdaySunday	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.
Mon-Fri Confessions	Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 p.m.
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#### 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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#### PARISH MUSEUM & ARCHIVES: OPEN BY APPOINTMENT.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FORMER PASTORS

Reverend John Nicholas Mertz Reverend Alexander Pax Reverend Francis Guth	1836-1843	Rt. Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher	. 1917-1944
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Reverend Francis Anthony Gerber	1862-1863	Rev. Msgr. William A. Schwinger	. 1979-1995
Reverend Sergus Schoulepnikoff	1864-1867 1867-1888	Rev. Msgr. Robert A. Mack	. 1995-2002

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## Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, January 8th: Vigil for the Baptism of the Lord

4:00 pm: Robert Sprague, Sr., by Family

SUNDAY, January 9th: Baptism of the Lord

9:00 am: Janice Fucina, by Dolores Murphy

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

by Michael Riester

MONDAY, January 10th:

12:05 pm: For the Parishioners of St. Louis Parish

**TUESDAY**, January 11th:

12:05 pm: Lucy Missert, by Tom Pirrung

**WEDNESDAY**, January 12th:

12:05 pm: Joan Conti, by John & Melanie Loss

THURSDAY, January 13th: St. Hillary 12:05 pm: Florence Rembold, by Estate

FRIDAY, January 14th:

12:05 pm: Rita Marie Rozbicki, by Estate

SATURDAY, January 15th: Vigil for the Second Sunday in **Ordinary Time** 

2:00 pm: Wedding of Tyler Wasieczko & Natalie Sleap

4:00 pm: Carol Zobel, by Sondra Schreiber

SUNDAY, January 16th: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am: Vincent J. Halicki, by Family

11:00 am: Deceased Members of the St. Louis & Blessed

Sacrament Choirs, by the St. Louis Choir

#### SCHEDULE OF LECTORS Weekend of January 15th & 16th

4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky 9:00 am: John Loss 11:00 am: Ed Kuzan



### SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of January 15th & 16th

4:00 pm: Diane Randazzo 9:00 am: Susan Ministero 11:00 am: Pam Nordstrom



#### MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES

The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of Richard Agoston requested by Mary Agoston.

The St. Joseph Candle burns this week in memory of Thomas M. Rooney, requested by Ron & Margaret

Foegen

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.

#### THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD, **OUR BAPTISM**

The manifestations of Christ that we celebrate during Christmas Time culminate in the Baptism of the Lord which we celebrate today. Jesus is revealed as the Son of God and from this point forward Jesus begins his public ministry of service to God's people.

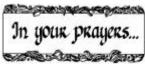
Baptism is the sacrament by which we are born into Christian life. It is the sacrament that calls us into Christian action. It is in the waters of baptism that we are marked with the sign of the cross. As our foreheads are anointed with chrism oil, we are told, "he now anoints you with the Chrism of salvation so that you remain members of Christ, Priest, Prophet and King, so may you live as a member of His body." We wear a white garment as the outward sign of our Christian dignity and are told, "You have clothed yourself in Christ." We are also presented a lighted baptismal candle in which we are told, "receive the light of Christ" and "keep the flame of faith alive in your hearts to be kept burning brightly."

And so this is not only a Feast of our Lord, but also our feast when we are reminded that we too are ministers of the

Gospel.

In our Diocese we have embarked on the Road to Renewal Our Journey Toward Holiness. We are invited by Pope Francis to participate also in a two year journey of renewal through a universal Synod defined as: "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission." The Synod challenges us to ask ourselves if we are truly living our faith in ways that are evident and that lights the way for others. Are we truly living out the sacrament of our own Baptism?

### Msgr. Manganello



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Jeremy Beck, Cathy DePlato, Bill Richard Shepheard, Joseph Barba, Sr., Maria & Donna Reeves, Michael Daumen,

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.

Please contact the Parish Office to have a loved one placed on the Prayer List. Names will generally 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 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, combined attendance for the Solemnity of Mary and Solemnity of the Epiphany was 228 people. Our combined collection was \$10,367.

The preceding weekend, Christmas attendance was 776 people and a Christmas offertory of \$11,359. On Sunday, December 26th, the Feast of the Holy Family, we had attendance of 175 and an offertory of \$3281.

We thank all our parishioners and friends for their generosity, attendance and support during this Christmas season!

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.

Again, 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 8th:

4:00 pm: Regular Offertory Collection

SUNDAY, January 9th:

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

MONDAY, January 10th:

5:30 pm: Parish Council Meeting via Zoom and In-person

in the Church Hall

SATURDAY, January 15th:

**4:00 pm:** Regular Offertory Collection Including the Maintenance & Repairs Collection

SUNDAY, January 16th:

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

#### ANNUAL PRESERVATION FUND DRIVE

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

Thanks to your generosity in the past we have been able to maintain our beautiful church in good repair. With your generous support this past year, we will continue to be able to keep everything in good repair. In the course of the Preservation Fund Drive, \$105,870 has been donated.

Again, THANK YOU for your wonderful support.

## RECEIPT OF TAX DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS

By law, contributions that are to be used as a 2021 tax deduction by a donor must be postmarked or in the hands of the parish no later than December 31st. As in past years, we only issue year-end contribution statements if requested.

Anyone who requires a tax statement may contact the rectory at 716 852-6040 or write "TAX STATEMENT" on the front of your church envelope.

#### ST. LOUIS 2022 CALENDARS

Your Saint Louis 2022 calendar is available. You will note there is no donor or sponsor for these calendars. This cost is covered by the parish. An extra dollar in the collection will help meet the expense. It is hoped that every day in 2022 will be a day of joy, health and happiness for you and your families.

#### SAINT JOSEPH ONE MAN PLAY

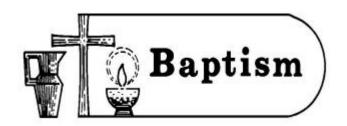
On Monday, February 7, 2022, Our Lady of Pompeii will feature Michael Sacilowski in "God's Son, My Son", a one act play focused on St. Joseph as part of their Faith Enrichment Series. The evening starts at 7PM. Our Lady of Pompeii is located at 129 Laverack Avenue, Lancaster, New York. For more information, call 716 683-6522.

#### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

Did you know? Catholic Charities' Our Kids Parent Education and Awareness Program (OKPEAP) is available to parents and caregivers and their significant others who have experienced conflict regarding custody and/or access issues related to their children. OKPEAP helps parents develop a "business" relationship and encourages co-parents to refrain from putting the children in the middle of conflict. Topics covered include: the impact of separation/divorce on children; child development and the implications for parenting after a separation/divorce; cooperative and parallel approaches to parenting; an overview of family law as it affects custody and visitation; and conflict management and problem-solving. Groups are held throughout Western New York. Ready to connect? Call 716 896-6390. For more information on Catholic Charities and other services and programs we provide, visit www.ccwny.org.

#### **VOCATION THOUGHT**

Christ gives us the gift of Baptism, through which we each have a vocation in the church. Pray for those who are discerning a call to live their Baptismal commitment as a religious brother, sister, priest or deacon. If God is calling you to this, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716 847-5535 or visit www.buffalovocations.org.





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