

# St. Louis Catholic Church

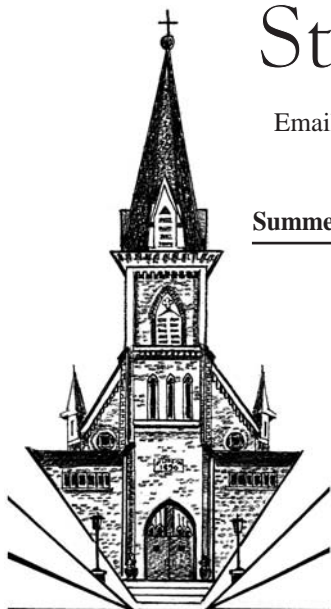
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**Office hours:** Monday – Thursday 9 - 12 and 1- 4 p.m.

**Summer hours** (Canada Day to Labour Day): Mon. - Thurs. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.



St Louis Catholic Church



### 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

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#### Coordinator of Youth and Children's Ministries

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#### Parish Secretary

Anna Malton  
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#### Custodian

Doug Lichty

**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](mailto:robertreinhart182@msn.com))

11:30 Choir - Donna McLellan ([donna-ipad@hotmail.com](mailto: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 [crvocations@gmail.com](mailto:crvocations@gmail.com) or [www.resurrectionist.ca](http://www.resurrectionist.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](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com)

### Parish Organizations and Contacts:

#### Finance Council

Terry Collins, 519-741-1534

#### Maintenance Committee

Bob Lorentz, 519-576-5556

#### OOTC Community Suppers

Keith & Sharon Schnarr 519-801-8687

#### Parish Webmaster

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# ASCENSION OF THE LORD

## MASS INTENTIONS and EVENTS

<b>Monday, May 22 – No Mass</b>		
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym
<b>Tuesday, May 23 – No Mass</b>		
9:30 AM	Book Group - "The Gift of Years: Growing Older Gracefully" by Joan Chittister. <i>Everyone welcome.</i>	L. Hall
9 AM – 6 PM	Pickle Ball	Gym
6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal (11:30 AM Mass)	Church
6:30 PM	CWL Executive Meeting	L. Hall
<b>Wednesday, May 24 – No Mass</b>		
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym
<b>Thursday, May 25 – No Mass</b>		
<b>Friday, May 26 – St. Philip Neri, Priest – No Mass</b>		
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym
<b>Saturday, May 27</b>		
<b>Vigil of Pentecost</b>		
5:00 PM	For the People of St. Louis Parish	
<b>Sunday, May 28 – Pentecost</b>		
9:30 AM	† Geraldine Smith – John & Sharon Carey	
	† Helen & Jerome Dietrich – Paul & Carl Dietrich	
	† Joan Schnarr – Luanne Miller	
	Intentions of Bernice Reinhart – Bob Reinhart	
	10:30 AM Sunday Social	L. Hall
11:30 AM	† Paul Breen – Don & Lorraine Prior	
	† Joan Schnarr – Don & Lorraine Prior	
	† Luis Adolfo Blanco – Blanco Garcia	
	† Margaret Armstrong – Butler Family	

### The First Reading from Acts 1:1-11

The Acts of the Apostles opens with the announcement that this book is intended to be a sequel to the Gospel of Luke. While the Gospel told the story of Jesus' life, ministry, passion, death, resurrection and ascension during His time on earth, Acts turns to the mission bestowed upon the Apostles to witness to Jesus' Resurrection and to make believers of all the nations. Luke's Gospel ends with an extremely brief depiction of Jesus' Ascension. In Acts, Luke provides more details: Apostles were instructed to remain together in Jerusalem for several days before they would be "baptised with the Holy Spirit". The risen Lord diligently prepares His followers for the work of continuing His mission. He offers them "many convincing proofs" during the forty days following His Resurrection, enlightening them about the kingdom of God. Apostles are failing to truly understand the Lord's teaching, as they question Him on the possibility of restoring the kingdom of Israel rather than God's kingdom. Jesus gently corrects and refocuses them. The Holy Spirit will enable them to build up the Kingdom of God. Through the instruction of Jesus, Luke tells us that the mission will be rooted in Jerusalem and Judea, then will go out to the partially Jewish region of Samaria, and even extend beyond, "to the ends of the earth." This order guides the growth and mission of the Church in Acts.

Jesus' Ascension, in the Acts, concludes with His being "lifted up" in the midst of a cloud with the Apostles looking on. The dramatic portrayal is meant to bring to an end the earthly work of Jesus so that the ministry may begin anew under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. "Two men in the white robes" who observe the Apostle's reaction, inform the Apostles that Jesus will someday return just as He departed. It is a call to action for the Apostles, and there is an urgency with which they are to testify to the glorified Lord.

(From the Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, & Proclaimers of the Word)

Monday May 22 – Office Closed – Victoria Day Holiday

Monday May 22 – Friday May 26 – No Daily Masses  
Fr. Phil will attend a Congregation of the Resurrection Retreat.



**Fr. Reilander, President of Catholic Missions of Canada,** has accepted our invitation to visit our parish on the weekend of May 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. Fr. Reilander will be at all 3 Masses to discuss what his mission does and will join parishioners at social time following the 9:30 a.m. Mass. We encourage those who attend the 11:30 a.m. Mass to come early to meet him. He will be selling charcuterie boards he makes and the proceeds will go to the mission. Catholic Missions of Canada is one of the missions St. Louis CWL supports with the money raised from our Bake and Raffle Sale. We hope you take this rare opportunity to meet Fr. Reilander and learn about his fascinating work.



**Attention all graduating High School students –** The CWL is offering the St. Louis Christian Leadership Award again this year. To apply for this bursary you must submit an essay that is no longer than 2 pages long explaining - what your faith means to you; how do you practice your faith; what talents has God given you that you share with the rest of the world; how are you a model Christian to those around you? Please submit the essay no later than May 26<sup>th</sup> to the parish office with attention to the CWL – Kitty Tsang on the envelope.



Will run Tue. July 4 – Fri. July 7!  
(9 AM - NOON).



**Theme: Jesus Is Our Guide – He Teaches Us the Bee Attitudes**

For info. call Kelly Krause at 519-743-4101, [kkrause@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:kkrause@hamiltondiocese.com)



St. Louis CWL & Social Committed together with Waterloo Knights of Columbus invite you to attend a weekend of food and music June 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> at the Waterloo Knights Hall on Dearborn Place in Waterloo. Proceeds from this special event will go to the purchase of three Automated External Defibrillators for our church. On Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM a fish and chips dinner will be served. Cost is only \$15 for a one piece dinner, or \$20 for a two piece. The band *Leap of Faith* will perform from 7 PM until 10 PM. The band includes two members of St. Louis: Al Kehn and Carolyn Beaton! On Sat., June 10<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM a BBQ beef dinner will be served. Following dinner the group *Derek Hines* and the *KW Big Band Theory* will perform from 8 PM till midnight. Cost: \$50 for dinner & music, or \$30 just to come and hear this great band. Tickets are limited; must be purchased in advance by calling Martin at 519-884-2060. Come on out and have fun while supporting this great cause for St. Louis!

**FORMED** provides the very best Catholic content from more than 60 organizations to help families and individuals explore their faith anywhere. Supporting thousands of movies, children's programs, e-books, audio and more, it is an excellent, safe resource. The Family Ministry Office invites you to an on line session for an overview look at the content: Wed., May 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM by zoom. Register to receive the link at [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com), under Upcoming events.

**Young Adults Night – June 3 – Acton** - Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our Diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30 PM), Social with Food (7:30 PM), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8 PM), and Compline (9 PM) on Sat., June 3<sup>rd</sup> at St. Joseph Church (64 Church St. E., Acton). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more info., [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com).



**Trip to Steubenville Conference – Defending the Faith:**

The theme this year is “*Hope and Holiness.*” Join Kelly Krause for wonderful experience July 28-30 in Steubenville, Ohio. We will be hearing from speakers such as – Jeff Cavins, Trent Horn, Patrick Madrid, Dr. Edward Sri, Dr. Scott Hahn, Michael Gormley and more. The cost for the conference is \$195, meal plan for six meals is \$83. Young adults (18-30), the cost is \$110, meal plan for six meals is \$83. Accommodations for 2 nights, shared non-A/C rooms are \$110, shared A/C rooms are \$130 and Non-A/C Private rooms are \$185. We will be going in one or two mini vans, depending on how many people sign up to come. We will share the cost of gas together. We will need to leave St. Louis parking lot on July 28<sup>th</sup> at 6 AM and we would return July 30 approximately 8 PM. Anyone interested in registering or for more information please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office. (Prices in US currency.)

**St. Agnes Education Cafe** - Sometimes we stubbornly cling to a list of hurts, struggling to forgive. Sadly, relationships suffer & precious life moments pass by when hardness of heart prevails. Yet, we are always called to forgive, and in turn, Christ offers us His mercy & compassion, helping us to overcome anger & bitterness. On Sun. June 4<sup>th</sup> from 2 – 3:30 PM, Fr. Luke Kopaniak, will speak on “*Freedom Through Forgiveness: The Road to Peace*”, at the next St. Agnes Education Cafe. For details visit Events section at [saintagnescatholicchurch.org](http://saintagnescatholicchurch.org)



**Resurrectionist Vocation Minute** - We're on a journey

towards Heaven, and Jesus has not left us on our own. A lot of our worries and concerns – if we're honest about them – often result from losing this perspective. The Ascension of Jesus is a reminder of this perspective, which makes a difference in the way we plan and live our lives. What difference does it make in yours? Read more at [www.resurrectionists.ca](http://www.resurrectionists.ca).



Jesus said, “Remember, I am with you always, to the end of

the age.” If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, or email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com), [hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/) or Fr. Raphael Ma, Congregation of the Resurrection Vocation Director, at [crvocations@gmail.com](mailto:crvocations@gmail.com), or Carmel of St. Joseph, St. Agatha, at 519-884-6700. Pray for vocations!

**20th Anniversary Guelph Walking Pilgrimage**

From Guelph to Midland – From Sat. Aug. 5 to Sat. Aug. 12



Those who walk the Guelph (from Loyola House) to Midland (Martyr's Shrine) pilgrimage find it a unique and grace-filled experience. For eight days pilgrims pray, sing, laugh, and share stories with others as they journey. Participate for 1 day, a weekend, or the full 8 days! Cost \$400 for 8 days, or \$75 per day. We transport your camp equipment, provide daily 3 meals, snacks and drinks and cover entry and camping fees. You bring your tent, chair and personal gear/clothing in a duffle bag. To register by June 20<sup>th</sup> go to [ignatiusguelph.ca](http://ignatiusguelph.ca) (under programs) or [guelphwalkingpilgrimage@gmail.com](mailto:guelphwalkingpilgrimage@gmail.com).

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\$ 2022.00	\$ 141.30	\$110.00	\$545.00	\$ 2481.50

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**PRAYERS STRAIGHT FROM THE BIBLE - CANTICLES**

**The humble hope in God, rejoice in Him** - The canticle of Anna (Hannah), the mother of Samuel (1 Sam 2:1-10). Among many OT Canticles this one is used for Morning Prayer (Lauds) on Wednesdays.

*My heart exults in the Lord; my strength is exalted in my God.  
My mouth derides my enemies, because I rejoice in my victory.  
There is no Holy One like the Lord, no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God. Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come from your mouth; for the Lord is a God of knowledge, and by His actions are weighed. The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength. Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry are fat with spoil.  
The barren has borne seven, but she who has many children is forlorn.  
The Lord kills and brings to life; He brings down to Sheol and raises up.  
The Lord makes poor and makes rich; He brings low, He also exalts.  
He raises up the poor from the dust; He lifts the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honour.  
For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's, and on them He has set the world. He will guard the feet of His faithful ones, but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness; for not by might does one prevail.  
The Lord! His adversaries shall be shattered; the Most High will thunder in heaven. The Lord will judge the ends of the earth; He will give strength to His king, and exalt the power of his anointed.*

Anna sung this canticle after offering her child, the little Samuel to the Lord. He was to be a prophet in Israel and his action was to mark the transition of the Hebrew people to a new form of government, monarchy, in which the unfortunate King Saul and the glorious King David would play the lead. Anna had a history of suffering in her past, for, as the story says, the Lord “had closed her womb”.

In ancient Israel, a barren woman was considered as a withered branch, in part because she prevented her husband from having continuity in the memory of the generations to follow, an important factor in what was a hazy and uncertain vision of the hereafter.

But Anna had put her trust in the God of life and prayed: “O Lord of hosts, if you will indeed look on the affliction of your maidservant and remember me and not forget your maidservant, but will give your maidservant a son, then I will give him to the Lord all the days of his life”. And God heard the cry of this humiliated woman and gave her Samuel: a living shoot that sprang from the dry trunk; what had been impossible in human eyes had become a tangible reality in that child who was to be consecrated to the Lord.

The hymn of thanksgiving that sprang from the lips of the mother was to be taken up and expressed anew by another Mother, Mary, who while remaining a virgin conceived by the power of the Spirit of God. In fact, in the Magnificat of the Mother of Jesus we can perceive an echo of Anna's canticle which for this reason is known as “the Magnificat of the Old Testament”.

There are two themes that express Anna's feelings. The first will also be dominant in Mary's Magnificat: it is the reversal of destinies that God brings about. This is a profession of faith spoken by both mothers before the Lord of history, who arrays himself to defend the least, the poor and the suffering, the offended and humiliated.

The other theme is connected even more closely with Anna: “The barren has borne seven, but she who has many children is forlorn”. The Lord who reverses destinies is also at the root of life and of death. Anna's sterile womb was like a tomb; yet God was able to make it bring forth life, because “in His hand is the life of every living thing and the breath of all mankind”. At this point hope does not only concern the life of the child who is born, but also the life God can bring back after death. (From John Paul II, General Audience, Wed. 20 March 2002)

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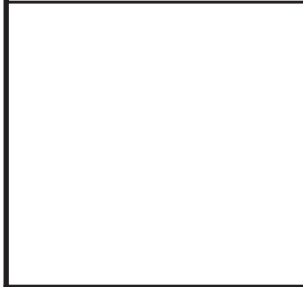


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