

# St. Louis Catholic Church

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### Office hours:

Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 1 p.m. - 4p.m.,

Friday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

### 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:

#### Pastor

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#### Parish Secretary

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#### Custodian

Michael Ehrlich

**Welcome to St. Louis Parish** - 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 – John Miller (john@johnbmiller.ca),

5:00 Mass – 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 attending members, please contact the parish office at least one year in advance of your date.

A marriage preparation course is required.

**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. Privacy-of-Information laws prohibit the parish from obtaining information about parishioners in the hospital.

**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, crvocations@gmail.com or check www.resurrectionist.ca

### Parish Organizations and Contacts:

#### Finance Council

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#### Maintenance Committee

Bob Lorentz, 519-576-5556

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Cynthia Ehrlich

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# SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## Mass Intentions

**Monday, February 20 – Family Day – Office closed**

No Mass

**Tuesday, February 21**

9:00 am The Intentions of the Moser Family – Jim & Family

**Wednesday, February 22 – Chair of St. Peter, Apostle**

9:00 am † Patrick Coyne – Fran Ruetz

**Thursday, February 23 – St. Polycarp, Bishop, Martyr**

9:00 am † Edward Motz – Sandra & Eldon Prince

**Friday, February 24**

9:00 am

**Saturday, February 25**

9:00 am For the intentions of the members and friends of St. Louis Parish St. Vincent de Paul Society

**Sunday liturgy – Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 pm † Teresa Forde – Pat & Joan Forde

† Nick & Katie Gengler – Katie Ruetz & Family

**Sunday, February 26 – Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30 am For the People of St. Louis Parish

11:30 am † Patrick Reitzel – Audrey Reitzel & Family

† Zygmunt Adamski – Parishioners of St. Louis

† Joe Brick – Leona Bin

## Reflection on the Gospel: (Matthew 5:38-48)

Today's Gospel reading continues the Sermon on the Mount, specifically including the last two of six antithetical statements begun last Sunday. Matthew presents Jesus as the true interpreter of the Law Moses received on Sinai by contrasting one of its teachings with his own instructions. It is important to recall that in beginning his instruction to the disciples, Jesus reassures them that he does not intend to abolish, but to fulfill Jewish Law and Scriptures.

Both pairings of old and new teachings call Jesus' followers to place no limits on love of the other, regardless of anyone's behaviour or seeming worthiness. He first quotes Exodus 21:24, a command of the Law originally meant to curb unlimited retaliation, which was common at the time of Moses. For those who live according to the teaching of Jesus and share in the Kingdom of Heaven, there must be no retaliation at all for injury or offence. Instead, one must replace offence with kindness. Jesus' instruction seems to apply even to the hated Romans, who claimed the right to seize the goods of native peoples or compel them into the service of the empire.

This point leads to one of the most difficult of Jesus' commands: to love not only neighbours, as the Law requires (Leviticus 19:18), but to love and do good even to enemies.

For Jesus' disciples the standard of righteousness is much greater; it is no less than imitation of God. The word *teleios*, translated "perfect," does not demand moral faultlessness, impossible for humans. The term most likely alludes to Deuteronomy 18:13, in which Moses calls the people to be completely devoted to (*teleios*) following divine instruction. Jesus will use the same word later in response to one who inquires what he must do to have eternal life (Math 19:16).

## Upcoming Events

**Monday, February 20 – Family Day – Office closed**  
**Tuesday, February 21**

noon Lunch & Learn: *Does the Bible Really Say That?* (Chapters: 41,42) by Patrick Madrid Nursery

6:30 pm CWL Executive meeting L. Hall

**Wednesday, February 22**

6:00 pm First Reconciliation (with 11:30 Choir) Church

**Thursday, February 23**

9:30 am Small Christian Community Large Hall

1:00 pm Bible Study: *Gospel of Matthew* Large Hall

7:30 pm (9:30) Choir rehearsal Church

**Friday, February 24**

6:00 pm Youth Music Rehearsal Church

7:00 pm Youth Group Meeting Large Hall

**Saturday, February 25**

9 am - St. Vincent de Paul retreat Large Hall

noon

| Mass                     | Readers                                                       | Eucharistic Ministers                                       |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sat. Feb. 25<br>5 pm     | 1. Kathie Mulhall<br>2. Stephen Mulhall<br>C. Maureen O'Grady | 1. Betty Gross<br>2. Grant Ertel<br>3. Guy Tremblay         |
| Sun. Feb. 26<br>9:30 am  | 1. Benita-Ann Gallina<br>2. Rose Mastnak<br>C. John Klein     | 1. Mary Smith<br>2. Justine Krause<br>3. Frank Mensink      |
| Sun. Feb. 26<br>11:30 am | 1. Darlene Wilson<br>2. Jody Rice<br>C. Carol Sullivan        | 1. Christine Dopko<br>2. Matthew Dopko<br>3. Charlie Wilson |



**St. Louis Catholic Women's League next meeting, Wednesday March 8th - (NOT March 1st):** Mass 7pm

- Refreshments - Guest speaker: Gerti Emslie "Navigating the Health Care System" - (questions to ask at the doctor's visit, follow up after treatment, patient responsibilities and CCAC) - concluding with a brief meeting.

**Please mark your calendar: Saturday, March 11th (9:00 am-12:30 pm).** The 4 Waterloo CWL councils (Our Lady of Lourdes, St. Agnes, St. Louis, St. Michael's) present a half-day Lenten retreat at St. Agnes Church - Theme: "The Gift of Confession" by Fr. Aleks Mazur. 9 am Mass, refreshments, 2 sessions (break in between), questions ? All members/ non members welcome. This is a free event.



St. Anthony Daniel is hosting The World Day Of Prayer – Fri., March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2 pm. It is our parish's privilege to welcome members of neighbouring Christian churches as host of this year's local World Day of Prayer celebration. Our prayer service, "Am I Being Unfair to You?" was prepared by women from the Philippines. Our pastor, Fr. Allen Varlaki, will preach as we join Christians around the world in prayer. We warmly invite all to join us.



**Vocation Seeds:** "Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect." Do you feel called to help people get closer to God? If you think God is calling you to be a, priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, [mking@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mking@hamiltondiocese.com).



**Prayers for Christian Unity** and worldwide needs on Sun., Feb. 26, 7:30 pm hosted by Stirling Ave. Mennonite Church, 57 Stirling Ave. N., Kit., ( 519-745-4769).



**10th Waterloo Scout Group & the St. Vincent de Paul Youth Present the 37th Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper:** Tuesday, Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>, in Our Lady of Lourdes Church Hall. All-You-Can-Eat pancakes & ham - dessert & beverages included.

Serving time: 5 -7 pm. Tickets are only available at the door in the Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Church Hall, 173 Lourdes St., Wat., first-come, first-served. The ticket prices are: Family\*: \$22.00, Adults: \$8.00, Seniors: \$6.00, Kids under 12: \$6.00. (\*A family is considered to be parents and their children, 12 years of age and younger, with a maximum of 5 people). For more info., - call Bob Kalbfleisch at 519-572-1112, [bob.kalbfleisch@bell.net](mailto:bob.kalbfleisch@bell.net) or George Mayer Jr. at 519-741-6744 or email [george.mayer.jr@gmail.com](mailto:george.mayer.jr@gmail.com).

**St. David Fish Fry Dinner and Bake Sale** on Sun., March 5, at Columbus Conference Centre (145 Dearborn Pl., Wat.). Doors open at 4:30 pm with meal service at 5 pm (Eat In or Take Out Available). 1 Pc Dinner: \$12 and 2 Pc Dinner: \$14. Beverages available for purchase. Bake Sale, Draws & Entertainment. All proceeds to the Anniversary Statue Project. Tickets available from Deacon Ed MacIntosh (519-589-8252).



**Stress in Your Marriage?** – Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage.

Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. Retrouvaille can help. For confidential information about, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend **March 24, 2017**, please call **905-664-5212** or email: [hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca](mailto:hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca) or visit the web site at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

The **Sisters of the Carmel of St. Joseph** will pray for you during the Novena to Saint Joseph, March 11<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>. Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to St. Joseph. 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.

**Community Garage Sale** at St. Teresa of Avila Church Hall, 19 Flamingo Dr., Elmira on Sat., March 4<sup>th</sup> from 8 am to 2 pm. All proceeds support the Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada. To arrange drop off/pick up of items you would like to donate please email [BTWalkKW@braintumour.ca](mailto:BTWalkKW@braintumour.ca) or call 519-498-4632. Due to space limitations, please no books or clothing. There will be a 31 Independent Consultant and Holly's Homemade Cinnamon Buns on site as well.



**DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS:**

Are you celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2017? You are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, June 25, 2017** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Please refer to posters in the church for information on how to register for the celebration, or [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

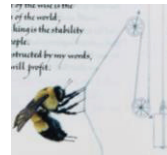


The “Cursillo Weekend” for the **Hamilton Diocese** has been moved from the Spring to the Fall (October).

A three-day Cursillo weekend, is a short review of Christianity, designed to help you on that journey. Beginning on a Thursday night and ending Sunday afternoon, through a series of talks by lay people and clergy, and the sacraments, you will get to take a closer look at yourself, God, and others. If you are over 18 years of age, and are open to a closer relationship with our God and Saviour, consider this joy-filled Cursillo Weekend in the Fall. The October Cursillo Weekend takes place at the peaceful St. Ignatian Deemerton Retreat Centre near Mildmay, ON. Transportation provided.

**Mark Your Calendar:**

- Women's is Thur. Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> to early Sunday evening Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>,  
- Men's is Thur. Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> to early Sunday evening Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>.  
For more information check website: [cursillohamilton.org](http://cursillohamilton.org), or contact: Fr. Ray Reitzel, CR, [rayreitzelcr@live.com](mailto:rayreitzelcr@live.com) 519-725-1445



A special program on **The Saint John's Bible "Insects in the Bible: An Intertextual Approach"** will take place at the Royal Botanical Gardens Rock Garden on Saturday Mar. 11, from 2-4 p.m. Fr. Michael Patella, OSB and Sabrina Hall who will consider some of the insects featured in The Saint John's Bible. Cost \$30. Pre-register by March 1 at [www.rbg.ca](http://www.rbg.ca) or 1-800-694-4769.



**Please save your milk bags** - The families of Our Lady of Lourdes School request the assistance of the parish to participate in Project Milk Bag. Until March 12<sup>th</sup> please bring the colourful outer milk bags (clean and flattened) to the box provided at the back of St. Louis church. The bags will be woven into mats for less fortunate individuals all over the world. It takes 400 milk bags to make an adult sized bed mat.



**Did you ever sing in the Inter-Mennonite Children's Choir?** All former choristers are invited to participate in the Alumni Choir at the IMCC 50th Anniversary Concert on May 7<sup>th</sup>. This celebration includes an afternoon rehearsal, dinner, and evening entertainment for alumni on May 6<sup>th</sup>. For more info and to register, visit <http://bit.ly/2kVblBz> or email [intermennonitechilrenschoir@gmail.com](mailto:intermennonitechilrenschoir@gmail.com).

**Next weekend please bring your last year's palms.  
They will be burnt to make ashes for Ash Wednesday.**

**Past Sunday Collection:**

|                              |    |         |
|------------------------------|----|---------|
| Sunday Envelopes             | \$ | 3216.50 |
| Seminary Education Offering  | \$ | 100.00  |
| Loose Donations              | \$ | 378.40  |
| Pre Authorized donations for | \$ | 1384.46 |
| February: pro-rated per week |    |         |

*Thank you for your generosity & continuous support!*



**Pre-Authorized Giving available at St. Louis Church.**

**You can sign up at any time.**

Funds are transferred monthly on the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. (This covers **only** the regular Sunday envelope donations). If interested, pick up a registration form.



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