

St. Louis Catholic Church



2021

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

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Served by the Congregation of the Resurrection since 1890.

Office hours: Monday – Thursday 9 - 12 and 1- 4, Friday 9 - 12

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.



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Doug Lichty

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

Diocesan Newsletter - For information about Activities and Events of interest in the Diocese of Hamilton, subscribe to the online Diocesan Newsletter at www.hamiltondiocese.com

Parish Organizations and Contacts:

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17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, July 26 – St. Anne and St. Joachim,
Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary – No Mass
Tuesday, July 27**

9:00 AM † Alex MacKinnon – Esther MacKinnon

Wednesday, July 28

9:00 AM Intentions of Peg Miron – Cecilia Beechey

Thursday, July 29 – St. Martha, Disciple

of the Lord

9:00 AM † John Kealey – Catholic Engaged Encounter District 2

Friday, July 30

9:00 AM Intentions of Pat Nairn – Cecilia Beechey

**Saturday, July 31 – St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
Vigil of 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM † Colonel & Jean Moser – Kim Moser

† Gerald & Audrey Moser – Reid Family

† Mary Murray – Joan & Pat Forde

Sunday, August 1 – 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM † Paul Moser – Moser Family

† Lorna & Harley Iler – Malton Family

† Claudio Zorzetto – Catholic Engaged Encounter District 2

† Michael Moffat – Alicia Turman & Family

11:30 AM People of St. Louis

Reflections on the First Reading: 2 Kings 4:42-44

Today's first reading is part of a collection of stories about Elisha, a Prophet of the Northern Kingdom of Israel in the ninth century BC (2 Kings 2-8). This story opens with a man coming to Elisha, who was known to be a miracle worker, with a generous gift of twenty loaves of bread made from fresh barley, the first fruits of the harvest. Barley bread was a flat bread, the food of the poor. Based on the biblical story, Elisha was located at Gilgal – the term means "circle of stones" so it could have been anywhere – nor do we know how far the man had travelled. However near or far apart, the detail about this man coming to Gilgal to deliver this gift of bread suggests that Elisha was highly regarded by the people. Notice, then, the hostile reaction of Elisha's servant when Elisha commands him to distribute the bread to the people gathered. But, of course, at the end of the story everyone had enough to eat, with plenty of leftovers. Sounds familiar? (*From the Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word*)



In the Gospel many people hunger for a small amount of food. In our day, there are too many people for the small number of priests, sisters, brothers and deacons. We too must trust in the Lord by praying for vocations. If you feel God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, contact Most Rev. W. Lobsinger, Auxiliary Bishop and 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 in St. Agatha at 519-884-6700.

K of C TAKE OUT FISH AND CHIPS ON FRIDAYS

CALL DEREK AT 226-748-8378 BY 4:30 P.M.

PICK UP TIMES: 4:30 P.M. TO 6 P.M.; 1 PC \$15, 2 PC \$18 - TAX INCL.

WEDNESDAY KNIGHT SPAGHETTI AND MEATBALL DINNERS

CALL MARTIN AT 519-884-2060 TO ORDER BY WEDNESDAY NOON

PICK UP TIMES: 4:30 P.M. TO 6:00 P.M.

DINNER FOR ONE, \$10, DINNER FOR TWO \$18.50 - TAX INCL.

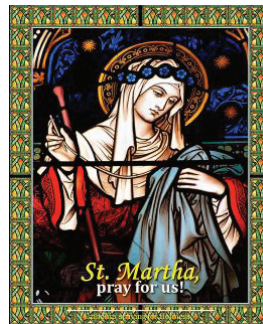
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Grandparent's Day – 4th Sunday in July – this year July 25th, 2021

PRAYER FOR THE FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

*I thank You, Lord,
for the comfort of Your presence: even in times of loneliness,
You are my hope and my confidence,
You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth!
I thank You for having given me a family
and for having blessed me with a long life.
I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty,
for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for
those that are still ahead of me.
I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me.
Increase, O Lord, my faith,
make me a channel of your peace,
teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me,
to never stop dreaming
and to tell of your wonders to new generations.
Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church,
that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth.
Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world,
that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed,
the poor consoled and wars ended.
Sustain me in weakness
and help me to live life to the full
in each moment that You give me,
in the certainty that you are with me every day,
even until the end of the age. Amen.*



Saint Martha is commemorated on 29 July. From her diligence, we learn not to allow ourselves to be so overcome by daily duties that we neglect love; from her profession of faith we learn that life in God makes us experience wonders that we could not believe possible.

We learn about Saint Martha from the Gospels. She was from Bethany, a village a few kilometers from Jerusalem. The sister of Lazarus and Mary,

she was considered diligent and meticulous; she was certainly one of the first to believe in Jesus. The Lord was often a guest in her home, especially during the time of His preaching in Jerusalem.

In Luke's Gospel, relating one time when Jesus was visiting His friends in Bethany, the Evangelist writes: "As they continued their journey He entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed Him. She had a sister named Mary [who] sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to Him speak. Martha, burdened with much serving, came to Him and said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me.' The Lord said to her in reply, 'Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her.'"

The Master helps her to understand that even praiseworthy labour can risk obscuring the interior life. It is a warning that causes one to reflect on how important it is to nourish the spirit, to listen to the Word of God, because it is the Word of God that gives meaning to our daily activities. Nonetheless, on account of her admirable dedication to doing the work necessary to offer a guest a comfortable respite, the Church recognizes Martha as a model of industriousness.

And so Martha and Mary are serve respectively as examples of the active and the contemplative life; the life of external activity and the life of prayer. In the life of a Christian, neither should be lacking; activity and contemplation should be seen as complementary, and not opposed to one another.

Saint Martha has also left us a strong witness of faith. We see, in her response to Jesus' questions after the death of her brother Lazarus, a total belief, a faith that does not hesitate, does not doubt. Martha said to him, 'Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world.'" It is the essence of Christianity; Martha, in her answer, condenses the whole of the faith into a simple confession of belief; a simple answer in which every Christian can recognize the meaning of life. (From vaticannews.va)

2021 is the Year of St. Joseph.

The following excerpts are taken from the book *Consecration to St. Joseph – The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father* by Fr. Donald H. Calloway, MIC. In this book Fr. Calloway describes ten "wonders" of St. Joseph, which we will follow in successive bulletins this summer.

Wonder 4: Virginal Father of Jesus



The doctrine of Mary's perpetual virginity is such an important teaching of Christianity that St. Pope Martin I made it a dogma of faith at the Lateran Council in 649 AD. There is also a tradition in the Church that St. Joseph was a perpetual virgin as well. First we need to address common objections often raised against the virginity of Mary.

The Church has always understood these passages [referring to "brothers and sisters" of Jesus in Mk 3:31; 6:3; Mt 13:55-56] as not referring to other children of the Virgin Mary.

In fact James and Joseph, "brothers of Jesus", are the sons of another Mary, a disciple of Christ, whom St. Matthew significantly calls "the other Mary." They are close relations of Jesus, according to an Old Testament expression. – Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Certain people have perversely conjectured that Mary [and Joseph] had other sons, for they assert that he alone who is to be called "firstborn" has brothers. However, it is customary in holy scripture to call "firstborn" not him whom brothers follow, but him who is first begotten. – St. Jerome.

The idea that St. Joseph was a widower who brought children from his first marriage into his marriage with Mary has never been the official teaching of the Catholic Church. The idea of St. Joseph as a man who had been previously married and fathered other children from a previous wife – as well as the claim that he was an old man when he espoused Mary – originates in apocryphal (non-approved) sources.

The Church's constant tradition holds that St. Joseph lived a life of consecrated chastity. Some apocryphal gospels picture him as an old man, even a widower. This is not the Church's teaching. We are rather to believe that he was a virgin, who entered into a virginal marriage with Mary – Servant of God John A. Hardon

In St. Joseph, Mary experienced a perfect reflection and mirror of God's love for her. When Mary met St. Joseph, she knew that God had chosen him to be her loving (and beloved) husband. Trusting in God's plan, she fell in love with St. Joseph and gave him her Heart. Mary's body was reserved for God, but she had the freedom to give her Heart to St. Joseph, the only man worthy of her, the only man perfectly reflecting the pure love of God.

In the virtuous manhood of St. Joseph, Mary experienced purity, chastity, modesty, and sacrificial love. Mary's Heart and body were

secure in the spousal love of St. Joseph. He is a mirror of the purity of God the Father. Like the Father eternally begets a Son without physical union with another person, St. Joseph fathers a Son without physical union with Mary. The virginal marriage of St. Joseph and Mary brings about spiritual motherhood, spiritual fatherhood, and virginal fecundity.

In order to augment and support Mary's virginity the Eternal Father gave her a virginal companion, the great St. Joseph – St. Francis de Sales

He [St. Joseph] was a virgin, and his virginity was the faithful mirror of the virginity of Mary – St. John Henry Newman

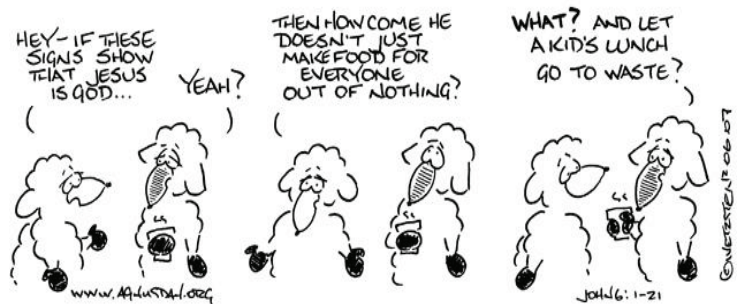
We believe that just as the mother of Jesus was a virgin, so was Joseph, because he [God] placed the Virgin in the care of a virgin [St. John the Apostle], and just as he did this at the close [at the Cross], so did he do it at the beginning [at the marriage of Mary and Joseph]. – St. Thomas Aquinas.

Churches open for public Masses.
Office is open during summer hours: Mon. – Thu. 9 AM – 1 PM
Check the website for up-to-date information.
Bulletins are published on-line only.

Marriage Support - Is your marriage experiencing more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected and/or causing you worries? The solution is Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving partnership. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. Retrouvaille is offering their weekends by Zoom, with more possibilities for engagement. For more info. call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.

Do you need support after an abortion? Project Rachel is confidential, individual and with a trained counsellor. Please contact us at 1-888-385-3850.

Guelph Virtual Walking Pilgrimage - July 31- Aug 7 - Participate for 1 day, a weekend or the full 8 day trip! This year, we are not able to walk the pilgrimage as we have for the last 18 years. Covid -19 brought the birth of a Virtual Walking Pilgrimage in a slightly different format. To register or for more info. go to www.ignatiusguelph.ca (under programs - Guelph Walking Pilgrimage). Registration fee \$75.



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