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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
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Rt. Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher 1888-1916
Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry B. Laudenbach..... 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
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Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, August 13th: Vigil for the Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2:00 pm: Wedding of Adam Rezza & Tara Benczkowski
 4:00 pm: Lucy Missert, by Bill & Pam Nordstrom

SUNDAY, August 14th: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am: The Crane Family, by the Mary K. Crane Estate
 11:00 am: Deceased Members of the St. Louis & Blessed Sacrament Choirs, by the St. Louis Choir

MONDAY, August 15th: Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:05 pm: Deceased of the Peter Berst Family, by Marilyn Young

TUESDAY, August 16th: St. Stephen of Hungary

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

WEDNESDAY, August 17th:

12:05 pm: Jeanette Borowski, by Margaret Roesler & Michael Smyntek

THURSDAY, August 18th:

12:05 pm: Bill Kurzdorfer, by the Pirrung Family

FRIDAY, August 19th: St. John Eudes

12:05 pm: Andrea McFall, by Gary & Sandy Witman

SATURDAY, August 20th: Vigil for the Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

2:00 pm: Wedding of Kyle Patterson & Alexandra Gosh
 4:00 pm: Repose of the Souls of Jim & MaryAnn Cannon, by the Burns Family

SUNDAY, August 21st: Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am: Dr. & Mrs. George O'Grady, by Family
 11:00 am: Dorothy M. Gallagher & John Stellakis, by Charles & Grace Martorana

**SCHEDULE OF LECTORS
 Weekend of August 20th & 21st**

4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky
 9:00 am: Wendy Mistretta
 11:00 am: Mike Riester



**SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL
 MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION
 Weekend of August 20th & 21st**

4:00 pm: Marilyn Neil
 9:00 am: Tim O'Shea
 11:00 am: Pam Nordstrom



WORD OF LIFE

"Although we may feel unsure how best to comfort those who mourn, we must stand with them in time of suffering. Miscarriage touches the lives of many people, yet all too often this tragedy remains unaddressed. The lack of response not only leads to unresolved grief, but also fails to clearly manifest our belief that each person, from conception onward, is precious and unique" ... USCCB *Solace and Strength in the Sorrow of Miscarriage.*

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of Jack Malone, requested by Ron & Margaret Foegen.

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

THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY

August 15th is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This feast arose in the faith of the people who for many, many years believed that Mary was taken up to heaven body and soul. The people of the Eastern Rite Churches call this feast Mary's "dormition" or falling asleep. Others call this feast "harvesting" into heaven. Produce of the fields, gardens, and orchards in some cultures is customarily blessed on this day.

As early as the 5th century in the East and in Rome this feast was celebrated. Pope Pius XII made it an official dogma of the Church in 1950 to remind us that all creation is good, following years of war, Holocaust, and nuclear destruction. The dogma of the Assumption became a dogma at a time when forces of technology, industrialization, and capitalism began to take precedence over the dignity and sanctity of the human person and the environment.

The Assumption of Mary provides a balancing point between the Annunciation on March 25th and the birth of Jesus on December 25th. Here Mary is honored both as Theotokos (God Bearer) and the first and best example of the glory of the resurrection for human beings. Mary dies, but she is taken into heaven that we might know all that awaits us after this life.

On Assumption Day we rejoice that this broken world will be made new again.

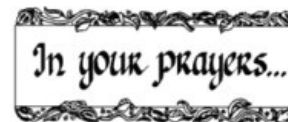
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FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION FOR 2022

According to the General Norms Regarding Holy Days of Obligation, August 15th, the Solemnity of the Assumption is a Holy Day of Obligation only when it falls on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday or Sunday. Given that in 2022 August 15th falls on a Monday, it is NOT a day of obligation.

VOCATION THOUGHT

Jesus came to "set the earth on fire" with His Holy Spirit. But in many hearts, this fire ebbs low. We need Church ministers to rekindle the flame! If this is your mission, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716 847-5535 or visit www.buffalovocations.org.



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Gary Witman, Billy Jacobbi, Kim Bach, Bill & Donna Reeves, Richard Shephard, Joseph Barba, Sr., Maria Madden, Dr. Fred Luongo, Michael MacPherson, Patricia Guerra, Jay Deveau, Sondra Schreiber, Christine Maciejewski, David Marchetti, Frank Zawistowski, Bernadette R. Crawford, 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, we will gladly include them in as long as necessary.

We remember all those recently deceased, especially Bill Kurzdorfer 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 231 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$10,753.00. Our online donations totaled \$60.00. The collection for the Retired Priests' Medical Benefit Fund totaled \$950.10.

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, August 13th:

4:00 pm: Regular Offertory Collection including the Weekly Offering and Maintenance & Repairs

SUNDAY, August 14th:

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Regular Offertory including the Weekly Offering and Maintenance & Repairs

MONDAY, August 15th:

12:05: pm: Collection for the Solemnity of the Assumption

WEDNESDAY, August 17th:

6:00 pm: Saint Louis Garden Society (SLGS) meeting

FRIDAY, August 19th:

1:45 pm: Buffalo Catholic School Principals Tour St. Louis Church

SATURDAY, August 20th:

4:00 pm: Regular Offertory including the Weekly & Pew Rent Collection and also the Collection for the Catholic University of America.

SUNDAY, August 21st:

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Regular Offertory including the Weekly & Pew Rent Collection and also the Collection for the Catholic University of America.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Are you a divorced or separated parent looking for assistance in navigating this new family dynamic? Catholic Charities can help. Our Kids Parent Education and Awareness Program (OKPEAP) is a New York State Certified program available to parents and their significant others who have experienced conflict regarding custody and/or access issues related to their children. Topics covered include: the impact of separation/divorce on children; cooperative and parallel approaches to co-parenting; legal issues related to custody and/or access; alternatives to litigation; methods of communication and problem-solving. To connect, call 716 896-6390.

FALL EUCHARISTIC CONFERENCE

"The Eucharist, Our Source and Summit" will take place September 16th & 17th at St. Gregory the Great Parish in Williamsville featuring speakers Dr. John Bergsma and Dr. Scott Hahn. To view the schedule and purchase tickets, visit <https://stpaulcenter.com/buffalo2022> or call 740 264-9535.

ST. LOUIS PICNIC — JUST TWO WEEKS AWAY

The St. Louis Picnic is back! The Picnic will take place on Sunday, August 28th after the 11:00AM Mass. There will be music, games, food, and much more. Please bring a dish to pass. Volunteers are always needed. **Please join us!**

INTERESTED IN BEING A CATECHIST?

A Poem by St. Teresa of Avila, entitled *Christ Has No Body*, says:

"Christ has no body but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he looks
Compassion on this world,

Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good ..."

The St. Louis Faith Formation program is looking for individuals to serve as catechists—to embody Christ's love and help teach our Faith to the next generation. Classes are held in-person three times each month, from September to April, on Sunday mornings from 9:50AM to 10:50AM. Classes are multi-age (PreK-K, 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, & 9-10) and are typically small, between 8-10 students. St. Louis provides all classroom and educational resources. Please prayerfully consider this ministry! If interested, or for more information, contact the DRE, Ashlee Campbell (443 744-0354 / email religiously@stlouisrcchurch.org).

RCIA REGISTRATION

Are you considering becoming a Catholic? Do you know someone who is being called to join our faith? RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process through which adults are received into the Catholic Church. The process is intended for adults: (1) who were never baptized; (2) those baptized in another Christian faith who wish to become Catholic; and (3) those baptized Catholic, but who did not make their First Communion or Confirmation.

Classes are free and are held on Sundays directly after the 11:00AM Mass (approximately 12:00Noon to 1:00PM), in the Sacristy. RCIA will begin in Mid-September and continue through March. St. Louis provides all class materials. More information and the registration form are on the St. Louis website. Contact Ashlee Campbell, Director of Religious Education, at 443 744-0354 or email religiously@stlouisrcchurch.org with inquiries or to register. Interested individuals must register and/or contact Ashlee Campbell no later that Sunday, August 28th to ensure there will be class materials for everyone.

2022-2023 FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION BEGINS

The St. Louis Faith Formation program will begin Sunday, September 18th and will run through April 2023. In-person classes will be held on Sundays from 9:50AM—10:50AM. There will be two PreK-10th grade classes each month and one Family Faith Formation class each month. Regular class attendance is expected.

All children age 4 through 10th grade, are welcome to attend and there is no cost to enroll. Families new to St. Louis need to register by Sunday, August 21st. The registration form, class schedule, and more program information are available on the St. Louis website. Contact the DRE, Ashlee Campbell, (443 744-0354 / religiously@stlouisrcchurch.org) with questions.



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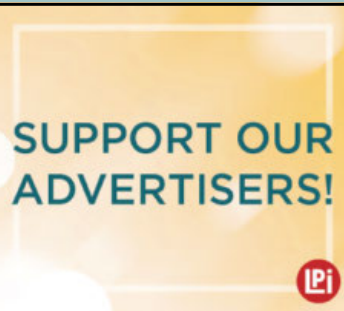
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