

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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ASCENSION OF THE LORD

MASS INTENTIONS and EVENTS

Monday, May 13 - Our Lady of Fatima - No Mass			
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball		Gym
5:30 PM	Good Shepherd Catechesis		Nursery
6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal (11:30AM)		Church
6:30 PM	Rosary in the Garden (or inside)		
Tuesday, May 14 – St. Matthias, Apostle			
9:00 AM	† Janet Crechiolo – Pat Helm		
9:30 AM	Book Group		L. Hall
7:00 PM	Painting with Kelly		L. Hall
Wednesday, May 15			
9:00 AM	† Bob & Aida Neighbours – Sheila Flores		
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball		Gym
Thursday, May 16			
9:00 AM	† William Johnson – St. Louis Staff		
Friday, May 17			
9:00 AM	† Dorothy Lowry – Cecilia Beechey		
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball		Gym
Saturday, May 18			
Vigil of Pentecost			
5:00 PM	† Valentine Forde & Nora Herbert – Pat & Joan Forde		
	† John Brattman – Carla McLennan		
	† Nancy Forde – Pat & Joan Forde		
	† Walter & Kaye Hartman – Children		
Sunday, May 19 – Pentecost Sunday			
9:30 AM	† Shirley Hinsperger – Hinsperger Family		
	† Deceased Members of the Gies Family – Hinsperger Fam.		
	† Don Miller – Miller Family		
	† Albert & Katie Ruetz – Ruetz Family		
10:30 AM	Sunday Social		L. Hall
11:30 AM	People of St. Louis Parish		



Mondays in May at St. Louis Parish Rosary at 6:30 PM

For individual intentions and on
May 13, on the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima
for Peace and Conversion of the World.

If it is sunny, we will gather in the garden between
the Church and the Rectory (bring your lawn chair). If it rains we will
pray inside – enter through the elevator door and follow directions.



Community Supper (formerly Out of the Cold) –
Many thanks to all the volunteers who made it possible to
serve over 900 meals this past winter from November to April.
Extra special thanks to Keith and Sharon for organizing everyone.



How do I discern a vocation to Religious Life? If you're
looking to understand God's plan for you, join us for the
'Come and See' day retreat on May 25th at St. Mary's Parish.
This retreat offers a chance to join community prayers,
engage in discussions with three Resurrectionists, and meet other
young people on a similar journey. For further details, please visit:
resurrectionists.ca/vocations/come-see/

Resurrectionist Vocation Minute - A vocation is not a "job" God wants
you to do, it is a "sign" God wants you to be. God will give us "signs"
along the way, but we should realize that they are all supposed to point
to the kind of life God is inviting us to live, the way God wants us to be a
sign to others of the good news. Fr. Raphael Ma, CR, Vocation Team;
resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com

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. Forms available from the Nursery, the back of
the church, or contact Kelly Krause at the parish office.

Mini Emmaus 2024 - Join Kelly for an afternoon of fun. This will be a
great afternoon and a wonderful opportunity to show other parishes the
great spirit we have here at St. Louis parish! Let us be the largest
group there! Calling all Altar Servers, Youth Groups, and Young People
from grade 2 to 12! Join us on Saturday June 1st from 11:30 AM – 4 PM
on the grounds of Holy Family Croatian Catholic Church (180
Schweitzer St., Kitchener) for our
second annual "Mini Emmaus" - a
Waterloo Deanery-wide afternoon
of faith and fun! Represent your
parish, compete against groups
from other parishes, and discover
what it means to be disciples!
There is no cost for participants,
and lunch and snacks will be
provided. Scan this QR code to
register by May 26th, and we hope
to see you at this great event!



Date	Sunday	Loose	Maint.	Diocesan	PAD
May 5	3347.50	452.20	525.00	945.60	2317.31

Thank you for your donations!

Reflection on the First Reading: Acts 1:1-11

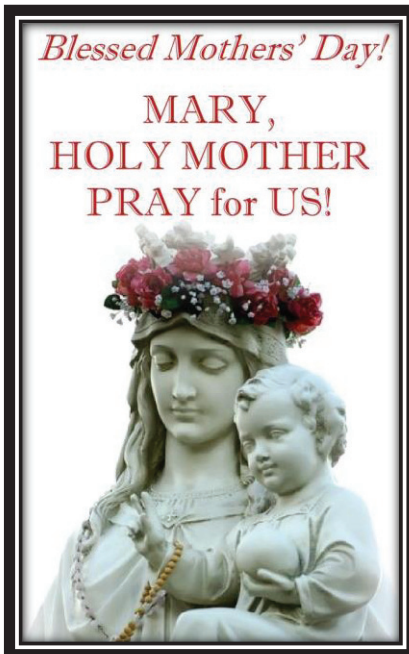
At the end of Easter season, two events occur: Jesus' appearances cease, and the community is animated by the Spirit. The four Gospels deal with these two events in different ways. In Matthew, Jesus commissions His disciples on a mountain in Galilee and promises to stay with them (Mt 28:16-20). Jesus' Ascension is found in Mark's "Longer Ending" (Mk 16:1-20). John's Gospel records a final encounter in Galilee, but it refers to Jesus' return, not His departure (Jn 21:1-25). Luke concludes his Gospel (Lk 24:50-53) and begins the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 1:6-12) with two slightly different descriptions of Jesus' Ascension. Regarding the Spirit, Jesus imparts the Spirit at the Last Supper in John; Matthew and Mark imply that Jesus' "Spirit" remains active among the eleven; and Luke provides a dramatic Pentecost descent of the Spirit in the Acts of the Apostles. It is the first event, Jesus' definitive departure and its consequences, that we celebrate today.

Preparing for His Ascension, Jesus replies to the disciples question about the restoration of the "kingdom of Israel" by gradually moving them from knowledge to mission. Knowledge, is not given to them and belongs only to the Father. Instead, they will be empowered by the Spirit to give witness to Jesus in Jerusalem and beyond, "to the ends of the earth."

As Jesus departs from their sight, two men in white appear. This recalls other appearances of heavenly beings, at the empty tomb and at the Transfiguration. The two men in white at the Transfiguration were Moses and Elijah, who, according to tradition, were taken up into heaven to make way for their successors (Joshua and Elisha, respectively). Similarly, now that Jesus has ascended, His successors (the disciples) can be empowered through the Spirit for their mission to go out into the world to be Jesus' witnesses. (From Workbook for Lectors)

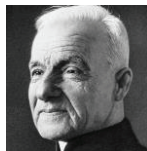


Pentecost Celebration - Join Bishop Scott McCaig, Peter Herbeck for an uplifting Pentecost celebration on May 17 & 18 at St. Raphael Parish in Burlington. A bus is planned, leaving Kitchener at 7 AM on Sat. May 18 & returning at 7 PM, if numbers warrant. It is important to register as soon as possible as bus seats will be assigned on a first come basis until the bus is full. Please call to register Pat or Rita: 519-748-5548 or email paddym@golden.net



The Baby Bottle Campaign is vital to Marillac Place! Support Marillac Place's Baby Bottle Campaign from Mother's Day to Father's Day! It is a special opportunity to come together and make a tangible difference in the lives of young mothers and their children. By filling baby bottles with your spare change and donations, you provide vital support to Marillac Place's programs, offering housing, education, counseling, and more to those in need. Let's embrace the spirit of giving and compassion as we uplift and empower these families towards brighter futures. Baby bottles are available this weekend OR you can mail a cheque directly to Marillac Place at 109 Young St., Kitchener N2H 4Z2. For more info. on Marillac Place, please call 519-571-0722x2, or email admin@marillacplace.ca, or go to website: marillacplace.ca Thank you for your continued support that changes lives!

Relics of St. Br. Andre Bessette Visit Hamilton Diocese – from May 17-24. See the diocesan website, Saint Brother André in the Diocese of Hamilton (hamiltondiocese.com) for dates and times. On May 23 the relics will be in Kitchener at St. Anthony Daniel Parish with the following schedule:



6 PM: Exposition of the Relics of St. André Bessette & Talk on St. André; 6:30 PM: Eucharistic Adoration; 7 PM: Holy Mass; 7:45 PM: Veneration of the Relics and Blessing with the Oil of St. Joseph. This is a wonderful opportunity to invoke the intercession of one of our Canadian Saints.

Reel Justice Film Festival - May 23, 7 - 9 PM the screening of *The Biggest Little Farm*. The film chronicles the eight-year quest of John and Molly Chester as they trade city living for 200 acres of barren farmland and a dream to develop a sustainable farm in harmony with nature. Guest speaker Lisa Conroy, Farm Educator from the Ignatius Jesuit Centre in Guelph will offer insight into their model of organic agriculture and the programs they provide. Screening and discussion online via Zoom. Register at: reeljustice.hamiltondiocese.com

Walking from Guelph to Midland - Aug 3 -10

It is about: nourishing your spirituality, enjoying the great outdoors, great exercise: 20+km per day, having fun and good company. Those who walk the Guelph-to-Midland pilgrimage find it to be a unique and grace-filled experience. For eight days pilgrims pray, sing, laugh, and share stories with others as they journey. Join us, as we cast off routine for eight days and acquiesce to a community of higher purpose. **Participate for 1 day, a weekend, or the full 8 days!** Cost \$400 for 8 days, or \$75 per day. We carry your gear, provide 3 meals and snacks daily, and cover entry and camping fees. You bring your tent, chair and personal gear/clothing in a duffel bag. To register, or for more info. go to ignatiusguelph.ca (under programs - Guelph Walking Pilgrimage) **NOTE registration deadline June 20 2024.**



Parish Picnic June 9th



One Mass only at 10:30 AM. Picnic to follow.

Come to the **organizational meeting** on Monday May 13th at 7 PM, right after the Rosary. (Outside, if the weather is good; inside in the Large Hall, if it rains).

The Story of Our Lady of Fatima

- Between May 13 and October 13, 1917, three Portuguese children—Francisco and Jacinta Marto and their cousin Lucia dos Santos—received apparitions of Our Lady at Cova da Iria near Fatima, a city 110 miles north of Lisbon. Mary asked the children to pray the rosary for world peace, for the end of World War I, for sinners, and for the conversion of Russia. When Lucia grew up she became a Carmelite nun and died in 2005 at the age of 97. The feast of Our Lady of Fatima was approved by the local bishop in 1930 and added to the Church's worldwide calendar in 2002.



Reflection - The message of Fatima is simple: Pray.

Mary is perfectly honored when people generously imitate her response "Let it be done to me as you say" (Luke 1:38). Mary can never be seen as a rival to Jesus, or to the Church's teaching authority, as exercised by the college of bishops united with the bishop of Rome. (From franciscanmedia.com)

Saint Matthias' Story - According to Acts 1:15-26, during the days after the Ascension Peter stood up in the midst of the brothers—about 120 of Jesus' followers. Now that Judas had betrayed his ministry, it was necessary, Peter said, to fulfill the scriptural recommendation that another should take his office. "Therefore, it is necessary that one of the men who accompanied us the whole time the Lord Jesus came and went among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day on which he was taken up from us, become with us a witness to his resurrection" (Acts 1:21-22).

They nominated two men: Joseph Barsabbas and Matthias. They prayed and drew lots. The choice fell upon Matthias, who was added to the Eleven. Matthias is not mentioned by name anywhere else in the New Testament.

Reflection - What was the holiness of Matthias? Obviously, he was suited for apostleship by the experience of being with Jesus from His baptism to His ascension. He must also have been suited personally, or he would not have been nominated for so great a responsibility. Must we not remind ourselves that the fundamental holiness of Matthias was his receiving gladly the relationship with the Father offered him by Jesus and completed by the Holy Spirit? If the apostles are the foundations of our faith by their witness, they must also be reminders, if only implicitly, that holiness is entirely a matter of God's giving, and it is offered to all, in the everyday circumstances of life. We receive, and even for this God supplies the power of freedom. (From franciscanmedia.com)

Save a date - Kitchener-Waterloo Walk for Life – Saturday, May 25th, 2024 – For route and more info please contact Jane Richards at 519-746-5433 or jane@kwrtl.com

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