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Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday - Friday 9:00 a.m.

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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.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, March 24

9:00 am † Dave Kirby – Kirby Family

Wednesday, March 25 – The Annunciation of the Lord

9:00 am † Alex MacKinnon – Esther MacKinnon

Thursday, March 26

9:00 am Deceased Members of the Congregation of the

Resurrection

Friday, March 27

9:00 am † Thomas Schmidt – Joyce MacCallum

Saturday, March 28

Sunday liturgy - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

5:00 pm † Michael Robson & Jeremy Kueneman – Marg &

Ken Danard † Thomas Forde & Noelle Forde – Patrick & Joan

Forde

† David Reitzel – Audrey Reitzel & Family

† Clare Dietrich – The Ushers

Sunday, March 29 - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

9:30 am † Roberto Santos – Catholic Engaged Encounter

† Ron Sills – Helen Hamlin

† Lou Dietrich – Helen & Family

† Frances & Jack Thorpe & Pat Hergott – Thorpe

Family

11:30 am People of St. Louis Parish

For the Fifth Sunday of Lent ("A" Cycle of Readings):

The striking imagery of God raising the Israelites from their graves clearly links the First Reading with the Gospel. The graves that Ezekiel alludes to are metaphorical. Israel had undergone the death as a nation: monarchy lost, the Temple destroyed, people in exile. God promises to restore the nation with burning love that seeks to comfort His people.

Paul also offers a message of hope. Though those in the "flesh" (those centered on self) cannot please God, we are living in the "spirit" (centered on God and others). The Paschal Mystery opened up a whole new life for the believers – a life in the Spirit that frees us from enslavement to sin and enables us to surrender our wills to God's.

The Gospel account of the raising of Lazarus from the dead is preparing the disciples for Jesus' passion, death and resurrection. It strengthens their and our faith in who Jesus is. God acted powerfully in the life of Jesus, turning darkness into light, despair into hope and death into new life. When we can "see" what happened then, we can believe that the grace that flowed then can flow again.

Raising of Lazarus resulted in conversion of many witnesses. It was a turning point, for the political and religious leadership were now totally threatened. Jesus' fate was decided. He had to be killed.

Why did Jesus weep? Obviously, not for Lazarus, for Jesus knew the happiness Lazarus and his family were about to receive. Were not those tears the tears of one who knows He has been completely rejected? The agony in the Garden of Gethsemane begins. Jesus knew he was to see the tomb from the inside. The Lazarus event foreshadowed Christ's own three

Upcoming Events			
Monday, March 23			
7:30 pm	Bible Adventure Timeline	Large Hall	
Tuesday, March 24			
1:00 pm	Prayer Shawl meeting	Notre Dame Hall	
Wednesday, March 25			
6:00 pm	First Communion class	Nursery	
6:00 pm	RCIA	Convent	
7:30 pm	11:30 Choir rehearsal	Church	
Thursday, March 26			
9:30 am	Small Christian Community	Notre Dame Hall	
1:00 pm	Bible Study: The Prophets (1)	Large Hall	
7:30 pm	(9:30) Choir rehearsal	Church	
Friday, March 27			
7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross (led by 9:30	Choir) Church	
5:00 pm	Youth Group meeting at St.	John's Church	
Sunday, March 29			
6:30 pm	Evening Prayer & Lenten Music	Church	

0.50 pm Evening Frayer & Eciten Wasie Charen			
Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	
Sat. Mar 28	1 Joan Sichewski	1 Trudy Allensen	
5:00 pm	2 Betty Gross	2 Daniel Delattre	
	C Bea Lajeunesse	3 Debbie Delattre	
Passion Narrator	Sharon Carey		
Passion Crowd	Debbie Delattre		
Sun. Mar 29	1 Peter Fioravanti	1 Anne M. Webster	
9:30 am	2 Mike Haley	2 Frank Mensink	
	C Mary Smith	3 Cecilia Beechey	
Passion Narrator	Tom Bishop		
Passion Crowd	Jack Bishop		
11:30 am	1 Gord Beaton	1 Aurora DiPasquale	
	2 Ben Beaton	2 Christiane Martin	
	C Carolyn Beaton	3 Rory Ferrier	
Passion Narrator	Donna Herbstreit		
Passion Crowd	Mac Graham		

LAZARUS, COME OUT!

days in the tomb. The raising of Lazarus was the most crucial event in Christ's ministry. It was the beginning of the end.

"Unbind him and let him go free" was Christ's command. Freedom, our freedom, our freedom to do good, to freely choose to do beautiful things for God, is the reason for it all. Christ emptied Lazarus' tomb so he could change places with him. Divinity took on our humanity so that our humanity could take on His divinity. Because of Christ we are no longer entombed in sin. We are freed of Satan's grip and are no longer destined to end up in hell. Because of Jesus Christ we are able now, as St. Paul declares, to "walk in the glorious freedom of the children of God."

Lenten speaker series: Pope Francis - Inspiration & Direction On Thur. 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.

Today is Solidarity Sunday! Support the Share Lent collection for Development and Peace. Pope Francis ends his Joy of the Gospel with this prayer to Mary:

Star of the New Evangelization, help us to bear radiant witness to communion, service, ardent and generous faith, justice and love of the poor, that the joy of the Gospel may reach to the ends of the Earth, illuminating even the fringes of our world.

Today, on the Fifth Sunday of Lent, Solidarity Sunday, we join the Holy Father in praying that we may all be radiant witnesses and that through our support of D & P, the joy of the Gospel may indeed illuminate even the darkest corners of our world! Mark your envelope "Share Lent collection". Thank you for your generosity in helping to meet the needs of the world.

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 St. Vincent de Paul food bank at our Parish. Suggested items include: pasta, spaghetti sauce, rice, soups, peanut butter, granola bars, canned vegetables and fruit, pork and beans, cereal, fruit juice, tea & coffee. Thanks and God bless. Please place donations in front of the Holy Family Altar.

The annual Serra Club Hamilton 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

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 how to register, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

Cursillo weekend: Men's: Apr 23 - 26, and Women's: Apr 30 - May 3. Register soon. Contact Fr. Ray Reitzel, CR rayreitzelcr@live.com, (519) 725-1445, cursillohamilton.org

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.



Catholic Women's League next meeting: Wed., April 1st. Mass: 7pm. Our Meeting will begin with a short prayer service for Peace in the Middle East and for our brother and sister Christians and others being persecuted, displaced and/or murdered there and in other parts of the world.

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. (Free will offering.)

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, www.solisisters.ca. See you there!

Reconciliation Services:

Monday, March 23rd 7:00 pm St. Mary's, Kitchener

Tuesday, March 24th

7:00 pm St. Agatha, St. Agatha 7:30 pm St. Joseph's, Kitchener

Wednesday, March 25th

7:00 pm St. Francis of Assisi, Kitchener

Thursday, March 26th

7:00 pm St. Clements, St. Clements 7:30 pm St. Mark's, Kitchener

Saturday, March 28th

Reconciliation offered: 2 - 5pm, St. Anthony Daniel, Kitchener

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 for a more meaningful looking relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better "me" in all your relationships! Tuesday evenings from 7 - 9 pm starting March 24th, at St. Mark's Parish, 55 Driftwood Ave., Kit., Cost: \$45. For info, call Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 X2249.

Inter-Mennonite Children's Choir invites parents and children to an open rehearsal on Tue. March 31st at W-K United Mennonite Church (15 George St. Wat.). 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



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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