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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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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 Fr. Dan Lobsinger, C.R., 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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FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 2 – No Mass

Tuesday, March 3

9:00 AM To Bring Our Loved Ones Home to the Church – Monday Lunch & Learn Group

Wednesday, March 4

9:00 AM Intentions of Wendy Ayoung-Chee – Amanda Ayoung-Chee

7:00 PM † Rita Mroz - CWL

Thursday, March 5

9:00 AM For Blessings on the Congregation of the Resurrection

Friday, March 6

9:00 AM † Don Williams – Sandra Williams

Saturday, March 7

Vigil of Second Sunday In Lent

5:00 PM † Pauline Nowak – Patti & Dave Pagett

† Wayne Zmija – Brenda Zmija

† Walter & Kaye Hartman – Children

† Edna Ertel – Larry & Phyllis Ertel

Sunday, March 8 – Second Sunday In Lent

9:30 AM † Krystyna Kowalska – Malton Family

† John Moore – Mary Mayer

† Samren, Khamphens, Kasem, Johnny Xaysy-Xaysy Fam.

11:30 AM People of St. Louis Parish

Reflection on the First Reading: Genesis 2:7-9, 16-18. 25; 3:1-7

The book of Genesis begins with a poetic description of the origin of time and space brought about by God's Word. On the sixth day, God creates humanity in the divine image and gives them responsibility over the land and beasts. After this poetic account in which everything is good, the next chapters are about the origin of sin. The goodness of creation has become disordered.

Our reading today begins with Genesis' second view of human origins. First described as made in the divine image, the human being is now described in more earthy terms. God forms the man ('adam) out of clay of the ground ('adamah), and breathes life into him. From the same ground from which 'adam is formed, God makes various trees grow, with special mention of the tree of life and the tree of knowledge of good and evil. God's commands 'adam: "You may eat freely from any tree of the garden except from the tree of knowledge. The moment you eat from it you are surely doomed to die." Since none of the animals are suitable partners for the man and it is not good for 'adam to be alone, God creates a fitting helper. She is called Eve, from the word for "life," because she is mother of all the living.

The serpent enters the story that unfolds the origin of sin. The cunning serpent uses a shrewd question and deceitful answers to tempt the woman. We can see the movement from temptation, to sin, to consequences, and the underlying rationalization and motivations.

The serpent suggests how unreasonable God must be to deny the fruits of all the trees. The woman's response, as often happens when temptations are dangled, is not entirely truthful: God has forbidden even touching the tree, or face death. The serpent further tempts by, suggesting that God does not want humanity to be like gods; God is unfair! For Eve, the food of the tree now looks good, pleasing and desirable, illustrating how attractive sin can be to both the mind and senses. When 'adam also eats of the forbidden fruit, their eyes are opened; they have indeed gained knowledge of good and evil. Recognizing their nakedness, feeling shame and vulnerability, they clothe themselves, beginning to hide even from God. Yet even with the consequences of the couple's disobedience and hubris, the loving, forgiving God will remain ever present as the story continues. (Excerpt from Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers and Proclaimers of the Word)

THIS WEEK EVENTS

Monday, March 2

9 AM – NOON Pickleball Gym

11:30 AM Baptismal Preparation L Hall

NOON – 1 PM Lunch & Learn – Book study: *Walking with* Nursery

God by Tim Gray and Jeff Cavins

4 – 5:30 PM Good Shepherd Catechesis I, II, III Nursery

7:30 – 9 PM Faith Enrichment – *Letter to the Romans* Large

– DVD study p. 1/4 Hall

Tuesday, March 3

6:00 PM First Communion Preparation Class Nursery

6:30 PM 11:30 AM Choir Practice Church

Wednesday, March 4

9 AM – NOON Pickleball Gym

7:30 PM CWL meeting L Hall

Thursday, March 5

9:30 AM *Celebrating the Word* – Reflections on Large

upcoming Sunday Readings Hall

1:00 PM Bible study: *Jesus of Nazareth-movie* p. 1/4 L.Hall

7:00 PM 9:30 AM Choir Practice Church

Friday, March 6

9 AM – NOON Pickleball Gym

5:15 PM Simple Supper L. Hall

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross led by Youth Group Church

Sunday, March 8

10:30 AM Sunday Social Large Hall

5:00 PM OOTC Community Supper Gym

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. Mar.7	1 Jim Walsh	1 Sharon Carey
5:00 PM	2 Debbie Delattre	2 Rick Moser
	C Sharon Carey	3 Guy Tremblay
Sun. Mar. 8	1 Terry Collins	1 Rob Hinsperger
9:30AM	2 Jessica Hill	2 Anne Marie Webster
	C Cecilia Beechey	3 Mary Smith
Sun. Mar.8	1 Rosemary MacNeil	1 Albert MacMillan
11:30AM	2 Shaun MacNeil	2 Marianne Butler
	C Mike Anderson	3 Al Kehn



Lent has a penitential character. During Lent, penance is an important requirement of Christian life. Fulfilment of this duty involves prayer, works of piety and charity, and self-denial by fulfilling one's obligations more faithfully and especially by observing the prescribed fast and abstinence.

The Church wants emphasis to be given to the evangelical law that a follower of Christ must do penance. While the heart of the penance is hatred for sin as an offence against God, external forms of penance are required to deepen and encourage the internal virtue.

Fridays are day of abstinence from meat, but Catholics may substitute special acts of charity or piety on this day. (The law of "abstinence from meat" binds those who are 14 and older.) Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and of abstinence from meat. The Pascal Fast, observed on Good Friday, where possible, should be continued through Holy Saturday.

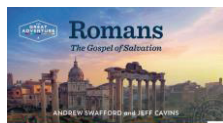
Christian fasting obtains its full meaning when we deprive ourselves of food in order to be more open to prayer, to share more in the suffering of those who are starving and to save money to give to the poor. Fasting is a penitential discipline intended to open our hearts to God and others, a means of purification and spiritual liberation, a witness of depth of our faith. (The law of "fasting" binds those from 18 to 59 years of age.) (Excerpts from CCCB ORDO)



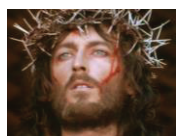
Our next CWL General Meeting will take place on Wed., Mar. 4th beginning with Mass at 7 PM with Meeting to follow in the Large Hall. Our guest speaker will be Catherine Young from the Backyard Honey Company located in Waterloo. A variety of honey will be available for sampling. Please join us for a fun evening & bring a friend. Non-members are always welcome!

On Fri., Mar. 6th, St. Louis CWL will be hosting a Simple Supper from 5:15-6:30 PM in the Large Hall. Dinner will be followed by the dramatization of the Stations of the Cross by our Youth Group. Everyone is welcome!

NEEDED: 9:30 AM, Fri., March 6th in the Church kitchen -Volunteers to cut up vegetables (carrots, celery, onions) for our "Simple Supper Soup" (use the elevator entrance) - Please call Rosemary (519 745-3032).



New Study Program: **Paul's Letter to the Romans** has been at the center of reflection, conversion, and controversy from the very beginning. Presented by Dr. Andrew Swafford and Jeff Cavins, *Romans: The Gospel of Salvation* provides an authentically Catholic way to understand this challenging epistle. Above all, it will help you enter into a more meaningful relationship with Christ. On Mondays: Mar. 2, 16, 23 and 30th from 7:30 - 9:00 PM in Large Hall. The optional workbook is \$35.00. Call the parish office to order a copy.



DELAYED: **Jesus of Nazareth** (Miniseries (1977) directed by Franco Zeffirelli) will be shown on four Thursday afternoons in Lent: March 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th starting at 1 PM (till 2:45 PM) at St. Louis Church in the Large Hall. Use the elevator entrance.



Pray Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, 905-528-7988, or Fr. Dan Lobsinger, CR, Vocation Director, at crvocations@gmail.com, or Carmel of St. Joseph in St. Agatha at 519-884-6700.

The Serra Club of K-W Holy Hour and Mass followed by a dinner with guest speaker, Fr. David Perrin, OMI for a **mini-Lenten Retreat** at St. Teresa Church, 44 Leonard St. on Wed., March 4th at 5 pm. Serra Club prays for vocations and to offer support to priests and religious. For more info, or to register, call 519-570-4375 before Mon., March 2nd.

Marriage Encounter Weekend Retreat - dedicated to couples – Forget life's tensions and interruptions and rekindle the closeness, intimacy, love and romance that brought you together. There is no group sharing. Couples and a priest present the Weekend. It is based around Catholic values, but couples of all faiths are welcome. For more info. or to register contact Gerard & Marge at 905-792-1925 or gerard.marge@rogers.com. Upcoming weekend April 24-26, at Four Points by Sheraton in Mississauga (2501 Argentia Rd, Mississauga).

Dynamic Women of Faith – Catholic Women's Conference on Sat. March 28 in Mississauga (Le Tréport Banquet Hall at 1075 Queensway E.) with speakers Kimberley Hahn and Colleen Carroll Campbell. Mass celebrated by Fr. Edward Curtis, Pastor of St. Michael's Cathedral. Also special evening for mothers and daughters on Fri., Mar. 27 from 7 – 10 pm. Check website: dynamicwomenfaith.com for topics & registration details.

*Spring Forward
Next Sunday*



Come Let's Be Singing 2020! - Children in grades 1-3 are invited to join singers in the Inter-Mennonite Children's Choir Training Choir for an afternoon of singing on Sat. Mar. 7, from 1 - 4:15 pm at W-K United Mennonite Church. Activities will include learning new pieces, playing singing games, creating and composing music. This will be a great opportunity for those children who might be interested in joining the choir in Fall 2020 to see what singing in a group is like. For more details or to register, visit mennosingers.com/imcc or imcc.conductor@rogers.com

DON'T MISS THIS RARE OPPORTUNITY! **Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Stoney Creek will be hosting a Lenten Retreat with Rwandan Genocide Survivor's message of FORGIVENESS, HEALING & HOPE.** Immaculee will share her powerful journey through remarkable personal testimony. Witness the life-saving power of faith and the Rosary, as she huddled with seven other women in a cramped bathroom for 91 days while killers lurked just outside the door. **FRI., MARCH 13, 4 – 9 PM & SAT., MARCH 14, 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM.** Registration at www.immaculee.com.

Defending the Faith Conference: July 24-26, 2020 at Franciscan University, Steubenville, Ohio. Once again Blessed Sacrament Parish in Kitchener is organizing a trip to this conference. For more info. contact Mary Anne Kearns at 519-578-6218 or mackearns@hotmail.com



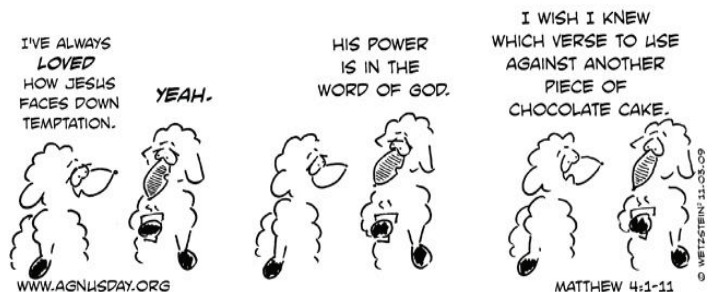
The Diocesan Choir provides music for the Chrism Mass and Ordinations of Priests and Deacons. We invite interested music ministers to register and ask new members to audition during the first rehearsal. Rehearsals begin Mar. 2nd on Mondays from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. For further info., and to register, contact the Liturgy Office at 905-528-7988 or hamiltondiocese.com/offices/liturgy/diocesan-choir.php

World Day of Prayer will be held at St. Michael's Parish, 80 University Avenue W. [at Hemlock] on Friday March 6, 1-2:00 PM. Reception in the Parish Center. The country celebrated and prayed for is Zimbabwe.

All are welcome to attend a one hour special event at St. Agnes Parish as Fr. Toby Collins, St. Mary's Parish, & Francis Doyle, Director of Stewardship, Diocese of Hamilton co-present a great talk on the challenges we can all face with balancing priorities, particularly the pressures around our time & money. Do we own our possessions or do they own us? How can we use our gifts, such as our time, wealth, & relationships, expanding them while developing freedom from possessiveness? Sun., Mar, 8th from 2- 3:00 PM. Refreshments.



WCDSB is accepting applications for: Occasional Teachers and Registered Early Childhood Educators – (Permanent Contracts and Supply). Please visit their website for job details and application criteria: www.wcdsb.ca



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