

St. Louis Roman Catholic Church

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Sunday Masses:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:30 a.m.
11:30 a.m.

Vietnamese Community:

Sunday Mass: 4:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday – Friday 9:00 a.m.

*Rosary: Tuesday to Friday before
9:00 a.m. Mass*

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Welcome new members

We would like to invite you to register. Registration forms can be found in the narthex (lobby). Please call the parish if you would like your home to be blessed.

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 - John Miller (john@johnbmiller.ca),

Youth Choir - Donna McLellan (dlmshaney@golden.net).

Peter DeSousa provides music for the 5 p.m. Mass (peterdesousa730@gmail.com)

Sunday programs for children

During the Sunday morning Masses 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

Church policy requires that the Sacraments be performed in the parish located closest to you geographically – unless you are registered and regularly attend elsewhere. At St. Louis, the sacraments of initiation are available to registered and regularly attending parishioners only.

Baptism: Celebrated once a month. Please contact the parish office for more information.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Tuesdays – Fridays before the morning Mass, Saturdays 4 - 4:30 p.m., or by appointment.

Marriage: Please contact the parish office at least one year in advance of your date. A marriage preparation course is required.

R.C.I.A: 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 Sacrament of Reconciliation, Holy Communion, or Sacrament of the Sick.

Pastoral Care to those in Hospital: Privacy-of-Information laws prohibit the parish from obtaining information about parishioners in the hospital. A family member is asked to contact the parish whenever a parishioner is in hospital and requests a pastoral visit.

Priesthood and Religious Life: Is God calling you to religious life, as a Brother, Deacon or Priest? If so, please contact Fr. Toby Collins, C.R., Vocation Director for the Congregation of the Resurrection, at 226-989-1057 or crvocations@gmail.com.



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mass Intentions	Upcoming Events
<p>Tuesday, December 11 9:00 am Beatification of the founder of the Congregation of the Resurrection</p> <p>Wednesday, December 12 9:00 am † Margaret Vogt -- Arthur</p> <p>Thursday, December 13 9:00 am † Kenneth Ayong – Chee -- Amanda Ayong-Chee</p> <p>Friday, December 14 9:00 am † Bob Ruetz – Fran and Family</p> <p>Saturday, December 15 Sunday liturgy 5:00 pm † Elizabeth Bowler – Cecilia and Maureen Eley † Walter Hartman – Kay and Family Thanksgiving for blessing received - Cherry</p> <p>Sunday, December 16 – 3rd Sunday of Advent 9:30 am † Clarence Monique – Monique Family † George Krebs – The Wednesday night card gang at Waterloo † David Kirby – Norma Kirby † Ryan Carter Poston – Johanne Tuer 11:30 am The People of St. Louis Parish 4:00 pm Vietnamese Mass</p>	<p>Monday, December 10 7:00pm C.W.L. Executive Notre Dame Hall</p> <p>Wednesday, December 12 9:00 am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 1 Convent –Atrium 9:00 am Foot Care Clinic Gym 6:30 pm 1st Communion Parent Meeting Large Hall 7:30 pm 11:30 Choir Practice Church</p> <p>Thursday, December 13 9:30 am Small Christian Community Notre Dame Hall 1:00 pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 1 Convent -Atrium 7:30 pm 9:30 Choir Practice Church</p> <p>Friday, December 14 7:00 pm Youth Band Gym</p>

Excerpt from “Remembering Heaven – Jewels of the Paschal Mystery” – To begin our Advent Season

The second Sunday in Advent reminds us it is truly in God that we find restoration, rejoicing and redemption. It is like a joyful dream. We know this dream. Jesus showed us its power in his revelation of the reign of God before our very eyes. We sing this Advent refrain, “The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy” (Psalm 126:3), confident that we have a part to play in God’s dream of the new creation.

Advent Penitential Services

Please take advantage of one of the following Penitential Services with individual absolution:

Monday, December 11th 7:00 - St. Agatha

Tuesday, December 12th 11:00 am & 7:00 pm
St. Francis of Assisi

Wednesday, December 13th 1:00 pm St. Theresa of Avila

Thursday, December 16th 3:00 pm Sacred Heart

Children’s Dramatization of the Gospel for Christmas

Mass: Anyone wanting to participate in this dramatization at our 5pm family Mass is asked to fill in a form found at the back of the church, or talk with Kelly Krause. We will have a practice on Saturday, December 15th at 10am. The practice is mandatory for anyone who will participate. Children need to be of school age – 5 years old and up. We also need some young people (12 years old and up) who are willing to help. You would be taking on the major roles for the dramatization and/or helping lead the little ones through this event. This cannot take place without a number of helpers. Please speak, or email Kelly Krause, if you can help with any of this. Thanks!

1st Communion Parent Meeting to be held in the large hall on December 12th at 6:30pm.

John B. Miller – our 11:30 Choir director – will be hosting a concert of both traditional and modern Advent and Christmas music, featuring some musicians from our parish, as well as some of John’s musician friends from outside the parish. The concert will take place on Friday, December 14, at 7:30pm here in the church, and will be about 1 hr long. A \$5/person cash donation at the door would be appreciated. All profits will be donated to St. Louis Church.

Holiday Sing-a-long Join us at St. Michael's Church on Sunday, December 16th from 2:30pm-3:30pm and get away from the hubbub of the Christmas rush for a while. Our special guests Dr. Gerard Yun and Jennifer Enns-Modolo will lead us in Christmas carols and seasonal songs. There will be a free will offering with proceeds going to Notre Dame Children Outreach. Goodies will follow in the Parish Centre.

Some Suggested Activities for a Meaningful Advent

1. Give up a grudge and seek to be reconciled with one person.
 2. Call two people who would love to hear from you.
 3. List ten blessings you have received in your lifetime.
 4. Set aside some quiet time to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas.
 5. Pray for peace in your own heart, in your family and peace on earth.
- (From your St. Louis C.W.L. Council)

An Advent Retreat – To Us a Child is Born

Holy Rosary Parish and Loyola Retreat House in Guelph are hosting a weekend retreat December 14-16. Mass, devotions, silent prayer, and personal direction will be offered if requested. Fr. Richard Soo, SJ (Jesuit Superior), Fr. Artur Suski, SJ (Jesuit Seminarian) and Fr. Vernon Boyd, SJ (Pastor) of Holy Rosary Parish will be directing the retreat. For more information please contact Loyola House at (519)824-1250

Longest Night Prayer Service

This time of year can be stressful and sad, especially when you have lost a loved one. **Join us Friday December 21 at 7:00 pm at St. Francis of Assisi Parish**, 49 Blueridge Ave. Kitchener for an evening of prayerful reflection in solidarity with all who have gone home to Jesus and those who grieve their loss. A reception will follow.

The sisters of the Carmel of St. Joseph will pray for you during the novena to the Infant Jesus, December 16-25.

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

St. Anne's Parish Advent Day of Reflection (prayer)
(268 East Ave. Kitchener)

Friday, December 14th 9:00 am to 3:00 pm (Mass 8 am)
Bring a bag lunch, Tea & coffee provided. Suggested Offering \$20.00. To Register: call or e-mail St. Anne's 519-745-5302 or stannesfamily@gmail.com

White Mass is a Mass where we gather to pray for Health Care Professionals, Pastoral Care Workers, Clergy, Religious Counselors and caregivers. This annual event is sponsored by the Association of Christian Therapists.

Seventh Annual White Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Douglas Crosby, O.M.I., on Wednesday, December 12th at 7 pm, Cathedral of Christ the King, Hamilton. Everyone is welcome. Video and reception to follow. Free will offering to help cover expenses. For information call Jennie 905-335-6902.

Christian Life Program – 11 week long course to renew our understanding of God's call to us as Christians as well as to revitalize parish community life. Open to all Christian adults. At the same time children's program for ages 12 and under is offered.

St. John's Church (85 Strange Street) Thursdays at 7 pm from January 31st, to April 18th 2013. No fee. Contact Len or Marie Solomon 519-744-5198 to register. (This Catholic family life renewal ministry is recognized by the Vatican Pontifical Council.)

St. Louis Parish Offertory Envelopes

The 2013 envelopes are ready for you to pick up at the back of the church. The new numbers will only become active as of January 1st, 2013. Please use your old numbers/envelopes for the remainder of December.

Deadlines for December Bulletins (imposed by our Publishing Company) :

- Sunday December 16th – Friday December 7th noon
- Sunday December 23rd – Wednesday December 12th
- Sunday December 30th – Monday December 17th
- Sunday January 6th – Friday December 21st noon

Collection: Sunday December 2, 2012

Envelopes	\$ 4947.00
Loose	\$ 278.98
Building Fund	\$ 80.00

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Deacon Phil's Corner

Seems an elderly gentleman had serious hearing problems for a number of years.

He went to the doctor and the doctor was able to have him fitted for a set of hearing aids that allowed the gentleman to hear 100%.

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