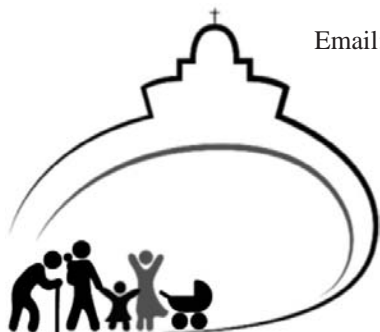


St. Louis Catholic Church

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



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Year 2021 - 2022

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:

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Custodian
Doug Lichty

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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MASS INTENTIONS and EVENTS

Monday, August 29 – The Passion of St. John the Baptist – No Mass

9:00 AM – noon Pickle Ball Gym

Tuesday, August 30

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

Wednesday, August 31

No Mass
9:00 AM – noon Pickle Ball Gym
7:00 pm St. Vincent de Paul Large Hall meeting

Thursday, September 1

9:00 AM Special intention of John

Friday, September 2

9:00 AM † Frank Reilly
9:00 AM – noon Pickle Ball Gym

Saturday, September 3 – St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Vigil of The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM † Loreen Freiburger – Joan Sichewski

Sunday, September 4th – The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM † Kathleen Pendergast – John Pendergast
† Katie and Albert Ruetz – Ruetz Family
† Catherine and Robert McNulty - Family
† Barbara Reinhart – Elizabeth Schwartz

11:30 AM People of St. Louis Parish

Reflection on the Second Reading (Aug. 28th): Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a

This reading contrasts Israel's experience of entering God's covenant at the foot of Mount Sinai (in Exodus) or Horeb (in Deuteronomy) to Christian Baptism. For Israel, signing up was a scary event. Gloom and stormy darkness shroud the mountain, which like a volcano, spews fire into the heart of heaven. ...Any person or beast that touches the mountain must be stoned to death. Even Moses is terrified and trembles (Exodus 19-20; Deuteronomy 4-5).

In contrast, Christian Baptism is a jubilant event. In it, the people of the new covenant draw near to (the Greek perfect verb form conveys that they *continue to approach*) an unending party on Mount Zion. For Jews, Mount Zion or Jerusalem is the place to which all nations will stream to worship Israel's God. For Christians, Mount Zion becomes the site where God is fully revealed in Jesus. It is 'the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem.'

Alive and celebrating together in God's city are countless Angels; the assembly of people who at Baptism were enrolled in heaven; God, the judge of all; the spirits of the just made perfect; and Jesus who, by becoming humans, suffering, and dying, mediated the new covenant that made this joyful assembly possible. (From the Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, & Proclaimers of the Word.)

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\$ 1413.15	\$ 165.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 2554.96

August 28th donations- Thank you!



Prayer Vigil - Thursday, September 1, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in front of **Freeport Hospital**, 3570 King St. E., Kitchener, 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, please contact Cathy at: kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com



St. Louis C.W.L. invites you to the Parish Pasta Party taking place Saturday, September 17th following the 5pm Mass in the gym. Food will be catered by Ennios and live entertainment will be provided by the St. Louis Blues Band. Tickets will be sold starting the weekend of September 3rd and 4th and all proceeds will go to St. Louis C.W.L. Ticket pricing is the following: Adults 16 and over: \$20, Seniors 65 and over \$18, Children 6-15 \$15 and Children 5 and under are free. Our famous Cake Raffle will be returning with tickets at a cost of 3 for \$5 or an arms length for \$10. Please join us for a fun night and buy your tickets early!



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.



Heartache to Healing *NEW***** – Monthly Grief Support Group – Beginning September 14th St. Michael Parish, 80 University Ave. W., Waterloo **We are pleased to offer monthly Grief Support on the 2nd Wednesday of every month from 7-8:30pm!** This

group is open to anyone who is grieving the death of a loved one, or a significant loss. This group allows for more sharing with one another, which is proven to be beneficial for healing. Whereas the 6 week Spring and Fall program offers the theory with some sharing and group support. You can attend when you're able to. Visit our website (www.stmichaelw.ca/grief-support), or contact our Parish office (parish@stmichaelw.ca) for more information.

Act II (Separated & Divorced Support Group – Has your marriage ended? Are you in need of support to adjust to your new life? Act II is a new, informal support group for those who are experiencing separation, or divorce. With the support of others you can begin to heal the emotional, social, and spiritual devastation of divorce. Join us:

Dates – The 3rd Tuesday of every month ***beginning September 20, 2022***

Time- 7:30-8:30pm

Place – St. Michael Catholic Church (Parish basement)

Address – 80 University Ave W. Waterloo, ON

Relax, experience support, make new acquaintances and see a glimmer of hope for a healthy and satisfying life. You are not alone. There is no fee. Join when you can. Bring a friend. Visit our website (www.stmichaelw.ca/separated-and-divorced), or contact our Parish office for more information (parish@stmichaelw.ca, or call 519-884-9311).

Kids News



Babysitting: we are in need of more volunteers to resume this program. We would like to begin September 11th during the 9:30am Mass. Commitment would be volunteering once a month. If you could help out please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office.

Confirmation: If you have a child in grade 7 and would like to have the Sacrament received here at St. Louis parish please register with Kelly Krause at the parish office. Classes will begin Wednesday, September 28th – 7pm-8:30pm and run until November 25th when the Sacrament of Confirmation will be received.

Good Shepherd program is a time tested approach to faith formation for children. It feeds the deepest needs of children, allowing each one to get to know God personally. In a retreat-like atmosphere, and with the use of special materials designed for the children, they have to opportunity to hear the Word of God and to spend time pondering a relationship with Him. Level I – ages 4-7, will run beginning Tuesday September 27th – 4:30pm-5:30pm. This program runs throughout the year, following the school calendar holidays. Please register for the classes with Kelly Krause at the parish office.

Youth Group – will run once a month beginning September 16th, in the large hall from 7pm-9pm. Anyone in grade 6 through high school is welcome to attend.



Painting with Kelly – want to learn how to paint? No talent required. Kelly will walk you through each project step by step. We will be painting a fall project beginning Tuesday, September 27th – 7pm-9pm. Cost is \$30. Most supplies will be provided. For more information and to register for the class please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office.



ST TERESA OF AVILA'S ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY will be held on **Friday, September 16th, 2022** at St. Teresa of Avila Church, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. Enjoy our Community BBQ in the hall from 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., an Outdoor Snack Booth with chips, soft drinks, fresh made popcorn and candy. Lots of fun for young and old - penny table, silent auction, bouncies, tombola, 50/50, music, inside and outside activities, play area for children 5 and under and much more. Come and enjoy an evening of food and fellowship. Fun starts at 4:30 p.m. and ends with fireworks at dusk. All are welcome!



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



Pope Saint Gregory I, also known as the Great, was the Pope of the Catholic Church between 590 and 604 AD. Gregory was born around 540 in Rome. The exact date of his birth is unknown. Although the Western Roman Empire had collapsed long before his birth, many ancient Roman families still commanded great wealth and influence in the city. Gregory was born into one such family. His father was named Gordianus, and he was a senator and a Prefect of Rome. Gregory was well educated and excelled in all his studies. He also became an expert in law. He excelled so much he became the Prefect of Rome, just as his father had been. Gregory was only 33 years old. After Gregory's father had died, Gregory had the family villa in Rome converted into a monastery. Today the monastery still stands as the San Gregorio Magno al Celio. Pope Pelagius II, who reigned from 579 to 590, chose Gregory to serve as an ambassador to the imperial court in Constantinople. In 590, Pope Pelagius II died, and Gregory was proclaimed pope by acclamation. This was not something Gregory wanted, but he accepted the burden nevertheless. Gregory made clear he preferred the monastic life in a series of writings praising it.

Pope Gregory was famous for the emphasis he put on missionary work. He sent many people out to bring many to Jesus and into the Church. It was Pope Gregory who dispatched St. Augustine (of Canterbury) to Kent in 597 (not to be confused with St. Augustine of Hippo). He emphasized the aspect of service to the poor for deacons. Deacons were often tasked with giving alms to the poor, and at least one was assigned to each church and ordained for this purpose. Pope Gregory was well known for his alms to the poor, and he gave quite generously of the riches donated to the Church by the wealthy people of Rome. Everything from money to land was given to the poor in some fashion. He made clear to his subordinates that their duty was to relieve the distress faced by the poor. He ordered his clergy to go out into the streets to find and care for the poor in person. Any clergy who were unwilling to go into the streets and help the poor were replaced. Assets of the Church were liquidated to provide income for alms. Clergy doing this work were paid four times a year and given a gold coin as a sort of bonus. When a famine struck Rome in the 590s, Pope Gregory ordered the Church to use its assets to feed the poor. In this way, he saved thousands of people from certain death. Pope Gregory himself refused to eat until his monks returned from their work of handing out food. He also made certain to dine with a dozen poor people at each meal. Because of his great respect for the poor, it was Pope Gregory and the Church that became the most respected --and obeyed force in Rome and across Italy. From the time of Gregory onwards, the people looked to the Church for government rather than the distant and indifferent emperors in Constantinople. Pope Gregory died on March 12, 604 AD. He was immediately proclaimed a saint by means of popular acclaim. Saint Gregory's relics remain in St. Peter's Basilica to this day. Both Anglican and Lutheran Christians also venerate Pope Saint Gregory.



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