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6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

[Jesus said to his disciples:] "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." - Jn 14:26-27a

PASTORAL STAFF

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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. Laudensch 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, May 21st: Vigil for the Sixth Sunday of Easter
2:00 pm: Wedding of Kristofer O'Connor & Stephanie LaBell
4:00 pm: Michael Sliwinski, by Peter & Susan Mankowski

SUNDAY, May 22nd: Sixth Sunday of Easter
9:00 am: Michael Missert, by Kevin Brayer
11:00 am: Deceased Members of the St. Louis & Blessed Sacrament Choirs, by the St. Louis Choir

MONDAY, May 23rd:
12:05 pm: For the People of St. Louis Parish

TUESDAY, May 24th:
12:05 pm: Rita Marie Rozbicki, by Estate

WEDNESDAY, May 25th: Venerable Bede, St. Gregory VII, & St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi
12:05 pm: Florence Rembold, by Estate

Vigil for the Ascension of the Lord
4:30 pm: Deceased members of the Emil Scherf Family, by Marilyn Young

THURSDAY, May 26th: Ascension of the Lord
12:05 pm: Mary & Sarah Barrick, by Family

FRIDAY, May 27th: St. Augustine of Canterbury
12:05 pm: Virginia M. Regan, by Mary Castiglione

SATURDAY, May 28th: Vigil for the Seventh Sunday of Easter
2:00 pm: Wedding of Charles Szwajca & Sarah Harty
4:00 pm: Deceased Members of the Peter Berst Family, by Marilyn Young

SUNDAY, May 29th: Seventh Sunday of Easter
9:00 am: Patricia M. Cody, Grandma of Brendan, by Joyce Poppy Persico
11:00 am: Rosemary Liguori, by Kevin Brayer

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS
Weekend of May 28th & 29th

4:00 pm: Krysta Doerfler
9:00 am: Wendy Mistretta
11:00 am: Mike Riestler



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION
Weekend of 28th & 29th

4:00 pm: Marilyn Neil
9:00 am: Mary O'Shea
11:00 am: Tim McCarthy



CATHOLIC CHARITIES

As of MAY 18, 2022

Diocesan Goal: \$9,500,000 Raised: \$8,286,745.10
 Amount to Raise: \$1,213,254.90
 St. Louis Goal: \$130,047 Raised: \$138,636.11

Your generosity has enabled our parish to exceed our goal by \$8,589.11! The Appeal is now underway. Your generosity will help Catholic Charities to meet their goal.

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.

PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU

In light of today's tensions and conflicts and the horrific shooting at TOPS last week, we hear Jesus tell his disciples in this weekend's Gospel: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you, Not as the world gives do I give it to you."

The peace that Jesus gives is far different than the kind that comes from the absence of war, conflict, or affliction. The peace that God offers is found alongside suffering and hardships, not necessarily in their absence.

In order for us to experience the divine peace that Jesus offers, we must allow God's presence to settle into our souls. It is only when this happens that we can be truly taught by the Holy Spirit to discern the true path to peace and find ourselves with untroubled hearts.

Jesus' peace begins in mutual respect for the dignity of every soul. Jesus' peace is centered in humility and gratitude for the blessings of this life that God has given to us. Jesus' peace compels advocacy for justice and mercy for the poor, the vulnerable, the abused, and the marginalized. Most important of all: Jesus' peace cannot exist in passivity and avoidance. It must be worked at.

True and lasting peace is something that comes from within and not something we can produce on our own or receive from others. Peace is discovered when we experience an inner wholeness and harmony. It is born of a sense of connectedness with a God who is larger and greater than ourselves, gifting us with His presence. It is only the peace offered by the risen Christ that can settle our hearts and calm our fears. Regardless of the degree of turmoil around us, this sense of completeness that Jesus gives, anchors us and prevents us from sinking.

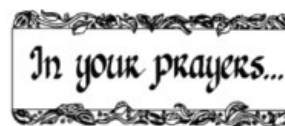
Jesus leaves us, his Church, the gift of his peace, true peace. Are we ready to do the hard work of realizing that gift?

Msgr. Manganello

ST. LOUIS GARDEN SOCIETY

The St. Louis Garden Society (SLGS) will meet Wednesday, May 25th at 6:00PM. Weather permitting, this will be a working evening, along with a planning meeting to discuss this year's flowers and plantings. New volunteers are most welcome! Come and spend your Wednesday evenings helping to beautify God's green acre at Main and Edward.

The SLGS—alive and growing!



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Marilyn Steffan, Bill & Donna Reeves, Richard Shephard, Joseph Barba, Sr., Maria Madden, Dr. Fred Luongo, Michael MacPherson, Patricia Guerra, Jay Deveau, Gerald Frawley, Sondra Schreiber, Christine Maciejewski, David Marchetti, Frank Zawistowski, Bernadette R. Crawford, and Margaret Foegen.

We remember all those recently deceased, especially Jill Beck 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 257 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$4099.00. Our online donations totaled \$155.00.

You can also support your parish by mailing your donation or using our pay pal account on our web page.

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, May 21st

4:00 pm: Regular Weekly Offering and Collection for the Church in Latin America & Church in Africa

SUNDAY, May 22nd:

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Regular Weekly Offering and Collection for the Church in Latin America & Church in Africa

WEDNESDAY, May 25th: Vigil for The Ascension of the Lord,

4:30 pm: Offertory for the Ascension

THURSDAY, May 26th: Ascension of the Lord, *Holy Day of Obligation*

12:05 pm: Offertory for the Ascension

SATURDAY, May 28th:

4:00 pm: Regular Weekly Offering

SUNDAY, May 29th:

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

BUFFALO MARATHON NEXT WEEK

Next Sunday, May 29th is the running of the annual **Buffalo Marathon**. This is a city wide foot race and many streets will be closed to traffic including streets around St. Louis Church. Delaware Avenue and Franklin Street will be effected from downtown to North Buffalo. You may have to access St. Louis by alternate streets different from your usually travelled route. Specifics of the Marathon route can be found at the website www.buffalomarathon.org/coursemaps.

We will have access to the Catholic Center parking lot across the street from the church as well as access to our parking lot by way of St. Louis Place from Virginia Street.

VOCATION THOUGHT

Sometimes guys think "I could never get up and preach in front of everybody, I wouldn't know what to say". But today Jesus tells us "The Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything." God will give you the words. Step into the unknown! Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716 847-5535 or visit www.buffalovocations.org.

WE HAVE A WINNER!

The winner of the Ten Thousand Villages gift basket raffle is Paul LaCroix. The drawing was held May 8th following the 11:00AM Mass. Combined with the Ten Thousand Villages benefit shopping day, we raised \$518.62. All proceeds support the preservation of our historic church. Many thanks to everyone who participated in and supported this successful fundraiser!

ALLENTOWN ART FESTIVAL

In the past, we have opened our church to welcome visitors who are attending the Allentown Art Festival. People from near and far have been awed by the magnificence of St. Louis Church, taken time to pray or light a candle, and enjoyed hearing about our parish and its history. Once again, this year, the church will be opened on Saturday, June 11th and Sunday, June 12th. We are in need of volunteers to welcome visitors during these two days. On Saturday, volunteers are needed from 11:00AM to 12:30PM and from 12:30PM to 3:00PM and on Sunday from 1:00PM to 3:00PM and from 3:00PM to 5:00PM. In past years, many people have visited the church, and some made donations to the parish. If you are available to help for a period of time on either day, please use the sign-up sheets located at the entrances of the church.

Thank you!

CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA & CHURCH IN AFRICA COLLECTION

This weekend there will be a collection for the Church in Latin America and the Church in Africa. For many on both continents, difficult travel and terrain, and a shortage of ministers present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support to this collection provides leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ.

WORLD WIDE SYNOD PARTICIPATION

We still have important Listening Sessions for Phase 1 of our Diocesan Synod! Besides general Listening Sessions on May 23rd, and 24th, there is also a special session on the 25th for the Hispanic Community, May 26th for the African community, the 31st for those who have experienced the effects of divorce, June 1st for the Asian community, June 2nd for those who are part of the LGBTQ community or their families. Please check the Diocesan website for details at www.buffalodiocese.org/synod.

CELEBRATING MEMORIAL DAY AT A CATHOLIC CEMETERY

Celebrating Memorial Day at a Catholic cemetery is truly a mixture of flags and wreaths and tributes and taps. Join us at one of two locations for Memorial Day Mass as we honor those who have served our country in the military. On Saturday May 28th at 10:00AM Bishop Michael Fisher will celebrate Mass at Mount Olivet Cemetery in Kenmore and Fr. William Quinlivan will celebrate Mass at Holy Cross Cemetery in Lackawanna. Military veterans are always welcome to represent their branch of the military. Masses will be outdoors. A tent with limited seating is available; you are welcome to bring your own lawn chair. Refreshments will be served after Mass. For more information on any of our services, please call 716 873-6500.



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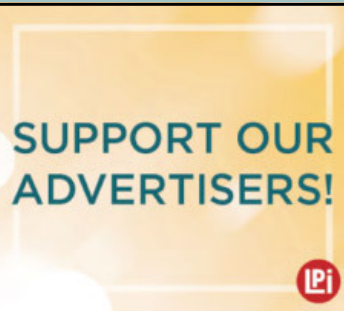


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