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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.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, March 31

& Rob Hinsperger

Wednesday, April 1

9:00 am † Prince Family – Sandra & Eldon Prince

7:00 pm † Kathleen Zettler - CWL Thursday, April 2 – Holy Thursday

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper – For Priestly Vocations

Friday, April 3 – Good Friday (Service – no Mass today)

10:00 am Good Friday Service for Families

3:00 pm Good Friday Service **Saturday, April 4 – Easter Vigil**

8:30 pm For the People of St. Louis Parish

Sunday, April 5 – Easter Sunday

7:00 am For the Congregation of the Resurrection

9:30 am For the People of St. Louis Parish

11:30 am For those Baptised and received into the Church

this Easter in our Diocese

For the Palm/Passion Sunday:

Why was there such a dramatic change in the mood of the crowd of people in Jerusalem from Palm Sunday to Good Friday? Why the change from "Hosanna to Son of David" to "crucify Him!"?

Did it relate to expectations? When we are all excited and on an emotional high because our hopes and expectations are about to be fulfilled and they are suddenly dashed to the ground are we not terribly saddened but also get angry.

The people of Jerusalem hoped that Jesus was going to be their long-expected Messiah, God's Anointed One would be like King David and who would lead them to throw off their hated Roman rulers and give them the freedom of their own autonomy. When it appeared that Jesus was going to be a different kind of Messiah, one who appeared to be gentle and forgiving and therefore perceived as weak, their frustrated hopes turned into anger, particularly anger at Him. That appears to be what upset Judas, the one who was so concerned with money and power, and caused him to betray Jesus to the Jewish and Roman authorities.

What do we expect God to do for us? Just what kind of a Messiah do we expect? And when God doesn't answer our prayers the way we want Him to, how do we react? Do we get mad at God? Do we turn and walk away both from Him and from His Church? The uncomfortable truth is that Judas models our own turning away from Christ. We all have some fickleness in our hearts. All too often we join the thinking of the crowd around us, are swept up by what is popular and fail to be fixed on what is right.



Instead of asking what we want God to do for us, why don't we turn the question around and ask ourselves: What does God want me to do?

We enter into Holy Week and once again God our Father gathers us to His Christ. God knows

Upcoming Events

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Monday, March 31				
	7:30 pm	Bible Adventure Timeline	Large Hall	
	Wednesda	ay, April 1		
	5:00 pm	Altar Servers Triduum rehearsal	Church	
	6:00 pm	First Communion class	Nursery	
	6:00 pm	RCIA	Church	
	7:00 pm	CWL Mass and Meeting	Ch. & L. H.	
	7:30 pm	11:30 Choir rehearsal	Church	
Thursday, April 2 – Holy Thursday				
	9:30 am	Small Christian Community	Notre Dame H.	
	1:00 pm	Bible Study: The Prophets (1)	Large Hall	
	7:00 pm	Mass of the Supper of the Lord	Church	
Friday, April 3 - Good Friday - Office closed				
	10:00 am	Good Friday Service for Families	Church	
	3:00 pm	Good Friday Service	Church	
Saturday, April 4 – Easter Vigil				
	8:30 pm	Easter Vigil service & reception	Church & L.H.	
	Sunday, April 5 – Easter Sunday			

HOLY TRIDUUM SCHEDULE:

Church

7:00 am. 9:30 am. 11:30 am Masses

HOLY THURSDAY

7:00 PM MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

GOOD FRIDAY

10:00 AM GOOD FRIDAY FAMILY SERVICE 3:00 PM GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

HOLY SATURDAY
8:30 PM EASTER VIGIL

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES 7:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

full well what is in the human heart but He is undeterred by our failures and weaknesses. Next Sunday we will come out on the other side of Holy Week and filled with thanksgiving we will once again, with Christ, enter into His resurrection from the dead sharing His victory over that which separates us from God, even death itself.

God's love for us is infinitely strong, unwavering, resolute, and more powerful than all that the demonic forces of Hell can throw at us. In the light of human history, a history filled with infidelities, betrayals, violence, and unspeakable evils, this is our only hope for peace in our souls and the triumph of love. Let us now join ourselves into Christ and there be swept up onto the heart of God. *By Fr. Charles Irvin*

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass - Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in 2015? You are 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). See the poster at the back of the church on how to register, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

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.

Catholic Women's League meeting, this Wed., April 1st. Mass: 7 pm - Our meeting will begin with a prayer service for the persecuted/displaced/murdered in the Middle East – followed by discussion on CWL resolutions and the upcoming Diocesan Convention – refreshments and fellowship time. All women always welcome!

Have you ever felt called to live out a Charism and Mission of a religious community by becoming its Lay Associate? If you have, the Canadian Province of the Congregation of the Resurrection ("Resurrectionists") is inviting all men and women over 18 to consider ministering with us as an «Apostle of the Resurrection» by becoming a member of our Lay Associates Programme. Our initial informative meeting will take place on Saturday, April 11, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. (lunch included) at Resurrection College in Waterloo, 265 Westmount Rd. N. Please confirm your presence by April 3 at fr.michal.cr@gmail.com or 905 379 8299.

Good Friday 2015 Pontifical Collection for the Holy Land

The Pontifical Collection for the benefit of the Holy Places is scheduled this year on Good Friday April 3, 2015. As we respond to this appeal, the visit of Pope Francis in the Holy Land from May 24 to 26, 2014 vividly comes to mind. The Pontifical Collection of Good Friday is a unique moment of loyalty to the Resurrection of the Christ Jesus and of solidarity with the Christians who are the "living stones" of those consecrated places. We are invited to this gesture of commemoration and unity for the benefit of the Holy Places and Christians so as to give a tangible form to the remembrance of the Christ Jesus and the constant support of our present day brothers and sisters!

Time for Two: Growing in Love - Do you ever wish you had more time as a couple? Do you wish you could take some time as a couple? Then this is the weekend for you! Rediscover the spark that was there on your wedding day! Rediscover the best friend you have had since you were married! Give yourselves a private weekend away and discover each other anew. This may well be the most valuable two days you will spend together as a couple! For information about the Marriage Encounter/Enrichment weekend on April 11/12 at St. Ignatius Retreat Centre in Deemerton, Ont., call 905-528-7988 X 2249, e-mail familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com or check website www.hamiltondiocese.com

Ecumenical prayer services with Taizé songs: Palm-Passion Sunday, March 29, at 7:30pm hosted by the three Christian Communities in St. Agatha at St. Agatha Catholic Church 1839 Notre Dame Drive, St. Agatha (519 747 1212).

St. Louis CWL Christian Leadership Awards:

One award is given to a <u>high school graduating student</u>, who is active member of St. Louis parish and their own high school, who exemplifies Christian gospel values through consistent hard work and effort, and who uses their God given talents for the good of themselves & others. The successful recipient models personal qualities such as helpfulness, kindness, generosity and compassion.

One award is given to a grade 8 student, who is an active member of St. Louis Parish and is planning on continuing their education in a Catholic high school. The successful applicant is asked to share their ideas about what the Catholic faith means for them, how they practice their faith and how they use their God given talents for the good of themselves and others. Applications for both awards are asked to submit a 2 page maximum, (Times New Roman, 12 pt. font) essay describing how they meet the above criteria by April 30th to: St. Louis CWL, @ St. Louis Parish Office, Attn. K. Mulhall

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. Details on www.resurrectionists.ca, www.solisisters.ca. See you there!

Annual Mass With New Catholics - Each year, the bishop invites those who are baptized or received into the full communion of the Catholic Church to a celebration of the Eucharist at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. This year's celebration takes place on Sunday April 12 during the 11:00 am Mass. All are invited.



Waterloo Knights of Columbus: April 3, <u>Good Friday Fish Dinner</u> 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!

The 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. 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

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