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MASSES

| Saturday | |
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| SaturdaySunday | |
| Eve of the Holy Day | 4:30 p.m. |
| Holy Day | 12:05 p.m. |
| Mon-Fri | 12:05 p.m. |
| Eve of the Holy Day | 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

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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.

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: www.buffalocathedral.org

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 115 O'Connell Street, 716-852-

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

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Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, January 6, 2024 St. Andre Bessette

4:00 pm: Robert, Sr. and Margaret (Mickey) Sprague, by

Family

SUNDAY, January 7th The Epiphany of the Lord

9:00 am: John Courtney, by Joyce Persico

11:00 am: Helen M. Kearns, for Anniversary of her 100th Birthday by Partick Kearns and Family

MONDAY, January 8th The Baptism of the Lord

12:05 pm: Deceased Pastors of St. Louis Church

TUESDAY, January 9th First Week in Ordinary Time

12:05 pm: Florence Roembold, by Estate

THURSDAY, January 11th

12:05 pm: Margaret (Mickey) Sprague, by Pam and Bill

Nordstrom

FRIDAY, January 12th

12:05 pm: Elaine Baker, by Martha and Michael Melaro

SATURDAY, January 13th St. Hilary

4:00 pm: Carl Albano, Sr., by Joyce Persico

SUNDAY, January 14th Second Week in Ordinary Time 9:00 am: Intentions of Mary Agoston, by Ed Regan

11:00 am: Antoinette E. LaDuca and Charles Cultrara, by

Charles and Grace Martorara

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of January 13th and 14th

4:00 pm: Diane Randazzo

9:00 am: John Pax 11:00 am: Ed Kuzan



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of January 13th and 14th

4:00 pm: Jane Pelosi 9:00 am: Nancy Pax

11:00 am: Jim Ferrini and Pam Nordstrom



PARISH MUSEUM & ARCHIVES: OPEN BY APPOINTMENT

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

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES



The Sanctuary Candle burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory 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 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.

CHURCH MINISTRY

Have you ever thought about serving the church in the capacity of being a Lector, Eucharist Minister, or Altar Server? If so, please contact Kevin Brayer at 716-852-6040, ext 4.

SPRING 2024 FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST ERUHARIST CLASS REGISTRATION

Children actively participating in faith formation (St. Louis or their Catholic school) are eligible to make their First Reconciliation starting in second grade and their First Eucharist starting in third grade.

Children receiving the sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist this spring at St. Louis must be registered to do so by Friday, February 9, 2024. Registration forms can be downloaded from the St. Louis website (https://stlouisrcchurch.org/) and emailed or mailed to the Director of Faith Formation, Ashlee Campbell at (stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com).

To prepare for these sacraments, children will attend in-person sacrament preparation classes. Classes are scheduled for 3 consecutive Saturdays: March 2nd, March 9th, and March 19th. All classes will be from 9:30-11:30am in the church hall. Attendance at all three classes is mandatory.



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.

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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.

Our collection for the December 31 weekend was \$7,477.05

The number of parishioners who attended was 322.

**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, January 6th

4:00 pm: Regular and Monthly Collections

SUNDAY, January 7th

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Regular and Monthly Collection

SATURDAY, January 13th

4:00 pm: Weekly and Maintenance/Repairs Collection

SUNDAY, Sunday, January 14th

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Weekly and Maintenance/Repairs

Collection

LET'S WARM UP: Downtown Parish Winter Get-Together

Calling all members of Blessed Sacrament, St. Michael's, OLPH, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Joseph's Cathedral, and St. Louis! Please join us for a family-friendly night of good food, games, and fellowship! Following the 4:00 pm Mass at St. Louis on Saturday, January 27th, we will gather in the St. Louis Church Hall.

For those who want to compete for the title of 2024 Downtown Parish Chili Cook-off Champion, bring a pot to share. Everyone else, bring a dish to share (side dish, dessert, or roll). The event will run from 5 to 7:30 pm (come when you can),

There will be games, story time, and a hot chocolate bar for the kids. For adults—there will be games and time to socialize. Feel free to bring your favorite board game to play with others and get to know the wonderful members of the Downtown Parishes.

We will also be collecting clothes to donate—please consider bringing an item.

This event is open to everyone! Come for fellowship and enjoy a delicious meal!

FAMILY OF PARISHES MASS SCHEDULE

The "Downtown Family of Parishes" (Family #22) Mass schedule is presented below.

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: 7:30am and 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. Anthony: First Friday 12:00 noon-6:00 pm

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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