



# St. Louis Catholic Church

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Served by the Congregation of the Resurrection since 1890.



### 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

Terry Collins, 519-741-1534

#### Maintenance Committee

Bob Lorentz, 519-576-5556

#### Social Committee

Cynthia Ehrlich

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# EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## Mass Intentions

### **Monday, February 27**

No Mass

### **Tuesday, February 28**

9:00 am † André Toussaint – Richard & Clare Armitage

### **Wednesday, March 1 – Ash Wednesday**

9:00 am For reconciliation where there is conflict & division

12:10 pm For blessings on our lenten practices

7:00 pm For conversion and return to faith

### **Thursday, March 2**

9:00 am † Doris Toussaint – Richard & Clare Armitage

### **Friday, March 3**

9:00 am Deceased Members of the Congregation of the Resurrection

### **Saturday, March 4**

### **Sunday liturgy – First Sunday in Lent**

5:00 pm † Therese Hause – Estate (8/12)

† Irene Hausch – Phillis & Larry Ertel

† Helen McDonald – The Frayne Family

† Catherine Forde – Joan & Patrick Forde

### **Sunday, March 5 – First Sunday in Lent**

9:30 am † Shirley Hinsperger – Hinsperger Family

† Barbara Braun – Kaye Lobsinger & Dolly

Winter

† Kasem, Johnny & Khampheng Xaysy – Xaysy

Family

For the Intentions of Sr. Immolatia – Suzanne Perry

11:30 am People of St. Louis Parish

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

In the opening verse of today's Gospel passage, Jesus echoes divine instruction from Deuteronomy 6:5: those who belong to God's people must love the Lord with all their whole being. A divided heart is not a heart that belongs to God. The verb here translated "serve" implies the service of a slave, and in imperial Rome, slaves belonged wholly to their masters. Jesus does not despise money as such; rather, he teaches that anyone enslaved to wealth cannot belong to God wholeheartedly.

In the remainder of this reading Matthew continues the Sermon on the Mount – Jesus' teaching that fulfills or brings to full growth the Law of Moses. The beginning and end of this section sound as repeated message about priorities, acting as bookends. What lies between contains Jesus' further teaching about the conduct of those who follow God wholeheartedly and so share in the Kingdom of Heaven. Too much concern for oneself and one's own life can distract from devotion to God as the supreme value. The word *psyche*, translated "life" can also mean the "self" or "inner being".

Jesus takes note of typical human concerns, thus recognizing them as real needs: food, drink, and clothing. But the important question is one of priorities. The word here translated "anxious" can include a sense of preoccupation with certain things. While physical sustenance and proper clothing are genuine needs, those who love God above all have faith in divine providence. The one who graciously clothes even wild flowers in magnificent raiment can surely be trusted to provide for all human needs. Excessive concern with physical necessities implies lack of trust in God.

## Upcoming Events

### **Monday, February 27**

4:00 pm Good Shepherd Catechesis I/II/III Nursery

7:30 pm *Eucharist* – Bishop Barron DVD program L. Hall  
part 3/6

### **Tuesday, February 28**

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

1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Meeting L. Hall

### **Wednesday, March 1 – Ash Wednesday**

9:00 am Ash Wednesday Mass Church

12:10 pm Ash Wednesday Mass Church

7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Mass Church

### **Thursday, March 2**

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, March 3**

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross and Lenten Music Church  
by John Miller and Friends

7:00 pm Youth Group Meeting Large Hall

### **Saturday, March 4**

3:30 pm Youth Music Rehearsal prior to Church  
providing music for 5 pm Mass

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. Mar 4 5 pm	1. Nardo Nava 2. Jennifer McDonald C. Marnie Wharnsby	1. Christiane Martin 2. Joan Sichewski 3. Guy Tremblay
Sun. Mar 5 9:30 am	1. Rose Mastnak 2. Joanna Malton C. Frank Mensink	1. Ed Ruppe 2. Anne M. Webster 3. Rob Hinsperger
Sun. Mar 5 11:30 am	1. Gord Beaton 2. Ben Beaton C. Carolyn Beaton	1. Al Klein 2. Terry Sullivan 3. Marianne Butler



**St. Louis Catholic Women's League next meeting, Wed. March 8<sup>th</sup> - (NOT March 1<sup>st</sup>):** Mass 7 pm – 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, etc.) - concluding with a brief meeting.

**Please mark your calendar: Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> (9:00 am-12:30 pm).** The four 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.



**Herb Wittich Centre** - Can you spare some time to help out at the Herb Wittich Centre in support of Canadian Food for Children? Three times a year, St. Louis volunteers sort items at the Herb Wittich Centre (843 Guelph St., 519-578-9706) prior to sending them on to third world countries. Our next date is Mar 8<sup>th</sup> - 12:30 till 3:00 pm. Please call Fran Ruetz at 519-744-7993 if you have any questions.



St. Anthony Daniel is hosting The World Day of Prayer – Fri., March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2 pm. Our prayer service, "Am I Being Unfair to You?" was prepared by women from the Philippines. Our pastor, Fr. Allen Varlaki, will preach. We warmly invite all to join us.

The College of Physicians and Surgeons of ON requires physicians to make an "effective referral" for assisted suicide and euthanasia. Many Catholic physicians and other caregivers are unable to do this in good conscience and are being forced to choose between their conscience and their careers. Given the introduction of Bill 84 on medical aid in dying at Queen's Park in December we have the opportunity to push for amendments to the Bill to include conscience protection for all health care workers. We are asking parishioners to contact their MPPs about this important issue. It is important for the Catholic voice in Ontario to be heard.

There is a suite of materials with step by step instructions that can be used to help you speak to your MPP about this topic. Here are the links to the materials and to a video which explains the situation, or you can visit: [www.canadiansforconscience.ca](http://www.canadiansforconscience.ca).

Resources: [bit.ly/callforconscience](http://bit.ly/callforconscience)

Video: <http://bit.ly/consciencevideo>

No other country in the world requires this kind of violation of conscience. Let's help make sure Ontario protects the conscience rights of all.



**Vocation Seeds:** "No one can serve two masters." If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, email [mking@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mking@hamiltondiocese.com).

**Come and See Retreat:** Men interested in the vocation to the priesthood are invited to the Come and See Retreat at St. Peter's Seminary in London on the weekend of March 24 – 27. This is a unique opportunity to spend time with those studying for the priesthood, hear their stories, and pray for your vocation. More details at [www.HamiltonVocations.com](http://www.HamiltonVocations.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 invite you to the 37th Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper:** Tue., 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 only at the door in the OLOL Parish Church Hall, 173 Lourdes St., Wat., first-come, first-served. Prices: Family\*: \$22, Adults: \$8, Seniors: \$6, Kids under 12: \$6. (\*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 at 519-572-1112, [bob.kalbfleisch@bell.net](mailto:bob.kalbfleisch@bell.net) or George 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:** Sun., Mar. 5, at Columbus Conference Centre (145 Dearborn Pl., Wat.). Doors open at 4:30 pm. Meal 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. For tickets call 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. For confidential info, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend **March 24**, contact: 905-664-5212, [hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca](mailto:hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca) or visit the web site at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

**Malala Fund:** Caroline Noël, member of St. Louis Youth Group will be raising funds to donate for educating young women through the Malala Fund. This is her personal project for the International Baccalaureate Program. She will be accepting donations and also selling tickets to raffle off a Samsung Galaxy Tablet III this weekend after each Mass.

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>. You can participate in the Novena to St. Joseph. Send your prayer intention slip with your name & address to Carmel of St. 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., Mar. 4<sup>th</sup>: 8 am - 2 pm. Proceeds support the Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada. To arrange drop off/pick up of items to donate email BTWalkKW @braintumour.ca or 519-498-4632. Please no books or clothing.



**Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sun., June 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm at the Cathedral in Hamilton for couples** celebrating 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, or 60+ wedding anniversary in 2017. 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 Saint John's Bible "Insects in the Bible: An Intertextual Approach"** - Royal Botanical Gardens Rock Garden on Sat. Mar. 11, from 2-4 pm. Fr. Michael Patella, OSB and Sabrina Hall will consider some of the insects featured in The St. John's Bible. Cost \$30. Register by Mar. 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 sleeping or sitting mats.



**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>. On May 6<sup>th</sup>: afternoon rehearsal, dinner, and evening entertainment for alumni. For more info and to register, visit <http://bit.ly/2kVblBz> or email [intermennonitechildrenschoir@gmail.com](mailto:intermennonitechildrenschoir@gmail.com).

**Past Sunday Collection:**

Sunday Envelopes	\$	3757.00
Seminary Education Offering	\$	235.00
Loose Donations	\$	229.35
Pre Authorized donations for	\$	1466.38
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). Registration forms at the back of the church.



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