

St. Louis Roman Catholic Church

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

Sunday Masses:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday – Friday 9:00 a.m.

*Rosary: Tuesday to Friday before
9:00 a.m. Mass*



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Welcome new members

We would like to invite you to register. Registration forms can be found in the narthex (lobby). Please call the parish if you would like your home to be blessed.

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),

Peter DeSousa provides music for the 5 p.m. Mass (peterdesousa730@gmail.com)

Sunday programs for children

During the Sunday morning 9:30 am. 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

Church policy requires that the Sacraments be performed in the parish located closest to you geographically – unless you are registered and regularly attend elsewhere. At St. Louis, the sacraments of initiation are available to registered and regularly attending parishioners only.

Baptism: Celebrated once a month. Please contact the parish office for more information.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 4 - 4:30 p.m., or by appointment.

Low gluten hosts are available upon prior request.

Marriage: Please contact the parish office at least one year in advance of your date. A marriage preparation course is required.

R.C.I.A.: 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 Sacrament of Reconciliation, Holy Communion, or Sacrament of the Sick.

Pastoral Care to those in Hospital: Privacy-of-Information laws prohibit the parish from obtaining information about parishioners in the hospital. A family member is asked to contact the parish whenever a parishioner is in hospital and requests a pastoral visit.

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 or crvocations@gmail.com.



Fourth Sunday in Lent

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, March 17- St. Patrick, Bishop
 9:00 am † Dave Kirby – Kirby Family

Wednesday, March 18
 9:00 am † Patricia McNeely – John McNeely

Thursday, March 19– St. Joseph, Principal Patron of Canada
 9:00 am For the intentions of Coleen Marley – Mary Ellen Marley

Friday, March 20
 9:00 am † John Krauss – Eileen Fischer

Saturday, March 21
Sunday liturgy – Fifth Sunday of Lent
 5:00 pm † John Henry – Catherine Ruetz
 † Dora Coyne – Catherine Ruetz

Sunday, March 22 – Fifth Sunday of Lent
 9:30 am † Khampheng, Kasem & Johnny Xaysy– Xaysy Family
 † Mark Cybulski – Kathleen Kirby
 † Kay Freiburger – Harold Freiburger & Family
 For blessings on Lisa & Christopher as they prepare for their marriage

11:30 am People of St. Louis Parish

For the Fourth Sunday of Lent (“A” Cycle of Readings):

God does not see as people see. The Pharisees of Jesus’s day saw a sinner when they looked at the blind man. David’s family saw only a young sheepherder where God saw a future king. The Story of David shows the power of God to raise up and to transform, to establish and to tear down. David becomes a living embodiment of one of the features of the Kingdom of God – “the last shall be first.”

In the second reading today, Paul teaches us to move from “darkness” to “light”. The message is clear and stark: once you were a child, but now you’re an adult; once you were ignorant, but now you know; once you were without Christ, but now you have Him. And Paul’s tone seems to add “So act like one! Be an adult, use your knowledge, live like a Christian.” Paul admonishes to “take no part” in the “shameful” things done “secretly.” Probably part of an early Christian hymn, “Sleeper, awake!” is a rousing call to action followed by the joyous promise that “Christ will shine on you.”

In the Gospel, the disciples’ question reflects the accepted wisdom that presumed that sin was the root cause of physical hardships like blindness. Jesus’ response is surprising: “he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him.” There is urgency in Jesus’ actions – “night is coming when no one can work”. The miraculous healing process and the beggar’s response point to Jesus’s identity – “the Light of the World.”

Slimy mud formed from Jesus’ saliva brings light into the blind man’s darkness. Bringing light into the darkness, was God’s first act of creation along with fashioning us from the slime of the earth. Jesus didn’t use water to form the mud. If He had used water some might say that the miraculous power that gave the man sight came from water. Jesus used His own

Upcoming Events

Monday, March 16
 7:30 pm Reconciliation Service Church

Wednesday, March 18
 7:30 pm 11:30 Choir rehearsal Church

Thursday, March 19
 9:30 am Small Christian Community Notre Dame Hall
 7:30 pm (9:30) Choir rehearsal Church

Friday, March 20
 5:30 pm Simple Supper Large Hall
 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross Church
 (led by CWL & Children’s Ministry)

Sunday, March 22
 12:30 pm Good Shepherd Level I & II Convent

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. Mar 21 5:00 pm	1 Kathie Mulhall 2 Stephen Mulhall C Jim Walsh	1 Trudy Allensen 2 Guy Tremblay 3 Sr. Audrey McC.
Sun. Mar 22 9:30 am	1 John Klein 2 Caroline Noel C Linda Wanka	1 Frank Mensink 2 Mary Smith 3 Joanne Bond
11:30 am	1 Simon Blanchard 2 Darlene Wilson C Rose Mastnak	1 Charles Wilson 2 Terry Sullivan 3 Anna Malton

JESUS - THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

saliva to demonstrate that the miraculous power giving sight to the man born blind came from Him and from Him alone.

The blind man’s recognition of who Jesus really is came about gradually. First he told his neighbours that “the man called Jesus” made paste, put it on his eyes, and told him to go wash in the waters of Siloam. When questioned by the Pharisees who healed him the blind man said, “He is a prophet.” Finally, Jesus searched him out and when He found the man he acknowledged that Jesus was the “Son of Man” and then worshipped Him, an act that one gives to God alone.

Lenten speaker series: Pope Francis - Inspiration & Direction On Thursdays at St. Francis of Assisi Church, Kit. Mass at 1:00 pm followed by talk at 1:30 pm, or at St. Michael Church, Wat. talk at 7:00 pm. Mar. 26: *Eye Witness to the Synod* - Rev. Tom Rosica, C.S.B.

Please join the **Serra Club of Hamilton in honouring 5 Priests and 5 Religious Sisters as they celebrate their 50th Anniversary of Service.** The annual dinner will be at Liuna Station on Tue., Apr. 28th. Check website: <http://celebrationprl.wix.com/dinner> or email Margaret Carreiro at celebrationprl@gmail.com



All parishioners and especially families are invited to a Simple Supper (soup, buns/bread) to be served in the Large Hall, this Friday, March 20th between 5:30 and 6 pm, followed at 7 pm by "A Children's Way of the Cross" (sponsored by the Catholic Women's League and the Children's Ministry)

The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy – Bible Study DVD series with Thomas Smith & Sarah Christmyer will start on March 26 at 1 pm in the Large Hall and will continue for 10 weeks. If interested, please sign up on a sheet at the back of the church. If you would like study materials – please indicate on the sign-up sheet. See flyers at all church exits.

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass - Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in 2015? If you are, you are cordially invited to a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sun., June 7th at the Cathedral at 1:30 pm. (Only those married 60+ years may bring 1 guest). Please refer to the poster at the back of the church for info. on how to register, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

Are You Separated Or Divorced? Let Us Help ... LEVEL 1 - (Learning to Cope) and LEVEL 2 - (Accepting the Situation) are self-help programs intended to help separated and divorced persons gain a perspective on their divorce. Topics include: the process of divorce, self-image, stress, anger, guilt, loneliness, forgiveness, trust, singleness and children. Course fee: \$35 (Level 1) and \$45 (Level 2). The courses are held Tuesday evenings for 11 weeks, starting March 24th, from 7 – 9 pm at St. Francis of Assisi (Queen & Westmount), Kit. Contact Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 X 2249, or St. Francis Parish 519-745-7301 to register.

Come Join Us To Find The "Keys To Loving Relationships" - "Keys" is a 10 week video-based program meant for anyone (married or single) who is looking for a more meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better "me" in all your relationships! The program runs Tuesday evenings from 7 – 9 pm starting March 24th, at St. Mark's Parish, 55 Driftwood Ave., Kitchener. The cost is \$45.00. For more info., call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 X2249.

Cursillo weekend: Men's is Apr 23 - 26, and Women's is Apr 30 - May 3. Please register soon. For more info. cursillohamilton.org, or contact: Fr. Ray Reitzel, CR rayreitzelcr@live.com (519) 725-1445

St. Michael's Parish is seeking a maintenance worker handyman and a Parish Nurse. For more info: 519-884-9311.

Join us for Evening Prayer on Passion Sunday, March 29th at 6:30 pm at St. Louis Church. Evening prayer will be followed by a presentation of quiet, contemplative songs for Lent centred on God's goodness, forgiveness and grace, calling each of us to return to Him during Holy Week. Music will be provided by John B. Miller and friends.

Attention all young people age 18-35! You are invited to attend a Youth Rally free of charge. The focus will be *Waking up the World during this year of Consecrated Life*. Special guests include Sr. Miriam Heidland, SOLT, Chris Bray and Fr. Toby Collins, CR. The prayer-filled fun goes from 9 am until 5:30 pm on Sunday May 3rd at Mount Mary Retreat Centre in Ancaster. Afternoon Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Daniel Miehm. Lunch and pizza for dinner will be provided. Details on www.resurrectionists.ca and www.solisisters.ca in the coming weeks. See you there!

Reconciliation Services:

- Monday, March 16th**
7:30 pm St. Louis, Waterloo
- Wednesday, March 18th**
7:00 pm Blessed Sacrament, Kitchener
7:30 pm St. Michael's, Waterloo
- Thursday, March 19th**
11:00 am St. Anne's, Kitchener
7:30 pm St. Aloysius, Kitchener
7:30 pm Our Lady of Lourdes, Waterloo
- Saturday, March 21st**
Reconciliation offered: 2 - 5pm, St. Anthony Daniel, Kitchener
- Sunday, March 22nd**
3:00 pm Sacred Heart, Kitchener

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The Inter-Mennonite Children's Choir invites parents and children to an open rehearsal to get a glimpse of the inner workings of the choir. The open rehearsal will take place on Tue. March 31st at W-K United Mennonite Church (15 George St. Waterloo). Children ages 6-9 are welcome from 6:30—7:00 and children ages 10-15 are welcome from 7:30-8:00. For more information: imcc.conductor@rogers.com

A note from The Catholic Cemeteries... Families are kindly reminded to remove all wreaths on stands and other winter decorations from their lots by April 1st to facilitate the Spring clean-up. Any wreaths and decorations remaining after April 1st will be removed and discarded. For further information, please do not hesitate to contact the cemetery office at 519-836-8814 or 1-800-661-5985.

Waterloo Knights of Columbus: April 3, Good Friday Fish Dinner 145 Dearborn Place, Waterloo, 1 piece \$9.00, 2 pieces \$12.00, Dinner includes: fish, chips, coleslaw, roll, coffee or tea and dessert. Thank you and a very Happy Easter to all!

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