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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, February 26th: Vigil for the Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm: Michael J. Sliwinski, by the Piskorz Family

SUNDAY, February 27th: Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am: The Crane Family, by the Mary K. Crane Estate

11:00 am: Lucy Missert, by Kevin Brayer

MONDAY, February 28th:

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

TUESDAY, March 1st:

12:05 pm: Florence Rembold, by Estate

WEDNESDAY, March 2nd: Ash Wednesday

8:00 am:

12:05 pm: Emily Mikos, by Family

THURSDAY, March 3rd: St. Katherine Drexel

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

FRIDAY, March 4th: St. Casimir

12:05 pm: Rita Marie Rozbicki, by Estate

SATURDAY, March 5th: Vigil for the First Sunday of Lent

4:00 pm: Michael J. Sliwinski, by Rita Piskorz

SUNDAY, March 6th: First Sunday of Lent

9:00 am: For All Souls

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

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of March 5th & 6th

4:00 pm: Krysta Doerfler

9:00 am: John Loss

11:00 am: Ed Kuzan



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of March 5th & 6th

4:00 pm: Marilyn Neil

9:00 am: Susan Ministero

11:00 am: Jim ferrini



"BODY OF CHRIST"

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 12th and Sunday, March 13th. Carnations will be \$1.00 each and available at the Main Street entrance and parking lot entrance. All sales proceeds will be donated to Catholic Charities.

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in honor of the many generous parishioners of St. Louis who share their resources, time and talents to sustain our beautiful church and parish community in so many ways.

If you desire to have a Memorial Prayer Candle lit in memory of a specific loved one or for your own special intention, please use the envelope available for that purpose. We try to honor requested dates as they are available.

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT—RITE OF ELECTION

The Season of Lent begins this Wednesday, March 2nd. For us it is a time of repentance and renewal. For others among us it is a time also of the preparation for the sacraments to be celebrated at Easter.

On the first Sunday of Lent, the Church celebrates the Rite of Election, also known as the Enrollment of Names. With the Rite of Election, those who have been preparing to be Baptized, confirmed and celebrate the Eucharist, enter more deeply into their preparation for the Sacraments. This is a time of purification and enlightenment, which takes place during Lent.

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 and examined by him.

Next Sunday March 6th at 3:00PM at the Cathedral, Bishop Fisher will celebrate the Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion of Candidates for those who will receive the Sacraments of Initiation this Easter throughout the Diocese of Buffalo. We are happy to present to our Bishop Sunday afternoon from St. Louis two candidates for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. We show them our prayerful support in our Parish Celebration for Sending Catechumens for Election. Our parish celebration of sending takes place at our Sunday 11:00 Mass the First Sunday of Lent.

We present to the Bishop those who will receive the Sacrament of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist) at the Easter Vigil April 16th: Kayla Himelein and Michael Nowak.

Please pray for them as they continue their journey to our faith.

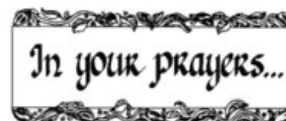
Msgr. Manganello

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 Gliniski, 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 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 258 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$3580.00.

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 26th:

4:00 pm: Regular Weekly Offering Collection

SUNDAY, February 27th:

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

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

12:00 noontime: RCIA meets in the Sacristy on the topics "Saying Yes to Jesus" and "Living with Lent"

12:00 noontime: Baptism of Honora Traver

SATURDAY, March 5th:

4:00 pm: Regular Offertory including Weekly & Monthly Collection, Also Black & Indian Mission Collection

SUNDAY, March 6th:

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Regular Offertory including Weekly & Monthly Collection, Also Black & Indian Mission Collection

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

11:00 am: RCIA Rite of Election Ceremony at Mass

OUR LENTEN SACRIFICE

The forty days of Lent run from Ash Wednesday up to but excluding the Mass of the Lord's Supper exclusive.

Abstinence: All Catholics who have reached their 14th birthday are bound to abstain totally from meat on the following days: Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent and Good Friday.

Fasting: All Catholics between their 18th and 59th birthdays are also bound to observe the Law of Fast on the following days: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This practice involves limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Light sustenance may be taken on two other occasions in the course of the day.

Easter Duty: After they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, all the faithful are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year. This precept must be fulfilled during the Easter season, unless for good reason it is fulfilled at another time during the year. This obligation may be fulfilled between March 6, 2022 (First Sunday of Lent) and June 12, 2022 (Trinity Sunday).

NOW IS THE DAY OF SALVATION

This Wednesday begins the Season of Lent. Masses for Ash Wednesday will be at 8:00AM and 12:05PM. Ashes are blessed and imposed after the homily. You may remember that last year ashes were sprinkled on our heads due to Covid-19 Protocols. The Sprinkling of ashes on the head is a European custom of imposing ashes. This year we will return to the practice of placing ashes on the forehead unless the Vatican directs otherwise.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

What is Catholic Charities to those in need? Sometimes a second home. Paul, a client for many years, said "The biggest thing that Catholic Charities means to me is, I don't have an immediate family and no guidance in life, and they have really guided me in good, positive directions and I can't tell you what they've helped me out with. Dental, with food, with housing, and not just that—a warm and welcoming feeling when you come to this place, and that's how come I feel it's my second home." Your gift to Appeal 2022 helps people like Paul, and so many others, regain **HOPE** and a sense of belonging when you need it most. To make a donation today, visit www.ccnny.org/donation or text GIVEHOPE22 to 44321.

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 scholarship 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.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Office of Worship of the Diocese of Buffalo will offer two training opportunities for individuals who wish to become Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.

March 12th at 9AM at St. Joseph Cathedral (Msgr. Britt Room)
March 26th at 9:30AM at Holy Trinity Parish in Medina (St. Mary's Hall)

Please discuss the possibility with your pastor. Once your pastor approves, complete an application form (available from your parish office or the Office of Worship) and present it to your parish office for final approval, pastor's signature and parish seal. Forms should then be sent to the Office of Worship, 795 Main Street, Buffalo, NY 14203 no later than 7 days prior to the training. When attending a formation session, please bring a Bible and a means of taking notes. For more information, email worship@buffalodiocese.org or call 716 847-5545. Details are also available at www.buffalodiocese.org/em-training.

CONGRATULATIONS

We congratulate the following Canisius H.S. student parishioners who have achieved the Honor Roll for the second quarter of the 2021-2022 school year:

Senior year: Brian Manning, John Stravino, Samuel Whistler & William Wischerath

Junior year: Rory Dwyer

Sophomore: Luca D'Angelo & Ryan Stravino



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