Didest Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Buffalo Founded in 1829

2020

Celebrating Our 191st Anniversary

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PASTORAL STAFF

| Rev. Msgr. Salvatore Manganello, J.C.L., | S.T.LPastor |
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| Rev. Msgr. John W. Madsen | |
| Rev. Andrew R. Lauricella | 12:05 Mass—Friday |
| TRUSTEES | Rosemary Bloch, Michael Mikos |
| CURATOR OF 1903 KIMBALL PIPE OF | RGAN William Kurzdorfer |
| ORGANIST/CHOIRMASTER | |
| CANTOR | |
| DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION | Ashlee Campbell |
| BUSINESS MANAGER | |
| SECRETARY | Dolores Vasi |

PARISH COUNCIL OFFICERS

| President | |
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| Vice-President | |
| Secretary | Keith Boerner |

MASSES

| Saturday | | |
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| Eve of the Holv Day | | |
| Holy Day | 12:05 n m | |
| Mon-Fri | | |
| Confessions | | |
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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 |
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| Reverend Alexander Pax | 1836-1843 |
| Reverend Francis Guth | 1844-1850 |
| Reverend Joseph Raffeiner | 1850-1851 |
| Reverend William Deiters | |
| 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 |
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| 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, August 8:

4:00 pm: VIĞIL FOR NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Rose Morrissey, by Son, Thomas Morrissey

SUNDAY, August 9: NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am: Bernice and Helen Chojnacki, by Family 11:00 am: Dorothy and Edmund Radwan, by Marie Radwan Haremski

MONDAY, August 10: SAINT LAWRENCE, DEACON AND MARTYR

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

TUESDAY, August 11: SAINT CLARE

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

WEDNESDAY, August 12: SAINT JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL

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

THURSDAY, August 13: SAINT PONTIAN, POPE AND SAINT HIPPOLYTUS, PRIEST

12:05 pm: Living and Deceased Members of the Pera Family, by Tom Pera

FRIDAY, August 14: SAINT MAXIMILIAN KOLBE

12:05 pm: Andrea McFall, by Gary and Sandy Witman

SATURDAY, August 15:

4:00 pm: VIĞIL FOR TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Deceased of the Peter Berst Family, by Marilyn Young

SUNDAY, August 16: TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am: Deceased Members of the Vetter Family 11:00 am: Susan Kolbe, by Bill and Pam Nordstrom

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS Weekend of August 15th and August 16th

4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky 9:00 am: Tom Pirrung 11:00 am: Michael Riester



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION Weekend of August 15th and August 16th

4:00 pm: Diane Randazzo 9:00 am: Susan Ministero 11:00 am: Joyce Persico



MEMORIAL PRAYER CANDLES

The Sanctuary Light burns this week to the Glory of God and the St. Joseph Candle burns this week in memory of the **Emil Scherf Family, requested by Marilyn Young.** 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.

THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY

August 15th is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This feast arose in the faith of the people who for many, many years that believed that Mary was taken up to heaven body and soul. The people of the Eastern Rite Churches call this feast Mary's "dormition" or falling asleep. Others call this feast "harvesting" into heaven. Produce of the fields, gardens, and orchard in some cultures is customarily blessed on this day.

As early as the 5th century in the East and in Rome this feast was celebrated. Pope Pius XII made it an official dogma of the Church in 1950 to remind us that all creation is good, following years of war, Holocaust, and nuclear destruction. The dogma of the Assumption became a dogma at a time when the forces of technology, industrialization, and capitalism began to take precedence over the dignity and sanctity of the human person and the environment.

The Assumption of Mary provides a balancing point between the Annunciation on May 25th and the birth of Jesus on December 25th. Here Mary is honored both as Theotokos (God Bearer) and the first and best example of the glory of the resurrection for human beings. Mary dies, but she is taken into heaven that we might know all that awaits us after this life.

On Assumption Day we rejoice that this broken world will be made new again.

Msgr. Manganello

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Facing a hardship? Call Catholic Charities. If you have an urgent, immediate need for assistance with clothing, food, shelter or medication, call your neighborhood Catholic Charities office. We are equipped to help you and your loved ones through a crisis. For more information on Catholic Charities and other services and programs we provide, visit ccwny.org. Join us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

In youk prayers... Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Patricia Guerra, Charles S, George Collins, Rev. Guy Siracuse, Anthony Jordan, Jay Deveau, Gerald Frawley, James Vasi, Sondra Schreiber, Christine Maciejewski, Ashley Winder, David Marchetti, Eric Glinski, Richard Devita, Ray Sharrer, Frank Zawistowski, Delores Needham, Will Travis, Amy Vilz, 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.

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

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 weekend 176 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$4,955.00 and the Retired Diocesan Priests' Medical Benefits Fund collection was \$2,739.00.

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.frcdb.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

THIS WEEK AT SAINT LOUIS

SATURDAY, August 8th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Maintenance and Repairs Collection

SUNDAY, August 9th

9:00 am & 11:00 am: The regular Offertory Collection Including Maintenance and Repairs Collection

SATURDAY, August 15th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection

SUNDAY, August 16th

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VOCATION THOUGHT

Although we don't know when this world will end, we do know that the end is always drawing closer. We do not have forever to answer God's call. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

WORD OF LIFE

"Although we may feel unsure how best to comfort those who mourn, we must stand with them in their time of suffering. Miscarriage touches the lives of many people, yet all too often this tragedy remains unaddressed. This lack of response not only often leads to unresolved grief, but also fails to clearly manifest our belief that each person, from conception onward, is precious and unique."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

"Solace and Strength in the Sorrow of Miscarriage"

THE SPIRITUAL EXERCISES OF ST. IGNATIUS THIS FALL

Pope Francis has made the full Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Retreat at least 2 times in his life. Last year many persons made this retreat with great enthusiasm. The Spiritual Exercises is an in-depth experience of praying with Scripture in an Ignatian tradition. It involves daily prayer using selected Scripture passages and small group meetings, weekly for the first month then twice a month for 7 months.

For further information, or to register, go to this link (http:// www.SpirExIgnatius.org or contact Fr. Len Kamiensky, SJ (716-854-6726) or Joseph Ritzert (716-627-5530).

WIN A LABOR DAY PICNIC!

The St. Louis Parish Council is having an opportunity to win a Picnic Prize that includes:

Weber Spirit Gas Grill Picnic Table With 2 Benches 5 lbs. of Hamburgers 5 lbs. of Hot Dogs 5 lbs. of Chicken 5 lbs. of Sausage Links or Patties 5 lbs. of Steak

To date over 250 tickets have been sold. The drawing will be held on Sunday, August 30, 2020 at 12:30 p.m. The winner need not be present and the Picnic Prize will be delivered.

The proceeds will be donated to the continuing restoration and preservation of our historic church. The ticket price is \$10.00. Tickets will be available after Mass and by contacting Tim (Mac) McCarthy at <u>tmcc24240@yahoo.com</u> or 345-7054.

Tickets will be mailed upon request.

RCIA TEACHERS NEEDED

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process through which adults are received into the Catholic Church. St. Louis is looking for people interested in teaching one or a few classes throughout the year. The classes are held on Sundays, directly after the 11:00 Mass, in the Sacristy, and last about 1 hour.

St. Louis provides all teacher and student materials. If interested or for more information, please contact the DRE, Ashlee Campbell (443-744-0354/stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com.

2020-2021 FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

St. Louis Faith Formation will begin in late September and continue throughout April. All children, from age 2 through 10th grade are welcome to attend and there is no cost to enroll. Classes will be offered "at-home" this year. Hard-copy lessons will be distributed 4 times each year: September, November, January, and March. Each packet will contain 8 weeks of lessons. Parents will help their children complete the lessons at home, then return the packet of 8 lessons to get the next set of lessons.

Families new to St. Louis that would like to join Faith Formation need to register by August 17th. Families who completed Faith Formation classes last year do not need to reregister. The registration form is available on the St. Louis website or by contacting the DRE, Ashlee Campbell, (443-744-0354/stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com).

RCIA REGISTRATION

Are you considering becoming Catholic? Do you know someone who is being called to join our faith? RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process through which adults are received into the Catholic Church. The process is intended for adults: (1) who were never baptized; (2) those baptized in another Christian faith who wish to become Catholic; and (3) those baptized Catholic, but did not make their First Holy Communion or Confirmation.

Classes are held on Sundays, directly after the 11:00 Mass (approximately 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.), in the St. Louis Sacristy. RCIA will begin Sunday, September 13th and continue through March. More information and the registration form are on the St. Louis website.

Contact the DRE, Ashlee Campbell, (443-744-0354/ stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com) with inquiries or to register. Interested individuals should register and/or contact the DRE by Sunday, August 30th to ensure there will be enough materials.

