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MASSES

Saturday	
Saturday 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.
Eve of the Holy Day 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.

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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

Downtown Family of Parishes

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

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Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, January 13th, Vigil for the Second Sunday in

Ordinary Time

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

SUNDAY, January 14th, Mass for the Second Sunday in

Ordinary Time

9:00 am: Intentions of Mary Agoston, by Ed Regan

11:00 am: Antoinette E. LaDuca and Joseph J. Cultrara by

Charles and Grace Martorana

MONDAY, January 15th 12:05 pm: All Souls

TUESDAY, January 16th

12:05 pm: Mary Suchan, by Diocese of Buffalo Internal

Audit Department

THURSDAY, January 18th

12:05 pm: Linda Rydzynski, by Beth Pericozzi, Tim

Redinger, Zack Kinnard, and Shijia Zhang

FRIDAY, January 19th

12:05 pm: The Intentions of Karen Podd, by Kevin Brayer

SATURDAY, January 20th, Vigil for the Third Sunday in

Ordinary Time

4:00 pm: Ron Foegen, by Mike Mikos

SUNDAY, January 21st, Mass for the Third Sunday in

Ordinary Time

9:00 am: Stanley and Julianna Topor, by the Purcell Family

11:00 am: Lea and Adelaid Volo, by Family

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of January 20th and 21st

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



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of January 20th and 21st

4:00 pm: Paul State **9:00 am:** Nancy Pax

11:00 am: Keith and Kathy Boerner



PARISH MUSEUM & ARCHIVES: OPEN BY APPOINTMENT

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

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.

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.

CATHOLIC HEALTH IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Catholic Health is looking for compassionate, active volunteers 18 years+ at all hospital sites and skilled nursing facilities. We need friendly visitors, greeters, and much more! Catholic Health LIFE Center is also seeking Senior companions.

For more information, contact Lisa Carey at 716-862-1106 or visit our website: https://www.chsbuffalo.org/volunteer

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 last week was \$6,307.

The number of parishioners who attended was 335. Our Preservation Fund is &108,493 as of this week. We thank all our generous donors.

**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 of ______ to be used for its general purposes."

THIS WEEK AT SAINT LOUIS

SATURDAY, January 13th

4:00 pm: Weekly and Maintenance/Repairs Collection

SUNDAY, January 14th

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

Collection

SATURDAY, January 20th

4:00 pm: Weekly and Pew Rent Collection and Second

Collection for Fuel Collection

SUNDAY, January 21st

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

Second Collection for Fuel 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: 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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