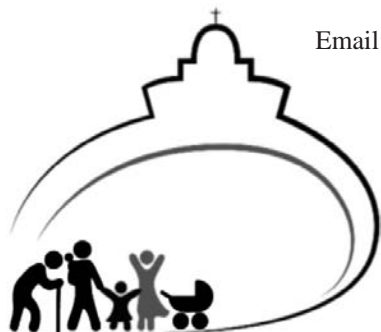


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Weekday Masses:
Tuesday – Friday 9:00 a.m.
Rosary: Tuesday to Friday
before 9:00 a.m. Mass

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),
- 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

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THE 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS and EVENTS

Monday, August 22 – The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary - No Mass

9:00 AM – noon Pickleball Gym

Tuesday, August 23

9:00 AM **To Bring Our Loved Ones Home to the Church**

Wednesday, August 24 – St. Bartholomew, Apostle

9:00 AM † Eileen Fischer
 9:00 AM – noon Pickleball Gym

Thursday, August 25 – St. Louis

9:00 AM **People of St. Louis Parish**

Friday, August 26

9:00 AM
 9:00 AM – noon Pickleball Gym

Saturday, August 27 – St. Monica

Vigil of The 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM † Colonel & Jean Moser – Kim Moser
 † Gerald & Audrey Moser – Reid Family
 † John Weir – Patrick & Joan Forde
 † Alex Sichewski – Joan Sichewski

Sunday, August 28 – The 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM **Intentions of Emily & Sean on their First Wedding Anniversary – St. Louis Quilting Club**
 Intentions of the Moser Family – The Family
 Intentions of Pat Thorpe - Elizabeth
 † Don Miller – Barbara Braman

11:30 AM **People of St. Louis Parish**

Reflection on the Second Reading (Aug. 21st): Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

The author of Hebrews reminds us that life in Christ does not come naturally, but requires life-long training. One element of this training is the sufferings that are part of every life. Christ's followers need to accept this "discipline," here emphasized by the thrice-repeated Greek noun *paideia*, which can also denote "training", "correction", or "guidance." The author's use of *paideia* presents the spiritual life as a continuous workout. Divine training sessions – all the struggles that arise in one's daily routines and human interactions – correct bad habits and activate the unique charisms that every person receives in Baptism.

The opening verse urges us not to disdain or regard lightly the Lord's discipline or training, and not to "lose heart" (the Greek for that phrase denotes not to "slack off, give out, lose courage") when reproved. For the Lord "disciplines" (Greek *paideuo*) beloved disciples and "chastises" (Greek *mastigoō*) them. The Christian's role in the face of these trials is to "endure" – in Greek, *hupomenete*, which denotes to "hold out" or "last" till their mission is completed as they draw their final breath.

Christ's followers learn to reinterpret what causes pain as a cause for eventual joy. They take the long view and trust that "discipline always seems painful rather than pleasant at the time, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness." Disciples get with their trainer's program. To endure, they must exercise their weak hands and weak or disabled knees so that these can be restored to health before they become irreparably useless. (From the *Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, & Proclaimers of the Word.*)



How the Queenship of Mary is connected to her Assumption - In the Roman Catholic Church, the liturgy celebrates two principal Marian feasts in August. The first is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary on Aug. 15, and the second is the Feast of the Queenship of Mary on Aug. 22. While the two may not seem directly connected at first glance, a closer look will discover layers of spiritual meaning.

The feast of the Assumption has been celebrated by the Church since at least the 6th century, and for many years its celebration was extended by an octave. In the history of the Church all major feasts were celebrated for a period of eight days. This meant that essentially the same liturgy was said, using the same liturgical texts each day of the octave.

The eighth day of the octave was seen as a final "farewell," honouring the spiritual themes of the feast for the last time. For this reason a complimentary feast was often instituted on this eighth day.

When it came to the Assumption, it had an octave celebration for many centuries. Then on May 4, 1944, Pope Pius XII established the feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary on August 22, the octave day of the feast of the Assumption. He did this so that by her intercession may be obtained "peace among nations, freedom for the Church, the conversion of sinners, the love of purity and the practice of virtue."

However, Pope Paul VI decided to switch the feasts of the Immaculate Heart and the Queenship of Mary. The feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary was joined to the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (celebrated on the Sat. following the feast of the Sacred Heart, typically in June) and the Queenship of Mary was moved to Aug. 22.

This is most fitting as "chronologically speaking," Mary became the "Queen of Heaven," after she was assumed, body and soul, into Heaven by her son, the King of Heaven.

It also corresponds to Pope Pius XII's declaration of the dogma of the Assumption in 1950, followed by his declaration of Mary's Queenship in 1954. He wrote in his encyclical *Ad Caeli Reginam*, about the two beliefs of the Catholic Church and how the two feasts are interconnected. "It is gratifying to recall that we ... who had assembled from every part of the world, defined the dogma of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven where she is present in soul and body reigning, together with her only Son, amid the heavenly choirs of angels and Saints ... in response to petitions which have come to Us from all over the world...have decided to institute the liturgical feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen. This will afford a climax, as it were, to the manifold demonstrations of Our devotion to Mary, which the Christian people have supported with such enthusiasm."

Pius XII firmly believed in the power of the Queenship of Mary and how she is a "Queen of Peace." He added that, "We are instituting a feast so that all may recognize more clearly and venerate more devoutly the merciful and maternal sway of the Mother of God. We are convinced that this feast will help to preserve, strengthen and prolong that peace among nations which daily is almost destroyed by recurring crises. Is she not a rainbow in the clouds reaching towards God, the pledge of a covenant of peace?" After her assumption into Heaven, Mary has become our Queen and is right there beside her Son, listening to our prayers. She is the true "Queen of Peace," who can help us turn the tide of war through her powerful intercession. (From *Aleteia.org*)



The Lord is calling people from the East and West and from North and South as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers. Are you one of them? If God is calling you, contact Most Rev. W. Lobsinger, Aux. Bp. & Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, 905-528-7988, 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!

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August 7 & 14 donations- Thank you!



A subcommittee of **St Vincent de Paul**, is embarking on a project of preparing sanitation/hygiene bags again this Fall, for distribution to needy groups. We're hoping our parishioners would consider donating some of the following items: **Disposable men's & women's razors, shaving cream, tooth paste, tooth brushes, feminine hygiene products, boxes of bandages, women's, or men's body wash, shampoo, hair brushes, combs, sanitizing hand gel, small packages of tissue, breath mints, small bottles of mouth wash, hand cream, lip balms, socks.** A box for these donated items will be set out in the narthex (back) of the Church until Sep. 11th. Last year, we assembled over 100 of these kits. A group work party to assemble the kits will be announced sometime in early October. Thanking you in advance.



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Catechist Formation

St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Kitchener, is very happy to be hosting Level 1 Part A Catechist Formation beginning this fall for those who wish to help children deepen their relationship with God through this Montessori style of catechesis. The formation program consists of six retreat-like sessions, one per month, from October 2022 to April 2023. Part B will be offered the following pastoral year. There is a cost to the program but scholarships are available. Please visit cgsac.ca/courses-1 to learn more about the course and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, and to register.



World Youth Day 2023: Lisbon & Fatima, Portugal – July 28th – Aug. 7th, 2023

Bishop Crosby is sending a delegation of 40 young adults to World Youth Day in the summer of 2023. World Youth Day (WYD) is the gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth, an expression of the universal Church and an intense moment of evangelization for the world. All young people aged 18-35 are welcome to join this pilgrimage. For more info. visit: wyd.hamiltondiocese.com The registration deadline for WYD 2023 has been extended until Friday, Sep. 16, 2022. Spots are limited. Our pilgrims have a Canada Helps page set up for any donations from willing parishioners or Catholic groups within the parish. To access this page, please see here: <https://bit.ly/WYDgive>

Moving Forward with Truth and Reconciliation. In August we are all invited to help in the garden planted by Anishnabeg Outreach on Spizig Road, Breslau – right next to Woodland Christian High School. Come with your garden gloves to help on any of the Fridays in August, from 9 am – noon. Andrew Zettel, Outreach Coordinator of St. Mary's Parish, will be there to help and to greet you.

Saint Monica's Story - The circumstances of St. Monica's life could have made her a nagging wife, a bitter daughter-in-law, and a despairing parent, yet she did not give way to any of these temptations. Although she was a Christian, her parents gave her in marriage to a pagan, Patricius, who lived in her hometown of Tagaste in North Africa. Patricius had some redeeming features, but he had a violent temper and was licentious. Monica also had to bear with a cantankerous mother-in-law who lived in her home. Patricius criticized his wife because of her charity and piety, but always respected her. Monica's prayers and example finally won her husband and mother-in-law to Christianity.



Monica's three children survived infancy. The oldest, Augustine, is the most famous. At the time of his father's death, Augustine was 17 and a rhetoric student in Carthage. Monica was distressed to learn that her son had accepted the Manichean heresy—"all flesh is evil"—and was living an immoral life. For a while, she refused to let him eat or sleep in her house. Then one night she had a vision that assured her Augustine would return to the faith. From that time on, she stayed close to her son, praying and fasting for him.

When he was 29, Augustine decided to go to Rome to teach rhetoric. Monica was determined to go along. One night he told his mother that he was going to the dock to say goodbye to a friend. Instead he set sail for Rome. Monica was heartbroken when she learned of Augustine's trick, but she still followed him. She arrived in Rome only to find that he had left for Milan. Although travel was difficult, Monica pursued him to Milan.

In Milan, Augustine came under the influence of the bishop, St. Ambrose, who also became Monica's spiritual director. She accepted his advice in everything and had the humility to give up some practices that had become second nature to her. Monica became a leader of the devout women in Milan as she had been in Tagaste.

She continued her prayers for Augustine during his years of instruction. At Easter 387, St. Ambrose baptized Augustine and several of his friends. Soon after, his party left for Africa. Although no one else was aware of it, Monica knew her life was near the end. She told Augustine, "Son, nothing in this world now affords me delight. I do not know what there is now left for me to do or why I am still here, all my hopes in this world being now fulfilled." She became ill shortly after and suffered severely for nine days before her death. *(From Franciscanmedia.org)*

Feast of St. Louis – Patron Saint of Our Parish is on Aug. 25th

These days, we don't often talk about royalty and sainthood in the same breath. We think about those people with royal blood and royal duties as confined to the political sphere and high society. But God can work in surprising ways to remind us that nothing and no one is outside His jurisdiction. In many instances, kings and queens have humbled themselves and used their positions of power to serve God and perform good works. These royal individuals are recognized as saints:

St. Louis IX of France (1214–1270, Feast: Aug. 25) - King Louis IX of France saw his royal role as a responsibility to serve God. In addition to serving the sick and poor, he had a great love of justice, and he established a fairer, less violent court system.

St. Edward the Confessor (1003–1066, Feast: October 13) Known for his gentleness and piety, Edward the Confessor became King of England in 1042. Thanks to his rejection of personal ambition, he ruled prudently and with much peace.

St. Adelaide of Italy (932–999, Feast: Dec. 16) - Adelaide lived in a tumultuous time of fighting for the rule of Italy. She eventually reigned as a regent for her grandson, Otto. As a ruler, she was noted for her wisdom, works of charity, establishment of churches and monasteries.

St. Elizabeth of Portugal (1271–1336, Feast: July 4) - Elizabeth of Portugal is best known as a peacemaker. After marrying King Denis of Portugal, she devoted herself to caring for the sick and the poor. She was called upon to create peace between family members and nations.

St. Helena of Constantinople (c. 248–330, Feast: Aug. 18) - The mother of the emperor Constantine, Helena was a convert to Christianity. While on pilgrimage to the Holy Land, she discovered the True Cross of Jesus. She had churches built in Rome and the Holy Land.

St. Ferdinand III of Castile (1198–1252, Feast: May 30) - Ferdinand was the king of Leon and Castile. He had a devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and during his reign, he worked to reestablish the Catholic faith in the region by building churches and monasteries. He was a member of the Third Order of St. Francis.

St. Stephen of Hungary (975–1038, Feast: August 16) - Recognized today as the patron of Hungary, Stephen did much work to establish Hungary as a Christian nation. He built many churches and created systems to support clergy and the poor.

St. Hedwig (1374–1399, Feast: July 17) - Hedwig was the queen of Poland. She was essential in the conversion of the Lithuanians, including her husband, Jagiello, whom she only married once he had been baptized. She is known for her works of charity, especially for the sick and the poor. *(From medium.com)*



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