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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	1829-1836	Rt. Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher	1888-1916
Reverend Alexander Pax		Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry B. Laudenbach	1917-1944
Reverend Francis Guth	1844-1850	Reverend Michael A. Anstett	1944-1948
Reverend Joseph Raffeiner	1850-1851	Reverend Howard J. Schwartz	1948-1964
Reverend William Deiters	1855-1861	Reverend Clarence Ott	1964-1965
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Reverend Francis Anthony Gerber	1862-1863	Rev. Msgr. William A. Schwinger	1979-1995
Reverend Sergus Schoulepnikoff	1864-1867	Rev. Msgr. Robert A. Mack	1995-2002
Reverend Joseph M. Sorg	1867-1888	Č	

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

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Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, January 29th: Vigil for the Fourth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

4:00 pm: Michael J. Sliwinski, by Ray Haas

SUNDAY, January 30th: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am: John A. Pirrung, by Family 11:00 am: Betty Everett, by Kevin Brayer

MONDAY, January 31st: St. John Bosco 12:05 pm: For the People of St. Louis Parish

TUESDAY, February 1st: 12:05 pm: For All Souls

WEDNESDAY, February 2nd: Feast of the Presentation of

the Lord

12:05 pm: George Milanovich, by Family & Friends

THURSDAY, February 3rd: St. Blaise & St. Ansger

Blessing of Throats

12:05 pm: June McCarthy, by Tom Pirrung

FRIDAY, February 4th:

12:05 pm: Rosalia Kurtzman & Spouse, by Estate

SATURDAY, February 5th: Vigil for the Fifth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

4:00 pm: Michael J. Sliwinski, by Tom, Irene & Denver

Kazmierczak

SUNDAY, February 6th: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am: Antonio Manzella, Jr., by Mary Cirino

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

Sacrament Choirs, by the St. Louis Choir

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS Weekend of February 5th & 6th

4:00 pm: Krysta Doerfler 9:00 am: Wendy Mistretta

11:00 am: Matt Glynn



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION Weekend of February 5th & 6th

4:00 pm: Diane Randazzo 9:00 am: Tim O'Shea 11:00 am: Keith Boerner



ST. LOUIS 2022 CALENDARS

There are still some Saint Louis 2022 calendars available. You will note there is no donor or sponsor for these calendars. This cost is covered by the parish. An extra dollar in a 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.



The Sanctuary Light glows this week to the Glory of God and in warm memory of Tom & Sally Parks, requested by Donna & Dennis Burns. The St. Joseph Candle is lit this week also in memory of Tom & Sally Parks, requested by Donna & Dennis Burns. And again, the Pieta Candle burns in vigil this week in memory of Tom & Sally Parks at the request of Donna & Dennis

Burns

If you desire to have a Memorial Prayer Candle lit in honor and memory of a loved one, or for your own intention, please use the envelope available for that purpose.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNOUNCES 2022 APPEAL GOAL

On January 19th, Catholic Charities announced their goal for the 2022 Appeal. The goal for this year is \$9.5 million with the theme once again of "Hope". Through the annual Appeal, we can foster Hope and strength for those who need it most. Programs and services provided by catholic Charities supported more than 125,000 individuals, children and families in 2021. These included basic emergency assistance such as food from food pantries, educational and vocational advancement, family stabilization services, immigration and refugee assistance, mental health and substance abuse treatment, and youth and family support services.

Bishop Michael Fisher stated: "There continues to be a great need in our communities, and many new ones created by this prolonged pandemic. The personal loss experienced by so many has been tragic and the financial hardship it has caused is very real".

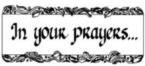
The aim of the appeal is to reach the goal by June 30th. "This new goal strikes a balance as it is more than the Appeal raised last year, but lower than last year's goal," said Thomas Beecher, Jr. (a St. Louis Parishioner) and Appeal 2022 Co-Chair. He continued: "with the pandemic still a driving force, the goal recognized the challenge of raising such a significant amount of money in today's environment, and it affirms the ongoing need for the critical programs and services Catholic Charities provides."

Early results from new efforts begun on behalf of the Appeal have proven fruitful. \$1.1 million has already been raised with the support of generous donors. This reflects a 12% start to the Appeal.

Soon you will be receiving a request to support the Catholic Charities Appeal 2022. St. Louis parishioners have been very generous in the past and have done a great deal to make each Catholic Charities successful.

Msgr. Manganello

Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Cathy DePlato, Bill & Donna Reeves, Michael



Daumen, Richard Shepheard, 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.

Please contact the Parish Office to have a loved one placed on the Prayer List. 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 Linda McMahon 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 276 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$4027.

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, January 29th:

8:00 am—1:00 pm: Diocesan Class: "Protecting God's Children" in the Church Hall

4:00 pm: Regular Weekly Offering and Second Collection for Catholic Relief Services

SUNDAY, January 30th:

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Regular Weekly Offering and Second Collection for Catholic Relief Services

9:50 am-10:50am: PreK-10th Grade Classes meet in the Church Hall

THURSDAY, February 3rd:

12:05 pm: Blessing of Throats at Mass

SATURDAY, February 5th:

2:00-4:00 pm: Faith Formation Day Topic: Parts of

the Mass

4:00 pm: Regular Offertory including Weekly & Monthly

Collection

SUNDAY, February 6th:

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

& Monthly Collection

12:00 noontime: RCIA meets in the Sacristy
Topic: Places in a Catholic Church

MARRIED COUPLES RETREAT

The Mystery and Meaning of Marriage - Married couples are invited to experience firsthand the wonder, mystery, and joy behind that first "I do" ... whether you said it last year or many years ago. Enjoy a weekend get-away with your spouse Friday, February 11th at 6:00 PM (with dinner) and closing on Sunday, February 13th, 2022 at 11:00 AM. There will be time for prayer, inspirational talks, discussion and sharing. This retreat will be hosted at Our Lady of Czestochowa Parish, Oliver and Central Avenues in North Tonawanda. For more information or to register please contact Sr. Jacinta at olcparishevent@gmail.com or 716 692-0276. A suggested donation (but not required) is \$150 per couple. There is a guest house available at OLC parish if interested.

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST EUCHARIST SPRING 2022

St. Louis will be offering the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist this spring. All children making a sacrament this spring must attend sacrament preparation classes on Saturday, March 5th, March 12th, & March 19th from 9:30-11:30 AM in the church basement. The First Reconciliation ceremony will be on Saturday, April 30th and the First Eucharist ceremony will be on Sunday, May 1st.

First Reconciliation classes are open to children who are in second grade. First Eucharist classes are open to children who are in third grade. All children should be actively participating in faith formation classes, either at St. Louis or their school. Parents must register by February 13th. Registration forms can be found on the St. Louis website (https://stlouisrcchurch.org/). Contact the Director of Faith Formation, Ashlee Campbell, with questions (443 744-0354 / stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com).

SAINT FOR THE WEEK ST. BLAISE — THURSDAY FEBRUARY 3RD

You may be familiar with the annual "blessing of throats" that many parishes in the United States use to commemorate the beloved bishop and martyr. St. Blaise lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life.

History has it that one day a group of hunters stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found him kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived.

Today we remember the saint on his feast day by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:

Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, my God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

The blessing of throats will take place at the 12:05 Mass on Thursday, February 3rd.

TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR PRIVATE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS

New families can now apply for scholarships for the 2022-2023 school year. To start the process, families can complete a pre-application form online at http://bisonfund.com/our-scholarships. The BISON Fund provides tuition assistance to economically eligible children K-8th grade. If selected, the scholarships can be used at any private grammar school in WNY. The deadline to apply is February 28th. The average scholarship is \$1500 and the maximum award is \$2500. For more information, call Cindy McDonald at 716 854-0869.

VOCATION THOUGHT

"Before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you." So it is with the call to ministry — we are destined for it by God before our birth. Don't miss the chance to fulfill your destiny! Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716 847-5535 or visit www.buffalovocations.org.



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