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MASSES

Saturday	4:00 p.m. (Sunday Liturgy)
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.
Confessions	Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 p.m.

WEDDINGS

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

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

Call Rectory for date and time. Anointing of the Sick, anytime day or night.

BAPTISMS

First & Third Sundays of the month at 12:00 p.m. Parents must attend a Pre-Baptism class prior to scheduling the Baptism. Classes are offered bi-monthly. Please call the Rectory for information.

DEADLINE

All items for the weekly bulletin must be in the parish office by Monday at noon.

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.

PARISH MUSEUM & ARCHIVES: OPEN BY APPOINTMENT.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FORMER PASTORS

Reverend John Nicholas Mertz.1829-1836Reverend Alexander Pax1836-1843Reverend Francis Guth1844-1850Reverend Joseph Raffeiner1850-1851Reverend William Deiters1855-1861Reverend J. E. Moshall1861-1862Reverend Francis Anthony Gerber1862-1863Reverend Sergus Schoulepnikoff1864-1867	Rt. Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher1888-1916Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry B. Laudenbach1917-1944Reverend Michael A. Anstett1944-1948Reverend Howard J. Schwartz1948-1964Reverend Clarence Ott1964-1965Reverend Alfred M. Mosack1965-1979Rev. Msgr. William A. Schwinger1979-1995Rev. Msgr. Robert A. Mack1995-2002
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Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, August 25:

2:00 pm: Wedding of Daniel Smykowski and Sarah

Machajewski

4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

Douglas H. Schulte, by Gary A. Halicki

5:30 pm: Wedding of Nicholas Sinatra and Courtney

SUNDAY, August 26: TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am: Deceased Members of the Vetter Family 11:00 am: Carmela, John, Mary and Carrie Arnone, by

MONDAY, August 27: SAINT MONICA

12:05 pm: For the People of Saint Louis Parish

TUESDAY, August 28: SAINT AUGUSTINE, BISHOP

12:05 pm: Clyde W. Larsen, by Helene Tibollo

WEDNESDAY, August 29: THE PASSION OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

12:05 pm: Linda Klass, by Geoffrey Klass

THURSDAY, August 30: WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: Rita Marie Rozbicki, by Estate

FRIDAY, August 31: WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: Alexander J. Kraus, by Estate

SATURDAY, September 1:

2:00 pm: Wedding of Ryan Klepadlo and Megan

Weisbeck

4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

Norbert Sliwinski, by Catherine Burns

SUNDAY, September 2: TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN **ORDINARY TIME**

9:00 am: Thomas F. Higgins, Jr., by Anthony and Kim

Jordan

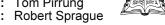
11:00 am: Cathy Markut, by Michael Riester

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of September 1st and September 2nd

4:00 pm: Ann Dumanksy 9:00 am: Tom Pirrung

11:00 am: Robert Sprague



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of September 1st and September 2nd

4:00 pm: Diane Randazzo, Ann Dumansky, Jim Ferrini and Debbie Guillow

9:00 am: Tim and Mary O'Shea

and John and Nancy Pax 11:00 am: Carolann Besch, Pam Nordstrom

and Ryan and Lindsay McGowan



MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of Edward and Ethel Fornes, requested by Suzanne Accomazzo. The St. Joseph Candle burns this week in memory of **Edward and Ethel** Fornes, requested by Suzanne Accomazzo.

If you desire to have a Memorial Prayer Candle lit in memory of a loved one or for your intention, please

use the envelope available for that purpose.

THE FEAST OF ST. LOUIS, PARISH PICNIC, PRESERVATION FUND DRIVE

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of St. Louis King of France. St. Louis is most noted for his service to the people of God, especially the poor. He is also well known for protecting and preserving the sacred Holy Land sites that recall the life of

This weekend we celebrate our faith life inspired by St. Louis with our annual picnic. We join together as a faith community to celebrate our blessings and strengthen our commitment to serving the people of God in our community.

At this time of year we also begin our Annual Preservation Fund Drive which helps us to continue our ministry to the people of God in our community and to preserve our Holy site.

The present structure of St. Louis Church was built in 1885. Over the years countless projects have been undertaken to sustain and maintain the integrity of our beautiful structure. Something needs attention every year.

Underway is the long awaited project to install a lift to the church hall and a handicap bathroom so that those who have difficulties with mobility will be able to more easily join us for our activities held in the church hall. This project is being financed through our contributions to the Upon This Rock campaign held a few years ago.

As the structure of the church ages there is always something that needs attention. We noticed that the top of the stairway near the handicap ramp has deteriorated leaving an open hole. Obviously it will need immediate attention. Our Preservation Fund this year will be used to address this situation as well as some other minor projects.

Thanks to your generosity in the past we have been able to maintain our beautiful Gothic Grandeur. With your generous support we will continue to be able to keep everything in good

The Annual Preservation Fund Drive mailing has gone out and we await your response and thank you for your generous support.

Msgr. Manganello



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Ray Sharrer, Frank Zawistowski, Delores Needham, Sara Ascela, Will Travis, Amy Vitz, Patricia Bortle, Patricia Guerra, Joel

Rivera, Theresa Dominski, Loretta Rembold, Lynn Goslinski, Carla Latucca, Theresa Dixon, Tracy Abram, Mamie Kate Johnson, Bud Vetter, Deborah Buyers, John Zawistowski, Spencer Daly, Joseph Acquino, Linda Campbell, James Palka, Bernadette R. Crawford, Niziti Ascela, Geraldine Sliwinski, Carlos Calhoun and Margaret

Please contact the Parish Office to have a loved one placed on the Prayer List. Names will appear for one month. If their condition continues to warrant our prayers, please call the office and we will gladly include them in one month increments as long as necessary.

We remember all those recently deceased and 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. Last weekend 302 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$7,662.00 and the Holy Day collection was \$1,043.00.

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.

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, August 25th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection

SUNDAY, August 26th

9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection

After 11:00 am Mass: Parish Picnic

SATURDAY, September 1st

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including

Monthly Collection

4:00 pm: Western New York Catholic Available

SUNDAY, September 2nd

9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection

Including Monthly Collection

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Western New York Catholic Available

12 noon: Baptism of Ladd Gabriel Jordan Campbell

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

The new school year is almost here! If you're facing a soon-to-be-empty nest and wonder what you can do with your free time, please consider volunteering with Catholic Charities. The agency offers a wide array of opportunities, from reception and office work to organizing donations, instructing classes and helping with the Appeal. If you're overwhelmed by the thought of your empty home and want to make good use of your free time, visit ccwny.org/volunteer and explore the opportunities.

For more information on Catholic Charities and other services and programs we provide, visit ccwny.org.

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

This week's readings compel us to reflect on intimacy with God. Witnessing miracles and feeling God's protection on their journey out of Egypt, the Israelites committed to serve Him. They trusted Him as the one true God and their intimacy grew stronger. But after spending some time in the Promised Land, their trust and commitment began to waiver. In the scripture reading we find Joshua not only recommitting his life to God, but also challenging the Israelites to renew their trust and commitment to serve God. Joshua and the Israelites remind us that God wants an intimate relationship with each of us. But we are also reminded that true, honest intimacy requires an enduring trust and commitment from us. Do you feel you have a deep intimacy with God? Commit to Him and trust in His plan for you. The reward of an intimate union with God will be a level of happiness beyond your imagination...both in this life and the next.

TEMPORARY HANDICAP RAMP

We have installed a temporary handicap ramp in the front of the church to be used while construction of the lift is underway and the ramp is closed off. Once the ramp is closed please make use of the temporary ramp at the Main Street entrance to the church. The temporary handicap ramp is to the right of the main doors as you face the church. It may be a long journey from the parking lot to the front of the church, so I would suggest parking in front of the church, even if it means driving up onto our sidewalk in front of the church. I know this is going to make it difficult for some people, so if you need assistance, please ask us to help.

PASS ON THE GOOD NEWS!

Help pass on the Good News of Jesus Christ and our Catholic faith! This fall, children and adolescents, preschool through grade 10, will sign up to learn more about Jesus and the Catholic faith. You can help by becoming a catechist for Faith Formation. Catechists teach 1 to 3 hours each month from late September through April. Classes are multi-age (PreK-K, 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, & 9-10) and are typically small, between 8-10 students. St. Louis provides all classroom and educational resources. Classes run on Sundays, from 9:50 a.m. –10:50 a.m. Please prayerfully consider this ministry! If interested, or for more information, please contact the DRE, Ashlee Campbell (834-2439/stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com).

RCIA REGISTRATION

Are you considering becoming Catholic? Do you know someone who is being called to join our faith? RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process through which adults are received into the Catholic Church. The process is intended for adults: (1) who were never baptized; (2) those baptized in another Christian faith who wish to become Catholic; and (3) those baptized Catholic, but did not make their First Holy Communion or were not Confirmed.

Classes are held on Sundays, directly after the 11:00 Mass (approximately 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.), in the St. Louis Sacristy. RCIA will begin Sunday, September 16th and continue through March. More information and the registration form are on the St. Louis website. Contact the DRE, Ashlee Campbell (834-2439/stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com) with inquiries or to register.

VOCATION THOUGHT

After Jesus explained that His flesh and blood are true food and drink, by which eternal life is afforded all who eat and believe, there were many disciples who refused to believe and returned to their former ways of life. How is God asking you to bring reconciliation to those who have lost sight of His Eucharist? If God is calling you to a church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

CATHOLIC ACADEMY CORNER

- ♦ Enrollment is strong with several classes at or near capacity. Call for registration information at 885-6111.
- School starts Thursday, September 6th. It will be a full day, with both breakfast and lunch being served. After School Program begins as well. Uniforms are required 1st day of school.
- ◆ The 3-year program will begin on Tuesday, September 11th from 8:00—11:00 a.m.
- The Home School Association Welcome Back Picnic will be held on Friday, September 14th from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
- ♦ The Meet the HSA and Teacher Night will be held on Thursday, September 20th at 7:00 p.m.
- ♦ The very popular Candy Bar sale will begin October 4th and end October 18th. The bars remain \$1 and the children will be selling them after Masses.

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