



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
Terry Collins, 519-741-1534

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St. Vincent De Paul
For food hamper or more
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MOST HOLY TRINITY

MASS INTENTIONS and EVENTS

Monday, May 27 - No Mass			
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym	
6:30 PM	Choir rehearsal	Church	
6:30 PM	Rosary in the Garden (or inside)		
Tuesday, May 28			
9:00 AM To Bring Our Loved Ones Home to the Church			
9:30 AM	Book Group	L. Hall	
1:00 PM	Prayer Shawl Meeting	L. Hall	
7:00 PM	Painting with Kelly	L. Hall	
Wednesday, May 29 – St. Paul VI, Pope			
9:00 AM Intentions of Cavell Thomas – Cecilia Beechey			
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym	
Thursday, May 30			
9:00 AM In Thanksgiving for Graces Received by Estrada Family – Estrada Family			
Friday, May 31 – The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary			
9:00 AM † Rosemary Peterson – Peterson			
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym	
Saturday, June 1			
Vigil of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ			
5:00 PM People of St. Louis Parish			
Sunday, June 2 – The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ			
9:30 AM † Dorothy Lowry – Louann Miller			
† Audrey Pagett – Cecilia Beechey			
† Paul Schnarr – Bonnie & Jim Rudnisky			
10:30 AM	Sunday Social	L. Hall	
11:30 AM † George Pereira – Bini Angel Philip			
† Matthew Martin – Lorrie Saxby			
† David Reitzel – Audrey Reitzel & Family			
† Hilda Reilly			

Reflection on the First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40

The celebration of the Most Holy Trinity, a fundamental Christian teaching, highlights the Christian belief that God's self-revelation is rooted in salvation history. The philosophical definitions, as expressed in the creeds are by St. Augustine, came centuries after the biblical writings, where believers pondered over God's identity as they expressed God's saving action in their midst.

Deuteronomy is the final book of the Torah/Pentateuch, bringing to a conclusion the historical period that formed Israel as a nation in covenant relationship with its God. Traditionally, the book is viewed as three discourses delivered by Moses to the people. The people are poised to cross the Jordan to reconquer the land after their long sojourn in Egypt and their wandering in the wilderness. Today's reading comes from the end of Moses' first discourse. Part of the theological heart of the book, Deuteronomy 4 exhorts the Israelites to abide by two basic principles: Monotheism and the prohibition of idolatry. The justification for these principles is found in Israel's historical experience, notably, the Exodus and the encounter with God at Horeb (Sinai).

In typical biblical fashion, the text recalls the community's experience of salvation history, such as liberation from Egypt and entry into the covenant at Horeb, and draws conclusions about God's identity. For example, presuming that the all-powerful and omnipresent God is the source and creator of all being ("God created man on the earth"), Moses declares that Israel's God is stronger than any nation or gods: no other god claimed a people as his own as God "did for you in Egypt." This first realization about God, based on the Exodus, leads to the second. Israel has entered into a covenant (statutes and commandments) with the mightiest and only God. Thus, based on their experience of God's saving power, Israel realizes that God is one (monotheism) and that their future prosperity rests on worshipping only this God (prohibition of idolatry).
(From Workbook for Lectors)



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

For individual intentions and on May 27th – The Feast of St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop & Missionary to the Anglo-Saxons – To Bring Back to the Church Our Loved Ones

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



Attention High School Graduating Students!

St. Louis CWL Christian Leadership Awards for one student who is: active members of St. Louis parish, active in their schools, exemplify Christian Gospel values, use well their God given talents, model Christian virtues, wish to continue education via University, College or Apprenticeship.

Applicants to submit an essay where they share: what the Catholic Faith means to them, how they practice their faith, how they use their God given talents. (2 page max., Times New Roman, 12 pt. font.)

Submit essay by May 26th, 2024 to St. Louis CWL at the Parish Office.
Attention: Kitty Tsang.

Resurrectionist Vocation Minute - Every genuine experience of Christian community, then, is a little foretaste of Heaven, for which all of us were created, to which all of us are called. What is your place in the Christian community? That is your vocation, which will one day reach its fulfillment in Heaven... www.resurrectionists.ca 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.



SVDP North of 60 Canned Meat Project- Chesterfield Inlet, Nunavut

For the month of June, St. Louis parish will be collecting canned meat for the community of Chesterfield Inlet. These are used to supplement their fish and hunted meats. Brands that are recognizable to them are **Spam, Klik, and Holiday Luncheon Meat, Mario Corned Beef, Hereford Corned Beef, and Canned Swift, Mario and Maple Leaf brand Hams**. Our target is to collect 300 tins. Please place cans in the container located in the entrance of the Church. Thank you for your continued generosity to our SVDP conference and to this special project.



St. Agatha Parish Reunion: You are invited! Sunday, June 2nd at St. Agatha Parish, 1839 Notre Dame Drive, St. Agatha. Beginning with Mass at 11 AM, followed by lunch and a reception in the parish hall until 4 PM. Were you baptized or married at St. Agatha Church? Did you or your children attend St. Agatha School? Join us for lunch, to reminisce & reconnect with former parishioners, and to view old photos as well as a historical display commemorating the 125th anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone of the church. (The first wooden log church building was established in St. Agatha in 1834 for the entire Waterloo region.)



Parish Picnic - June 9th
One Mass only at 10:30 AM.

At 11:30 AM Picnic lunch in the Gym: Hamburgers, hot dog, buns, condiments and drinks provided.
 Please bring potluck of salads, or desserts and your own plates, cups, cutlery and lawn chair.
 Activities to follow outside: bouncy castle, water slide, scavenger hunt, variety of games for rain or shine and musical entertainment.
 If interested in helping? – please contact parish office.



Are you planning to upgrade your BBQ?
Donate your older one to St. Louis!

The Baby Bottle Campaign for Marillac Place from Mother's Day to Father's Day! 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. Baby bottles are still 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!

Young Adults Night - Saturday, June 1st - Stoney Creek

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30 PM -7:30 PM), social with food (7:30 PM - 8:00 PM), praise night with vocations testimony (8 PM - 9 PM), and Compline (9 PM) on Saturday, June 1st at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (934 Highway #8, Stoney Creek, Ontario). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/> For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

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Women's Cursillo Weekend

A Women's Cursillo Weekend will be held in Deemerton from Thursday, May 30 to Sunday, June 2. For information or application forms, please contact Mary Ann Kirkconnell (Weekend Coordinator) rmkirkconnell@gmail.com.

The Serra Club of Kitchener-Waterloo is hosting a meeting on Wed. May 29th at St. Teresa of Avila Church (44 Leonard St. Kit.) to revitalize and increase membership. This event will include a prayer beginning at 6:30 PM and Mass at 7 PM. Refreshments and a speakers' panel from Serra Canada Council will inform us about what the Serra Club does around the world and in our local communities. For more info. contact: Bill Zister at 519-578-2019 or ma_zister@hotmail.com.

We hope that with the encouragement of pastors there will be parishioners from every parish in attendance.



Today we contemplate the Most Holy Trinity as Jesus introduced us to it. He revealed to us that God is love "not in the oneness of a single Person, but in the Trinity of one substance" (Preface). He is the Creator and merciful Father; He is the Only-Begotten Son, eternal Wisdom incarnate, who died and rose for us; He is the Holy Spirit who moves all things, cosmos and history, toward their final, full recapitulation. Three Persons who are one God because the Father is love, the Son is love, the Spirit is love. God is wholly and only love, the purest, infinite and eternal love. He does not live in splendid solitude but rather is an inexhaustible source of life that is ceaselessly given and communicated. To a certain extent we can perceive this by observing both the macro-universe: our earth, the planets, the stars, the galaxies; and the micro-universe: cells, atoms, elementary particles. The "name" of the Blessed Trinity is, in a certain sense, imprinted upon all things because all that exists, down to the last particle, is in relation; in this way we catch a glimpse of God as relationship and ultimately, Creator Love. All things derive from love, aspire to love and move impelled by love, though naturally with varying degrees of awareness and freedom. "O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your Name in all the earth!" (Ps 8: 1) the Psalmist exclaims. In speaking of the "Name", the Bible refers to God himself, His truest identity. It is an identity that shines upon the whole of Creation, in which all beings for the very fact that they exist and because of the "fabric" of which they are made point to a transcendent Principle, to eternal and infinite Life which is given, in a word, to Love. "In Him we live and move and have our being", St Paul said at the Areopagus of Athens (Acts 17: 28). The strongest proof that we are made in the image of the Trinity is this: love alone makes us happy because we live in a relationship, and we live to love and to be loved. Borrowing an analogy from biology, we could say that imprinted upon his "genome", the human being bears a profound mark of the Trinity, of God as Love.

The Virgin Mary, in her docile humility, became the handmaid of divine Love: she accepted the Father's will and conceived the Son by the power of the Holy Spirit. In her the Almighty built a temple worthy of Him and made her the model and image of the Church, mystery and house of communion for all human beings. May Mary, mirror of the Blessed Trinity, help us to grow in faith in the Trinitarian mystery. (From *vatican.va* - Angelus address by Benedict XVI on Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity on Sunday, June 7, 2009)

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