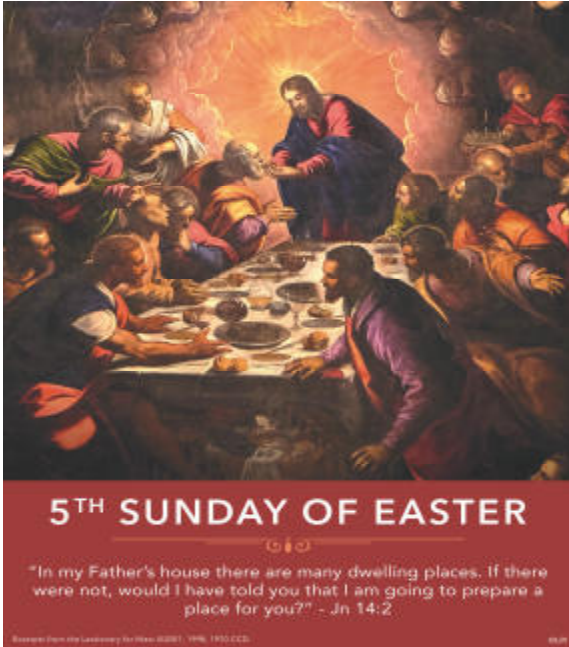


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MASSES

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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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 Raffener 1850-1851
Reverend William Deiters 1855-1861
Reverend J. E. Moshall..... 1861-1862
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. Laudenschach..... 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

Mass for the People of Saint Louis Parish was celebrated privately on:

Sunday, April 26th

Masses also were celebrated privately for the following intentions:

The deceased members of the Vetter family
Florian Chmuzynski req. by Bud Vetter
Living and deceased Parishioners of St. Louis

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

The word of God continued to spread, and the number of the disciples in Jerusalem increased greatly. (Acts 6:7a)

Psalm:

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. (Ps 33) or Alleluia

Second Reading:

You are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises" of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. (1 Pt 2:9)

Gospel:

Jesus said to him,
"I am the way and the truth and the life.
No one comes to the Father except through me." (Jn 14:6)

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Inspiration for the week

What do you imagine the resurrected life of heaven to be like? When we try to get our minds around such an enormous concept, we can easily find ourselves at a loss. For some folks, the enormity of the question actually causes them to ignore the reality of heaven or even conclude that it does not exist. Jesus knew that the magnitude and grandeur of eternal life are really too much for us to grasp. He kept it simple and described it in terms of relationship. The disciples treasured their relationship with Jesus, and he assured them, "Where I am you also may be." Ultimately, that was enough for them to know. They would be with him. Strengthen your relationship with God as He is the way, the truth, and the life.

Provided by LPI

Saturday May 16th is Armed Forces day.

Please pray for all those who are serving in the Armed forces as well as those who have served us.
Remember also our Veterans



MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLE



The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God. 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.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES UPDATE

Catholic Charities still needs our support. As of last week, Catholic Charities had raised more than \$5.8 million of its \$10 million goal.

This year the goal for St. Louis is \$110,000. St. Louis parishioners have contributed \$76,482.92 to the 2020 appeal. Thank you for whatever you can do to continue supporting the good works of Catholic Charities.



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Rev. Guy Syracuse, Mary Lou Summers, Anthony Jordan, Jay Deveau, Gerald Frawley, Theresa Favorito, James

Vasi, Sondra Schreiber, Christine Maciejewski, Ashley Winder, David Marchetti, Eric Ginski, Richard Devita, Ray Sharrer, Frank Zawistowski, Delores Needham, Will Travis, Amy Vitz, Tracy Abram, Mamie Kate Johnson, John Zawistowski, James Palka, Bernadette R. Crawford, 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.

MSGR. SCHWINGER MEMORIAL SANDWICH PROGRAM

Next weekend is a collection for the Msgr. Schwinger Memorial Sandwich Program. Many people come to our door every day from Monday through Friday and we are able to feed them through your generosity. So many of the patrons of the Saint Louis Sandwich Program are going through many hardships and difficulties in their lives—yet, they always come to the door with a smile on their faces and with hope in their hearts that tomorrow will be a better day. The Sandwich Program gives dignity, respect and compassion to those most in need in our city. Your continued support of the Sandwich Program helps keep hope alive in the hearts of many "unknown faces" living in our own backyards. Thank you for helping make tomorrow a little bit better for some of the most vulnerable in our city.

WEEKLY READINGS DAILY MASS AND PRAYER

Readings for the week of May 10, 2020

Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 [22]/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16 [1ab]/Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 [cf. 12]/Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [cf. 1]/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8]/Jn 15:9-17

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12 [10a]/Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5 [2a]/Jn 15:18-21

Next Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

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.

Last week our regular collection was \$3,368.00.

You can still support your parish during this time of pandemic by mailing your donation, using our pay pal account on our web page or through the foundation of the Diocese at www.frddb.org.

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."

VOCATION THOUGHT

The new commandment of love is required of everyone who follows the risen Lord. How do you fulfill the commandment? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 716—847-5535.

WORD OF LIFE

"O Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities,
"A Prayer for Pregnant Mothers"

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

If you are a victim of domestic violence and are in need of access to safety planning, spiritual care, legal assistance, limited medical assistance, counseling, law enforcement, the Family Justice Center of Erie County, Inc. "Where Families Come First" is for you. All services are free. All conversations are strictly private. For more information, call 716-558-7233 or visit www.fjcsafe.org.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

"Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." Jesus calls us to help and love our neighbors, especially those who are most vulnerable and struggling. Catholic Charities of Buffalo offers several basic and emergency services, such as food, rehousing, medications and clothing. Our 2020 appeal continues, and your donation today can help ensure that the hungry have food, the naked have clothing and the homeless have shelter. Make a difference today with your gift at ccwny.org/donation. **Think of me.**

MOTHER

The most important person on earth is a mother. She cannot claim the honor of having built Notre Dame Cathedral. She need not. She has built something more magnificent than any cathedral—a dwelling for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby's body...The angels have not been blessed with such a grace. They cannot share in God's creative miracle to bring new saints to Heaven. Only a human mother can. Mothers are closer to God the Creator than any other creature. God joins forces with mothers in performing this act of creation...What on God's good earth is more glorious than this: to be a mother?

Joseph Cardinal Mindzenty

ST. LOUIS CHURCH REFLECTION GUIDELINES

1. Our time for reflection will be held on Sundays from 10:00 a.m. until noon.
2. If you are not feeling well, please do not attend this reflection.
3. In compliance with regulatory agencies, we are limiting attendance to 10 worshipers in our Church.
4. If necessary, we may ask you to limit your visit to accommodate other worshipers.
5. We ask you to limit your entrance to our Church using the north side (handicapped entrance). In case of an emergency, the Main Street entrance and Edward Street side entrance will be open for exiting.
6. The Church staff will be sanitizing entrance door handles and pews during the reflection time.
7. Our worshipers will be asked to use the designated area for prayer and reflection. We ask you to respect social distancing of at least 6 feet.
8. If you desire to light a candle, please ask the Sacristan to light your candle.
We ask for your understanding during this difficult time.

ST. LOUIS IS STILL OPEN

Your parish is still open and operating. Granted it is on a limited basis. The church is open for private prayer and reflection on Sunday from 10:00 a.m. until noon. Thanks to Kevin Brayer who has volunteered to open the church in the morning and make sure that it is properly sanitized during the two hours when people come and go. Jim Mrozek has enhanced the prayerful atmosphere playing the organ, singing and offering the readings that would normally be heard during Mass.

Dolores continues to come into the office a couple of times a week to handle continued requests for weddings, baptisms and other business. Many people are calling to re-schedule wedding dates due to the fallout of the pandemic. The bulletin is still being printed with a limited number and posted on our website. The work of the parish never ends.

Mike Mikos, one of our trustees, has been coming in to process the offertory donations that continue to come in through the mail as well as process our Catholic Charities donations. Thanks to the generosity of so many parishioners we are able meet our expenses.

Our website is constantly updated to provide you with current information, news, and spiritual reflections offered by Msgr. Madsen.

The Gas and Electric are still on. The water continues to flow. Essential maintenance is being done where possible. It is important that we receive your donations during this time so that when we are fully open again we can continue doing the good things that St. Louis Parish has been doing for over 191 years.

You can mail your donation to 35 Edward St. Buffalo, NY 14202; you can make an online donation to our Pay Pal account located on our website; or you can make a donation through the Foundation of the Diocese of Buffalo at www.frddb.org. Thank you for your support during these difficult days.

We still have Good News to share with Western New York and we will keep sharing it even during trying times.

Msgr. Manganello

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