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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 (M-F)

#### 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:

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 [religiously@StLouisrcchurch.org](mailto:religiously@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.

#### ANOINTING 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.

#### BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

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July 6, 2025 - The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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*Week of July 6, 2025*

## *Saturday, July 5*

St. Louis 4:00 pm Margaret & John Randazzo & Kevin McCue  
Req by: DR

Blessed Sacrament 4:30 pm Eugene McCarthy  
Req by: James McCarthy

Saint Michael's 5:30 pm Deceased Members of the Downtown Family of Parishes  
Req by: St. Michael's Parishioners

## *Sunday, July 6*

Saint Louis 9:00 am Louise Mustillo  
11:00 am Req by: Louis Mustillo  
Catherine Luhr  
Req by: Evan and Trish Lewis

Blessed Sacrament 10:30 am All Souls  
Req by: Blessed Sacrament Parishioners

Saint Michael's 12 noon Michael Banaziak  
Req by: Friends of Michael

## *Monday, July 7*

St. Louis 12:05 pm All Souls  
Req by: St. Louis Parishioners

Blessed Sacrament 8:00 am Sr. Bernadette Marie  
Req by: Richard Lehner

Saint Michael's 6:45 am All Souls  
Req by: St. Michael's Parishioners

## *Tuesday, July 8*

St. Louis 12:05 pm Downtown Family of Parishes  
Req by: St. Louis Parishioners

Blessed Sacrament 8:00 am Amy Bettros  
Req by: Rick Krolewicz

Saint Michael's 6:45 am Richard Stiler  
Req by: Rick Krolewicz

## *Thursday, July 10*

St. Louis 12:05 pm Intentions of Pope Leo  
Req by: St. Louis Parishioners

Blessed Sacrament 8:00 am Intentions of Pope Leo  
Req by: Blessed Sacrament Parishioners

Saint Michael's 6:45 am Marjorie Dolan  
Req by: Estate

## *Friday, July 11 - St. Benedict*

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 Dr. Stanley Bukowski  
Req by: Rick Krolewicz



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# Saint



# Louis

## EVENTS AT ST. LOUIS

Please join us with a triduum in honor of St. Ann on July 24th, 25th, & 26th at St. Louis Church, Main & Edward Streets.

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Please join us for this beautiful tribute to St. Ann.

Please see Page 6 for information on parking.

## 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 TO BE ANNOUNCED NEXT WEEK.**

**THE NUMBER OF PARISHIONERS WHO ATTENDED WAS 320.**

**\*\*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.



## MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES

The **Sanctuary Candle** burns this week to the Glory of God and in Honor of Mary Kathryn (nee Guercio) Zielinski by Eden Zielinski Bloss.

## 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 Shephard, 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, Jeanine L., Richard J. Wall, Gail Neil, Fred Wolf, Ed Kast, Dr. Richard Saab, Linda Holben, Rachel Gaiser, Michael Hawkins, Allie Urbanski, Dr. William Fiden, Sharon Hunger, 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.*

## LECTORS/EUCHARIST MINISTERS

**JULY 12 & 13, 2025**

### Lectors:

**Saturday - 4:00 July 12** Krysta Doefler

**Sunday - 9:00 July 13** Ed Kuzan

**Sunday - 11:00 July 13** Mike Wrona

### Eucharistic Ministers:

**Saturday - 4:00 July 12** Diane Randazzo

**Sunday - 9:00 July 13** Mary O'Shea

**Sunday - 11:00 July 13** Pam Nordstrom

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## LECTOR/EM SCHEDULE - JULY 2025

### Lectors:

**Sat. 4:30 pm**

July 5 - R. Lehner

July 12 - F. Conti

July 19 - M. Cusack

July 26 - P. Jones

**Sun. 10:30 am**

July 6 - M. Flores

July 13 - L. Bauer

July 20 - M. Pitek

July 27 - S. Fallea

### Eucharistic Ministers:

**Sat. 4:30 pm**

July 5 - Deacon Tom

July 12 - D. Russell

July 19 - C. Jones

July 26 - P. Manz

**Sun. 10:30 am**

July 6 - Deacon Tom

July 13 - J. Knab

July 20 - M. J. Carroll

July 27 - Deacon Tom

## COLLECTION FOR JUNE 29, 2025

The collection report for last week will be announced next week.

**E-Giving** - \$1,993.01

**Weekly** - \$1863.00

**Total** - \$3,856.01

There will be a second collection next week for Peter's Pence.

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## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

### When God Speaks Like a Polish Grandmother

A friend of mine had a Polish grandmother who was famous for giving her children some blunt advice every time they left the house: "Eyes straight ahead. Mind your own business."

Every mother knows her children best, and this mother knew hers liked to argue and sometimes like to show off. She knew that could lead to trouble. She could not anticipate every scenario they would encounter each time they departed from her. All she could do was distill what she knew about life, safety, and manners into a few simple words, and hand them over to her children like a set of car keys or a hastily scribbled map. In this way, a woman who rarely said "I love you" expressed her devotion. And long after she was dead and buried, her aging sons and daughters repeated these words to them selves, like a child wrapping himself in a warm blanket.

Jesus does much the same for us, in many portions of the Gospels. *"Ask the master to send out laborers for His harvest...Carry no money... Eat what is set before you...Know that the Kingdom of God is at hand...Rejoice because your names are written in Heaven."*

He knows us best - knows our strengths, but even more importantly, He knows our weaknesses. He doesn't always have the space to address each of these explicitly in the pages of Scripture, but what He can do is distill the truth of effective evangelization into a few simple words, and hand them over to us as food for our journey of discipleship.

In this way, a God who addresses the entire world and every soul who ever lived also speaks intimately to each one of us.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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# MICHAEL'S

651 Washington St.

### ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH ATTENDANCE & COLLECTIONS

6/15/25 - 120

6/22/25 - 131

6/29/25 - 161

6/22/25 - \$2,061.00

6/29/25 - \$3,512.00

**There will be a second collection next week for Peter's Pence.**

### 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, 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 Di Giampaolo, Istvan Hernak

**Cantor:** Michael Dobrasz

**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



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Parking is available directly behind the church, handicap accessible.

Parish contribution plan for fulfill Ch. 11 settlement terms:

**Downtown Family of Parishes, #22.**

*"The participation of the entire Catholic family is necessary to bring to a close this painful chapter of our Diocese and achieve a level of restitution that is owed to the many who have had to carry the tremendous burden of physical, emotional and spiritual harm of sexual abuse throughout their lives."*-Bishop Michael W. Fisher.

Contribution percentages range from 10 to 80 percent of each parish's 'unrestricted' savings, its interest and investments. Nothing is being taken from operating funds. Those parishes on the possible closed or merged list waiting for decisions from the Vatican are asked for 80% of assets. 50% of the parishes of the diocese have claims. All proceeds provided through insurance carriers would be added to collected parish suggested contributions.

**St. Michael**-80% at \$2.4 million. **PAID.** A percentage will be given back if St. Michaels would stay open.

**Bl. Sacrament**-originally 25% at \$80K, minus new roof cost, now 10% at \$22,350. **PAID**

**St. Anthony of Padua Oratory**, 45%, \$261K. **PAID**

**St. Joseph Cathedral**- No contribution made.

**St. Louis**-75%, \$3.2 million. **Contribution To Be Determined.**

I would like to thank all the parishioners who have been supportive in this very painful time to our clergy and Diocese.

**A HUGE** thank you to the parishioners, 'the angels', who have written the parish donation checks to help cover these contributions. Please be assured that **ANY** weekly donations will not leave the parish and are not applied to any contribution to the bankruptcy settlement. We will get through this together and begin to move on as a church and Diocese.

In Christ, Fr. Ray Corbin, pastor.

## DEVOTIONS, *EXPLAINED!*

### St. Michael Prayer

#### Mini Explanation

The prayer to St. Michael, composed by Pope Leo XIII, invokes the protection of the Archangel Michael in the ongoing spiritual battle for the souls of all mankind. It is commonly said at the end of the rosary and by some parishes after the conclusion of Mass.

#### St. Michael Prayer, *Explained!*

The prayer to St. Michael invokes the protection of the Archangel Michael in the ongoing spiritual battle for the souls of all mankind. This prayer was composed by Pope Leo XIII and its use was instituted in 1886 at the end of Low Mass, a tradition which continued until the liturgical reforms of the Second Vatican Council. A popular story regarding its origin claims that he wrote this prayer after having a vision of demonic spirits descending on Rome.

Michael is mentioned as one of God's seven archangels in the Book of Enoch and is presented by Revelations 12:7-12 as the warrior angel who cast Satan from Heaven. He is therefore traditionally venerated as a protector against the forces of evil and guardian of the Church,

The Prayer to St. Michael is still commonly said at the end of the rosary and by some parishes after the conclusion of Mass.

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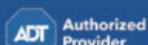
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