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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	1829-1836	Rt. Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher	
Reverend Alexander Pax	1836-1843	Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry B. Laudenbach	1917-1944
Reverend Francis Guth	1844-1850	Reverend Michael A. Anstett	
Reverend Joseph Raffeiner	1850-1851	Reverend Howard J. Schwartz	1948-1964
Reverend William Deiters	1855-1861	Reverend Clarence Ott	1964-1965
Reverend J. E. Moshall		Reverend Alfred M. Mosack	1965-1979
Reverend Francis Anthony Gerber	1862-1863	Rev. Msgr. William A. Schwinger	1979-1995
Reverend Sergus Schoulepnikoff	1864-1867	Rev. Msgr. Robert A. Mack	
Reverend Joseph M. Sorg	1867-1888		

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

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Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, November 10:

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

ORDINARY TIME

Deceased of the Peter Berst Family, by Marilyn

SUNDAY, November 11: THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am: Rev. Jon J. Dekowski, CSSR, by Family 11:00 am: Carmela, John, Mary and Carrie Arnone, by

Family

MONDAY, November 12: SAINT JOSAPHAT, BISHOP

12:05 pm: Thomas J. Comer, Jr., by Sister Carol Cimino and Department of Catholic Schools

TUESDAY, November 13: SAINT FRANCES XAVIER

CABRINI

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

WEDNESDAY, November 14: WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: Caroline Schreck, by Estate

THURSDAY, November 15: SAINT ALBERT THE GREAT

12:05 pm: Doll Family, by Irene D. Curtis Estate

FRIDAY, November 16: SAINT MARGARET OF SCOTLAND AND SAINT GERTRUDE

12:05 pm: Steimel Family, by Roseann Curtis

SATURDAY, November 17:

12 noon: Wedding of Joseph Kasperski and Kaitlin

Cunningham

2:00 pm: Wedding of Vincent Lombardi and Sara

Chuzie

4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

William J. Frawley, by Bill and Pam Nordstrom

5:30 pm: Wedding of Brendan Burke and Meredith

Roberts

SUNDAY, November 18: THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am: Edwin and Louise Munschauer, by Richard

Munschauer

11:00 am: William Riester Family, by Michael Riester

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of November 17th and November 18th

4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky

9:00 am: Anne Continetti

11:00 am: Christina Mandolfo



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of November 17th and November 18th

4:00 pm: Ron and Margaret Foegen

and Frank and Jane Pelosi

9:00 am: Jim Brigante, Al Bluemle and Tim and Mary O'Shea

11:00 am: Michael Mandolfo, Michael Riester

and Ryan and Lindsay McGowan



MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of Carl and Marie Miller, requested by Mike Zobel. The St. Joseph Candle burns this week in honor of John Buckanovich Family, requested by Ron and Margaret Foegen and the Pieta Candle burns this week in memory of Sophie Marie Swiderski, Richard Lawrence Whitehouse and Mary Frances Gavry, requested by Joyce A. Persico.

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.

CHALLENGES WE FACE

Once again this week the clergy sex abuse crisis occupied a great deal of time. People were able to express their opinions, vent their emotions and openly offer their suggestions and comments of the handling of this crisis. Whatever opinion one holds is important.

Election Day also has come and gone. Maybe the results are to your liking. Or maybe not. Maybe you're encouraged and see hope in the leaders who will guide our country and

state for the next two, four or six years.

You may despair at what you see as our church and country continuing to plummet in a downward spiral of division. Whatever your feelings today, the work of the Gospel continues. God still entrusts us to work together to build a world of hope and welcome for all, regardless of race, gender, and creed. That world the Gospel talks about is the kingdom of God. We must still be about Jesus' work of peacemaking and reconciliation among God's daughters and sons.

Whether or not you agree with the bishop, whether or not your candidate won or lost, the work of feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, caring for the sick goes on. Jesus continues to call us to follow him, to take up our crosses to

build the kingdom of God here and now.

Now is the time to decide what we do guided by the Spirit of God to make God's justice and mercy a reality in our own community; what will be the foundation of the kingdom of God; what cross we will carry as the means of bringing the hope of the Risen One into the lives of those we love.

We pray, O God, help us take up our crosses with wisdom and hope, and so walk the way of your Son: the road of difficult change that leads to justice, forgiveness and peace, that transforms our world into the glorious kingdom of God.

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 Vilz, Patricia Bortle, Patricia Guerra, Joel

Rivera, Theresa Dominski, Lynn Goslinski, Tracy Abram, Mamie Kate Johnson, Bud Vetter, Deborah Buyers, John Zawistowski, James Palka, Bernadette R. Crawford, Niziti Ascela, 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

We remember all those recently deceased 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 355 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$9,673.00, All Saints collection was \$717.00 and Catholic University of America collection was \$632.00

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

THIS WEEK AT SAINT LOUIS

SATURDAY, November 10th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including

Maintenance and Repairs Collection

SUNDAY, November 11th

9:50 am—10:50 am: Pre-K—Grade 10—Church Hall 9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection

Including Maintenance and Repairs

Collection

MONDAY, November 12th

7:00 pm: Parish Council—Sacristy

SATURDAY, November 17th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew

Rent Collection, Fuel Collection and Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection

SUNDAY, November 18th

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

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

Including Pew Rent Collection, Fuel Collection and Campaign for Human

Development Collection

VOCATION THOUGHT

How blest are we to be heirs of the one eternal kingdom! As heirs, we have each been given unique gifts and talents, and have unique roles to play for the kingdom. What is **YOUR** role? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

It's easy to forget that there is a difference between empathy and sympathy. The scripture readings today help us understand the difference. Sympathy tends to foster pity for others in need, whereas when we empathize with others, we seek to understand their experiences and get involved to help. The widow in the first reading had empathy for Elijah and gave him the last of her food and drink. In the scripture from the Book of Mark, the poor widow had empathy for others and gave away what little money she had. Next time you are in a situation where you sympathize with someone, see if you can empathize instead. Try to identify with their needs and determine what you can do to help, even if it means a little sacrifice on your part. We can look to Jesus as the ultimate example of empathy, giving all He had so that we may have eternal happiness in heaven.

ANNUAL PRESERVATION FUND DRIVE

Thank you to everyone who has so generously contributed to our Preservation Fund Drive. 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 church. With your generous support we will continue to be able to keep everything in good repair.

So far, \$37,223 has been donated.

E-MAIL ADDRESS

In an effort to better communicate with the parishioners of St. Louis, we will be asking you to submit your e-mail address.

For those parishioners submitting their e-mail addresses, they will be used to notify you about upcoming events at St. Louis. Your e-mail address will not be shared.

"CONCERTS FOR THE SOUL" PRESENTS

"Concert by Candlelight: An Evening of Remembrance"
With Tenor Vocalist Cory James Gallagher
and Writer-Poet Amy Gallagher

Come take a beautiful journey of remembering your deceased loved ones. Tenor Vocalist Cory James Gallagher's angelic singing will soothe your heart. Amy Gallagher's poignant poetic reflections will put you in touch with the meaning of life. Open your treasure chest of golden memories... and reflect, shed tears, smile, and feel the warmth of your loved ones near. This will be a memorable evening that will nourish your heart for a long time to come. **Event is by donation.**

Two Presentations:

St. Joseph University Church
 3269 Main Street, Buffalo, NY

Saturday, November 17th at 7:00 p.m.

* Blessed Sacrament Church

1035 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, NY Sunday, November 18th at 6:00 p.m.

LITTLE PORTION FRIARY

Temporary Shelter for Homeless Women and Men

As an all volunteer shelter for the homeless we rely on your time to help those less fortunate than us. We are currently in need of help with cooking, maintenance, office duties and house supervision during the day and evening.

Please contact us for a tour or to answer questions you may have—716-480-1749.

The gift of your time will be greatly appreciated.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Downsizing before the holidays? If you'll be clearing out closets and drawers ahead of Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's, please keep Ladies of Charity in mind. The volunteer organization, which is affiliated with Catholic Charities, accepts donations of new or gently used clothing, footwear, purses and bags; and household items such as small kitchen appliances, curtains and drapes, dishes and utensils and bed linens. Donations are used for the Ladies' Lots of Clothes Thrift Store and for the Fresh Start program, which provides basic household goods for those who have experienced home displacement for a variety of reasons. Donations can be dropped off from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. weekdays at 1122 Broadway, Buffalo, or from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the first Saturdays of the month (excluding holiday weekends). For more information, call (716) 895-4001.

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