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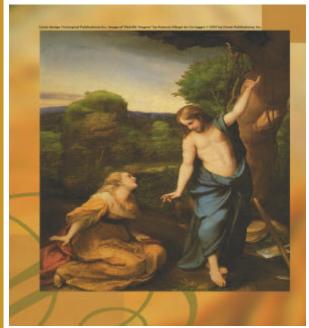
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#### **MASSES**

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	
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.

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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**

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#### PARISH MUSEUM & ARCHIVES: OPEN BY APPOINTMENT.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FORMER PASTORS

Reverend John Nicholas Mertz		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	1944-1948
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Reverend J. E. Moshall	1861-1862	Reverend Alfred M. Mosack	1965-1979
Reverend Francis Anthony Gerber	1862-1863	Rev. Msgr. William A. Schwinger	1979-1995
Reverend Sergus Schoulepnikoff		Rev. Msgr. Robert A. Mack	
Reverend Joseph M. Sorg			

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

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# Announced Masses of the Week

SATURDAY, April 20:

7:00 pm: THE EASTER VIGIL LITURGY

Living and Deceased Parishioners of Saint Louis

SUNDAY, April 21: EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

9:00 am: Lois Jordan, by Geoffrey Klass

11:00 am: Eleanor Brayer, by Kevin and Mark Brayer

MONDAY, April 22: MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF **EASTER** 

12:05 pm: Catherine Feist, by Estate

TUESDAY, April 23: TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF

**EASTER** 

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

WEDNESDAY, April 24: WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

12:05 pm: Michael, Chris Marie and John Halicki, by Family

THURSDAY, April 25: THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

12:05 pm: The Crane Family, by Mary K. Crane Estate

FRIDAY, April 26: FRIDAY WITH THE OCTAVE OF **EASTER** 

12:05 pm: Clement E. Eckert, Sr., by Clem and Anne

**Eckert** 

SATURDAY, April 27:

2:00 pm: Wedding of Brandon Bova and Alison Barone

4:00 pm: SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Living and Deceased of the Earl Young Family,

by Marilyn Young

SUNDAY, April 28: SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)

9:00 am: Ann Marie Piccillo, by Family

11:00 am: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Majka, by Marilyn and

Robert Bujnicki

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of April 27th and April 28th

4:00 pm: Anne Continetti 9:00 am: J. & M. Loss

11:00 am: Christina Mandolfo



#### SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of April 27th and April 28th

4:00 pm: Ron and Margaret Foegen

and Frank and Jane Pelosi

9:00 am: Al Bluemle, Judy Perkowski

and Tim and Mary O'Shea

11:00 am: Michael Mandolfo, Pat Doyle

and Ryan and Lindsay McGowan



#### MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and in memory of Lee Volo, Sr., requested by Joe and Ellen Foegen. The St. Joseph Candle burns this week for the intentions of the Rose M. Joseph Family, requested by Gary A. Halicki and the Pieta Candle burns this week in honor of Kitt Kuebler, 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.

#### **RESURRECTION BRINGS NEW LIFE**

One of the Resurrection narratives that we read during the Easter season features the apostle Thomas who has received the unfavorable title "Doubting Thomas." Thomas is the one who doubted Jesus' Resurrection. Before we criticize Thomas too severely, it would be wise to explore the reasons why maybe he did not believe at first. The other disciples accepted the Resurrection of Jesus because they saw the risen Lord and spoke to him. Thomas did not have that advantage. He had to rely on what he was told by the others.

In the Resurrection narrative from John's gospel which describes the scene of the so called "Doubting Thomas," the other disciples tell Thomas: "We have seen the Lord." Thomas was also told they had been given the power to forgive sin and to heal the brokenness of others. So why did Thomas not believe them?

After hearing the testimony of the other disciples Thomas may have realized that it was not seen in their actions. If Jesus had been raised up, why were the apostles still in the upper room? If Jesus had sent the disciples to proclaim his gospel to the world, why had they not left? Where was the profound change in their lives?

We face a similar challenge in our lives. People need more than words. They need to see that our actions support our words. We call ourselves Christian and proclaim Jesus' Resurrection, but how do our lives appear? Are we joyful, generous, thankful people?

The Resurrection of Jesus should renew us. The newness of our lives that we celebrate during the Easter season should be obvious. In our world the truth of the Resurrection depends on spoken testimony and lives that show that testimony to be real. The original disciples were moved to faith because of the change that they could see between the dead Jesus on the cross and the risen Christ appearing to them. Today people can no longer see the change in Jesus. That is why they must be able to see the change in us.

## Msgr. Manganello



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Ashley Winder, David Marchetti, Eric Glinski, Richard Devita, 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, 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 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 431 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$4,819.00 and Easter Flowers collection was \$403.00.

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, April 20th

9:00 am: Saint Louis Garden Society (SLGS)

Decorate Church for Easter

7:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including

Pew Rent Collection and Easter Offering

Collection

SUNDAY, April 21st—Happy Easter

9:00 am & 11:00 am: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection and

Easter Offering Collection

SATURDAY, April 27th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including

Catholic Home Missions Appeal Collection

SUNDAY, April 28th

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

Including Catholic Home Missions

Appeal Collection

12:00—1:30 pm: People of Faith: Honoring our Earliest

Parishioners—Church Hall

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

We would like to congratulate Canisius High School students who achieved the honor roll for the third quarter marking period:

Grade 9 John Owen Stravino & Samuel Doud Whistler

Grade 10 John Andrew Pirrung & Zachary Nelson

Whistler

Grade 11 Emmett Till Joyce

#### **VOCATION THOUGHT**

The Lord is risen, it is true! Through his death and Resurrection, Jesus affords us new life. We must now decide how we are going to live that new life. Will we answer the call from our Lord? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

#### **WORD OF LIFE**

"Those who die in God's grace and friendship live forever with Christ. Heaven is not an abstract idea, but a true and lasting relationship with God that is beyond all earthly description and understanding. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead and everlasting life by preparing now, in hope, for our passage from this life into eternal life."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities,

"Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing"



HAPPY EASTER

On behalf of our Trustees, our Parish Council and our parish staff and in my own name, I I wish you and your families a most Blessed Easter.

The first gift our Lord gave to his disciples after the Resurrection was the gift of peace.

May he fill your hearts and your homes with that most precious gift during the Easter Season and throughout the year.

Msgr. Manganello

#### PEOPLE OF FAITH HISTORY PROGRAM

We welcome our parishioners and friends to our program on Sunday, April 28th from 12—1:30 p.m. in our Church Hall. The event will include lunch and a program Honoring Our Earliest Parishioners led by our own Michael Riester (Church Archivist) and Dr. Wendy Mistretta.

#### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

Jesus, through his death and resurrection, gave us unwavering hope. Today, we rejoice in our Lord and Savior's glory, and celebrate his promise of eternal life! We also want to thank you for following the example of Appeal Patron St. Faustina, who devoted her life to sharing Jesus' message of divine mercy. Thank you for showing mercy to those most in need in Western New York. Together with your generous support, we are helping our neighbors find hope. Thank you for your continued support of the 2019 Appeal!

#### CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Next week, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, over 40% of dioceses in the United States are considered mission territory because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work in their communities. Your support of this appeal eases the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal.

#### JOURNEY INTO LOVE

The Office of Family Life Ministries needs married couples willing to give of their time for a 20 minute talk to share their experiences with engaged couples at our Journey Into Love monthly diocesan program. The commitment can be as much or as little time as you are available; even just once a year would be helpful. Contact the Family Life Office at 847-2210 for more details.

#### FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION

In today's reading, St. Paul encourages us to think of what is above; that is, eternal life, instead of being consumed by the ways and concerns of this earthly life. His words provide wonderful guidance for us on how to live a purposeful and happy life. St. Paul is challenging us to pursue those things that are of lasting value, rather than the temporary pleasures of the world around us. If you are finding that your success in this world feels empty, that the 'things' you have acquired don't bring the lasting happiness you thought they would, then listen to St. Paul. His message is one of hope that may just lead you to the true happiness you are seeking. Hope and joy are what the Easter message is all about. Dare to embrace the hope offered by St. Paul's words. It's the way to a happier life now, and a happier life to come.

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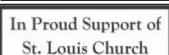








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