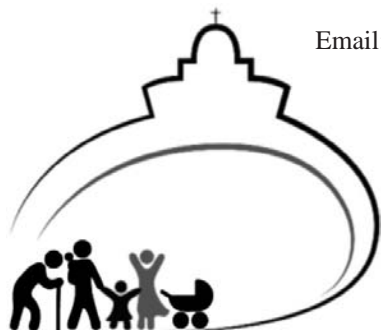


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Tuesday – Friday 9:00 a.m.
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before 9:00 a.m. Mass

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 the Vocation Director for the Congregation of the Resurrection, at crvocations@gmail.com or www.resurrectionist.ca

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THE SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTION

Monday, February 21 – No Mass – Family Day

Tuesday, February 22 – Chair of St. Peter

9:00 AM To Bring Our Loved Ones Home to the Church

Wednesday, February 23 – St. Polycarp, Bishop, Martyr

9:00 AM † Elisabeth & Andreas Schwarz – Veit Family

Thursday, February 24

9:00 AM † Carmel Wyse – Annette & Frank Hulme

Friday, February 25

9:00 AM † Gerald Parent – Richard & Claire Armitage

Saturday, February 26

Vigil of The Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM † Ken Danard – Janet & Grant Ertel

† Ellen Forde & Noella Forde – Pat & Joan Forde

† Bernadette Daniel-Roseman – Amanda Ayong-Chee

Sunday, February 27 – The Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM † Ted & John Kawalec – Joan & Rod Silver

† Ken Danard – Marilyn Foster

† Leone Malleck – Louanne Miller

11:30 AM People of St. Louis Church

Reflection on the First Reading: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-25++

Today's first reading recalls one of several stories about political and military conflicts between David and Saul. Although Saul was the king of Israel at the time, he had lost favour with God because of his failure to carry out God's command against the Amalekites, one of Israel's fiercest enemies. Just as Samuel, the last of the judges and first of the Prophets, had secretly anointed Saul to be king of Israel (1 Samuel 9:1-10:16), later he secretly anointed David to take Saul's place (1 Samuel 16:1-13). In subsequent chapters of 1 Samuel, we see David gradually rise to power while Saul steadily experiences losses within his family and loses control of his kingdom.

In today's lectionary reading, we see Saul pausing in his battle with the Philistines to pursue David and his men in the wilderness of Ziph. Can you sense the excitement that this was story is supposed to engender? Saul has 3,000 warriors with him, while David has only 600, but, when night comes, David and Abishai, one of his military leaders, are able to enter Saul's encampment without waking a single soldier, even those who were supposed to be guarding Saul while he slept. After a whispered conversation about why Abishai should not kill Saul on the spot, they depart without drawing attention and taking only Saul's spear and water jug. How unnerving!

The story is supposed to demonstrate David's high moral character. There are other stories that demonstrate otherwise, but here, even though Saul was trying to kill him, David would not raise a hand against a king, because he was God's anointed and only God had the right to decide his fate. The storyteller also reveals the measure of God's favour toward the leadership of Israel. God favours those who show justice towards others and faithfulness to God. *(From the Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word.)*

The Lord Calls us to do God's Will. Pray that you may know God's Will in your life; especially, if you have the inclination that you are being called to the ordained or consecrated life. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon contact Most Rev. W. Lobsinger, Auxiliary Bishop & Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988, vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, or Fr. Raphael Ma, Congregation of the Resurrection Vocation Director, at rvocations@gmail.com, or Carmel of St. Joseph, St. Agatha at 519-884-6700.



Prayer for Families

(Feb. 21st is in Canada a Family Day)

God, Our Father, loving and merciful, bring together and keep all families in perfect unity of love and mutual support.

Instil in each member the spirit of understanding and affection for each other.

Keep quarrels and bitterness far from them, and for their occasional failures instil forgiveness and peace.

May the mutual love and affection of parents set a good example. Instil in children self-respect that they may respect others and grow in mature independence.

May the mutual affection and respect of families be a sign of Christian life here and hereafter, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour.

Amen. *(From mycatholic.life)*

The Feast of the Chair of St. Peter has nothing to do with a piece of furniture. The "chair" symbolizes the authority of St Peter and his successors who have served the Church of Jesus Christ as the Bishop of Rome (the Pope). As a matter of fact, in Rome's St. Peter's Basilica, there is a chair, enshrined in the sumptuous Altar of the Chair of St. Peter by the great architect Bernini, but it is a symbol representing the 2,000-year-old papacy and unity the Pope continues to bring to Catholics around the world. Without such unity the Church would splinter into numerous sects and divisions.

Every year on Feb. 22, the Church celebrates the continuing role of the Pope, the Vicar of Christ, beginning with St Peter. The use of the term chair in the feast day comes from the Latin term *cathedra*, meaning the seat of government. But how did such a feast day ever get started? We need to go back to the time of Jesus for the answer.

According to the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus asks the Twelve Apostles, "Who do you say that I am?". The only response Jesus acknowledged was that of Peter, who said that Jesus was the son of the living God. Jesus in turn said to Peter, "Blessed art you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father". Peter's answer is heavenly inspired, and from that point Peter is singled out among the apostles to be the rock of Christ's Church on earth. According to Jesus, the Church will be so rock solid that "the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it".

Later, following the Resurrection, Jesus confirms Peter's primacy over the other apostles as well as authority over His Church. He gives Peter the keys to the kingdom, telling him: to "Feed my lambs.... Feed my sheep". This authority and responsibility given to Peter, is meant to be passed on to each of his successors. Jesus did not intend for the Church to end with Peter.

St. Peter quietly begins to take on the role assigned by Christ beginning in the Upper Room. Pope Benedict XVI writes in his book "Holiness is Always in Season": "So what was the 'Chair' of St Peter? Chosen by Christ as the 'rock' on which to build the Church, he began his ministry in Jerusalem, after the Ascension of the Lord and Pentecost. The Church's first 'seat' was the Upper Room, and it is likely that a special place was reserved for Simon Peter in that room where Mary, Mother of Jesus, also prayed with the disciples".

Even before Pentecost, Peter orchestrated the selection of Matthias to replace Judas, which was the first apostolic succession. Peter preached on that day of Pentecost and was so inspirational that 3,000 people were baptized after listening to him. He was the first apostle to be given the grace to perform a miracle; curing the lame man at "the Beautiful gate". King Herod Agrippa had Peter arrested and shackled in prison between two guards, but an "angel of the Lord" saved him. Peter's decisive speech at the Council of Jerusalem in A.D. 50 resolved the debate there. That he was singled out for a special role among all the apostles is undisputable.

Around A.D. 34, Peter went to Antioch and established there a seat, or chair, of government. Antioch was a major metropolitan city of the ancient world with a diverse population and was the place where Christ's followers were first called Christians. Peter remained there for seven years, and the Church would acknowledge his work in Antioch by establishing the feast of St. Peter's Chair in Antioch, celebrated on Feb. 22 every year. That feast remained on the Catholic liturgical calendar until the 20th century.

Next, Peter went to Rome, the center of the civilized world. Peter's efforts there would identify him as the first Bishop of Rome. Gifted by God and respected by man, he would continue his role as leader of all the Church, and as a result was the first pope. In A.D. 68, he was crucified by Emperor Nero.

His feast day, originally called the feast of the Chair of St. Peter in Rome, began in the fourth century. It was held on Jan. 18, as that was believed to be the day when Peter gave his first homily in Rome. At some point before the 16th-century, the feast was combined with the feast of St. Peter's Chair in Antioch. After Martin Luther, Protestants made the absurd claim that Peter was never in Rome and thus he could not have been the Bishop of Rome. Consequently, in their opinion, there could be no pope as claimed by Catholics.

In order to reject this false Protestant challenge, Pope Paul IV (r. 1555-1559) reinstated the feast of the Chair of Peter in Rome in 1558. As a result, for 400 years the Church celebrated two feast days regarding the Chair of Peter. One feast reflected on Peter's role in Antioch, the other on his role in Rome. In 1962, Pope John XXIII combined the two feasts into one, which is the feast of the Chair of St. Peter, held Feb. 22 each year.

On this feast day, the universal Church acknowledges that St. Peter was the first pope and that his mission continues through the Holy Father today. Simply stated, that mission is to care for the people of God; to carry on the customs, rituals, teachings and truths of Jesus; and to uphold the unity of His Church. Moreover, the Church proclaims that the authority given to St. Peter by Our Lord has been handed down to Peter's successors for the past 2,000 years.

This day is not just about apostolic succession in respect to the pope and the bishops. Among the laity, it symbolizes an unspoken confidence that the Church of Jesus does not change from age to age; that the truths of the Gospel still form the basis of our faith; that these eternal truths are reflected in every Catholic parish and in every Mass. It is a confidence that the leader of our Church adheres to and will never deny the precepts and principles of the Church of Jesus. We firmly believe that we are part of the mystical body of Christ, a holy people, a holy priesthood.

In the late fourth century, St. Jerome wrote to Pope Damasus I: "I follow no leader but Christ and join in communion with none but Your Blessedness, that is, with the chair of Peter. I know that this is the rock on which the Church has been built. Whoever eats the Lamb outside this house is profane. Anyone who is not in the Ark of Noah will perish when the flood prevails." (From simplycatholic.com by D.D. Emmons)

Reel Justice Film Festival - Feb. 24th 7 – 9 PM "After the Storm: Building the Pope Francis Village". This film documents the transformational journey of 550 families in Tacloban, Philippines following the devastation of Super Typhoon Haiyan in 2013. Development and Peace – Caritas Canada, supporting local organizations, transformed a piece of land into new homes, a new community, and new lives. The Reel Justice Film Festival is a partnership between D & P and the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives. Visit reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com to view our 2022 schedule or to register for any of our virtual screenings!



You are invited to become familiar with the current movement in our Church called the Synod. It is a once in a lifetime opportunity for the laity to voice thoughts, opinions and dreams about where Pope Francis is calling us, with the Holy Spirit, to lead our Church into the future. Please join with the members of our CWL. We will have two sessions, Feb. 22nd at 6:30-8:00 PM and Feb. 23rd at 2:00-3:30 PM in the Large Hall. If you are interested, kindly let us know. All are welcome. RSVP to: Donna Herbstreit at 519-884-9380 donna.marie2000@icloud.com

St. Polycarp (c. 69 – c. 155), bishop of Smyrna, disciple of St. John the Apostle and friend of St. Ignatius of Antioch, was a revered Christian leader during the first half of the second century. The Asia Minor Churches sent him as a representative to discuss with Pope Anicetus the date of the Easter celebration in Rome—a major controversy in the early Church. Only one of the many letters written by Polycarp has been preserved, the one he wrote to the Church of Philippi in Macedonia.

At 86, Polycarp was led into the crowded Smyrna stadium to be burned alive. The flames did not harm him and he was finally killed by a dagger. The centurion ordered the saint's body burned. The "Acts" of Polycarp's martyrdom are the earliest preserved, fully reliable account of a Christian martyr's death. (From franciscanmedia.com) The meaning of the name: From the Greek Πολύκαρπος (Polykarpos) meaning "fruitful, rich in fruit", Greek πολὺς (polys) means "much" and καρπός (karpos) means "fruit". (From behindthename.com)

Answers to the last week's Bible Quiz:

1. How many books are in the New Testament? - 27
2. Paul was shipwrecked on what island? - Malta
3. Who recognized Jesus as the Messiah when he was presented to the Temple as a baby? - Simeon
4. After Jesus fed the 5,000, how many baskets were left over? - 12
5. What did Saul encounter when he was traveling to Damascus? - A great and blinding light
6. What tribe is Paul from? - Benjamin
7. Which Gospel mostly speaks on the mystery and identity of the person of Jesus? - The Gospel According to John
8. According to the Gospels, which literary genre does Jesus implement to help preach his message? - The parable
9. Which Gospel is written by a doctor? Gospel of Luke
10. How many people boarded Noah's Ark? - Eight

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