

# St. Louis Catholic Church



2021

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

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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.**



**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:**

**Finance Council**

Terry Collins, 519-741-1534

**Maintenance Committee**

Bob Lorentz, 519-576-5556

**OOTC Community Suppers**

Keith & Sharon Schnarr 519-801-8687

**Parish Webmaster**

Daniel Delattre, daniel@uwaterloo.ca

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Dave Pagett, 519-744-7705

**Catechesis Of The Good Shepherd,  
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Kelly Krause, 519-743-4101

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Donna Herbstreit, 519-884-9380

**Ministry to the Elderly & Homebound**

Cecilia Beechey, 519-572-5435

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**Prayer Chain**

Sharon Carey, 519-746-8073

**St. Vincent De Paul**

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



## MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, August 30 –No Mass**

**Tuesday, August 31**

9:00<sup>AM</sup> To Bring Our Loved Ones Home to the Church – Monday  
Lunch and Learn Group

**Wednesday, September 1**

9:00<sup>AM</sup> Intentions of Danielle Pilon – Cecilia Beechey

**Thursday, September 2**

9:00<sup>AM</sup> † Christa Xavier – Amanda Ayoung-Chee

**Friday, September 3 – St. Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor**

9:00<sup>AM</sup> Intentions of Leanne Krause – Krause Family

**Saturday, September 4**

**Vigil of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday In Ordinary Time**

5:00<sup>PM</sup> † Edna Ertel – Phyllis and Larry Ertel

† Seamus Tighe and Paula O'Hanlon – Pat and Joan Forde

**Sunday, September 5 – 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday In Ordinary Time**

9:30<sup>AM</sup> † Don Miller – Krause Family

† Gary Austin – Phyllis Augustine-Sprout

Intentions of Stanley Pantin – Amanda Ayoung-Chee

11:30<sup>am</sup> People of St. Louis Parish

**Reflections on the First Reading:** Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8

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

In the earthly realm, nations with military power, wealth, scientific and business acumen, and such attract worldwide attention and accolades. In contrast, it is the wisdom and understanding, or intelligence of God's people that should draw the notice and admiration of other nations. What transforms Israel into a "great" nation is God's closeness to them and the divine gift of the Torah. As they put divine teachings into practice, they become more perfect images of God and reveal him to the world.

Wisdom (*hokmah*) begins with fear of or respect for the Lord and the conviction that he is present and active in daily life. Wisdom is grounded in what is real and is often practical.

Understanding, or intelligence, in Hebrew *binah*, results from discernment, which begins with questioning appearances and challenging assumptions and opinions. *Binah* presumes that one cannot completely grasp what God is doing in any situation – much less know how God is using circumstances to fulfill long-range divine plans.



**2021 is the Year of St. Joseph.**

The following excerpts are taken from the book *Consecration to St. Joseph – The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father* by Fr. Donald H. Calloway, MIC. Fr. Calloway describes ten "wonders" of St. Joseph, which we are following in successive bulletins.

**Wonder 9: Patron of a Happy Death**

-Saint Joseph is the patron and protector of a happy death. Those who pray to him are certain to die in good dispositions. He is the model of those who wish to die in the Lord. – St. Peter Julian Eymard

-Since we all must die, we should cherish a special devotion to St. Joseph that he may obtain for us a happy death. – Alphonsus Liguori

-We can never for a moment doubt that this glorious saint has great influence in heaven with him who raised him there in body and in soul – a fact which is the more probable because we have no relic of that body left to us here below! Indeed, it seems to me that no one can doubt this

as a truth, for how could he who had been so obedient to St. Joseph, all through his life, refuse him this grace? – St. Francis de Sales  
-My dear St. Joseph, be with me living, be with me dying, and obtain for me a favorable judgement from Jesus, my merciful Savior. – Pope Leo XIII



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. 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 great-great-grandfather was Pope Felix III who reigned from 483 to 492. (Astute readers may suspect this to be a scandal, but this was at a time before the clergy took vows of celibacy.) Gregory's family was very wealthy and owned estates on the island of Sicily which provided income.

When Gregory was just two years old in 542, the Plague of Justinian swept through the region. This plague was caused by a now-extinct strain of *Yersinia Pestis*, more commonly known as the Black Death. The plague was the most severe outbreak of deadly disease the world had ever known and remained the worst such incident until the Black Death in the 14th century. About a third of the population in Italy was wiped out by the disease.

In addition to disease, the barbarian Ostrogoths sacked Rome in 546. The Franks attempted an invasion in 554. Both of these incursions were short lived. It is unclear how these massive events impacted Gregory's development as a child, but it is thought his family retreated to Sicily during part of that time. Peace followed in Italy after these upheavals.

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.

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. He also referred to himself as a servant of God. The habit remains in practice to this day and many clergy still refer to themselves as servants.

Pope Gregory made many changes to the Mass, some of which remain today. The position of the Our Father in the Mass remains where Pope Gregory placed it.

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 may have also established "cantus planus," known in English as plainchant. Most today know this style of singing as Gregorian chant. The melodious, monophonic music is known throughout the Church and closely associated with medieval monasteries. Gregorian chant gives us the oldest music we still have in the original form, some dating to the centuries just after the death of Gregory. It remains a matter of some dispute just how involved Pope Gregory was in the development of the style. Some music historians argue the credit is a misattribution that rightly belongs to his less famous successor of a century later, Gregory II.

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. At that time, the Church controlled nearly two thousand square miles of land, overseen by the clergy and used to generate income. Now, instead of selling the product of the land, Pope Gregory ordered it shipped to Rome and given away for free. 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 suffered from arthritis in his last years. He 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. He is the patron saint of musicians, singers, students, and teachers.

Article from: [https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint\\_id=54](https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=54)



**St. Louis Children's programs looking for volunteers.** We are in the process of organizing our fall schedules with the hope of being able to open up soon. We are looking for volunteers for Babysitting and Liturgy of the Word at the 9:30am Mass. You would be committing to helping once a month. If you are able to help out please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office 519-743-4101



The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during the **Novena to Little St. Therese, September 23rd to October 1st, 2021**

Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to St. Therese. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to: Carmel of Saint Joseph 1127 Carmel-Koch Road, R.R. #1 St. Agatha, ON N0B 2L0



Prayer Vigil - Thursday, Septmber 2, 2021, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 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](mailto:kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com)



Our second Scripture reading reminds us that "Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father." God's gifts should prompt a response of gratitude, which should be the basis of our daily lives. If you feel God is offering you the gift of priesthood, religious life or deaconate, and you wish to respond generously, trusting in God, call Most Rev. W. Lobsinger, Auxiliary Bishop and Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988, [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com), or Fr. Raphael Ma, Congregation of the Resurrection Vocation Director, at

[crvocations@gmail.com](mailto:crvocations@gmail.com), or Carmel of St. Joseph in St. Agatha at 519-884-6700.

**Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament** - St. Teresa of Avila Parish, (44 Leonard St., Kitchener) would like to resume Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in their Divine Mercy Chapel on Sep. 3, 2021 (First Friday). During the month of August, they are reaching out to those who would like to sign up for adoration to ensure safe opening of their chapel and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. If you are ready to dedicate 1 hour, please contact St. Teresa's parish office at 519-743-4525 and they will place you on their list. At least one person per hour is required for adoration.

**Do you need support after an abortion?** Project Rachel is confidential, individual and with a trained counsellor. Please contact us at 1-888-385-3850.



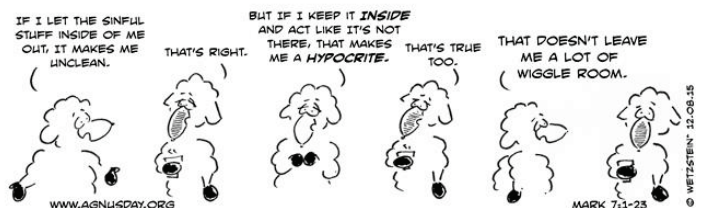
**WE ARE BACK OPEN: (Waterloo Knights of Columbus)**

Dining inside and outside on our new Patio is finally a reality. If you wish to dine in, or out on the Patio, please contact Martin at 519-884-2060 to reserve for our Friday Knight Fish and Chips Dinner, BEST IN REGION. To order take out, please continue to call Derek at 226-748-8378 by 4p.m. on Friday. PICK UP TIMES: 4:30 P.M. TO 6 P.M.; 1 PC \$15, 2 PC \$18 - TAX INCL. Spaghetti Dinner on Wednesday night is cancelled for now, but will be returning in September with an enlarged menu and dining in or take out. We look forward to welcoming you back, especially to our new patio. May God Bless and Keep you safe.

**Waterloo Catholic District School Board** is currently accepting applications for the following opportunities: Lunch Hour Supervision. Visit our website for job details and application criteria: [www.wcdsb.ca](http://www.wcdsb.ca). They are also looking for a volunteer for their Audit Committee.

Social gathering restrictions have placed many constraints on us all, but also made available some **excellent online resources** focused on personal spirituality, family, marriage, and our Catholic faith.

One of the recommended sites is [ost.edu](http://ost.edu), which offers a variety of online courses for credit, audit or enrichment. OST is Oblate School of Theology. Inspired by the charism of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, OST educates, forms, and renews men and women to "preach the Gospel to the most abandoned."



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**Churches open for public Masses.**  
Office is open during summer hours: **Mon. – Thu. 9 AM – 1 PM**  
Check the website for up-to-date information.

Date	Sunday	Loose	Pre Author.
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