St. Louis Church

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MASSES

Saturday	
Sunday	
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.
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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.

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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	1836-1843 1844-1850 1850-1851 1855-1861 1861-1862 1862-1863	Rt. Rev. Msgr. Dr. Paul Hoelscher	1917-1944 1944-1948 1948-1964 1964-1965 1965-1979
Reverend Sergus Schoulepnikoff	1864-1867	Rev. Msgr. Robert A. Mack	1995-2002
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, August 15:

4:00 pm: VIĞİL FOR TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

Deceased of the Peter Berst Family, by Marilyn

Young

SUNDAY, August 16: TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

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

MONDAY, August 17: WEEKDY

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

TUESDAY, August 18: WEEKDAY

12:05 pm: Deceased of the Sylvester Eagan Family, by

WEDNESDAY, August 19: SAINT JOHN EUDES, PRIEST

12:05 pm: Larry J. and Marie E. Schieber, by Marie

Schieber Estate

THURSDAY, August 20: SAINT BERNARD, ABBOT AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

12:05 pm: Living and Deceased Members of the Pera

Family, by Tom Pera

FRIDAY, August 21: SAINT PIUS X, POPE

12:05 pm: Dr. and Mrs. George O'Grady, by Family

SATURDAY, August 22:

4:00 pm: VIGIL FOR TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

Edward and Rose Witman, by Gary and Sandy

Witman

SUNDAY, August 23: TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TÎME

9:00 am: Brendan Cody, by Michael Riester

11:00 am: Deceased Members of the Mikos Family, by

Family

SCHEDULE OF LECTORS

Weekend of August 22nd and August 23rd

4:00 pm: Diane Randazzo 9:00 am: Tom Pirrung

11:00 am: Michael Riester



SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Weekend of August 22nd and August 23rd

4:00 pm: Ann Dumansky 9:00 am: Susan Ministero 11:00 am: Joyce Persico



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.

UPON THIS ROCK UPDATE

From January 2016 until June 2016 St. Louis was part of the *Upon This Rock* initiative. As a part of this program, parishes were asked to identify a need that they would like to address in order that each parish may continue their good works. Because of your generosity to the Upon This Rock Campaign, we have been able to complete several projects and look forward to completing some new projects. Most notably the installation of a lift to the church hall for those who find it difficult to navigate the stairs; a new handicapped accessible bathroom in the church hall; the entrance way on the St. Louis Place side (handicapped ramp side) of the church; replaced the wall and stairway on the Edward Street side of the church; and the entrance way to the sacristy.

St. Louis continues to receive two yearly disbursements from the Upon This Rock campaign. At the end of July the parish received \$26,687.51. This added to our previous disbursements totals \$307,302.65. Thank you for remaining faithful to your pledge commitment to Upon This Rock.

This year we look forward to adding the Upon This Rock funds to our Annual Preservation Fund once again. The projects that we are looking forward to if all goes well this year include: some interior painting of the church, adding a chair lift to reach the choir loft, and parking lot repairs.

As with any old house there will always be something that needs to be done. Once again thank you for your support of the projects that St. Louis is able to complete each year allowing us to maintain our Gothic Grandeur. As always, may St. Louis bless you in return for your generous support of our Annual Preservation Fund and Upon This Rock.

Msgr. Manganello

VOCATION THOUGHT

Although God's truth is not always well received, it is only in such truth that we can find any assurance. Don't fool yourself about the truth of your vocation! If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.



Please pray for all those who are sick, suffering, recovering and hospitalized, especially Charles S., Patricia Guerra, 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.

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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

Last weekend 205 people attended Mass at St. Louis Parish. Our regular collection was \$7,188.00.

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 _ to be used for its general purposes."

THIS WEEK AT SAINT LOUIS

SATURDAY, August 15th

4:00 pm: The Regular Offertory Collection Including Pew Rent Collection and Assumption of the Blessed

Virgin Mary Collection

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

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ST. LOUIS GARDEN SOCIETY

The St. Louis Garden Society (SLGS) is looking for a few people to help us. We usually meet on Wednesday evenings for about two hours. Our next gathering will be September 2 at 6:00 p.m. If you can help us out, please email John Beller at dbjb2@roadrunner.com.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Struggling does not have be a part of your new normal. You can turn to Catholic Charities for support! Our agency offers several types of counseling including: marriage counseling, substance abuse treatment, Diocesan counseling for church ministers, and comprehensive assessment and counseling for children, adults and families. To get connected, call our Helpline at (716) 218-1419.

SPIRITUAL EXERCISES OF ST. IGNATIUS

Since 1986 hundreds of people in our diocese have made a special retreat known as the Spiritual Exercises in Daily Life. If you are seeking to find God's will, want more structure in your prayer life, or to grow in your relationship with God and others, this retreat might be for you! The format requires a serious commitment to daily prayer, and small group meetings, weekly for the first month, then semi-monthly for 7 months.

For 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 Saint 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 300 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 until August 30th and by contacting Tim (Mac) McCarthy at tmcc24240@yahoo.com 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 a 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 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/ stlouisfaithformtion@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.

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