2023 St. Louis Church



WEDDINGS

Registered Parishioners please call the Rectory for appointment. Arrangements should be made at least one year in advance.

BAPTISMS

Parents must attend a Pre-Baptism class prior to scheduling the Baptism. Classes are offered by appointment. Please call the Rectory for information. Baptisms will be held during Mass or after.

Downtown Family of Parishes

St. Joseph's Cathedral, 50 Franklin Street, 716-854-5855 Email: cathedral@buffalodiocese.org Website: buffalocathedral.org

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 115 O'Connell Street, 716-852-2671 Email: olppets@gmail.com

Blessed Sacrament, 1035 Delaware Ave, 716-884-0053 Email: office@blessedsacramentbuffalo.org Oldest Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Buffalo Founded in 1829

Celebrating Our 194th Anniversary

Rectory: 35 Edward Street • Buffalo, New York 14202-1505 Phone: (716) 852-6040 • Fax: (716) 853-9225 Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Web address: www.stlouisrcchurch.org E-mail address: churchoffice@stlouisrcchurch.org

FAMILY PASTORAL STAFF

REV. RAYMOND G. CORBIN	Pastor
REV. JACEK MAZUR	Parochial Vicar
REV. MSGR. SALVATORE MANGAN	
TRUSTEESRosemary B	loch, Michael Mikos & John Beller
ORGANIST/CHOIRMASTER	
CANTOR	James Mrozek, Erin P. Terhaar
DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION	
BUSINESS MANAGER	Kevin Brayer

PARISH COUNCIL OFFICERS

President	
Vice-President	Pearl Brown
Secretary	
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MASSES

Saturday	
Saturday Sunday	
Eve of the Holy Day Holy Day Mon-Fri	4:30 p.m.
Holy Day	
Mon-Fri	
Confessions	Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 p.m.

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

The Catholic Academy of West Buffalo Grades Pre-K to 8 1069 Delaware Ave. • Buffalo, NY 14209 • (716) 885-6111

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.

St. Michael's, 651 Washington Street, 716-854-6726 stmichaelchurchbuffalo@gmail.com Website: Stmichaelbuffalo.org

St. Anthony of Padua, 160 Court Street, 716-854-2564 Stanthonyofpadua@yahoo.com Website: Stanthonyofpadua-buffalo.org

Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, December 9, Vigil for the Second Sunday of Advent

2:00 pm: Wedding of Nicholas Ryan Cunliffe and Emma Morgan Brady

4:00 pm: Ron Foegen

SUNDAY, December 10, Mass for the Second Sunday of Advent

9:00 am: For All Souls **11:00 am:** Peter Sawicz, by Family and Friends

MONDAY, December 11, St. Damasus I, Pope 12:05 pm: For All Souls

TUESDAY, December 12, Our Lady of Guadalupe 12:05 pm: For All Souls

WEDNESDAY, December 13, St. Lucy 7:00 pm: Canisius High School Christmas Concert

THURSDAY, December 14, St. John12:05 pm:For All Souls

FRIDAY, December 15, 12:05 pm: Thaddeus Mikos, by Family

SATURDAY, December 16, Vigil for the Third Sunday of Advent

2:00pm: Wedding of Cole Michael O'Donnell and Teresa Rae Natalizia

4:00 pm: Ron Foegen, by Mike and Krye Elam

SUNDAY, December 17, Mass for the Third Sunday of Advent

9:00 am: Jerry Stockman, by Family

11:00 am: Deceased Members of the St. Louis Choir, by the St. Louis Choir

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of December 16th and 17th

4:00 pm:Krysta Doerfler9:00 am:Steve Nosek11:00 am:Mike Wrona



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of December 16th and 17th

4:00 pm: Marilyn Neil 9:00 am: Pat Doyle 11:00 am: Jim Ferrini



PARISH MUSEUM & ARCHIVES: OPEN BY APPOINTMENT

For an appointment please contact Mike Riester at flinthill57@yahoo.com

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES



The Sanctuary Candle Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Margaret and Jerry Burns, by Donna and Dennis Burns.

The Pieta Altar Candle burns in loving memory of Margaret and Jerry Burns, by Donna and Dennis Burns. The St. Joseph Altar candle also burns in loving

memory of Margaret and Jerry Burns, by Donna and Dennis Burns.

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.

CHOIR OF ST. LOUIS TO PRESENT LESSONS AND CAROLS

The Choir of St. Louis Church will present a *Festival Service of Lessons and Carols* on *Thursday, December 21st* at 7:00 pm here in St. Louis Church.

Featured will be carols and anthems of Ord, Wood, Praetorius, Forrest, and others.

The service of *Lessons and Carols* traces, in scripture and song, the Nativity story as foretold by the Old Testament prophets and narrated by the Gospel writers.

Begun in King's College Chapel, Cambridge University, more than a century ago, the service of *Lessons and Carols* is repeated in churches of nearly every denomination worldwide. Please join us as we celebrate Advent and Christmas in scripture and song!

Admission is free and all are welcome!

DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS

The Saint Louis Garden Society (SLGS) and Christmas decorators will met in the church on Wednesday, December 20th at 6:00 pm to decorate our beautiful church for Christmas.

New volunteers are always welcome!

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Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Fran Angelo, Diane Andriaccio, Gabriella Parisi, Rosemary Bloch, Laurie Hoehn, Tracy Allen Abram, Greg Joseph, Marcella Ng, Beverly Grover, Billy Jacobbi, Kim Bach, Bill & Donna Reeves, Richard Shepheard, Joseph Barba, Sr., Dr. Fred Luongo, Michael MacPherson, Patricia Guerra, Jay Deveau, Sondra Schreiber, Christine Maciejewski, David Marchetti, Frank Zawistowski, Bernadette R. Crawford, Ryan Crnic, Brian Burns, 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 as long as necessary.

We remember all those recently deceased, especially 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.

Our collection for last week was \$8,648.

The number of parishioners who attended was 587 and of that the German Mass had a great attendance of 410.

**Please Note: We are switching online giving companies from PayPal to WeShare. WeShare is a Catholic owned and operated company whose rates benefit the Parishes. Please visit the Parish website for instructions to switch.

You can also support the parish by mailing your donation or using our **WeShare** 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

THIS WEEK AT SAINT LOUIS

SATURDAY, December 9th, Vigil for the Second Sunday of Advent

4:00 pm: Weekly and Maintenance and Repairs Collection and a Second Collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious

SUNDAY, December 10, Mass for the Second Sunday of Advent

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Weekly and Maintenance and Repairs Collection and a Second Collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious

SATURDAY, December 16th, Vigil for the Third Sunday of Advent

4:00 pm: Weekly Collection and Pew Rent Collection

SUNDAY, December 17th, Mass for the Third Sunday of Advent

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Weekly Collection and Pew Rent Collection

PRESERVATION FUND

To date our total contribution for our Preservation Fund is \$30,770.

Fr. Ray would like to thank you very much for all your generous contributions to St. Louis.

The funds will be used to preserve our architectural treasure.

CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS DAY

To all our Parishioners, Visitors, and Friends, please join us for Christmas Eve Mass at St. Louis Church at 4:00 pm Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24th.

Prior to the Christmas Eve Mass our St. Louis Choir will perform a *Choral Mass for Christmas*, beginning at 3:30 pm.

Our Christmas Day Mass will be Monday, December 25th at 10:00 am.

FAMILY OF PARISHES TEMPORARY MASS SCHEDULE

The "Downtown Family of Parishes" (Family #22) temporary Mass schedule is being presented below. New options have been added.

Daily Liturgies

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday:

St. Michael: 6:45am Confessions Daily after Mass-8:00am Blessed Sacrament: 8:00am St. Louis: 12:05pm St. Joseph Cathedral: 12:10pm St. Anthony: 6:00pm (Latin Mass) Our Lady of Perpetual Help (no daily Mass): 6:00pm Rosary & Novena on Tuesdays

Weekend Liturgies

Saturday Vigil Masses:

St Louis: 4:00pm. Confession 3:15—3:45pm Blessed Sacrament: 4:30pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help: 4:30pm St. Joseph Cathedral: 4:30pm St. Michael: 5:30pm St Anthony: (no vigil Mass)

Sunday Masses:

St. Louis: 9:00am & 11:00am St. Anthony: 9:00am (Latin) & 11:00am (Italian/English) Our Lady of Perpetual Help: 10:00am Blessed Sacrament: 10:30am St. Joseph Cathedral: 10:30am St. Michael: 12noon—Adoration & Rosary until 2:00pm

Christ the King Chapel at Canisius University: Mass Times to be announced. Confessions are scheduled for Monday-Friday from 11:00am-12:00 noon and Wednesday evenings from 4:30pm-5:30pm.

Anointing of the Sick

St. Michael: Last Sunday of each month following the 12:00 noon Mass

Adoration / Holy Hour

St. Michael: Sunday 1:00pm-2:00pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help: First Friday at 6:00pm St. Louis: Third Friday at 6:00pm

ADORATION/HOLY HOUR

The Adoration/Holy Hour will be held at St. Louis Church on the Third Friday of each month at 6:00 pm. All are welcome to attend.



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