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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 Fr. Dan Lobsinger, C.R., 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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22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 31 - No Mass

Tuesday, September 1 – St. Louis

9:00 AM † Shirley Ellert – Family

Wednesday, September 2

9:00 AM † Frank Reilly

**Thursday, September 3 – St. Gregory the Great,
Pope & Doctor of the Church**

9:00 AM † Loretta Lavigne – Cecilia Beechey

Friday, September 4

9:00 AM † Sara Detweiler – Cecilia Beechey

**Saturday, September 5 – St. Teresa of Calcutta
Vigil of The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM † Seamus Tighe – Pat & Joan Forde

† Walter & Kaye Hartman – Children

† Edna Ertel – Larry & Phyllis Ertel

† Stephen & Theda Strauss – Cathy & Manfred Lamers

**Sunday, September 6 - The Twenty-Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

9:30 AM † Frank Reilly

† Kryspin Strabel – Malton Family

† Zygmunt & Barbara Adamski – Malton Family

† Samren, Khamphens, Kasem & Johnny Xaysy – Xaysy

Family

11:30 AM People of St. Louis Parish

**The bulletins are posted on-line only.
Office open by appointment only.
(Mon – Thu: 9 AM to 1 PM)**

Sacrament of Confirmation - if you have a child in grade 7 this year and would like them to receive their Sacrament of Confirmation here at St. Louis parish please sign up for our classes. Classes will begin Tuesday, September 22nd from 7pm-8:30pm and will take place in the Nursery. We will be following guidelines given to us by the Hamilton Diocesan office, who is being directed by the Ontario Health organization, in order to keep all participants safe. If you would like details, have any questions and/or would like to sign up, please call Kelly Krause at the parish office.



To support our publicly funded Catholic schools in their return this fall Bishop Crosby is asking everyone in the Hamilton Diocese to join together in a Novena for the safe return to school. This Novena will begin Monday August 31st and end the first day of school, the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin,

September 8th. We are asking that our Diocese and our nation be under Our Lady's protection and dedication, that our prayers will join with our Blessed Mother's to bring courage and comfort to all in our school communities that the Lord is with us during this challenging time. To find the novena, go the Hamilton Diocese website

https://hamiltondiocese.com/uploads/docs/News/NovenaPreparation_2020-2021.pdf

THE WATERLOO KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PATIO IS NOW OPEN. CALL 519-884-2060 TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE. FISH FRY PICK UP IS ALSO AVAILABLE. From 4:30 to 6:30 P.M. EVERY FRIDAY at 145 DEARBORN PLACE, WATERLOO (1 P.C. \$14.00, 2 P.C. \$16.00) PLEASE CALL DEREK AT 226-748-8378 TO ORDER PICK-UP.

Prayer Vigil - Thursday, September 3, 2020, from 9 -10 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

Note: We will all observe 2 meters distance from each other.



"For what will it profit anyone to gain the whole world but forfeit their life?" Isn't there more to life than chasing the dollar? Are you being called to be a priest? Humbly ask the Lord. If God is calling you to serve as a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, 905-528-7988, or Carmel of St. Joseph in St. Agatha at 519-884-6700, or Fr. Dan Lobsinger, CR, Vocation Director, crvocations@gmail.com.



The last Saturday of every month, Serra International hosts a virtual global Rosary for vocations. In this way, Serrans from all over the world come together to prayerfully support our mission. You can join too.

This month's rosary will be led by Serra International Episcopal Adviser Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, on August 29, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. To join our rosary from your computer, tablet or smartphone, go to: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/314315981> or call 1 (647) 497-9380 Access Code: 314-315-981 Don't miss this opportunity to pray with Serra International's wonderful and dedicated Episcopal Adviser, Cardinal Collins.



This year, 2020, is the 750th Anniversary of the death of St. Louis (King Louis IX, King of France). In bulletins starting on May 17th we are looking at the world and life of our Patron Saint.

Miracles of Saint Louis:

The royal touch (also known as the king's touch) was a form of laying on of hands, whereby French and English monarchs touched their subjects, regardless of social classes, with the intent to cure them of various diseases and conditions. The French

traced the origins of their monarchs' divine gift back to Philip I (r. 1059–1108) or even Robert II (r. 987–1031). St. Louis also practiced the royal touch.

The ritual was normally performed between Michaelmas and Easter, when cold weather made it less likely to contract a disease from the infected subject. The procedure had four distinct elements: The monarch touched (or, alternatively, stroked) the face or neck of the infected person and hung a special gold coin around the person's neck, then read a passage from Gospel of Mark (16:18) "they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover" and offered prayers to God, Virgin Mary and the saints. (From Wikipedia)

Louis IX died in North Africa while on crusade in 1270 to the expectation that he would be canonized. Not long after his bones were returned to France and interred at the royal abbey of St.-Denis, an inquest was initiated to investigate his sanctity. At the Abbey, between March of 1282 and May of 1283, the official inquest into Louis' sanctity was overseen by three Pope appointed bishops. The commission sought to examine the evidence of both his character in life and his miracles after death to establish whether or not Louis was a saint.

Associates of the king testified to the exceptional character, charity, devotion, and humility that he displayed during his life. Men, women, and children who had benefited from Louis' miracles gave testimony of their experiences. Louis' reputation for sanctity pre-dated even his death and occasional miracles occurred as his bones were transported back from Tunis.

Pilgrims who came to St.-Denis seeking a miracle found Louis' tomb within the monk's choir beneath the crossing. In 1271 Louis' bones had been placed in a simple above-ground sepulcher next to those of his father and grandfather (Louis VIII and Philip Augustus) in the crossing. Louis had requested a simple, unadorned tomb, and it did not initially bear a sculpted gisant. Rather, the tomb was topped with some kind of wooden tabernacle that had rings attached which supplicants might hold or which they might use to hoist themselves to their feet. A sort of wooden shrine sat atop the sepulchre, beneath which a supplicant could lie prostrate such that the supplicant was on top of Louis' tomb.

In general a recipient (and their companions) expected a stay of nine days; the nine-days of prayer (the *novena*) was in line with medieval praxis in general, and at St.-Denis even those who were healed in shorter time stayed to complete nine days of devoted prayer to Louis. Some spent up to a month or more. Friends, family, and neighbours might carry someone in on a stretcher and place the supplicant down next to Louis' tomb. Others came daily to bring a supplicant something to eat. The church was also a place where one received alms, which were distributed daily at High Mass. Pilgrims to Louis' tomb would eat only once a day. Many— and in particular the parents of ailing children— stayed in the crossing as well. If true, it must have been somewhat cramped. As early as 1271 the monks had set up a system whereby supplicants had to, in effect, apply to stay by the tomb. The prior had appointed a guard who was charged with looking after those who came to the tomb so that they would not be overly crowded.

If the local, non-elite devout were impelled to Louis' tomb and to ask for his intercession because they heard that he was doing miracles at St.-Denis the reverse was true among elite miracle recipients. That is to say that many sought out Louis for miraculous aid *because of* their existing knowledge of and belief in his sanctity. Instead of "hearing about" Louis' miracles, they "remembered" Louis, his life and virtue, and the miracles they had heard about. For these men and women, their interaction with the saintly Louis was personal, individual, socially and emotionally reciprocal. Awareness and knowledge of Louis and his sanctity pre-existed the moment of need, and invocation was rooted in existing belief in his sanctity.

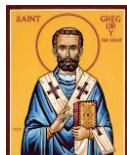
Shortly after Louis' interment at St.-Denis, and four days into a debilitating, perhaps life-threatening, fever, Dudo, first Louis' and later Philip's personal physician, began to think of Louis, and called on his old sovereign for help: "My lord, the king, who is also thought to be saint, in a state where you honour God, as I served you, I now beg that you save me, who is in such great pain, and I will go one night to your tomb." This was a remarkably personalized exchange.

The most striking characteristic of the experience available to elite men and women was the personalized and reciprocal interaction possible in a dream or vision. Perhaps our best and most famous example of this is Jean of Joinville. At the end of his life, after recounting Louis' death, canonization, and translation, he explains that he saw Louis in his sleep. "In my dream I had the impression that I saw him outside my chapel at Joinville. He was, so it seemed to me, to be wonderfully happy and at ease in his heart. I too was very glad to see him in my castle, and I said to him, 'My lord, when you leave this place I will put you up at one of my houses in my town called Chevillon.' Laughing, he replied to me, 'My lord of Joinville, by the faith I owe you, I

do not wish to leave here so soon.'" (Excerpts from the article by Cecilia Gaposchkin "Place, Status, and Experience in the Miracles of St. Louis")

Pope Boniface VIII proclaimed the canonisation of Louis in 1297. He is honoured as co-patron of the Third Order of St. Francis, which claims him as a member of the Order.

Saint Louis, pray for us.



Pope Saint Gregory I, also known as the Great, was the Pope of the Catholic Church between 590 and 604 AD. 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. 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. 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. Anglo-Saxon Britain was, at that time, still on the frontier of Christendom. It was Pope Gregory who dispatched St. Augustine (of Canterbury) to Kent in 597 (not to be confused with St. Augustine of Hippo). 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 produce 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. 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.

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: https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=54)



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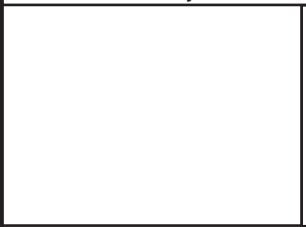
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