

St. Louis Catholic Church

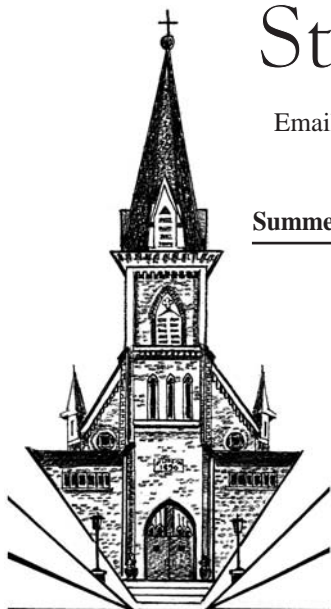
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St Louis Catholic Church



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.

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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)

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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19TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS and EVENTS

Monday, August 14 – St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest, Martyr, No Mass			
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym	
Tuesday, Aug. 15 – The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary			
9:00 AM	To Bring All Souls Home to the Good Shepherd		
9:30 AM	Book Group Meeting	L. Hall	
6:30 PM	CWL Exec Meeting	L. Hall	
Wednesday, August 16			
9:00 AM	† Moe Webster – David Roth		
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym	
Thursday, August 17			
9:00 AM			
Friday, August 18			
9:00 AM			
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym	
Saturday, August 19			
8 AM – NOON	SVDP Sandwich Project	Kitchen	
Vigil of the 20th Sunday of Ordinary Time			
5:00 PM	† Sean McNamara & Sr. Margaret Mary Forde – Pat & Joan Forde		
	† Alex Sichewski – Joan Sichewski & Family		
	† Norma Kirby – Joan Sichewski & Family		
	† Paul Crawford – Janet & Grant Ertel		
Sunday, August 20 – 20th Sunday of Ordinary Time			
9:30 AM	† Jimmie Doyle – John & Sharon Carey		
	† Paul Miller – Louann Miller		
	† Larry Laba – Louann Miller		
	† Moe Webster – Yolkowski Family		
11:30 AM	For the People of St. Louis Parish		



The prophet Elijah is celebrated and revered as a saint by members of the Carmelite Order, as well as many Eastern Christians, on July 20. It is a feast that honours the life of the Old Testament prophet and his fiery ascent into Heaven. They recognize his extraordinary holiness and faithfulness to God. Even though he lived before the Incarnation of Jesus Christ, he is still seen as a model for all Christians.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church affirms, “The patriarchs, prophets and certain other Old Testament figures have been and always will be honoured as saints in all the Church’s liturgical traditions” (CCC 61).

Carmelites in particular look to Elijah as the official founder of their order. It is believed that a group of monks lived on Mt. Carmel after the ascent of Elijah into Heaven and continued in a life of prayer after the death and resurrection of Jesus.

The Catholic Encyclopaedia explains, “A notice written between 1247 and 1274 states in general terms that “from the days of Elijah and Elias the holy fathers of the Old and the New Dispensation dwelt on Mount Carmel, and that their successors after the Incarnation built there a chapel in honour of Our Lady, for which reason they were called in papal Bulls ‘Friars of Blessed Mary of Mount Carmel.’”

The date of July 20 is an ancient commemoration, though the exact details surrounding this day are difficult to pinpoint. It may have been selected because of its position outside of the Lenten and Easter season, and is generally viewed as the date of Elijah’s ascent into Heaven on a fiery chariot (see 2 Kings 2:1-18). (*From aletheia.org*)

Prayers from the Bible – Old Testament Canticles

In the office of readings of the Carmelite Order for July 20th the following three canticles are included:

Antiphon: *Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the Lord, for the Lord is passing by.*

Canticle I - Happy are those who put their trust in the Lord - Jer 17:7-8

Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit.

Canticle II - The happiness of the wise - Sir 14:20, 15:3-5a, 6b

Happy the man who meditates on wisdom, and reasons with good sense. She will give him the bread of understanding to eat, and the water of wisdom to drink. He will lean on her and will not fall, he will rely on her and not be put to shame. She will raise him high above his neighbours, and he will inherit an everlasting name.

Canticle III - Thanksgiving for delivery from affliction - Sir 51:1-3b, 4a, 7c, 11, 14ab, 15

I will give thanks to You, Lord and King, and praise You, God my Saviour, I give thanks to Your name; for You have been protector and support to me, and redeemed my body from destruction, from the snare of the lying tongue, from lips that fabricate falsehood.

You have redeemed me, true to the greatness of your mercy, from the perjured tongue slandering me to the king.

Then I remembered Your mercy, Lord, and Your deeds from earliest times. I called on the Lord, the father of my Lord: “Do not desert me in the days of ordeal, I will praise Your name unceasingly, and gratefully sing its praises;” and my plea was heard.

Reflection on the First Reading: 1 Kings 19:9, 11-13

Today’s first reading is the story of the encounter of Elijah with God. To better understand this reading, we should know that Elijah was a Prophet of God in the time of King Ahab, whose wife was Jezebel, a foreigner and worshipper of Baal. After Elijah slayed the Prophets of Baal in Wadi Kishon in Galilee, Jezebel vowed to kill him, so he ran all the way to Beersheba, a distance of more than 150 km. He escaped into the wilderness, where he lay down under a broom tree and prayed for death. Miraculously, an Angel came to wake him and tell him to eat and drink what was left for him. When the Angel came again to waken him, Elijah was told again to eat and drink in preparation for a journey, which takes him to Mount Horeb, also known as Sinai.

When he arrived at Horeb, God asks Elijah what he’s doing there. Elijah responds with a complaint about how God’s people had abandoned the covenant, destroyed God’s altars, and killed his Prophets. Elijah adds, “I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away”. Arriving at the beginning of our first reading, we hear God telling Elijah to go out and stand on the mountain before God. The phrase “stand before the Lord” is another way of saying the Elijah is being called to service. The fierce wind, earthquake, and fire are all accompaniments to the theophany – a manifestation of the divine – but it is only in the “sound of sheer silence” that Elijah knows God’s presence. Thus, he emerged from the cave and hid his face because ancients believed that no one could see God face to face and live. Today, too, we might not see God face to face, but we can see God’s activity in the world if we look attentively. Where is God at work in your life?

(From the Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, & Proclaimers of the Word)



The Assumption is the feast that celebrates Mary's being taken body and soul into Heaven at the end of her earthly life - celebrated on August 15.

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, the Assumption refers to an event that occurred at the end of the Virgin Mary's life. *"Finally the Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things, so that she might be the more fully conformed to her Son, the Lord of lords and conqueror of sin and death."* The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is a singular participation in her Son's Resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians. (CCC 966)

This is a belief in the Catholic Church that has its origin in the first few centuries of Christianity, finding its source in early stories of the Virgin Mary's "death." St. John Damascene, an 8th century Christian author, wrote about how fitting it was for the Virgin Mary to be assumed into Heaven.

"It was fitting that she, who had kept her virginity intact in childbirth, should keep her own body free from all corruption even after death. It was fitting that she, who had carried the Creator as a child at her breast, should dwell in the divine tabernacles. It was fitting that the spouse, whom the Father had taken to himself, should live in the divine mansions. It was fitting that she, who had seen her Son upon the cross and who had thereby received into her heart the sword of sorrow which she had escaped in the act of giving birth to him, should look upon him as he sits with the Father. It was fitting that God's Mother should possess what belongs to her Son, and that she should be honored by every creature as the Mother and as the handmaid of God."

Pius XII details in his apostolic constitution, *Munificentissimus Deus* how this belief has been handed down over the ages and finds evidence even in scripture. *"Moreover, the scholastic Doctors have recognized the Assumption of the Virgin Mother of God as something signified, not only in various figures of the Old Testament, but also in that woman clothed with the sun whom John the Apostle contemplated on the Island of Patmos. Similarly they have given special attention to these words of the New Testament: "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you, blessed are you among women," since they saw, in the mystery of the Assumption, the fulfillment of that most perfect grace granted to the Blessed Virgin and the special blessing that countered the curse of Eve.* The Assumption is an ancient celebration, one that honours the Virgin Mary and her role in salvation history and the eternal destination prepared for her by her Son, Jesus. (From *aleteia.org*)

Office Hours During Summer (until Labour Day)

Office will be closed: on all Fridays.

July 10 – Aug 31, the office will be open Mon. - Thu. 9 AM - 1 PM.

How to Pray the Examen

1. Place yourself in God's presence. Give thanks for God's great love for you.
2. Pray for the grace to understand how God is acting in your life.
3. Review your day — recall specific moments and your feelings at the time.
4. Reflect on what you did, said, or thought in those instances. Were you drawing closer to God, or further away?
5. Look toward tomorrow — think of how you might collaborate more effectively with God's plan. Be specific, and conclude with the "Our Father."

(From www.jesuits.org/spirituality/the-ignatian-examen/)



Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." We can sometimes be afraid of God's call to priesthood, diaconate, religious or consecrated life. Get hold of yourselves! If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, or vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/, 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!

Marian Days with Bishops – First Saturdays from June to October at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph. Confessions: 9 AM, Mass: 10 AM, Rosary procession: 11 AM, Lunch (bring your own): Noon, Holy Hour & Marian Catechesis: 1 PM, Benediction (closing the day) at 2 PM. Presiders: **Bp. W. Lobsinger (Sep. 2)**, Card. T. Collins (Oct. 7).



FRASSATI Leadership Program – Young people entering grade 10 in September are invited to register for the Frassati leadership program. This year long program is designed for young Catholic leaders who want to expand their Catholic leadership skills and grow in their relationship with Christ and their communities. For registration and more info. please visit: hamiltondiocese.com/offices/youth-ministry/frassati.

The Inter-Mennonite Children's choir rehearsals are starting again on Tue. Sep. 12. at W-K United Mennonite Church for children in grades 1 & up and provide an excellent music education experience. Singers ages 9 & up who are new to the choir need to have a Vocal Placement Interview. Please go to www.mennosingers.com/imcc under "Join us" for more info. contact: conductor@imchoir.org and sign up by Aug. 28.

Maryhill Heritage Day – Sunday, September 17

11 AM – Mass; 11:45 AM - Mary Grotto;

12 PM – car tour of the area shrines;

1 PM - lunch (hosted by the CWL); Presentations; 50-50 Draw & Silent Auction. Email: maryhillroots@gmail.com - (519) 242-9595



ReSTART: Moving Forward – Our 10 week program offers support to anyone seeking to heal and move forward after divorce or separation. The sessions will run from Sept. 19-Nov. 28 and take place from 7-9 PM at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in Hamilton in person, or via zoom. Cost is \$35 for materials, but no one is turned away. Registration is required so please call Sarah at 905-528-7988X2249, familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com, or register on line at ReSTART Program: Support for Separated and Divorced - Diocese of Hamilton (hamiltondiocese.com).


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