2018 Ilis Church Oldest Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Buffalo Founded in 1829

Celebrating Our 189th Anniversary

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MASSES

Saturday	
Sunday	
Eve of the Holy Day	
Holy Day	
Mon-Fri	
Confessions	

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.

OUR PARISH SCHOOL

The Catholic Academy of West Buffalo Grades Pre-K to 8 1069 Delaware Ave. • Buffalo, NY 14209 • (716) 885-6111

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	1829-1836
Reverend Alexander Pax	1836-1843
Reverend Francis Guth	1844-1850
Reverend Joseph Raffeiner	1850-1851
Reverend William Deiters	1855-1861
Reverend J. E. Moshall	
Reverend Francis Anthony Gerber	1862-1863
Reverend Sergus Schoulepnikoff	1864-1867
Reverend Joseph M. Sorg	1867-1888

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher	1888-1916
Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry B. Laudenbach	1917-1944
Reverend Michael A. Anstett	1944-1948
Reverend Howard J. Schwartz	1948-1964
Reverend Clarence Ott	1964-1965
Reverend Alfred M. Mosack	1965-1979
Rev. Msgr. William A. Schwinger	1979-1995
Rev. Msgr. Robert A. Mack	1995-2002

Most Rev. Robert J. Cunningham, D.D., J.C.L., 2002-2004

Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, January 27:

4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mary Guzowski, by Pat Abrams

SUNDAY, January 28: FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am: Deceased Members of the Vetter Family 11:00 am: James Bruce, by Louis and Ann Deutsch

MONDAY, January 29: WEEKDAY

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

TUESDAY, January 30: WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: Gisela Ederer, by Oliva and Domenico Pagliaroli

WEDNESDAY, January 31: SAINT JOHN BOSCO, PRIEST 12:05 pm: Deacon Daniel Mackowiak, by Sarah Leahy

THURSDAY, February 1: WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: Thomas J. Comer, Jr., by Patricia Millemaci

FRIDAY, February 2: FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

12:05 pm: George Milanovich, by Family and Friends

SATURDAY, February 3:

4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Mary Guzowski, by Rosemary Bloch

SUNDAY, February 4: FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am: Judy Beecher, by Carl and Grace Post

11:00 am: Sebastian Mandolfo, by Bill and Pam Nordstrom

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of February 3rd and February 4th

Diane Randazzo
John Loss
Matt Glynn



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of February 3rd and February 4th

4:00 pm:	Debbie Guillow and Jim Ferrini
9:00 am:	Jim Brigante, Al Bluemle
	and Tim and Mary O'Shea
11:00 am:	Debbie Beller, Pam Nordstrom
	and Ryan and Lindsay McGowan



MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLE The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of Melvin Sliwinski, requested by Family. 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.

CAUTION-THE FLU IS IN OUR MIDST

This past week Bishop Malone sent a letter reminding us all that we are in the midst of a widespread outbreak of the flu. It is one of the most widespread in some years. Bishop Malone reminds all of us to take necessary precautions to protect our own health as well as the health of others during the flu season. To prevent the spread of contagious diseases requires good hygiene, such as washing hands frequently with soap and warm water. Avoid close contact when sick. Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth.

Bishop Malone has suspended the distribution of the Precious Blood for he faithful of our diocese except for those who must receive from the chalice due to medical reasons. For this reason we ask you to use good judgement if receiving the Blood of Christ. If you are feeling ill in any way, you should not receive from the chalice to prevent the spread of germs.

Extra caution should be used during the Sign of Peace. If you have a cold, a simple bow rather than shaking of hands is another way of extending the Sign of Peace.

If you are ill or suspect that you are ill with a contagious illness, you are not bound by the Sunday Mass obligation and do not have to attend Mass while ill.

The hope is by following good health practices we can lessen the spread of the flu and help prevent the spread of the flu. Our prayer is for all to be well during the rest of the winter season.

Msgr. Manganello

Manager Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, In your prayers... especially Norbert Sliwinski, Norene Wesolek, Paul Setlock, Loretta Rembold, Lynn Goslinski, Carla Latucca, Theresa Dixon, Desirea Moyica, Peggy Scott, Tracy Abram, Mamie Kate Johnson, Bud Vetter, Ben Cambria, Amy Vilz, Raymond Sharrer, Deborah Buyers, John Zawistowski, Delores Needham, Barbara Yellen, Marnise Reaves, Spencer Daly, Joseph Acquino, Eleanor Brayer, Linda Campbell, Barbara Suffoletto, Caitlin Kasberg, James Palka, Susan Bertin, Bernadette R. Crawford, Heidi Cornell, Niziti Ascela, Donald Kopp, Geraldine Sliwinski, Carlos Calhoun and Margaret Foegen.

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, especially Mary Margaret O'Shea and our deceased parishioners and loved ones.

SPIRITUAL AND FINANCIAL REPORT

We warmly welcome all who come to St. Louis for Mass—tourists, visitors, parishioners and friends. Last weekend 360 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$5,624.00.

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, January 27th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Catholic Relief Services Collection

5:00—6:30 pm: RCIA—Pre-K—Grade 10: "People of Faith: Living as Disciples" Event—Church Hall— Topic: What We Believe: The Nicene Creed

SUNDAY, January 28th

 9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Catholic Relief Services Collection
 12 noon: Baptism of Sean Michael Leslie

SATURDAY, February 3rd

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Monthly Collection
4:00 pm: Blessing of Throats

4:00 pm: Western New York Catholic Available

SUNDAY, February 4th

9:50 am—10:50 am: Pre-K—Grade 10—Church Hall

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

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Blessing of Throats

9:00 am & 11:00 am: Western New York Catholic Available After 11:00 am Mass: RCIA—Sacristy

12 noon: Baptism of Clara Mae Doll

BLESSING OF THROATS

In honor of St. Blaise there will be blessing of throats next weekend at all the Masses.

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

In today's Gospel, Mark teaches us about openness and trust in the Word of God. We hear about Jesus teaching in the synagogue, speaking not as the scribes of the day might, but as one with authority. When a man possessed by a spirit convulsed in front of him, Jesus commanded the demon to leave. Clearly His words had the power to invoke change. The people were amazed, saying "With authority he commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him." It was the *words* that Jesus spoke that were like nothing else the people had ever heard before. His fame began to spread quickly from that point. The Word of God has the power to change our lives. God wants to free us from the negative influences in our lives that sap our time, energies and thoughts. He wants to empower us to do what is good and constructive. We only need to be open and trust in Jesus and his teachings.

FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST EUCHARIST, & CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION AND CLASSES

Children receiving the Sacrament of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, or Confirmation this spring at St. Louis must be registered to do so by February 1, 2018. Registration forms can be downloaded from the St. Louis website: <u>http://</u> <u>stlouisrcchurch.org</u> or from the Director of Faith Formation, Ashlee Campbell (834-2439/<u>stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com</u>).

Sacrament prep classes are scheduled for 3 consecutive Saturdays: March 3rd, March 10th, and March 17th, 2018. All classes will be from 9:30—11:30 a.m. in the church hall.

Attendance at all three classes is mandatory.

YOU'RE INVITED TO A MASS OF THANKSGIVING

In gratitude for the abundant blessings and success of the *Upon This Rock* campaign, please join Bishop Richard J. Malone at one of the following community Masses of thanksgiving.

- * **Tuesday, January 30**—Infant of Prague Parish, Cheektowaga—Mass at 5:30 p.m. ; reception to follow
- Friday, February 9—-St. Joseph Parish, Fredonia Mass at 6:00 p.m.; reception to follow
- * **Monday, February 12**—All Saints Parish, Lockport Mass at 6:00 p.m.; reception to follow
- * **Tuesday, February 13**—Ascension Parish, Batavia Mass at 6:00 p.m.; reception to follow Please select a Mass that is most convenient for you by visiting UponThisRockWNY.org/RSVP or call 716-847-8740.

VOCATION THOUGHT

We have great news! Jesus has come to liberate us from everything that brings despair. How is Jesus asking you to spread the good news? If God is calling you to a Church vocation call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

"I have never been so excited to learn in my life," said Victoria, a student in Catholic Charities' Tomorrow's Youth Today program. Tomorrow's Youth Today is just one of many services offered through Catholic Charities. In the program, students like Victoria are able to upgrade reading or math skill levels, prepare for the high school equivalency exam, gain job readiness skills and find paid work experiences and other employment preparation. Your donation to the Catholic Charities' 2018 Appeal helps us to continue to educate, mentor and set up young people for success. To make a donation today, call 716-218-1400 or visit ccwny.org/donation.

CATHOLIC ACADEMY WINTER OPEN HOUSE

Come learn more about the Catholic Academy difference at our Winter Open House for families interested in enrolling children at Catholic Academy of West Buffalo in September 2018. Dates are Tuesday, February 6th from 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. and Thursday, February 8th from 6:30—8:00 p.m.

Catholic Academy offers rigorous academics, excellent religious and moral education and a wide array of sports and extracurricular activities in grades Pre-K 3 to 8. Pre-K for 3 year-olds is a very popular part time program, with a 10:2 ratio. According to Business First ranking for Middle Schools in June 2017, we are ranked third of the private, parochial, charter and public schools in the city of Buffalo!

Come tour our building, meet the Catholic Academy family and learn more about our programming. Registration for September 2018 is ongoing, and office staff will be available to review admission forms and answer questions regarding the different **tuition assistance available.** For more information, call the school @ 885-6111 or visit us at cawb.org, on Facebook or Twitter @cawb1069.

