St. Louis Catholic Church

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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.

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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 Annointing 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:

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SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 13

No Mass

Tuesday, March 14

9:00 am The intentions of Shannon Brown – Sophie Debbané

Wednesday, March 15

9:00 am † Alicia Perez – Sr. Immolatia

Thursday, March 16

9:00 am † Shirley Hinsperger – Rob Hinsperger

Friday, March 17

9:00 am † David Kirby – Kirby Family

Saturday, March 18

Sunday liturgy – Third Sunday in Lent

5:00 pm † David Kirby – Kirby Family

† Audrey Moser – The Moser Family

† Thomas Forde & Noelle Forde –

Pat & Joan Forde

† Deceased members of Corrick Family – John

McNeely

Sunday, March 19 - Third Sunday in Lent

9:30 am † Deceased Members of Gies Family – Hinsperger Family

† John Lavigne – Loretta & Family

† Doreen Galvin – Malton Family

† Zygmunt Adamski – Martin Family

11:30 am People of St. Louis Parish

Reflection on the Gospel: (Matthew 17: 1-9)

Each year on the Second Sunday of Lent, the Church presents a narrative of Jesus' Transfiguration. Matthew, Mark, and Luke all include this account but addressed to a particular community. In Matthew's case it was a Jewish based Christian community. It struggled with various questions about the continuity or discontinuity between Jesus and the Judaism of their birth. Matthew strives to show that Jesus "fulfills" the Old Testament scripture.

In this Transfiguration account he emphasizes the revelation of God in Jesus, who both epitomizes and transcends all previous disclosure of God in Israel's history and Scriptures.

Jesus is depicted as the one who fulfills the Law and the Prophets, symbolized by the figures of Moses, the Lawgiver, and Elijah, prominent among the great Prophets of Israel. These figures appear with Jesus, but fade into the background after the revelation of divine presence in Jesus.

The "bright cloud" reminds us of the guiding presence of God as a pillar of cloud in Israel's desert journey. God's voice from the cloud



describes Jesus as "beloved Son," recalling the divine voice heard at Jesus' baptism. But here Matthew also refers to the Suffering Servant, "in whom I am well pleased" (Isaiah 42:1). God's voice adds the command to "listen to him." In the Old Testament, to hear and obey God's Word was the identifying mark of a genuine response to God. In the Transfiguration of Jesus, God calls all to listen to his Son's teaching, in the words he speaks and in the self-giving death he will embrace.

THIS WEEK EVENTS

Tuesday, March 14

noon Lunch & Learn: *The Lamb's Supper Ch 1*. Nursery by Scott Hahn

Thursday. March 16

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 17

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross (led by the Prayer Church

Shawl Ministry)

(Due to the March Break most programs are taking a break as well. They will resume next week).

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	
Sat. Mar 18	1. Joan Sichewski	1. Grant Ertel	
5 pm	2. James Skidmore	2. Daniel Delattre	
	C. Sharon Carey	3. Trudy Allensen	
Sun. Mar 19	1. Bennita-Ann Gallina	1. Anne M. Webster	
9:30 am	2. Barry Hinchberger	2. Rob Hinsperger	
	C. Terry Collins	3. Joanne Bond	
Sun. Mar 19	1. Donna Herbstreit	1. Christine Dopko	
11:30 am	2. Carol Sullivan	2. Matthew Dopko	
	C. Lois Peterson	3. Terry Sullivan	



Lunch and Learn group on Tuesdays at noon is starting a new book to read and discuss. It is *The Lambs' Supper by* Scott Hahn which deals with three

interconnected topics: The Mass, the end times and the book of Revelation. Everyone is welcome. Come when you can and bring bagged lunch if you wish. Coffee (and treats outside the season of Lent) provided.



On Ash Wednesday, **Development and Peace** – Caritas Canada launched its 50th annual Share Lent campaign, entitled Women at the Heart of Change.

Since the Organization's founding in 1967, money donated annually by Catholics during Share Lent provides essential support to the poorest populations of Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. Today, Development and Peace supports 173 partners and 194 projects in 46 countries around the world! You can make Share Lent a part of your family's Lenten journey by using the Solidarity Calendar, which you can obtain in your

by using the Solidarity Calendar, which you can obtain in your parish today. This year, the Share Lent collection will take place on April 2nd, which is Solidarity Sunday.

Did you know that Development and Peace's first Share Lent campaign took place in 1968 and raised \$1.35 million, which was used to carry out projects in 32 countries?

VBS 2017 - Please mark your calendars for this summer's camp, July 24 - 28. The theme for the morning will be "Mighty Fortress - In Jesus, the Victory is Won!" and in the afternoon Lego Robotics. Early bird registration will start in April. We don't want anyone to miss out by being double booked. It



will be another fun week with all the children of the parish!!

MARCH 12, 2017

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 are 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, Resources: 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: Peter, James and John had a mountaintop experience with Jesus by witnessing His transfiguration. We too can have a mountaintop experience when we open our minds and hearts to following God's Will for our life. 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.

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.

New to Waterloo: K of C Bingo Thursday Nights,
Doors open 6:00 pm. Bingo starts at 7:00 pm. 145
Dearborn Place, Waterloo, Cash prizes, Food and Fun.
K of C Fish Fry, Friday Nights at Columbus Conference Centre,
145 Dearborn Place, Waterloo, reservations, 519-884-2060

Are You Separated Or Divorced? Let Us Help ... Level 1 (Learning to Cope), Level 2 (Accepting the Situation) and Level 3 (Enhancing Self Esteem) are self-help programs intended to help separated and divorced persons move forward from their divorce healthier and stronger. Topics are meant to offer hope and personal growth and include: the process of divorce, selfimage, stress, anger, guilt, loneliness, forgiveness, trust, singleness and children. Course fee: \$35 (Level 1), \$45 (Level 2) and \$40 (Level 3). All levels will be held Tuesday evenings for 11 weeks, starting March 28th from 7 – 9 pm. Level 1 & 2 - at St. Francis of Assisi Parish (Queen & Westmount), Kit.; Level 3 - at St. Mark's Parish (55 Driftwood Dr.), Kit.. Contact the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 X 2249, or St. Francis Parish 519-745-7301 to register (Level 1 & 2), or on line at: http://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/divorceseparation.php.

Join **Christians praying together** for Christian Unity and worldwide needs on Sun., March 26 at 7:30 pm hosted by Church of the Good Shepherd, 116 Queen St. N., Kitchener, 519-743-3845.



"Worth a Second Look" thrift shop located at the former location of St. Vincent de Paul is looking for donations. We are a charity that is a project of

the Working Centre. Our goal is to provide low cost furniture and housewares to the community and helping to support many of our projects including Saint John's Kitchen. Items requested are: Furniture, all decorator items, small electrical appliances, clean household items, books and current magazines, health and beauty products, jewellery, crafts & art supplies, all collectibles, music & movies, toys, gardening and hardware items. Items can be dropped off at 97 Victoria St. N. (entrance off of Duke or Weber Sts. at Heit Lane). Pickups are available for larger donations by calling 519-569-7566 X 1 to make an appointment. Thanking you in advance for your help.

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 or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org.



The **Sisters of the Carmel of St. Joseph** will pray for you during the <u>Novena to Saint Joseph</u>, <u>March</u> 11th to 19th. 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.

Mini-Retreat & Grocery Shower (No Meat) to be held Sat., March 23, from 10:30 am – 2:00 pm at the Carmel of St. Joseph Monastery. Rosary and Mass. Retreat Master: Rev. Ron Voisin. For more info. call Sheila 519-743-6069.

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sun., June 25th at 1:30 pm at the Cathedral in Hamilton for couples celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ wedding anniversary in 2017. Please refer to posters in the church for info on how to register for the celebration, or www.hamiltondiocese.com.



Pilgrimage to the Holy Land – Nov. 13 - 22, 2017 - Fr. Ted Slaman, and Fr. Robert Hetu, will be leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. It includes four days in the Galilee area, and four

days in Jerusalem, with Mass and/or other prayer and reflection times every day. You can call Fr. Ted (cell phone) 905-334-9869 or email: tedslaman@rogers.com, or call Fr. Robert at 519-853-8579 or email: rhetu@hamiltondiocese.com.

Past Sunday Collection:

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 4701.00
Maintenance Envelopes	\$ 65.00
Loose Donations	\$ 343.50
Pre Authorized donations for	\$ 1541.61
March: 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 20th of each month. (This covers **only** the regular Sunday envelope donations). Registration forms at the back of the church.





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