

St. Louis Catholic Church

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Office hours: Monday – Thursday 9 - 12 and 1- 4, Friday 9 - 12

Weekday Masses:
Tuesday – Friday 9:00 a.m.
*Rosary: Tuesday to Friday
before 9:00 a.m. Mass*

Sunday Masses:
Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:30 a.m.
11:30 a.m.



St Louis Catholic Church

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Welcome new members - Whether you are just passing through the area or looking for a spiritual home, we welcome you to St. Louis Catholic Church. We hope you will find our worship environment hospitable and prayerful. People often attend Mass at a parish for months or years without officially registering. Registration here at St. Louis is an expression of your commitment to being an active member of our community. Parish registration simplifies the process with regard to sponsoring a sacramental candidate; obtaining pastoral references and for preparation of baptisms, weddings and funerals. Registration is easy and can be completed at the Parish Office during regular office hours. Registration forms are available at the back of the Church.

Parish Records - Our parish records are very important. We try to keep them up to date. Please advise the office of any changes.

Music in the Liturgy - Music plays an integral role in the liturgical life of the parish. Parishioners are invited to join our choirs. Please contact the choir directors:

- 9:30 Choir - Bob Reinhart (robertreinhart182@msn.com),
- 11:30 Choir - Donna McLellan (donna-ipad@hotmail.com),
- 5:00 Choir - Peter DeSousa (organist) or Youth Music.

Sunday programs for children - During the Sunday morning 9:30 a.m. Mass there is babysitting for children under 3 years of age, Sunday School for 3 to 6 years of age and Children's Liturgy of the Word for children ages 7 and up.

Sacramental Life - St. Louis Parish celebrates the sacraments for its members who are registered and regularly attending. If you are not registered you are automatically a member of a parish closest to you.

Baptism - Celebrated once a month. Please speak with a priest after Mass on Sunday.

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Saturdays 4 - 4:30 p.m., or by appointment.

Marriage - For registered and supporting members, please contact the parish office at least one year in advance of your date.

Becoming Catholic - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, preparing adults for baptism and/or to join the community. Please contact the office for further information.

Anointing and Pastoral Care - Our parish community cares about the sick and elderly and the lonely. Please notify the parish office to arrange for them to receive the Anointing of the Sick, or to have the Holy Communion brought to them.

Pastoral Care to those in Hospital - A family member is asked to contact the parish whenever a parishioner is in hospital and requests a pastoral visit, or Sacrament of the Sick (Anointing).

Priesthood and Religious Life - Is God calling you to religious life, as a Brother, Deacon or Priest? If so, please contact the Vocation Director for the Congregation of the Resurrection, at crvocations@gmail.com or www.resurrectionist.ca

Diocesan Newsletter - For information about Activities and Events of interest in the Diocese of Hamilton, subscribe to the online Diocesan Newsletter at www.hamiltondiocese.com

Parish Organizations and Contacts:

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASS INTENTIONS and EVENTS

Monday, April 24 – No Mass			
9 AM – NOON	<i>Pickle Ball</i>	<i>Gym</i>	
Tuesday, April 25- St. Mark, Evangelist			
9:00 AM To Bring Our Loved Ones Home to the Church			
9:30 AM	<i>Book Group</i>	<i>L. Hall</i>	
1:00 PM	<i>Prayer Shawl Meeting</i>	<i>L. Hall</i>	
4:30 PM	<i>Good Shepherd Catechesis</i>	<i>Nursery</i>	
6:30 PM	<i>Choir Rehearsal for 11:30 AM Mass</i>	<i>Church</i>	
Wednesday, April 26- Our Lady of Good Counsel – Patron of CWL of Canada			
9:00 AM † Janet Hughes – Cecilia Beechey			
9 AM – NOON	<i>Pickle Ball</i>	<i>Gym</i>	
6:00 PM	<i>First Communion Class</i>	<i>Nursery</i>	
Thursday, April 27			
9:00 AM † Zofia Paszek – Pat Helm and Dave Roth			
Friday, April 28- St. Louis de Montfort, Priest			
9:00 AM † Members of the Family – Estrada Family			
9 AM – NOON	<i>Pickle Ball</i>	<i>Gym</i>	
Saturday, April 29 – St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor			
Vigil of Fourth Sunday of Easter			
5:00 PM People of St. Louis Parish			
Sunday, April 30 – Fourth Sunday of Easter			
9:30 AM † Louise Lefebvre – Paul & Betty Gross			
† Geraldine Smith – Rosemary & Pat			
† Jerome & Helen Dietrich – Paul & Carl Dietrich			
† Valsamma Varghese – Philip Varghese & Family			
11:30 AM † Hugh Rogers – Jim & Bonnie Rudnisky			
† Dick Wideman – Wideman Family			
† Dan Kehn – Beaton Family			
Intentions of Dick & Mary Sue Caron – R. & S. MacNeil			
10:30 AM	<i>Sunday Social</i>	<i>L. Hall</i>	
5:00 PM	<i>OOTC Community Supper</i>	<i>Gym</i>	

The First Reading from Acts 2:14, 22b-28

The first reading is part of a much longer speech by Peter. The setting is Jerusalem on the Jewish feast of Pentecost (*Shavout*) which occurs 50 days after Passover. Originally it was a harvest festival, but by the first century, it included a commemoration of the giving of the Law on Sinai. Pentecost was one of the three pilgrimage feast in early Judaism, the other two being Passover and Tabernacles.

The city was filled with “devout Jews from every nation” and when they heard the noise of the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Jesus’ disciples, they all gathered around, wanting to know what was going on. The wind and fire from heaven certainly would have attracted attention, but even more confusing was the fact that members of the crowd were able to understand the disciples in their own tongue. But others in the crowd mocked them, saying that they were drunk.

Therefore, in the first part of Peter’s speech, he is defending his companions, arguing that they are not drunk at this early hour of the day. Rather, he explains that their condition should be understood in terms of an oracle of the Prophet Joel, which he quotes somewhat differently: “I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below... Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

Today’s reading begins with brief proclamations of the good news of Jesus Christ: His words, deeds, death and Resurrection. They declare that everything is under the power of God and in keeping with God’s plan of salvation.



St. Catherine of Siena

(March 25, 1347 – April 29, 1380)

The value Catherine makes central in her life and which sounds clearly and consistently through her experience is complete surrender to Christ. What is most impressive about her is that she learns to view her surrender to her Lord as a goal to be reached through time.

She was the 23rd child of Jacopo and Lapa Benincasa and grew up as an intelligent, cheerful, and intensely religious person. Catherine disappointed her mother by cutting off her hair as a protest against being overly encouraged to improve her appearance in order to attract a husband. Her father ordered her to be left in peace, and she was given a room of her own for prayer and meditation.

She entered the Dominican Third Order at 18 and spent the next three years in seclusion, prayer, and austerity. Gradually, a group of followers gathered around her—men and women, priests and religious. An active public apostolate grew out of her contemplative life. Her letters, mostly for spiritual instruction and encouragement of her followers, began to take more and more note of public affairs. Opposition and slander resulted from her mixing fearlessly with the world and speaking with the candour and authority of one completely committed to Christ. She was cleared of all charges at the Dominican General Chapter of 1374.

Her public influence reached great heights because of her evident holiness, her membership in the Dominican Third Order, and the deep impression she made on the pope. She worked tirelessly for the crusade against the Turks and for peace between Florence and the pope.

In 1378, the Great Schism began, splitting the allegiance of Christendom between two, then three, popes. Catherine spent the last two years of her life in Rome, in prayer and pleading on behalf of the cause of Pope Urban VI and the unity of the Church. She offered herself as a victim for the Church in its agony. She died surrounded by her “children” and was canonized in 1461.

Catherine ranks high among the mystics and spiritual writers of the Church. In 1939, she and Francis of Assisi were declared co-patrons of Italy. Pope Paul VI named her and Teresa of Avila doctors of the Church in 1970. Her spiritual testament is found in *The Dialogue*. (From franciscanmedia.com)



Resurrectionist Vocation Minute - At the level of our individual vocations, like the disciples on the Road to Emmaus, we too are “on the way,” we are pilgrims on a journey. So look around, who are your fellow pilgrims? Who are you walking with? Who is walking with you? Where are you going? How is the Risen Jesus in your midst? Read more at www.resurrectionists.ca



Do you recognize Christ in your life? Does your heart burn in his presence? How are you being called - as a priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin? If God is calling you to serve Him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, 905-528-7988, vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, or Fr. Raphael Ma, Congregation of the Resurrection Vocation Director, at crvocations@gmail.com, or Carmel of St. Joseph, St. Agatha, at 519-884-6700. Pray for vocations!

In closing, David is presented as a Prophet who spoke in Jesus’ name when composing Psalm 16:8-10 and these verses are a testimony to Jesus’ Resurrection, in fulfillment of a promise made to David that God would make one of his descendants the king of the Jewish people to reign forever. Thus, quoting Psalm 101, Peter says that Jesus, who was crucified, is this Messiah-king, who now sits exalted on God’s throne. (From the *Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, & Proclaimers of the Word*)



St. Louis CWL warmly welcomes all ladies 16 years of age and older to join us on Wednesday, May 3rd for our special General Meeting. We will begin with Mass at 7 PM and a Celebration of Mary and Service Pin ceremony will follow. We will have a brief meeting in the Large Hall with refreshments and time to socialize. Please join us! Non-members are always welcome to our General Meetings.

Next weekend – visit from Sr. Suni, a member of The Daughters of the Sacred Heart from Dallas Texas. She will speak at all Masses and present a slideshow from their missionary activities at 10:30 AM in the L. Hall.



Muffins, Mugs and Mingle - Families, parishioners of St. Louis parish, please come out on Saturday, May 20th from 10 AM - noon in the Large Hall for a time of visiting and fun with one another. Bring your own mug, muffins and other treats will be available for consumption. Babysitting will be provided in the nursery by some of our wonderful youth of our parish!! It is an opportunity to get out and enjoy one another's company!! We hope to see you there.



VBS is returning after 3 years (Mornings only). Theme:



Jesus Is Our Guide – He Teaches Us the Bee-Attitudes

Dates: Tuesday July 4 – Friday July 7

Times: 9 AM till Noon (Mid-morning snack provided)

Ages: for campers: 5 – 11 years old; for volunteers: 12 years old +

Cost: \$60/Child, or \$110/Family **Register by May 15th.**

Minimum number of campers is 10 and maximum is 30. For registration and/or more information contact Kelly Krause at 519-743-4101



Babysitting/Sunday School - right now we have this program offered during the 9:30 AM Mass downstairs in our babysitting room. Children 0-3 yrs of age participate in babysitting. Children 3-7 yrs of age join Kelly Krause in our Sunday School room (just inside our babysitting area) to hear the Gospel read to them at their level and to make a craft. No registration is required: come and see.

We are open to the possibility of offering this program during the 11:30 AM Mass as well. To make this happen we need 8 volunteers. If you are interested in helping please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office. If we get 8 volunteers, we will announce that this program will run during both the 9:30 AM and the 11:30 AM Masses each Sunday.



Tuesday morning Book Group started a new book on Tue. April 18 (9:30 AM in the Large Hall): *"The Gift of Years: Growing Older Gracefully"* by Joan Chittister. We read & discuss during 1 hr meetings. No homework. Everyone welcome.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish is hosting a Lunch in honour of Mother's Day, on Sun., May 14 at noon in the parish hall. Bring your whole family. (Tickets are limited). For more info and tickets: call Patrycja at 519-886-0342 X 3 or lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com Ticket price \$20 each includes hot lunch served buffet style (Chicken soup, Chicken schnitzel, scalloped potatoes, veggies, Caesar salad, cake & coffee/tea). Door prize, 50/50 & Raffle tickets will be sold.

"Loving Our Grown Children When Beliefs Collide": Sometimes our beliefs about our faith can clash with those of our grown children. We may wonder "Where did we go wrong?" When choices clash, divisions run deep & tension exists, how do we trust God's plan, keep communicatingand HOW do we love our way through this? Sun. April 30th 2 to 3:30 PM at St. Agnes Parish with guest Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office, Diocese of Hamilton. For more info go to Events at www.saintagnescatholicchurch.org

PRAYERS STRAIGHT FROM THE BIBLE - CANTICLES:

Great and Wonderful (Magna et mirabilia) - Revelation 15:3-4

O ruler of the universe, Lord God, great deeds are they that you have done, surpassing human understanding.

Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, O King of all the ages.

Who can fail to do you homage, Lord, and sing the praises of your Name? for you only are the Holy One.

All nations will draw near and fall down before you, because your just and holy works have been revealed.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

This Canticle is a hymn of praise, one of many, from the Book of Revelation. History, is not in the hands of the powers of darkness, chance or human decisions alone. When evil energy that we see is unleashed, when Satan vehemently bursts in, when a multitude of scourges and ills surface, the Lord, the supreme arbiter of historical events, arises. He leads history wisely towards the dawn of the new heavens and the new earth of which, in the image of the new Jerusalem, the last part of the Book of Revelation sings (cf. 21-22).

It is the just of history, the victors over the Satanic Beast, who intone this Canticle ... It is they who, through their apparent defeat in martyrdom, are in fact the true builders of the new world, with God, the supreme Architect. They begin by exalting the "great and wonderful" "deeds" and "ways" of the Lord that are "just and true". .. There is a desire to reaffirm that God is not indifferent to human events but penetrates them, creating his own "ways", effective plans and "deeds".

According to our hymn, His divine intervention has a very precise purpose: to be a sign that invites all the peoples of the earth to conversion. The hymn thus invites all of us, ever anew, to conversion. The nations must learn to "read" God's message in history. The adventure of humanity is not confused and meaningless, nor is it doomed never to be appealed against or to be abused by the overbearing and the perverse.

It is possible to discern the divine action that is concealed in history. The Second Vatican Council, in the Constitution *Gaudium et Spes*, invites believers to examine the signs of the times in the light of the Gospel, in order to find in them a manifestation of God's action. This attitude of faith leads men and women to recognize the power of God who works in history and thus to open themselves to feeling awe for the name of the Lord. This "fear" is not fright, for fear of God is something quite different. It is recognition of the mystery of divine transcendence. Thus, it is at the root of faith and is interwoven with love. "What does the Lord, your God, ask of you but to fear the Lord, your God, and... to love... the Lord, your God, with all your heart and all your soul". Fear and the glorification of God are combined. Pope John XXIII once said, "Those who believe do not tremble because, fearing God who is good, they are not afraid of the world or of the future". And this is what the Prophet Isaiah says: "Strengthen the hands that are feeble, make firm the knees that are weak. Say to those whose hearts are frightened: "Be strong, fear not!" (Is 35: 3-4).

The hymn concludes by foretelling that a universal procession of peoples will come and worship the Lord, revealed through His "just and true judgments". They will prostrate themselves in adoration. And the one Lord and Saviour seems to repeat to them the words He spoke on the last evening of His earthly life "Take courage! I have overcome the

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world!" (From Vatican.va - Pope Benedict XVI - May 11, 2005)

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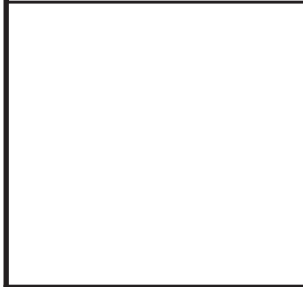


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