

St. Louis Catholic Church

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Served by the Congregation of the Resurrection since 1890.

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.



Pastoral Team:

Pastor

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Custodian

Michael Ehrlich

Welcome new members - We would like to invite you to register. Registration forms can be found in the narthex (lobby). Please call the parish if you would like your home to be blessed.

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 - John Miller (john@johnbmiller.ca),

5:00 Choir - Peter DeSousa and Youth Music (peterdesousa730@gmail.com).

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 attending members, please contact the parish office at least one year in advance of your date. A marriage preparation course is required.

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. Privacy-of-Information laws prohibit the parish from obtaining information about parishioners in the hospital.

Priesthood and Religious Life - Is God calling you to religious life, as a Brother, Deacon or Priest? If so, please contact Fr. Toby Collins, C.R., Vocation Director for the Congregation of the Resurrection, at 226-989-1057, crvocations@gmail.com or check www.resurrectionist.ca

Low gluten hosts are available upon prior request.

Parish Organizations and Contacts:

Finance Council

John Pendergast, 519-746-9768

Maintenance Committee

Bob Lorentz, 519-576-5556

Social Committee

Cynthia Ehrlich

Parish Webmaster

Daniel Delattre, daniel@uwaterloo.ca

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Catechesis Of The Good Shepherd,

Youth Ministry

Kelly Krause, 519-743-4101

Catholic Women's League

Gerri Duque, 519-885-6161

Ministry to the Elderly & Homebound

Cecilia Beechey, 519-572-5435

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Sandra Williams, 519-742-9239

Prayer Chain

Sharon Carey, 519-746-8073

St. Vincent De Paul

For food hamper or more information call 519-743-4101



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Mass Intentions

Monday, April 25 - St. Mark, Evangelist - No Mass
Tuesday, April 26
 9:00 am † Clarke Young – Sophie Debbané
Wednesday, April 27
 9:00 am † André Toussaint – Richard & Claire Armitage
Thursday, April 28
 9:00 am † Doris Toussaint – Richard & Claire Armitage
Friday, April 29 – St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor
 9:00 am † Daniel Caron – Claire Armitage
Saturday, April 30
Sunday liturgy – Sixth Sunday of Easter
 5:00 pm People of St. Louis Parish
Sunday, May 1 – Sixth Sunday of Easter
 11:30 am † Edward Gyorffy – Caldarelli Family
 † Kasem, Johnny & Khampheng Xaysy – Xaysy Family
 † John Lowry – Dorothy Lowry
 † Angela Lis Paleczny – Jack & Helen Shanahan
 11:30 am For the First Communion Children

FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER:

(Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-5a)

People of faith have the ability to see more than the circumstances they face. Self-help books and motivational speakers imitate the posture of faith when they speak of glasses “half full” and problems as “opportunities.” The Book of Revelation was written not to reframe current realities like motivational speakers do, but to tell us that reality is already different from what it seems.

“Apocalyptic” writing like this was composed for people enduring great trials and persecutions. This brief text speaks to any age and any people who long for the regency of God. What John sees is the end of all that is finite, incomplete, and painful. From out of heaven, he sees a new reality descending; it is the new and glorious Jerusalem, the eternal city of everlasting peace that looks like a bride perfumed and adorned for her groom. The “voice” announces the startling reality that God is not aloof and distant, but a neighbour who lives with us. God will not be capricious and turn from us like one lover might abandon another; rather, God will be forever with us as our sovereign Lord.

Borrowing from Isaiah (25:8), John proclaims a time when “tears” and “mourning” and “pain” no longer describe human experience. John is painting both a future and a present reality because we already live a transformed reality defined by God’s presence among us in Word and Sacrament.



Upcoming Events

Monday, April 25
 4:00 pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Levels I & II & III St. Agnes Church
Tuesday, April 26
 Noon Lent, Lunch and Lewis – last session on *The Reflections on the Psalms* Nursery
 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Meeting Large Hall
Wednesday, April 27
 6:00 pm Practice for First Communion Church
 7:30 pm (11:30) Choir rehearsal Church
Thursday, April 28
 9:30 am Small Christian Community Large Hall
 1:00 pm Bible Study: *Gospel of Luke* Large Hall
 7:30 pm (9:30) Choir rehearsal Church
Friday, April 29
 6:30 pm Youth Music rehearsal Church
Sunday, May 1
 12:30 pm Reception after the First Communion celebration Large Hall

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. April 30 5:00 pm	1 Marnie Wharnsby 2 Sharon Carey C James Skidmore	1 Joan Sichewski 2 Marilyn Foster 3 Guy Tremblay
Sun. May 1 9:30 am	1 Peter Erb 2 John Klein C Benita-Ann Gallina	1 Mary Smith 2 Rob Hinsperger 3 Anne Marie Webster
11:30 am	1 First Communion 2 First Communion C Lois Peterson	1 Pegg Leroux 2 Anna Malton 3 Rory Ferrier



Vacation Bible Camp – Parents mark your calendars, July 25-29. Early bird registration until May 21, 2016 gives you a discount of \$25/ family or \$10/child. Until May 21st the cost per child for all day camp is \$100 and the cost per family for all day camp is \$160. Our theme for this year is a circus, “Circus of Stars.” Please pick up a registration form now!



Lunch and Learn – previously “Lent, Lunch & Lewis”. We are coming to the end of the book by C.S. Lewis *Reflections on Psalms* and decided to continue meeting over the lunch hour. We will be reading and discussing together a book by Fr. Mitch Pacwa S.J. *Winning the Battle Against Sin; Hope-Filled Lessons From the Bible*. Come when you can. Bring your lunch. For more info call Anna or Kelly at the office. Tuesdays at noon (till 1 pm) in the Nursery. New book starts on May 3rd.



St. Louis Catholic Women's League meeting, Wed., May 4th: Mass 7 pm, the Crowning of Mary Ceremony, congratulating our 60, 50, 40, 25, year members, followed by refreshments and special guest speaker, Sister Immolatia, a Sister of the Fraternity of the Poor of Jesus Christ, who is living in the convent. It will be a wonderful evening and all women are welcome! (Remember your CD's).



Ecumenical Prayer Shawl Ministry Gathering- Tue., May 10, 1- 3:30 pm (doors open at noon) for all who are involved in prayer shawl ministry or would like to learn about it. Hosted by the St. Michael's Prayer Shawl Ministry, at St. Michael's Church, 240 Hemlock St. & University Ave., Wat. Bring your shawls to display. Free-will offering. Prayer Shawl knitting and crochet books will be available for sale. Register by Fri., May 6th by calling Linda at 519-888-6954 or prayershawlsgathering@gmail.com



Catholic's DIVORCE HEALING Program – at St. John's / Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish. The Catholic's DIVORCE SURVIVAL Guide features a 30 minute DVD for 12 weeks made by excellent popular speakers, covering topics such as: shock, denial, anger, grief, guilt, forgiveness, money, the courts, the kids, the ex-spouse, annulment, dating, sexuality, spirituality, remarriage or staying single, and much more. PLEASE JOIN US. Sunday evenings from 7 - 8:30 pm from **April 17th to June 26th**. To register or inquire, contact Denis Beaulieu at dendenbeaulieu@gmail.com or 519-581-8227 or Rita Rudolph at 590rita@gmail.com OR just show up at St. John's church basement (entrance off Waverly Street) at 85 Strange St., Kit.



St. Michael's Catholic Women's League Annual Card Party on Tue., May 3rd. Doors open at 6 pm. Lunch served at 6:30 pm. Share the Wealth & Raffle. Get a group together and make up a table. Bring your cards. Cost \$10.00.



40th Anniversary Interfaith Community Breakfast –Wed., May 4 at the Embassy Room at Bingemans at 7 am. This year, our guest speakers will be Joe and Stephanie Mancini. The breakfast ends by 8:30 am. Cosider coming to show our solidarity with the good work of The Working Centre. Tickets \$20 each or 4 / \$75. Available at our parish office.



Columbus Conference Centre Presents: **Spring Card Party & Spaghetti Dinner** on Thur. May 5th. Doors open at 4:30 pm. Dinner at 6 pm. Great Prizes. Dinner \$12. 145 Dearborn Pl., Wat.. Tickets at the door.



Veni Sancte Spiritus – Experience Pentecost – A Jubilee Year of Mercy Seminar with Marcel Dion. Sat., May 7th, 9 am - 3 pm at St. Anthony Daniel Parish in Kitchener. Pre-registration \$15. At the door: \$20. For more details contact Patrick Morgan at 519 -748- 5548.



Prayer Vigil – Thur., May 5th, 9 am to 10 am in front of Freeport Hospital, 3570 King St. E., Kit., for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! Parking - across the road, Schneider Park. Any queries, contact Cathy at: kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com



Shalom Counselling Services Fundraising Breakfast – Sat. May 7th at 8:30 am at Steinmann Mennonite Church (1316 Snyder's Rd W. in Baden). Cost \$30 (Tax receipt for \$15). Contact Shalom C.S. at 519-886-9690 by May 2nd for tickets. Speaker: Melody Leclair on "Struggle & Hope: One Family's Journey with Mental Illness".



KW Right to Life: Walk for Life Sat. May 7th, (3k around Victoria Park) Registration: 10 am at Historic St. Paul's, 137 Queen St. S. Kit. Walk starts at 10:30 am. Prizes - Draws - Good Food. Every \$50 pledged receives a chance for a \$150 Gift Certificate from McPhails. Call 519-746-5433 jane@kwrtl.ca



KW Right to Life: May 12th March for Life Bus trip to Ottawa. Last year's attendance - 25,000. A bus leaves from behind the Burger King on Fairway Rd. & Wilson Ave. Kit. at 5:30 am. Seats \$60. Student seats are sponsored and free. Reserve your seat at 519-746-5433 jane@kwrtl.ca.

Year of Mercy Pilgrimage Sunday to the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King on Sun., May 15th. The Cathedral will open at 2 pm. The Door of Mercy accessed through the doors adjacent to the Rectory. Taize prayer: 2:30 pm. Mass: 4 pm – Msgr Earl Talbot – presider & homilist. A plenary indulgence may be gained by the faithful who enter through the Door of Mercy and make a profession of faith, pray for the intentions of the Holy Father, receive Holy Communion & celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation within 20 days of the pilgrimage.



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Discover the “big picture of the Bible”, as St. Anne's (268 East Ave., Kit.) hosts Jeff Cavins' popular video series, “The Great Adventure: A Journey through the Bible.” Wed. evenings from 7 to 9 pm from May 4th till June 22nd in the Parish Hall; the second part will resume in Sept. (Total of 24 sessions). Cost for materials only: Workbook: \$48.99 + tax. Register by calling St. Anne's Parish: 519-745-5302 or email tjagas@rogers.com. Needing financial assistance? - Email to the above address.

Vocation Seeds - The new commandment of love is required of everyone who follows the risen Lord. How do you fulfill the commandment? If you feel God's call to the priesthood or consecrated life, visit



www.HamiltonVocations.com



Pilgrimage To Shrines In Quebec: Mon., Aug. 1st – Sat., Aug. 6th. Join us for our 42nd Pilgrimage to Cap-de-la-Madeleine, St. Anne de Beaupre, Sacred Heart Shrine, Beauvoir & St. Joseph's Oratory. Fr. Paul Szymanowski, CR of St. Mary's Parish will be the Spiritual Director. For more info. contact Rosie Gunn, 519-744-5923.

Collection: April 16 & 17, 2016

Sunday envelopes:	\$	5348.10
Loose donations:	\$	308.35
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