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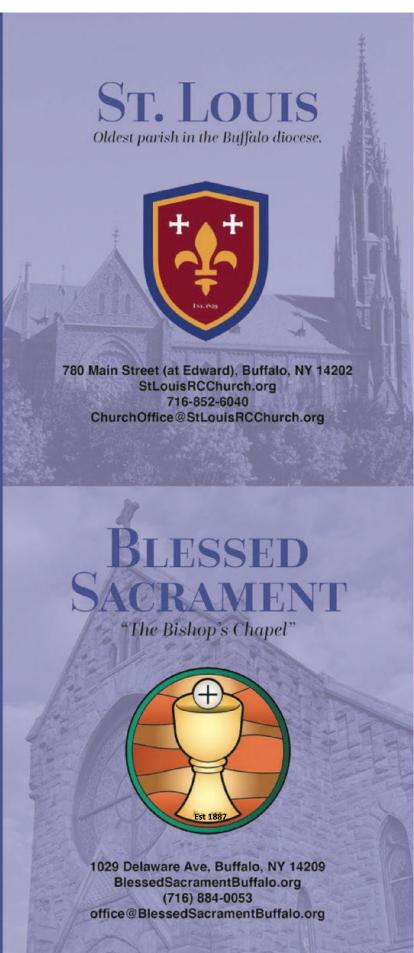
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FAMILY MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGILS

- St. Louis Parish: 4:00 pm
- Blessed Sacrament Church 4:30 pm
- St. Michael's: 5:30

SUNDAYS

- St. Louis Parish: 9:00 & 11:00 am
- Blessed Sacrament: 10:30 am
- St. Michael's: 12:00 pm

WEEKDAYS: MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY

- St. Louis Parish: 12:05 pm
- Blessed Sacrament: 8:00 am
- St. Michael's: 6:45 am
- St. Joseph's: 12:10 pm

CONFESSION: ON REQUEST AFTER ANY MASS

- St. Louis: Saturdays: 3:15-4:00 pm
- St. Joseph's Cathedral: Wed & Fri
 11:45 am; Saturday 4:00 pm
- St. Michael's: after 6:45 am daily until 9:00 am, or by appt.
- St. Anthony's: 30 mins before all Masses

BAPTISMS: St. Louis or Blessed Sacrament -

New parents must participate in a virtual pre-baptismal instruction class. Information and registration forms are available on the St. Louis website for the Downtown Family of Parishes.

Questions? Contact the Faith Formation Office at

religioused@StLouisrcchurch.org.

WEDDINGS: AT ST. LOUIS OR BLESSED SACRAMENT

Registered parishioners should call the family office to discuss and check available dates. Arrangements should be made 8 months in advance.

NEW PARISHIONERS: AT ST. LOUIS OR BLESSED SACRAMENT

We welcome you to the Downtown Family of Parishes! Registration forms can be found on the websites.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

Anointing in preparation of surgery or illness can be done after any Mass.
Communal anointing takes place the last Sunday of the month after the Noon Mass at St. Michael's.

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Week of March 16 ^{th,} 2025			
Saturday March 15			
St. Louis 4:00 pm	Joseph Dumansky Req by: Family		
Blessed Sacrament 4:30 pm	All Souls Req by: Blessed Sacrament Parishioners		
Saint Michael's 5:30 pm	Minnie and Dan Nagro Req by: Joseph D. Nagro		
	Sunday March 16		
Saint Louis 9 am	Sophie Gaik Req by: Evan and Trish Lewis		
11 am	Gabriele Mucciorilli Req by: Pattie Smith		
Blessed Sacrament	Intentions of Pope Francis		
10:30 am	Req by: Blessed Sacrament Parishioners		
Saint Michael's 12 noon	Intentions of Kevin and Peggy Lyons Req by:		
	Monday March 17		
St. Louis 12:05 pm	Intentions of Pope Francis Req by: St. Louis Parishioners		
Blessed Sacrament	Robert Picardi		
8:00 am	Req by: Richard Lehner		
Saint Michael's 6:45 am	Those seeking God Req by: St. Michaels Parishioners		
Tuesday March 18			
St. Louis 12:05 pm	Ronald Anthony Bagienski Req by: Family		
Blessed Sacrament	Joseph Arcara		
8:00 am	Req by: Paul and Mary Dowling		
Saint Michael's 12 noon	Marjorie Dolan		
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Thursday March 19			
St. Louis 12:05 pm	Diocese of Buffalo Req by: St. Louis Parishioners		
Blessed Sacrament	Diocese of Buffalo		
8:00 am	Req by: Blessed Sacrament Parishioners		
Saint Michael's 6:45 am	Deceased of the Rybinski Family Req by: Joseph D. Nagro		
	Friday March 20		
St. Louis 12:05 pm	All Souls Req by: St. Louis Parishioners		
Blessed Sacrament 8:00 am	All Souls Req by: Blessed Sacrament Parishioners		
Saint Michael's 6:45 am	All Souls Req by: St. Michaels Parishioners		



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EVENTS AT ST. LOUIS

March 23, 2025 - The Polish Alliance is hosting a piano recital at 3:00 pm. The event is free and all are welcome!

Opening of a new exhibit - Please join us in the opening of a new Clock Hands exhibit in our museum in the church hall on Sunday, March 23rd at noon. The event will include dramatic readings and song. All are welcome!

MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week to the Glory of God and in honor of Francisco Wence - for the intentions for his sons and for Francisne Vaquero's daughters, by Renee Vaquero.

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 or use the QR code at the bottom of page 3. We try to honor requested dates as they are available.

IN YOUR PRAYERS

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, 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, Sr. Mary Victoria Furriel, Carrie W., Joyce Persico, Richard J. Wall, Gail Neil, Cathy DePlato, Fred Wolf, Ed Kast, Dr. Richard Saab, Linda Holben, Rachel Gaiser, Dr. William Fiden, 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, and loved ones.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY CARNATION SALE

The Faith Formation program will be selling green carnations for St. Patrick's Day before and after all Masses on Saturday, March 15th and Sunday, March 16th. Carnations will be \$1.00 each and available at the Main Street entrance and parking lot entrance. All sales will be donated to Catholic Charities.

COFFEE HOUR

A coffee hour will be held in the back of the church after the 11:00 Mass on March 30.

Future times and dates will be noted in the bulletin and announcements.

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 \$6,521.00.

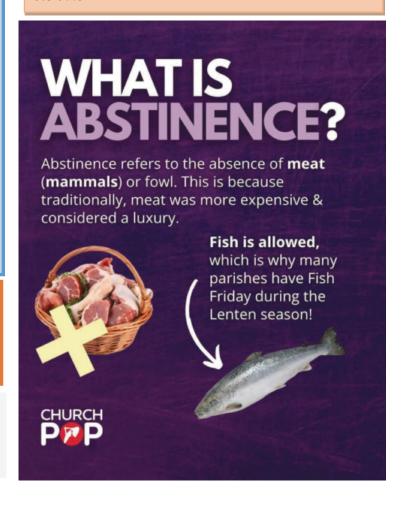
THE NUMBER OF PARISHIONERS WHO ATTENDED WAS 397.

**Please Note: We are only accepting online giving through 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 or the QR code on the bottom of the page.

Thank you for your support. Please remember St. Louis Parish in your will.

To learn more about making a charitable contribution or leaving a bequest to St. Louis Church, please contact Mike Riester at 716 -803-5773.









NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to active participation in our parish life.

New families and individuals should register with us online or at our Parish Office

TENEBRAE / TAIZE

Experience an intimate funeral for Our Lord

GOOD FRIDAY

April 18, 2025

7:00 PM

Blessed Sacrament Church

Church of Buffalo

COFFEE HOUR

Sundays after the 10:30 Mass in St. Joseph's Hall. We are looking for volunteers to host each Sunday. There is a sign up sheet available at Coffee Hour. You can also call/text Celine La Duca ay 716-352-4771

Collection Report			
3/2/2025			
E-Giving	\$3,848.01		
General Collection	\$1,725.00		
Total	\$5,573.01		

2025 CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL BLESSED SACRAMENT

Our goal for this year is the same as last year's, \$65,921.00. You can make your contribution at www.ccwny.org, click on menu/appeals or by mailing in your pledge card.

More information will be forthcoming at the Masses on March 22nd and 23rd.

St. Vincent de Paul is our patron saint for this year's appeal.

Please help us support his worthwhile drive. Thank you.

CHURCH ON FIRE CONCERT

The third and final concert in the 2024-2025 Church on Fire Concert Fire Series will be given on Thursday, March 27 at 7:30 pm in Blessed Sacrament Church, 1029 Delaware Ave, Buffalo, NY 14209. The concert, "A Choral Evening", will be given by the Choir of St. Louis Church. Featured will be works of Farrant, Palestrina, Gabrieli, Ouseley, Friedel, di Lasso, and others.

A reception will follow the free concert: reservations are requested.

To make reservations contact Michael Pitek: 716-480-8313 or

Michael@thepitekgroup.com. A free-will offering is appreciated.

HOMEBOUND & HOSPITALIZATION

Please notify the Blessed Sacrament Parish Office if you know someone who is in the hospital, nursing home facility, or homebound and in need of visitation. 716-884-0053

A CALL FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS

The Parish is looking for new liturgical ministers which includes lectors, greeters, and ushers.

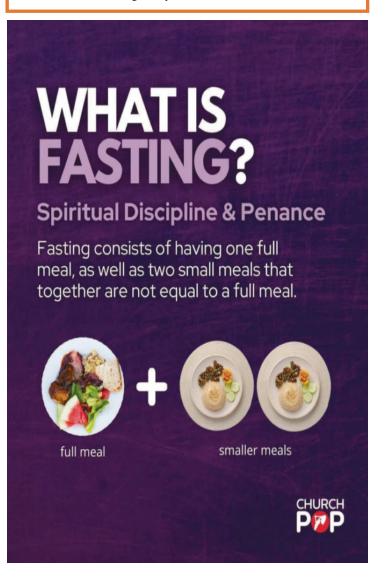
We are also looking for all interested youth and adults who would like to become altar servers

If you're interested, please stop by the event table and sign the interest sheets or contact Michael Pitek: 716-480—8313 or Michael@the pitekgroup.com.

We will be doing training for these ministries in the very near future.

MOVING AWAY

Our parish will miss you! Please notify our office and call us at 716-884-0053 to give us your new address.



WHAT CAN WE DO AS A FAMILY TO OBSERVE LENT? Prayer:

- Read and meditate on some Scripture each day.
- 2. Attend Mass more often than each Sunday.
- 3. Pray family morning, night, and meal prayers
- Attend Stations of the Cross on Fridays (or make them as a family or alone if your parish does not offer them).
- Make a pilgrimage.
- 6. Learn to pray the Divine Office, the official daily prayer of the whole Church.

Fasting:

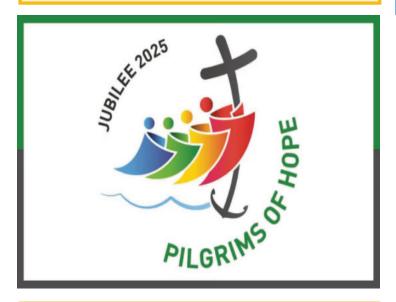
- 1. Give up smoking, sweets, coffee, or something else you like.
- 2. Fast (one full meal per day only on one or more days of the week, health permitting.
- 3. Turn the TV off to make time for prayer or family time.

Almsgiving:

- 1. Give of your time to your family, an elderly neighbor, or a relative in need.
- Eat more simply and donate the savings to the hungry.
- 3. Make a financial contribution to a charitable organization.

Repentance:

Another important theme which comes to light in this quotation is the need for repentance. A thorough, good confession is a traditional and praiseworthy way to prepare for Faster



BAKED GOODS SALE

A baked goods sale sponsored by the Ladies Society of Holy Cross Church will be held on Saturday, April 12th from 1-4 pm and Sunday, April 13th from 11 am-2 pm at Holy Cdross School Hall, Niagara and Maryland Sts., Buffalo.

Enjoy cannoli, pizza, breads, cookies, cupcakes, pies, cakes, and refreshments. In addition, there will be a large chocolate bunny raffled.

For more information, call the rectory office at 716-847-6930.



ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH ATTENDANCE

2/16/2025 77

2/22/2025 154

3/2/2025 131

IN YOUR PRAYERS FOR ST. MICHAEL'S

Evan, Fran, and Mo Angelo, Judith Barone, Alexander & Michael Brickel, Lorraine Brown, Alonso/Caceres/Rios Santa Cruz, Peter Caruso, Dolores Casey, Annie Feldman, Phyllis Galie, Mary Biuttner Gutierrez, Gloria Knight, Ben Lisiecki, Elain Love, Dr. David Marchetti, Jean McCarthy, Tom Passmire, Fr. Richard Poblocki, Cheryl Radwan, Arlo Thomas Stadler, Jack Stepniak, Mark Szpakowski, Angelo Tomsello, Ann Weihing.

ST MICHAEL'S INFORMATION

Email: StMichaelChurchBuffalo@gmail.com

Musicians: Mark DiGiampalo, Istvan Hemak

Cantor: Michael Dogbrasj

Holy Hour: Join us Sundays for a Holy Hour starting at 1pm, featuring exposition, adoration, rosary, and silent prayer until

2pm at which time the church will close.

AA Groups:

Tuesday 4 pm

Thursday 6:30 pm

Friday 1 pm

REDISCOVER YOUR MARRIAGE

Retrouvaille, a program for struggling couples, simply means "rediscovery".

The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. The next weekend is April 4-6.

For more information, call 716-474-9371 or visit https://helpourmarriage.org. All calls are confidential.



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LENTEN RETREAT/REFLECTION OPPORTUNITIES

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IN PERSON: Lenten Mission/Retreat with Fr. Matthew Waiter

LENTEN MISSION

March 30 - April 5 at 6 St. John Paul II Parish, 2052Lakeview Rd., Lake View. This year's theme is "Building a Community in Christ". Each evening offers dynamic speakers, prayer, fellowship, and faith sharing to accompany you on your journey through Lent, strengthen your faith and relationship with God. Mission is free and open to everyone. Register on website at www.lakeshorecatholicfc.org/lenten-mission or by calling the office at 716-780-7020.

Established in 1989, Mission has brought hundreds of people closer to Christ and His Church. Be apart of a spiritual journey like nothing else.

"REBUILD MY CHURCH"

Join us on **Thursday, March 20 at 6:30 pm** as Our Lady Help of Christians welcomes one of the world's most popular saints, Francis of Assisi, in a live theatrical performance entitled "Rebuild my Church". Experience the power of a personal encounter with Christ and St. Francis through this one-man multimedia event. This inspiring dramatic performance brings this well-known saint to life. Accompany Francis on his journey as he recounts his transformative life: a well to do, fun-loving youth, a soldier, touched by suffering, called by God, and transformed by the poor and beggars of his time. See how the son of a wealthy merchant gave up everything for the sake of Christ. Discover how his life touched millions of people with his simple and humble approach amidst an affluent society. All are welcome and encouraged to attend this free Event. Our Lady Help of Christians is located at 4125 Union Rd., Cheektowaga, NY

EUCHARIST MINISTERS NEEDED

Catholic Health is currently seeking Eucharistic Minister Volunteers for South Buffalo Mercy Hospital and Mercy Skilled Nursing Facility at Our Lady of Victory. Weekend availability is requested. For details, contact Lisa Carey at 716-862-1106 or email at lcarey2@chsbuffalo.org.

A MUSICAL EVENTING OF REFLECTION—"THE PATH TO HOPE AND HEALING...SEEKING GOD, FINDING GOD, RESTING IN GOD"

All are welcome for a Lenten musical evening of reflection led by Msgr. Paul Litwin on **Tuesday, March 18 at 7 pm** at Christ the King Church, 30 Lamark Dr., Snyder.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The schedule for the Stations of the Cross in the Downtown Family of Catholic Parishes has been released. The Stations of the Cross devotion will be held on alternating Fridays at 7:00pm at Blessed Sacrament Church and St. Louis Church.

SAINT LOUIS

Friday's at 7:00 PM

March 14

March 28

April 11

BLESSED SACRAMENT

Friday's at 7:00 PM+

March 7

March 21

April 4



TEENAGERS - YOU'RE INVITED...

obligatory days of abstinence.

Young people in grades 8–12 are invited to *No Matter What: a Day for Catholic Teens*, Sunday, March 30th from 12-5:30 pm at Hilbert College in Hamburg!

Gather with teenagers from across the Diocese of Buffalo for an interactive day with national speaker Paul J. Kim! The day concludes with Mass with Bishop Michael Fisher. The cost us \$25 and includes lunch.

For more information visit





ATTENTION

Please note that we are going through a transitional period with our new, combined bulletin.

Some of the advertisements may take a bit to get into/onto the bulletin.

If there are any questions or concerns please call LPI bulletin.





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