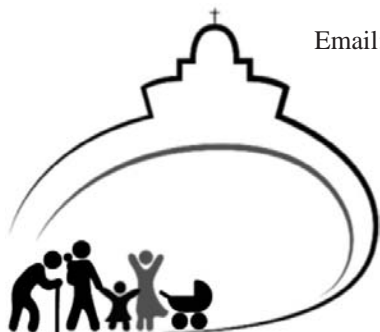


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Weekday Masses:
Tuesday – Friday 9:00 a.m.
Rosary: Tuesday to Friday
before 9:00 a.m. Mass

Sunday Masses:
Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:30 a.m.
11:30 a.m.



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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),
- 11:30 Choir - Donna McLellan (donna-ipad@hotmail.com),
- 5:00 Choir - Peter DeSousa (organist) or Youth Music.

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 or 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

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ASCENSION OF THE LORD

MASS INTENTIONS and EVENTS

Monday, May 30 – No Mass

9:00 AM – noon Pickleball Gym
6:30 – 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (11:30) Church

Tuesday, May 31 – Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 AM To Bring Our Loved Ones Home to the Church
9:30 AM With St. George on the Porch Rectory
Book Group Porch
12:30 PM Prayer Shawl Meeting L.Hall
7 – 9 PM Painting with Kelly L.Hall

Wednesday, June 1 – St. Justin, Martyr

9:00 AM † Hilda Reilly
9:00 AM – noon Pickleball Gym
7:00 PM In Thanksgiving for Fr. Phil's 41 years of Priesthood - CWL Mass
7:30 PM CWL Meeting L. Hall

Thursday, June 2

9:00 AM † Papa Merly – Boquiren Family
9:30 AM Celebrating the Word L.Hall

Friday, June 3 – St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

9:00 AM Intentions of Danielle Pilon – Cecilia Beechey
9:00 AM – noon Pickleball Gym

Saturday, June 4

Vigil of Pentecost

5:00 PM † Lucien Potvin – Potvin Family
† Justice Patrick Flynn – Patrick & Joan Forde
† Ed Ruppe

Sunday, June 5 – Pentecost Sunday

9:30 AM † Henry Lawrence Clutterbuck – Annette & Frank Hulme
† Parker John Andreson – Annette & Frank Hulme
† Edna Gies – Hinsperger Family
† Shirley Hinsperger – Hinsperger Family
10:30 AM Bible and the Church L.Hall
Fathers (p.10) – video program
11:30AM People of St. Louis Parish
12:30 AM Bible and the Church L.Hall
Fathers (p.10) – video program

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

Luke begins Acts of the Apostles with a systematic presentation of God's plan, which culminates with the Exaltation of Jesus. Specifically, Luke is concerned with describing the forty-day period of preparation that begins with the Lord's Resurrection day and progresses to the Ascension. The number forty is symbolic for preparedness: Noah's forty days in the ark, Moses' forty days on Mount Sinai, Elijah's forty days of wandering in the wilderness, and Jesus' own forty days of preparation for ministry in the wilderness. Thus, even though the liturgical season of Easter is nearing completion, the celebration of the Lord's Ascension on the fortieth day points us in the direction of preparedness for the future.

How has the Church as a whole been preparing? What is the goal of this preparation? Luke answers the first question by testifying that the Lord "presented Himself alive to [the Apostles] by many convincing proofs." During His post-Resurrection appearances, Christ commanded the Apostles to remain in the city of Jerusalem. Thus, the

preparation is all about maintaining and bolstering a sense of unity in faith. The Lord wished for those closest to Him to remain together in order to strengthen one another before He would finally depart from their sight. Regarding the goal of these forty days of preparation, Luke also provides the answer: The Apostles will "receive power" from the coming of the Holy Spirit to witness to "the ends of the earth." The resurrected Jesus reveals this only after they reveal their misunderstanding of the nature of the kingdom that is to come. They expected the restoration of the kingdom of Israel, but the Lord's plan is to proclaim the kingdom beyond the boundaries of Israel.

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



Our next CWL General Meeting will take place on Wednesday June 1st beginning with Mass at 7 PM with meeting to follow in the Large Hall. Refreshments will be served. (Please note: our Annual Potluck is postponed until the Fall.) We warmly welcome all members and non-members to all of our General Meetings!



With St. George on the Porch – The Lunch and Learn Book Group is doing something different this summer. Under the patronage of St. George (Patron Saint of Books and Dragon Slayers) we will meet at the Rectory Porch and read together a new book, "Walking with Mary" by Edward Sri (Tuesdays after the morning Mass [9:30 AM] starting May 31st – Feast of the Visitation of Blessed Virgin Mary). Edward Sri looks at the crucial passages in the Bible about Mary and offers insight about her faith and devotion that we can apply in our daily lives. Excellent for enhancing our Rosary prayer. Contact the parish office to order your copy, or just come and listen whenever you can.

Mass for the intention of Our Beloved Deceased to be held on Thursday, June 23rd at 7PM at St. Louis Church. This Mass is to honour and acknowledge all those loved ones whom we have lost either during the pandemic, or outside of the pandemic and to pray for the repose of their souls. Small candles will be available for you to claim and light for your Loved One of whom you will be thinking and praying for during this Mass. You may send a digital photo to Kelly Krause at the parish office. This photo will be placed with the candle. When you come, prior to Mass starting, you will light the candle for your Loved One. The candle will remain lit throughout the Mass honouring your intention that this Mass is for this Loved One. There will be a small reception with tea and coffee to follow in the Large Hall. Please mark your calendars if you would like to attend this event.



The Lord said, "...you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Pray for an increase of vocations to the ordained and consecrated life. If God is calling you, contact Most Rev. W. Lobsinger, Aux. Bp. & Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, 905-528-7988, or Fr. Raphael Ma, Congregation of the Resurrection Vocation Director, at rcvocations@gmail.com, or Carmel of St. Joseph, St. Agatha at 519-884-6700.

PRAYERS FOR PEACE - St. Louis Bells ("St. Louis, Confessor King" & "St. Magdalena") are rung every night at 7 PM to call us to prayers for Peace wherever we are.



If you wish to made donations to Ukraine Crisis Relief Fund, please send cheques directly to Development & Peace at 1425 René-Lévesque Boul. West, 3rd Floor, Montreal, Quebec, H3G 1T7. On the cheque memo line, please write "Ukraine Emergency".

May 22 donations- Thank you!

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Prayer Vigil – Thu., June 2, 10 – 11 AM in front of 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. Questions - contact Cathy at: kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com

St Boniface Day Festival - June 5th, 11 AM – 2 PM. Good, old-fashioned fun! Garden Party-style activities (penny table and children's fish pond); learn about St Boniface - the saint and the parish, through youth actors and elders as knowledge keepers; see the 'zines' created by St Boniface School Grade 6 students with the help of retired St Boniface teachers: Terry Hodgkinson and Mary Ann Stroh; hear an arborist speak about the characteristics of the oak tree which plays an important role in St Boniface's conversion of Germanic tribes; Big H Food Truck and Bres-Lolly dickie dee cart. Followed by at 2 PM - Fathers vs Families softball game!!

St. Boniface Church in Maryhill is organizing a traditional annual **Corpus Christi procession** to the two outdoor altar houses. The procession will take place immediately after the 10 AM Mass on Sunday, June 19th. Everyone is welcome!

The Inter-Mennonite Children's Choir is excited to start planning for Fall 2022 and would love for you to join us. Our rehearsals take place on Tuesday evenings at W-K United Mennonite Church for children in grades 1 and up and provide an excellent music education experience while singing with friends. Singers ages 9 and up who are new to the choir need to have a Vocal Placement Interview which will take place on either June 20 or June 21, 2022. Please go to our website: www.mennosingers.com/imcc under "Join us" for more information or contact: conductor@imcchoir.org

Domestic Church Family Retreat June 24 - 26, 2022. Friday evening to Sunday evening at St. John Paul II Retreat Centre, Port Burwell. Engaged and sacramentally married couples seeking to grow in holiness together and want to learn more about the Domestic Church. (Sports and activities for children and youth.) Food and lodging included. Time with your spouse to encounter God. Time for prayer and adoration. Fun for the whole family. Cost is \$400 per family. Contact: Marta & Jacek, 519 896 8979, domestic.church.ontario@gmail.com. Spiritual direction: Fr. Gary Schlack from St. Ambrose in Cambridge.

Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions (d. between Nov. 15, 1885 – Jan. 27, 1887) One of 22 Ugandan martyrs, Charles Lwanga is the patron of youth and Catholic action in most of tropical Africa. He protected his fellow pages, aged 13 to 30, from the homosexual demands of the Bagandan ruler, Mwanga, and encouraged and instructed them in the Catholic faith during their imprisonment for refusing the ruler's demands.



Charles first learned of Christ's teachings from two retainers in the court of Chief Mawulungu. While a catechumen, he entered the royal household as assistant to Joseph Mukaso, head of the court pages.

On the night of Mukaso's martyrdom for encouraging the African youths to resist Mwanga, Charles requested and received baptism. Imprisoned with his friends, Charles's courage and belief in God inspired them to remain chaste and faithful.

For his own unwillingness to submit to the immoral acts and his efforts to safeguard the faith of his friends, Charles was burned to death at Namugongo on June 3, 1886, by Mwanga's order.

When Pope Paul VI canonized these 22 martyrs on Oct. 18, 1964, he also made reference to the Anglican pages martyred for the same reason. (From Franciscanmedia.com)

St. Justin Martyr (c. 100 – 165) - Justin never ended his quest for religious truth even when he converted to Christianity after years of studying various pagan philosophies.

As a young man, he was principally attracted to the school of Plato. However, he found that the Christian religion answered the great questions about life and existence better than the philosophers.

Upon his conversion he continued to wear the philosopher's mantle, and became the first Christian philosopher. He combined the Christian religion with the best elements in Greek philosophy. In his view, philosophy was a pedagogy of Christ, an educator that was to lead one to Christ.

Justin is known as an apologist, one who defends in writing the Christian religion against the attacks and misunderstandings of the pagans. Two of his so-called apologies have come down to us; they are addressed to the Roman emperor and to the Senate.

For his staunch adherence to the Christian religion, Justin was beheaded in Rome in 165. (From Franciscanmedia.com)

Quotes of St. Justin Martyr: We used to hate and destroy one another and refused to associate with people of another race or country. Now, because of Christ, we live together with such people and pray for our enemies.

The world suffers nothing from Christians but hates them because they reject its pleasures.

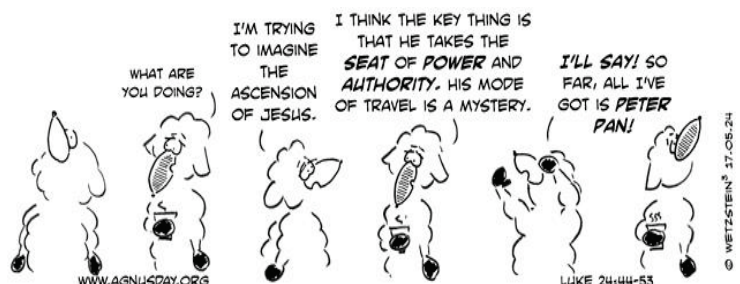
Not as common bread, or as common drink do we receive these.... We have been taught that the food that has been Eucharistized by the word of prayer, that food which by assimilation nourishes our flesh and blood, is the Flesh and Blood of Incarnate Jesus.

Celebrated on May 31, the **Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary** commemorates the Virgin Mary's visit to her cousin, Elizabeth. Of Franciscan origin, it was established during the General Chapter of the Order in 1263 at the request of St. Bonaventure. In 1969 the feast was anticipated to May 31 to highlight the biblical temporal partition between the feast of the Annunciation (Mar. 25) and the birth of St. John the Baptist (June 24).



"Going beyond the surface, Mary "sees" the work of God in history with the eyes of faith... Her Magnificat, at the distance of centuries and millennia, remains the truest and most profound interpretation of history, while the interpretations of so many of this world's wise have been belied by events in the course of the centuries..."

Let us bring the same sentiments of praise and thanksgiving of Mary to the Lord, her faith and her hope, her docile abandonment in the hands of Divine Providence. May we imitate her example of readiness and generosity in the service of our brethren. Indeed, only by accepting God's love and making of our existence a selfless and generous service to our neighbor, can we joyfully lift a song of praise to the Lord." (Pope Benedict XVI) (From nationalshrine.org)



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