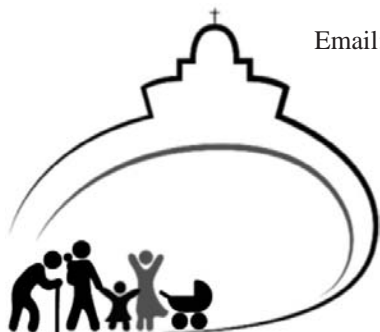


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Office hours: Monday – Thursday 9 - 12 and 1- 4, Friday 9 - 12



Amoris Laetitia Family
Year 2021 - 2022

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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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

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THE 13TH AND 14TH SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS and EVENTS

Monday, June 27 – No Mass

9:00 AM – noon Pickleball Gym

6:30 – 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (11:30) Church

Tuesday, June 28 – St. Ireneus, Bishop, Martyr – No Mass

9:30 AM With St. George “on the Porch” L. Hall

Book Group reading “Walking with Mary” by Edward Sri.

1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Meeting L. Hall

Wed., June 29 – Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles – No Mass

9:00 AM – noon Pickleball Gym

Thursday, June 30 - No Mass

Friday, July 1- Canada Day – Office and Gym closed

Saturday, July 2

Vigil of The 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM † Lorraine Dietrich – Barb Lorentz

† Catherine McNulty – Family

Sunday, July 3 – The 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM † Scott Vince – Catholic Engaged Encounter

† Maria Rizzo

Intentions of the Ward Family

11:30AM People of St. Louis Parish

Monday, July 4 – No Mass

9:00 AM – noon Pickleball Gym

6:30 – 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (11:30) Church

Tuesday, July 5 – No Mass

9:30 AM With St. George “on the Porch” L. Hall

Book Group reading “Walking with Mary” by Edward Sri.

Wednesday, July 6 – No Mass

9:00 AM – noon Pickleball Gym

Thursday, July 7 – No Mass

7:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul meeting L. Hall

Friday, July 8 – No Mass

9:00 AM – noon Pickleball Gym

Saturday, July 9

9:00 AM – noon St. V de Paul project Kitchen

Vigil of The 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM † Evelyn Robson – Margaret Danard

† Loretta Potvin – Daughters

† Patrick Taaffe, Daniel Forde & William Moffat – Patrick & Joan Forde

Sunday, July 10 – The 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM † Edna & Phyllis Ertel – Larry Ertel

† Don Miller – Barbara Braman

† Robert McNulty – Family

Intentions of Mary Margaret & Isaac on their First

Wedding Anniversary – St. Louis Quilting Club

11:30AM People of St. Louis Parish

Sunday	Loose	Mainten.	Diocesan	Pre Auth.
\$ 1675.00	\$ 60.25	\$ 653.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 2551.49

June 19 donations- Thank you!

From Canada Day to Labour Day parish office hours will be:
Monday – Thursday: 9 AM to 1 PM

There will be no Daily Masses during the weeks of:

June 27 – July 1 and July 4 – July 8.

During these two weeks Fr. Phil and the Congregation of the Resurrection members will attend a week long retreat, followed by a week of Chapter meetings.

Please keep Fr. Phil and all the Members of the Congregation of the Resurrection in your prayers.

Reflection on the First Reading on June 26th: 1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21

Scripture rarely provides any clues to God’s method for choosing Prophets; those who are given the mission to draw the people back to God and to challenge them to live according to God’s justice. This is certainly true in the case of Elijah preparing to transfer the work of prophecy to a younger man. God commands Elijah to anoint Elisha as his successor. Elisha is an unknown figure who is discovered out in a field following a herd of twelve oxen. Elijah throws his cloak over Elisha’s shoulders as sign that he is handing over the mantle of prophecy to the younger man, who is quite taken off-guard.

Nevertheless, it does not take Elisha long to discern the meaning of Elijah’s actions. As with all “calling” narratives, Elisha appears not quite ready to take on the new role to which he has been appointed. He runs after Elijah and asks for permission to take proper leave of his family. Elijah’s reply seems dismissive; he says nothing to clarify the intention of his bestowal of the cloak. Elisha demonstrates his willingness to leave his old life behind, slaughtering the oxen and even using the plough as fuel to create a feast for his people. Elisha demonstrates himself to be completely faithful to God. Having destroyed the means by which he formerly earned his livelihood, he is now utterly free to begin an apprenticeship with Elijah.

Reflection on the First Reading on July 3rd: Isaiah 66:10-14

This portion of the Book of Isaiah is from the part written after Israel’s return home from Babylonian exile. These words of prophecy, which proclaim an end to the nation’s suffering and a new beginning that promises to be fruitful, contain some of the most beautiful and creative images of God found in all of Scripture.

Although the people return to Jerusalem and see firsthand the complete destruction of the city and the Temple, the Lord demands that they rejoice. How can this be, since all that the people witness is a wasteland? The answer lies in the new birth for the nation that the Prophet heralds. The city, like God, is portrayed as a mother who has given birth, her “glorious bosom” is prepared to feed, and her “dandling” of the newborn will provide comfort. Jerusalem may look empty and devoid of life now, but soon the Lord will see to the regeneration of the city. Isaiah employs an image from nature, comparing the success of the new nation to a raging river: “I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream.” What is suggested here is the speed by which the Lord will accomplish His work of reconstruction, which will occur without hesitation. Thus, the image of Jerusalem as mother and the work of the Lord compared to an “overflowing stream” portray both tenderness and strength.

Not only will the physical city be transformed, but the people themselves will be a new creation upon their return to Jerusalem. The passage ends with the Prophet announcing that when the people come to behold the Lord’s power, their hearts will “rejoice” and their bodies will “flourish” like the growing grass. For those who return to the land once destroyed, there is nothing to fear: God will provide motherly care and a guiding plan. After years of suffering and abandonment, the people can look to the future with great hope.

(From the Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, & Proclaimers of the Word.)

If you have a Pyx for taking Communion to the home bound and you are not using it, please return it to the office, or to the sacristy.



(From Participant's workbook session 12 out of 12)

What is it about martyrdom that makes it like the Mass? What has Jesus done in the Mass? He has given Himself to us and He has held nothing back. He gives us His Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. He gives Himself to us as food. That is love: total gift of self. That is the very love the martyrs wanted to imitate. They wanted to give themselves entirely for Him – everything they had, holding nothing back.

But what about those who did not give the ultimate witness? What was their gift? Not long after the Christianity was legalized by Emperor Constantine in 313 AD, St. Jerome noted that some believers were already growing nostalgic for the good old days of the martyrs. St. Jerome stopped such fantasies and told his congregation, "Let's not think that there is martyrdom only in the shedding of blood. There is always martyrdom". This kind of martyrdom consists of daily dying to self in imitation of Jesus Christ.

At every Mass Jesus gives Himself entirely to us and we give ourselves entirely in return. We say "Amen". And when we do that, we consent to the communion. But we need to know what we're doing when we bow before our Lord and say "Amen". Remember that St. Paul also referred to our bodies as "temples of the Holy Spirit". Let's never forget that temples are not mere shrines; they were places of sacrifice. And so are we. Our bodies, our temples of the Holy Spirit, are places of sacrifice. And our lives are offerings on the altar.

Our everyday life should be a voluntary sacrifice, voluntary self-giving, voluntary witness and voluntary martyrdom. Listen to the Church's traditional language of penance and reparation, mortification, fasting, pilgrimage, and almsgiving. It's all about self-possession, self-denial, self-mastery. So why exactly do we want to possess ourselves? We possess ourselves in order to give ourselves away – just like Jesus, just like martyrs. Only then can we become truly ourselves. For we are made in God's image, and God is life-giving love, whose human life was a self-giving sacrifice.

The Mass is that sacrifice, and all our lives must be placed upon the altar, all our lives must be taken up into the Eucharist. All the hours spend at our desks or workstations, in our kitchens or classrooms, are a part of the New Testament we celebrate in the liturgy. The Mass is the remembrance of the sacrifice of Christ. The Greek word for "remembrance" (*anamnesis*) literally means "making past present." It is much more than just a mental recollection. By "remembering" Christ in the liturgy, we become more like Him. We need constant reminders that we are to be crucified with Him, so that we can rise like Him.

How does this sacrifice look day-to-day? It looks like a mother staying up all night with a sick child; like grandparents looking after grandchildren so their daughter can get some sleep; like a husband working hard, long hours at a task he doesn't enjoy so that his family can know a better life; like a family keeping vigil by a deathbed; like a dying man who musters a smile for the sake of his loved ones. And this martyrdom is also a witness. Our dutiful dedication to our work and our families should be an outward sign of a profound inner sacrifice, a Christ-like gift of ourselves.

Like Apostles and countless other martyrs, some Fathers of the Church willingly offered themselves up as a sacrifice to God.



Jesus still speaks the invitation "Follow Me". Pray for the strength and the grace of discernment if you feel He is calling you to be an ordained or consecrated person. If God is calling you, contact Most Rev. W. Lobsinger, Aux. Bp. & Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, 905-528-7988, or Fr. Raphael Ma, Congregation of the Resurrection Vocation Director, at crvocations@gmail.com, or Carmel of St. Joseph, St. Agatha at 519-884-6700. Pray for vocations!

Sts. Peter & Paul's Story - Peter (d. 64?) St. Mark ends the first half of his Gospel with a triumphant climax. After doubt, misunderstanding, and the opposition of many to Jesus, Peter makes his great confession of faith: "You are the Messiah". It was one of the many glorious moments in Peter's life.

Peter is shown as the leader of the apostles, chosen by Jesus to have a special relationship with Him. With James and John he was privileged to witness the Transfiguration, the raising of a dead child to life, and the agony in Gethsemane. His mother-in-law was cured by Jesus. He was sent with John to prepare for the last Passover before Jesus' death. His name is first on every list of apostles. And to Peter only did Jesus say, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father... you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven".

But the Gospels show facts unflattering about Peter as well. He receives the full force of Christ's anger when he objects to the idea of a suffering Messiah. Peter is willing to accept Jesus' doctrine of forgiveness, but suggests a limit of seven times. He walks on the water in faith, but sinks in doubt. He swears at the Last Supper that he will never deny Jesus, and then denies him that same evening. In the depth of his sorrow, Jesus looks on him and forgives him, and he goes out and sheds bitter tears. The Risen Jesus told Peter to feed his sheep.

Paul (d. 64?) Paul had been the most pharisaic of Pharisees, the most legalistic of Mosaic lawyers. Then he suddenly appears to other Jews as a heretical welcomer of Gentiles, a traitor and apostate. Paul's central conviction was simple and absolute: Only God can save humanity. No human effort, no scrupulous observance of law, can create a human good which we can bring to God as reparation for sin and payment for grace. To be saved from itself, from sin, from the devil, and from death, humanity must open itself completely to the saving power of Jesus. Paul never lost his love for his Jewish family, though he carried on a lifelong debate with them about the uselessness of the Law without Christ. He reminded the Gentiles that they were grafted on the parent stock of the Jews, who were still God's chosen people, the children of the promise. (From franciscanmedia.org)

The Carmel of St. Joseph Guild invites all members, families and friends to attend the **Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel** Mass to be held Sunday, July 17 at 2 PM at St Agatha Catholic Church (1839 Notre Dame Dr. St Agatha). The Rosary will precede the Mass. The celebrant will be Bp. Crosby. Reception with light refreshments to follow.

Guelph Walking Pilgrimage Guelph-to-Midland July 30 – Aug 6. It is a unique and grace-filled experience. For 8 days pilgrims pray, sing, laugh, and share stories with others as they journey. Participate for 1 day, a weekend or the full 8 days! Cost \$400 for 8 days, or \$75 per day. This covers 3 meals and snacks daily, entry fees and camping services. You bring your tent, chair and personal gear/clothing in a duffel bag. To register, or more info.: ignatiusguelph.ca Registration deadline July 8th.



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