# St. Louis Catholic Church

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#### **Office hours:**

#### July - August:

Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Closed on Fridays.

#### **September - June:**

Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 1 p.m. - 4 p.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.

#### **Pastoral Team:**

#### **Pastor**

Father Phil Reilly, C.R. preilly@hamiltondiocese.com

#### **Parish Secretary**

Anna Malton

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# Coordinator of Youth and Children's Ministries

Kelly Krause

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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 (robertreinhart 182@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:**

**Finance Council** 

Terry Collins, 519-741-1534

**Maintenance Committee** 

Bob Lorentz, 519-576-5556

**Social Committee** 

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Kelly Krause, 519-743-4101

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Waterloo Council, 519-884-2060

Ministry to the Elderly & Homebound

Cecilia Beechey, 519-572-5435

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#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

# Monday, March 19 – St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary - No Mass

Tuesday, March 20

9:00 am † Ann Reilly – Joan Sichewski

Wednesday, March 21

9:00 am † Ann Reilly – Claire & Richard Armitage

Thursday, March 22

9:00 am Beatification of Bogdan Janski, Founder of the

Congregation of the Resurrection

Friday, March 23

9:00 am

Saturday, March 24

#### Vigil of Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

† Edna Ertel – Larry & Phyllis Ertel

# Sunday, March 25 — Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

9:30 am People of St. Louis Church

11:30 am † David Reitzel – Audrey Reitzel & Family

† Eugene Monaghan – Jack & Rosemary Peterson

† Stella &Edward Hrycyk – Hrycyk Family

#### Reflection on the Gospel (John 12:20-33):

The Gospel opens with some Greeks, probably Gentiles, wanting to see Jesus. The plotting of Jesus' opponents, the gathering of Jews and Greeks, and the setting in Jerusalem have led Jesus to announce, "the hour has come for the Son of man to be glorified." At the wedding feast at Cana, Jesus said that His hour had not yet come, but did not explain what He meant. Now He tells His disciples succinctly that the hour means His glorification. Glory, (doxa) is a visible manifestation of God's presence revealed to humanity. In this scene, before anyone can conclude that Jesus will immediately show forth His glory, He uses a metaphor of the seed that must die. As an image of His own impending Death, the grain that "falls into the earth" in order to produce fruit tells His disciples that His hour of glorification must include His Death. Only through losing His life in this world will Jesus' glorification be accomplished. All who want to come to eternal life must likewise be willing to lay down their lives; they must follow Jesus, must lose life in order to save it.

Since the hour of his glorification is also the hour of His agony, Jesus is troubled. Only His Father can save Him from this hour. With a divine voice heard only here in John's gospel, Jesus' Father announces that He has already glorified Jesus, and will do so yet again, referring to the coming hour of glory accomplished through Jesus' Death. A final way Jesus refers to this mysterious hour is His being "lifted up." The term simultaneously means Jesus' being lifted up on the Cross, and His exaltation, the hour of His glorification.

Excerpt from 2018 Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers and
Proclaimers of the Word



Sr. Immolatia is now at the Prolife Shrine of Immaculate Conception in St. Joseph Missouri (US). She can still be reached via email at sacredheart521@gmail.com

#### THIS WEEK EVENTS

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Monday,	March 19				
noon	Lunch and Learn: Mass of the Early	Nursery			
	Christians by Mike Aquilina Chapter 10				
4:00 pm	Good Shepherd's Catechesis (1, 2 & 3)	Nursery			
Tuesday	, March 20				
6:30 pm	CWL Executive Meeting	Large Hall			
Wednes	day, March 21				
9 am – noo	on Pickle Ball	Gym			
6:00 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Communion Preparation	Nursery			
Thursda	y, March 22				
9:30 am	Small Christian Community	Large Hall			
1:00 pm	Bible Study: Passion according to	Large Hall			
	Matthew				
7:30 pm	9:30 Choir Rehearsal	Church			
Friday, I	March 23				
6:00 pm	Youth Music Rehearsal	Church			
7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross led by St. Vincent	Church			
	de Paul Society				
7:00 pm	Youth Group meeting (High School group)	Large Hall			
Saturday	y, March 24				
6:00 pm	Dinner	Large Hall			

#### Sunday, March 25

6:30 pm

10:30 amSunday SocialLarge Hall5:00 pmOOTC Community SupperGym

Wisdom in Speech – Jeff Cavins DVD

Mass	Readers	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>
Sat. Mar 24	1 Christiane Martin	1 Sharon Carey
5:00 pm	2 Andy Zajchowski	2 Joan Sichewski
	C Marnie Wharnsby	3 Guy Tremblay
Sun. Mar 25	1 Peter Erb	1 Cecilia Beechey
9:30 am	2 Mary Smith	2 John Klein
	C Linda Wanka	3 Eric Davis
Sun. Mar25	1 Rosemary MacNeil	1 Natalie Ferrier
11:30 am	2 Shaun MacNeil	2 Rory Ferrier
	C Lois Peterson	3 Al Klein







Large Hall

program

Agnus Day appears with the permission of www.agnusday.org

#### **Lenten Reconciliation Service this week:**

Tue. Mar. 27, 7:00 pm at St. Teresa of Avila Church (Elmira)

#### **Additional Reconciliation offered:**

Fridays: 4:30 – 6:30 pm at St. John's Church (Kitchener)

Saturdays: 3:00 - 4:30 pm at St. John's Church (Kitchener)

Wed. Mar. 28:6 - 8 pm at St. Teresa of Avila Church (Kitchener)

Fri. Mar. 30: 9- 10 am at St. Teresa of Avila Church (Kitchener)

Sat. Mar. 31: 9-10 am at St. Teresa of Avila Church (Kitchener)

**Priest, Prophet & King** - the next Monday night Faith Enrichment program (by Bishop Barron) will start after Easter on Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup> and will run for 6 weeks until May 14<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 - 9 pm in the Large Hall. To sign up and to order the Workbook which accompanies this program, please call the parish office (519-743-4101).

Holy Thursday food drive: It has been a tradition of St. Louis Parish, that on the day we remember the Last Supper of Our Lord, we present gifts of food, or money for The Society of St. Vincent de Paul food bank at our Parish. Suggested items include: pasta, spaghetti sauce, rice, Kraft Dinner, soup, stew, peanut butter, canned vegetables and fruit, pork and beans, cereal, canned fish, tea and coffee. Thank you and God bless. Please place donations on the bench (pew) at the main entrance to the church.

#### REPORTS FROM THE STUDY GROUPS:

Mondays at Lunch and Learn – Session was cancelled.

Thursdays at 1 pm — Gospel of Matthew Ch. 27 starts with Jesus being taken to Pilate who saw that there was no case against Jesus, but gave in to the demands to release Barabbas and ordered Jesus scourged and crucified. It continues with the Way of the Cross, crucifixion, death and burial of Jesus. Both Peter and Judas betrayed Jesus, but their remorse and following actions were very different. Jesus, the new Adam, came to set right the consequences of the original sin and he became a life-giving spirit for us (Matt 27:50 & 1 Cor.15:45). The signs following Jesus' death (temple veil split, earthquake, tombs open, bodies rising from the dead) convinced centurion and other guards that Jesus in truth was a son of God. Do we believe it too?

Join the "Call for Conscience" in the Hamilton Diocese:
The Government of Canada passed legislation in June 2016, legalizing euthanasia/assisted suicide. Despite wording in the legislation intended to protect doctors and facilities, the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario is forcing health care workers to participate in ending the lives of their patients. No other country or province in Canada does this. Ontario, however, refuses to protect doctors who object to euthanasia/assisted suicide. The Hamilton Diocese wants to protect the rights of all healthcare workers. Visit <a href="www.CanadiansforConscience.ca">www.CanadiansforConscience.ca</a> . Write a letter to your MPP and add your email address to the Conscience Coalitions network to receive future information. We all need to join the "Call for Conscience" taking place between Feb. 6 & March 31st.

Vocation News: Unless a seed first dries out and dies, it cannot be planted in the earth to grow. Unless we die to our selfish ways, we cannot expect to be people who will "lay down their lives for their friends". If you think God is calling you to lay down your life as a priest, religious or deacon for His Church, call Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988x2246, vocations@hamiltondiocese.com www.HamiltonVocations.com

Knights of Columbus #5135 - Good Friday Fish Fry
Fri. March 30<sup>th</sup> at 145 Dearborn Place, Waterloo
Price: 1 piece dinner \$12, 2 piece dinner \$14 (tax incl.)
Seating times: 1, 1:30, 4, 4:30, 5, 5:30, 6, 6:30, 7 & 7:30 pm.
Dinner includes: Fish, Chips, Tartar Sauce, Roll, Coleslaw,
Coffee and Dessert. Tickets available Tuesday, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>, must
come to club to pay and pick up, no reservations.

St. Louis Parish requires a Custodian/Handy Person: Part Time. Reporting to the Pastor, the position requires a

flexible time commitment averaging 9 hours a week. Full details at: www.hamiltondiocese.com/job-opportunities or at the parish office. Interested applicants are to send a resume and cover letter to the parish office by March 19.

Cursillo weekend: An invitation to anyone interested in getting to know God in a personal and intimate way. A 3-day Cursillo weekend, (a short review of Christianity), is designed to help you on that journey. Beginning Thursday evening and ending Sunday evening, through a series of talks by lay people and clergy, and daily Mass, you will get to take a closer look at yourself, God and others. Men's weekend Apr 12-15 and Women's weekend Apr 26-29. For more info. call Rosemary (519-579-5831), or Dan (519-570-4105).

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 Tuesday, April 3, at W-K United Mennonite Church (15 George Street, Wat.). Children ages 6-9 are welcome from 6:30—7 pm and children ages 10-14 are welcome from 7:30-8 pm. For more information: imcc.conductor@rogers.com

Ecumenical Prayer Service with Taize Music on Palm Sunday, March 25 at 7:30 pm hosted by St. Agatha Christian Communities at St. Agatha Catholic Church (1839 Notre Dame Drive, St. Agatha, 519-747-1212).

**The Gift:** Following their joyful reunion with Jesus after his Resurrection, the disciples were instructed to "Wait in Jerusalem for the promise of the Father." (Acts 1:8). Celebrate Pentecost this year by taking part in "The Gift," a 6 week DVD series prayerfully waiting, pondering and rediscovering this great gift of the Father, the Holy Spirit and the role of the Holy Spirit plays in our daily lives. Starting on Monday, April 9 at 7 pm at St Anthony Daniel Church, (29 Midland Dr., Kit.) Call Marg (519-894-5424) or Patrick, 519-748-5548) for more information.

Are you a catechist? Do you help pass on the faith to others? Join us as we consider the connection between evangelization and catechesis with the help of a new book by Daniella Zsupan-Jerome, "Evangelization & Catechesis: Echoing the Good News Through the Documents of the Church". Short chapters, great stories, helpful reflection! Wednesdays starting April 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 – 9 pm in Cambridge at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish. Cost \$35, includes the book and five Wednesdays: April 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, & 30<sup>th</sup>. To register call Monica at 905-528-7988 X 2238, or on-line at www.hamiltondiocese.com.

#### PAST DONATIONS

	Date	Sunday Envelopes	Maintenance	Loose
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