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### PARISH COUNCIL OFFICERS

President..... Kevin Brayer  
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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..... 1829-1836  
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, May 3rd

Masses also were celebrated privately for the following intentions:

Special Intentions of the Gerald Gentile & James R. Caputi Families req. by Family  
 Donald & Mary Moore req. by Roseann Curtis  
 Repose of the Souls of Mary T. Carrie & Charles Klosko req. Family  
 Repose of the Souls of John, Josephine & Thaddeus Klosko req. Family

### The Million Dollar Question

As we listen to the news, we are now starting to hear about re-opening and what that will look like. In different parts of the country and the world government leaders are discussing various ways in which to return to some normal pattern of life. This is difficult to do while trying to protect the health of everyone concerned.

The million dollar question these days is when will we re-open? Unfortunately, there is no answer at this time for Western New York. While parts of our state have seen a decline in the spread of the coronavirus, Western New York has not yet arrived at a point where it is safe to begin life as usual.

This question is being asked of our religious leaders as well: "When will churches be able to re-open?" The answer is being discussed. Plans are being addressed. But we still do not have an answer.

When we do re-open our churches it will not be all at once. It will be done in phases. Around the country as some dioceses are able to re-open their churches, it is being done slowly.

Some things we may expect: a limited number of people, everyone wearing masks, keeping six feet apart, entering and exiting church by different doors, no missalettes, hand sanitizer instead of Holy Water, a new way to receive Communion, and no socializing. These are some of the protocols that are being followed in Dioceses where churches are being allowed to phase in their re-opening.

There is a great deal of discussion and planning before we will be able to re-open churches. We are asked to continue being patient and pray that this will occur sooner than later.

*Msgr. Manganello*

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES UPDATE

Catholic Charities still needs our support. As of last week, Catholic Charities had raised more than \$6.4 million of its \$10 million goal.

This year the goal for St. Louis is \$110,000. St. Louis parishioners have contributed \$77,682.92 to the 2020 appeal. Thank you for whatever you can do to continue supporting the good works of Catholic Charities.



### 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.



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Rev. Guy Siracuse, 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.**

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

### Sign Before the Gospel

#### Question:

I have been going to Mass for years and have always wondered: why do we make the three signs of the cross before the Gospel?

#### Answer:

Certainly, many people go to Mass or other devotions, doing and saying things out of habit or reverence and not really understanding the reasons behind some of these things. But everything we do has a meaning or purpose that helps us to worship better, proclaim our beliefs, or focus the attention of the people on something that has a greater importance or significance. A review of the meaning of various gestures and practices can help us have a deeper appreciation for what we do.

There is a little prayer that goes with the three crosses before the Gospel: "May the words of the Holy Gospel be on my mind, on my lips and in my heart." In standing to hear the Gospel, we acknowledge that Jesus is present, and the words of the Gospel are addressed to us. All of the gestures and special postures we adopt before the Gospel are intended to help us prepare for hearing the Word as well as act on it. The incense, the Alleluia, the deacon or priest, and the special dialogue and announcement that introduces the Gospel help us focus our attention on the Good News we are about to hear. The three signs of the cross show our desire and good intention to hear and live the Gospel.

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### 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 \$6,978.00.

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.frccb.org](http://www.frccb.org).

Thank you for your support.

**Please remember St. Louis Parish in your will. A request 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."**

### SANDWICH PROGRAM

This weekend there will be 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 thanks to your generosity.

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES 2020 AND HOPE DAY

The Catholic Charities Appeal 2020 has passed the \$6.2 million mark. In just one week, a little more than \$550,000 has been received in support of the Appeal 2020, bringing the total to \$6,370,852.18 with about a month and a half to go. This is 63.71% of the \$10 million goal.

This Friday, May 22nd, is Hope Day. Hope Day is a day of giving to support the Appeal where dollars are matched to support the 2020 Appeal. A special webpage is devoted to online giving and will be available that day. Donations can also be made by telephone.

This is the Hope Day's third effort. Its two previous years brought a total of \$923,369 to bolster and help the campaign achieve its goal. Please contact Catholic Charities at [ccwny.org](http://ccwny.org) to make a donation. Every little bit counts.

### CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA COLLECTION

Next week, there will be a Collection for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support to the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ.

### VOCATION THOUGHT

Today we hear that all people, regardless of where they come from, are called to dwell in the heavenly Jerusalem. Christ has appointed people to remind His children of this, and to help them to live accordingly. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

### WORD OF LIFE

"As Americans, as Catholics and as pastors of our people, we write therefore today to call our fellow citizens back to our country's founding principles, and most especially to renew national respect for the rights of those who are unborn, weak, disabled and terminally ill. Real freedom rests on the inviolability of every person as a child of God. United States Conference of Catholic Bishops "Living the Gospel of Life," © 1998 USCCB

### 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 this 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.

### RESULTS OF THE PARISH COUNCIL ACTIVITIES SURVEY

In February, the Parish Council conducted a survey to determine activities of interest.

Here are the results of the Parish Council survey:

96 parishioners responded:

- 1) Family Bowling—19
- 2) Painting Party for Adults—16
- 3) Defensive Driving Class—6
- 4) Buffalo Bison's Game—38
- 5) Summer Evening Concert—60
- 6) Summer Bocce League—6
- 7) Summer Croquet League—4
- 8) Cake Decorating—8
- 9) Floral Arrangement—9
- 10) Photography for Amateurs—7
- 11) St. Louis Cookbook—14

### SUNDAY'S READINGS

#### First Reading:

Then they laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit. (Acts 8:17)

#### Psalms:

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. (Ps 66) or Alleluia.

#### Second Reading:

For Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. (1 Pt 3:18a)

#### Gospel:

"I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me, because I live and you will live." (Jn 14:18-19)

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