



St. Louis Catholic Church

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Served by the Congregation of the Resurrection since 1890.

Office hours: Monday – Thursday 9 - 12 and 1- 4 p.m.
Summer hours (Canada Day to Labour Day): Mon. - Thurs. 9 a.m. to 1 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 new members - 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 - Donna McLellan (donna-ipad@hotmail.com)

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 supporting members, please contact the parish office at least one year in advance of your date.

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 Anointing 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, or Sacrament of the Sick (Anointing).

Priesthood and Religious Life - Is God calling you to religious life, as a Brother, Deacon or Priest? If so, please contact the Vocation Director for the Congregation of the Resurrection, at resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com or www.resurrectionists.ca

Diocesan Newsletter - For information about Activities and Events of interest in the Diocese of Hamilton, subscribe to the online Diocesan Newsletter at www.hamiltondiocese.com

Parish Organizations and Contacts:

Finance Council
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THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

MASS INTENTIONS and EVENTS

Monday, March 4 – No Mass			
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball		Gym
9 AM – NOON	CWL History Meeting		L. Hall
5:30 PM	Good Shepherd Catechesis		Nursery
6:30 PM	11:30 Choir rehearsal		Church
7:30 PM	Bible Study – Bible Timeline 6/12		L. Hall
Tuesday, March 5			
9:00 AM	To Bring Our Loved Ones Home to the Church		
9:30 AM	Book Group		L. Hall
7:00 PM	Painting with Kelly		L. Hall
Wednesday, March 6			
9:00 AM	In Thanksgiving for Graces Received by Estrada Family – Estrada Family		
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball		Gym
7:00 PM	For St. Louis CWL, as we celebrate our centennial		
7:30 PM	CWL Meeting		L. Hall
Thursday, March 7			
9:00 AM	† Mark & Barbara Obermeyer - Mark Obermeyer, Jr.		
1:00 PM	Bible Study Gospel of John (8/8)		L. Hall
Friday, March 8			
9:00 AM			
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball		Gym
7:00 PM	Stations of the Cross led by Thursday Bible Group		
Saturday, March 9			
Vigil of The Fourth Sunday in Lent			
5:00 PM	† Carol Schneider – Ron Schneider		
Sunday, March 10 – The Fourth Sunday of Lent			
9:30 AM	People of St. Louis Parish		
10:30 AM	Sunday Social		L. Hall
10:40 AM	First Communion Class		Nursery
11:30 AM	† Rita Mroz – Mroz Family		
	† Anthony Pereira – Bini Angel Philip		
	† Deceased Members of the McDonald & Frayne Families – Family		
12:30 PM	Bible Timeline study (7/12)		L. Hall
5:00 PM	OOTC Community Supper		Gym

Reflection on the First Reading: Exodus 17:3-7

The reading from Exodus unfolds after the people's departure from Egypt, but before the giving of the Law on Sinai. It portrays the chosen people complaining and requesting water in the wilderness. They are concerned that, by following God's servant Moses into the wilderness, they, their children, and their livestock will die of dehydration. Moses, for his part, worries that the complaints may lead to an uprising that will lead to his execution by stoning if the people decide to take justice into their own hands. Moses' concern is genuine for two reasons: the people's lack of water and lack of Law in the Sinai wilderness are both real. Strikingly, prior to providing them with the Law, the Lord quenches the people's thirst and does so by the very means with which they seemed to threaten Moses' life. To keep the people from striking Moses with rocks, God instructs Moses to strike the rock so that, through God's power, water might flow from it for the people.

Exodus conveys that Moses did as God commanded, and we are left to understand that the people's thirst was slaked. But the scene ominously closes with an account of how the place became associated with the people's quarrelling as they wondered whether or not the Lord was in their midst. Do we trust that the Lord is in our midst? (From Workbook for Lectors)



Jesus and the Samaritan Woman at the Well

LENTEN PRAYERS: Stations of the Cross every Friday in Lent – On Friday, March 8th at 7PM, the Stations of the Cross will be led by Thursday Afternoon Bible Study Group.

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICES NEXT WEEK: Wed., March 6 at 7 PM at St. Mark's Church in Kitchener.



Time change
on Sunday
March 10, 2024



Our next General Meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 6th beginning with Mass at 7 PM. Our guest speaker will be: Julie Walder, Executive Director of Marillac Place which is a shelter for women and infants. We will be holding a shower for Marillac Place & invite you to consider buying an item on their wish list:

In-House Wish List: Diapers (sizes 3,4,5,6), Wipes, Clothing (premie to 3T), Baby dishware & utensils, Infant carrier / car seat, Stroller Covers (rain/snow), Infant wash cloths & towel sets, Toys (newborn to 3T), Teething Toys.

Aftercare Wish List: Diapers (sizes 3,4,5,6), Wipes, Kid's shampoo, body wash, toothpaste, Baby/toddler dishware & utensils, Infant carrier / car seat, Stroller Covers (rain/snow), Infant wash cloths & towel sets, Girls shoes (size 2), Boys shoes (size 3), Boys clothes (6-12 months, 3T & 4T), Girls clothes (3T and 8-10), Warm kid's gloves, Kid's art supplies, Toys for boys/girls (3T)

A brief meeting will follow Julie's presentation. All ladies 16 years of age and older are welcome to attend our General Meetings and you do not need to be a member. Tickets for our catered Centennial Lunch will be available for \$30. See you then!



St. Louis CWL warmly invites all parishioners to our annual **Simple Supper** of vegetable soup, bread, tea and coffee on Friday, March 15th at 5:30 PM in the Large Hall. There is no charge for this event. Following our meal, we will lead the Stations of the Cross at 7 PM. Please join us.

Promoting the Sanctity of Human Life from Conception to Natural Death - Friday, March 8 (at K of C Columbus Centre, 145 Dearborn, Pl. Waterloo). Purchase Fish Dinner at the Door, Bar open at 5 PM, Dinner at 6 PM, Speaker at 7 PM. Reserve your seat early. Guest speaker: Josie Luetke, Director of Education & Advocacy, Campaign Life Coalition. Prolife items for sale plus Archangels Sacramentals. Sponsored by KW Right to Life 519-746-LIFE(5433) kwrtl@golden.net

Prayer Vigil - Thursday, March 7, from 10 to 11 AM opposite Freeport Hospital, 3570 King St. E., Kitchener, for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! Parking - across the road, Schneider Park. Any queries, please contact Cathy at: kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com

Good Friday 10 AM Presentation of the Gospel – we are looking for families who would like to get involved with this dramatization of the Gospel. It is done tableaux style; this means no words are spoken by the actors. They work together to create a scene, they hold that scene, while readers read the Gospel reading. As the scene needs to be changed, the readers pause, wait for the actors to move into the next scene, and then they proceed with the reading. We need both actors and readers for this Good Friday presentation. We are looking for people of all ages, young ones that can follow directions and hold a pose for 30-40 sec. are welcome to participate. Parents we ask that you participate with your children, this is not like Christmas where it is a children's presentation, we need all ages for this one. If you are interested in helping out or have any questions, please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office.

Vacation Bible & Lego Robotics Camp 2024 – To Mars and Beyond – July 15-19. The camp will run all day. Campers have the choice of coming all day, or half a day. The morning will be focused on the space theme with faith intertwined through everything we do. The afternoon will be Lego Robotics, also with the space theme running throughout what they do. Ages for the all day camp is 7 to 11 years old. Children 5 to 6 years old are welcome to sign up for the mornings only. Registration is now open. Please pick up forms from the Nursery, the back of the church, or contact Kelly Krause at the parish office. Please register soon, the camp will fill up fast.

Resurrectionist Vocation Minute - We can all appreciate the point Jesus was making about the Temple – but what about our own lives? "But He was speaking about the temple of His body." Our bodies are just as much a Temple of the Holy Spirit as Jesus' body was. Lent is a time when we also cleanse ourselves of some of those things we think we just can't go without, an opportunity to rediscover – or to discover for the first time – our vocation, the purpose of our bodies and our lives, which are Temples of the Holy Spirit. Read more at www.resurrectionists.ca

The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass - Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in 2024? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 26th at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 PM. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only. Married 60 years or more? One extra guest allowed). Register at hamiltondiocese.com.

FAITH ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Book Group News: On March 12th we will start a new book by Colleen Carroll Campbell: *"The Heart of Perfection – How the Saints Taught Me to Trade My Dream of Perfect for God's"*. In *The Heart of Perfection*, Colleen weaves the stories and wisdom of seven ex-perfectionist saints (and one heretic) with Scripture and beautifully crafted tales of her own trial-and-error experiments in applying that wisdom to her life. The book is read together during each session and discussed. No homework. Come when you can.

The Great Adventure Bible Timeline – Salvation Story Made Clear
This is a guided journey through salvation history. Presenter Jeff Cavins shows how 14 of the Bible's narrative books tell the biblical story from beginning to end and gives the keys to understand the amazing story woven through Scripture. Offered either on Mondays at 7:30 PM, OR on Sundays at 12:30 PM (till 1:40 PM with substantial snacks provided.) Check schedule on-line on the parish Welcome Page. Next session: March 3 & 4.

We continue to look at Biblical quotations corresponding to the text of the Mass: **General Intercessions:**

"We pray to the Lord." - Jeremiah 42:1-4: *"Then all the military leaders, and all the people, from the least to the greatest, approached Jeremiah the prophet and said, 'Please grant our petition; pray for us to the Lord, your God, for all this remnant. As you see, only a few of us remain, but once we were many. May the Lord, your God, show us the way we should take and what we should do.' 'Very well!' Jeremiah the prophet answered them: 'I will pray to the Lord, your God, as you desire; whatever the Lord answers, I will tell you.'"*

Acts 8:18-24: *"When Simon (the magician) saw that the Spirit was conferred by the laying on of the apostles' hands, he offered them money and said, 'Give me this power too, so that anyone upon whom I lay my hands may receive the Holy Spirit.' But Peter said to him, 'May your money perish with you, because you thought that you could buy the gift of God with money. You have no share or lot in this matter, for your heart is not upright before God. Repent of this wickedness of yours and pray to the Lord that, if possible, your intention may be forgiven. For I see that you are filled with bitter gall and are in the bonds of iniquity.' Simon said in reply, 'Pray for me to the Lord, that nothing of what you have said may come upon me.'"*

"Lord, hear our prayer." - 2 Kings 20:1-6: *"In those days, when Hezekiah was mortally ill, the prophet Isaiah, son of Amoz, came and said to him: 'Thus says the Lord: Put your house in order, for you are about to die; you shall not recover.' He turned his face to the wall and prayed to the Lord: 'Ah, Lord, remember how faithfully and wholeheartedly I conducted myself in your presence, doing what was good in your sight!' And Hezekiah wept bitterly. Before Isaiah had left the central courtyard, the word of the Lord came to him: Go back and tell Hezekiah, the leader of my people: 'Thus says the Lord, the God of David your father: I have heard your prayer; I have seen your tears. Now I am healing you. On the third day you shall go up to the house of the Lord. I will add to your life fifteen years. I will rescue you and this city from the hand of the king of Assyria; I will be a shield to this city for my own sake and the sake of David my servant.'"*

(From catholic-resources.org/Bible/Biblical-Mass-Texts.htm)



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