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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 24

Vigil of Christmas

5:00 pm For Children of St. Louis Parish

9:00 pm For People of St. Louis Parish

Tuesday, December 25 – Nativity of the Lord

9:30 am For Past and Present Pastors of St. Louis Parish

11:30 am For Benefactors of St. Louis Parish

Wednesday, December 26 – St. Stephen, First Martyr – No Mass

Thursday, December 27 – St. John, Apostle & Evangelist

9:00 am † John Foster – Marilyn Foster & Family

Friday, December 28 – Holy Innocents, Martyrs

9:00 am † Daphne Coelho – Noronha Family

Saturday, December 29 – 5th day in the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

Vigil of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

5:00 pm † Audrey & Gerry Moser – Moser Family

† Richard Mulhall – Pat & Joan Forde

† Edna Ertel – Larry & Phyllis Ertel

† Richard Barnwell – Pat & Joan Forde

Sunday, December 30 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

9:30 am † Monica Doyle – Hulme Family

† Kay Petersen – Hulme Family

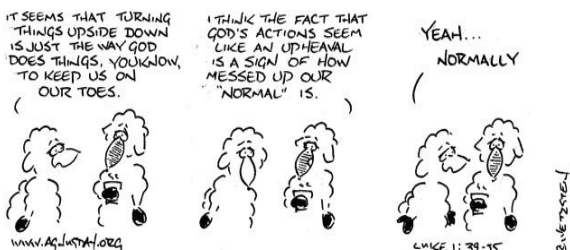
† David Ruppe – Claire & Richard Armitage

† Casimiro Ricasata – Ricasata Family

11:30 am People of St. Louis Parish

Reflection on the Second Reading (Hebrews 10:5 -10)

The author of the Letter to the Hebrews addresses the theme of salvation by comparing the ultimate efficacy of Christ's sacrifice with the inefficacy of the sacrifices of the first covenant. He presents a Christological interpretation of Psalm 40 to indicate the perfect submission to the will of the Father who presided over Christ's life and work. The sacrifices and expiatory victims prescribed by the first covenant do not earn salvation. Christ's coming into the world replaced the former offerings with the sacrifice of fulfilling God's will, with the perfect offering, once and for all, of his own body, which sanctifies us. The author puts in Christ's mouth the strong declaration of his mission "I come to do your will, O God." In becoming flesh, Jesus showed how to live according to God's will. The author motivates the believer to do God's will, which is what Jesus Christ came to instill in his people. *Excerpt: 2019 Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers & Proclaimers of the Word.*



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Please note: This bulletin had to be sent to the printers on Thursday, December 13, 2018.

THIS WEEK EVENTS

Monday, December 24

9:00am – 1pm Office open Rectory

Thursday, December 27

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Friday, December 28

9 am – noon Pickle Ball Gym

Sunday, December 30

10:30 am Sunday Social Large Hall

5:00 pm OOTC Community Supper Gym

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Mon. Dec. 24 5:00 pm	1 Jennifer McDonald 2 Betty Gross C Christiane Martin	1 Al Kehn 2 Donna Herbstreit 3 Frank Hulme 4 Albert MacMillan 5 Anne M. Webster
Mon. Dec. 24 9:00 pm	1 Andy Zajchowski 2 Joan Sichewski C Frank Mensink	1 Patti Walsh 2 Guy Tremblay 3 Christine Dopko
Tue. Dec. 25 9:30 am	1 Mary Smith 2 James Skidmore C Sharon Carey	1 Rob Hinsperger 2 John Carey 3 Cecilia Beechey
Tue. Dec. 25 11:30 am	1 Donna Herbstreit 2 Christopher Bishop C Tom Bishop	1 Donna McKay 2 Donna Herbstreit
Sat. Dec. 29 5:00 pm	1 Maureen O'Grady 2 James Skidmore C Christiane Martin	1 Grant Ertel 2 Joan Sichewski 3 Trudy Allensen
Sun. Dec. 30 9:30 am	1 Jessica Hill 2 Peter Erb C Benita-Ann Gallina	1 Cecilia Beechey 2 Joanne Bond 3 Rob Hinsperger
Sun. Dec. 30 11:30 am	1 Rosemary MacNeil 2 Stephen Filipowicz C Kelly Krause	1 Christine Dopko 2 Matthew Dopko 3 Donna MacKay

*"To you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour;
Who is Christ, the Lord."*



*May the wonders of His birth fill you with
Joy, Thankfulness and Praise!*

*Christmas blessings
now and in the New Year!*

*From Fr. Phil,
Kelly, Anna and Doug.*

DECEMBER 23, 2018

Children's Sunday Programs at 9:30am Mass will be closed from December 17th. This includes Babysitting, Sunday school and Liturgy of the word. All programs will resume January 6th.

Good Shepherd Catechesis program is closed for the Christmas break and will resume again on January 14th.

Youth Group does not meet over Christmas break. Next meeting for everyone is Jan. 11th. It is a fun night so bring a friend!!

Next CWL meeting – February 6th at 7pm

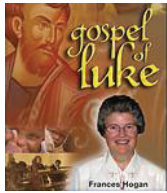
Next St. Vincent de Paul meeting – January 8th at 6:30 pm

Next Prayer Shawl meeting – January 29th at 1 pm



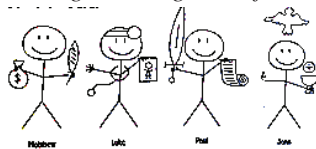
First Communion: Anyone who has a child in Gr. 2 and would like them to receive the Sacrament of the First Eucharist here at St. Louis parish; classes will run Wednesday nights beginning Wed. Jan. 16th from 6 pm - 7:30 pm in the Nursery. The celebration of this Sacrament will take place on Sunday, May 5th at the 11:30 am Mass. Please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office to register.

FAITH ENRICHMENT IN 2019:



Mondays at 7:30 pm – Frances Hogan's *Gospel of Luke* – starting on Jan. 14th – It is a detailed study of the author, setting and all the action in this Gospel which we hear on Sundays during 2019. The presenter comes highly recommended by the Thursday afternoon study group.

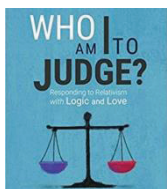
Mondays at noon - Lunch and Learn Book club resumes on Jan 14th with a new book by Dr. John Bergsma *Bible Basics for Catholics*. "Let award-winning teacher John Bergsma guide your through a high-energy and entertaining walk through the Bible, illustrated with his own charming drawings. So fresh, engaging, and truly instructive that you will find yourself smiling as you read it, and you'll be amazed at what you retain." Elizabeth Scalia.



Thursdays at 1 pm – *Lectio: Mark: Faith not Fear* series led by Dr. Tim Gray, starting on Jan. 17th – Do you follow Jesus 'on the way'? Is the Gospel of Mark only a "condensed" version of the life of Christ? What does it have to offer us that the Gospels of Matthew, Luke, and John do not? Join Dr. Tim Gray in this powerful fourteen-part series to discover the Gospel of Mark like never before. Immerse yourself in this action-packed Gospel that offers Saint Peter's account of Christ's life and teaching.



Thursdays at 9:30 am - Small Christian Community meetings resume on Jan. 3rd – This group reflects weekly on the Scripture Readings for the following Sunday using as a guide *Celebrating the Word* publication of the Congregation of the Resurrection.



Saturdays Supper and Study – *How to respond to Relativism with logic and love* program based on Dr. Edward Sri DVDs - next 3(out of 4) sessions will be on January 19, March 2 and April 6, 2019 starting with dinner at 6 pm and program at 6:30 pm.



The St. Louis Conference of The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, would like to sincerely thank everyone for the support shown after the event in the pantry. We are overwhelmed with the generosity and support and thank God for our loving community. Our ministry will continue strong and we welcome all who may be interested in this work. May God bless you all. Merry Christmas.



Dear Ladies, please remember to submit your annual membership dues for 2019. Please place your cheque made out to "St. Louis CWL" or \$25 in cash in an envelope marked "CWL 2019 Fees" and place in collection basket at Mass. You can also hand in dues to any lady on our Executive. We look forward to another great year together!



Are you called to follow in the footsteps of Mary as a priest or religious consecrated man or woman, or deacon to carry the Good News of God's great Love? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

The Herb Wittich Depot of Canadian Food for Children urgently needs help:

A volunteer with a pickup truck with hardtop or tarp, cargo van or trailer who would be able to pick up 75-100 green bags of used clothing at the Saint Vincent de Paul Thrift Shop in Cambridge and bring it to the Depot on Guelph St. in Kitchener to arrive around 1 pm. This would be required every other Wednesday. (The SVDP Thrift Shop provides a weekly donation of "slightly" used clothing. This allows us to continue our mission. Unfortunately SVDP can no longer provide their truck every week. This loss would have a major impact on our work.) If you can help, please contact John Pinnington at 519-894-5046 or pinn@golden.net.



St. David Catholic Secondary School - Grade 8 Parent and Student Information Night – Thur., Jan. 10, 2019 from 6:30 to 8 pm. Any students who live within the St. David Boundary and are planning to attend Grade 9 in September 2019 are invited. Please come with your parents to visit St. David and see all of the wonderful programs that we offer. Grade 8 students attending public school are also invited with their parents to this information session.

Theology on Tap next event: Tue., Jan. 15th from 7 - 9 pm at the Albion Hotel, in Guelph. Teresa Hartnett, Director of Family Ministry for the Hamilton Diocese, will be speaking on the topic "*Living Life in a Throw Away Culture*". Free finger food. A special invite to young adults between the ages of 19 and 40. All are welcome. For more info., visit Facebook "Theology on Tap Guelph" or Theologyontapguelph@gmail.com.



The Christmas Mass on TV - For those who cannot make it to church, please join the Catholic Community this Christmas. Watch the Daily TV Mass:

Christmas Eve: 9 pm on VisionTV
 Christmas Day: 8 am & noon on VisionTV
 11 am on Salt + Light

You can also watch on the web at www.dailytvmass.com

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DEC. 27: OFFICE OPEN 9 AM – 1 PM
DEC 28 – 30: OFFICE CLOSED

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