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Office hours: Monday – Thursday 9 - 12 and 1- 4, Friday 9 - 12

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),

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 Fr. Dan Lobsinger, C.R., 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

Parish Organizations and Contacts:

Finance Council

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 4 – No Mass

Tuesday, May 5

9:00 AM To Bring Our Loved Ones Home to the Church – Monday Lunch & Learn Group

Wednesday, May 6 – St. Francois de Laval, Patron of the Bishops of Canada

9:00 AM Blessings on the Congregation of the Resurrection

7:00 PM Genevieve Lalonde - CWL

Thursday, May 7

9:00 AM † Shirley Hinsperger – Rob Hinspergere

Friday, May 8

9:00 AM † Shirley Ellert – Family

Saturday, May 9

Vigil of Fifth Sunday of Easter

5:00 PM † Nancy Forde – Pat & Joan Forde

† Edna Ertel – Larry & Phyllis Ertel

† Bob Byrne – Rosemary & Shaun MacNeil

Sunday, May 10 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:30 AM Intentions of Helen Dietrich – Carl & Paul Dietrich

† Albert Ruetz – Katie Ruetz & Family

Intentions of Moser Family – The Family

† Samren, Khamphens, Kasem & Johnny Xaysy – Xaysy Family

11:30 AM People of St. Louis Parish

Reflection on the Sunday Gospel Reading from Gospel of John 10:1-10

Jesus' authoritative, emphatic "Very truly, I tell you" introduces each of the two segments about shepherds in today's Gospel. Shepherding was so much a part of daily life in ancient Israel that the image was applied both to God and to Israel's leaders. The Lord God was described as the attentive shepherd caring for the flock. Israel's leaders were described either as shepherds who justly led the flock, or as those who destroyed and scattered it. In the scene Jesus describes, such Old Testament imagery provides the background for depicting shepherds and thieves, robbers and strangers. Only authentic shepherd, recognized by the flock, calls the sheep by name, leads them, and walks ahead of them. Others cause fear and panic the flock.

In the second segment, Jesus identifies Himself as "the gate for the sheep." Using an "I am" statement, He presents Himself as the way through which sheep can enter safely into the protection of the sheepfold, and go out to pasture. In the wilderness, the shepherd would lie down at the opening or gate of the enclosure as a guardian of the flock. He "saves" whoever enters through Him. On the cultural, physical level saving the sheep implies rescuing them from danger, providing safety, and healing wounds. On a deeper level, typical to St. John's Gospel, Jesus, the gate for the sheep, brings the flock securely to eternal life, as He tells His audience, "I came that you might have life".

From the *Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word*



The Good Shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them. Is He asking you to help others to find Him? Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, especially in the Diocese of Hamilton, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, 905-528-7988, or Fr. Dan Lobsinger, CR, Vocation Director, at crvocations@gmail.com, or Carmel of St. Joseph in St. Agatha at 519-884-6700.



In solidarity with a number of Episcopal Conferences throughout the world, all diocesan and eparchial Bishops have been invited to consecrate their individual dioceses and eparchies to Mary, Mother of the Church on Friday, May 1, 2020, seeking her maternal intercession during the Coronavirus pandemic. His Excellency Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, will consecrate the Diocese of Hamilton to Mary, Mother of the Church, during a Mass celebrated at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King on Friday morning at 9:30 a.m. At 3:00 p.m. he will consecrate St. Mary's Parish in Hamilton on the occasion of the 160th Anniversary of the opening of the original Cathedral Church of the Diocese of Hamilton. Priests are invited to consecrate their respective Parishes and other institutions which they serve. Families and individuals are likewise invited to consecrate themselves and their homes to Mary, Mother of the Church, as they pray for her maternal protection during this pandemic. The Ritual texts for the Consecration of Canada to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, in time of Pandemic are attached for your convenience. They will also be posted on our Diocesan Website.

Please see the Ritual text which may be used by all. Though it is not envisioned that the attached ritual be celebrated during Mass, when the consecration to Mary is included during Mass, only the Prayer of Consecration, the Intercessions and Concluding prayer are used. Families and individuals may make the adaptations according to their circumstances, however, always including the Prayer of Consecration, Intercessions, Lord's Prayer and Concluding Prayer. Let us confidently entrust our country, our Diocese, our Parishes and our homes to Our Blessed Mother.

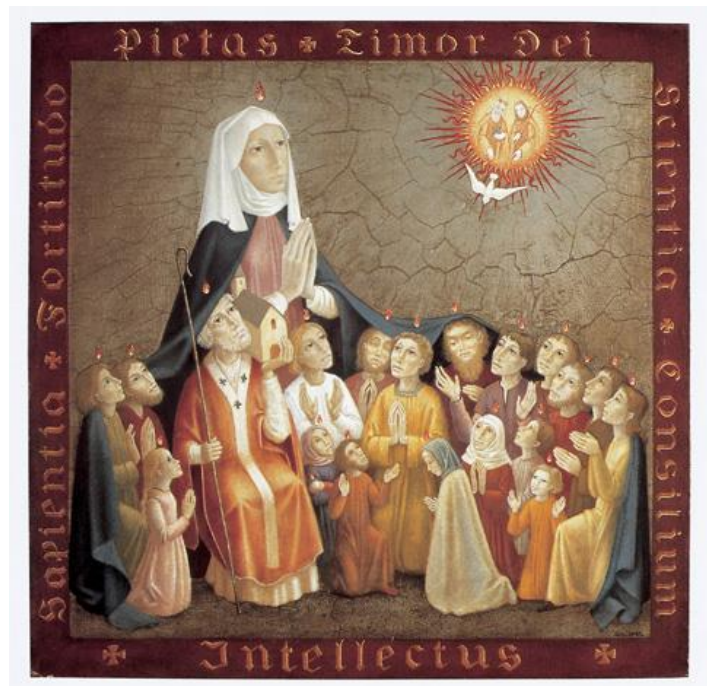
Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Monsignor Murray J. Kroetsch, PH, VG

Chancellor

The full text of the ceremony is on the Diocesan Website. Here follows the Consecration Prayer:



PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, in this time of pandemic, we turn our gaze to you, and in Christ consecrate to you *the faithful of our Diocese (or family, or individual) together with all the people of Canada.*

At the Annunciation, fear gave way to trust as you embraced the mysterious and loving plan of God, who through his providence, care and concern brought about newness of life in you and through you. Intercede, we pray, on our behalf as your children, *Virgin most faithful.* Grant us faith, hope and perseverance, as we strive to serve and bear witness to all persons, responding to the needs of those affected by this virus.

Standing at the foot of the Cross at Calvary, you united yourself with the sufferings of Christ and so uniquely contributed to the mystery of our redemption. We beseech you as *Health of the sick*, draw to yourself in maternal compassion the brothers and sisters of your Son Jesus and all those who are grieved by this pandemic. Strengthen the dying and comfort those who weep so that all may experience the healing grace of Christ our Divine Physician.

At the Cenacle, after the Resurrection, you accompanied the Apostles with prayer for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. In your maternal care as *Consoler of the afflicted*, accompany healthcare professionals, all who minister to the sick and those who seek a cure to end this pandemic, that the Holy Spirit may renew the face of the earth.

To all of us, dearest Mary, *Mother of all the living*, be present and show forth your tenderness, as we raise our eyes to you who shines forth before the entire community as a merciful and compassionate companion on our journey. Time and time again, with burdens weighing heavily on their hearts and in their many necessities, the Christian faithful have sought refuge under your mantle of protection.

Come quickly to our aid at this time, *Mother of Mercy*, and deliver us from the dangers that surround us in our hour of need; watch over especially the elderly, the weak and the infirm, our children and the unity of our families, and all those who give of themselves selflessly in pastoral care to those in need until in your arms and in your gentle embrace we all find safety and solace.

R. Amen.

Due to the COVID 19 coronavirus outbreak all Masses are celebrated privately by the priest. Public Masses, meetings and programs are cancelled. Bulletin is posted on-line only.

May is the month of Our Lady, Mary. As followers of Our Lady of Good Counsel, The St. Louis CWL would like to follow the Counsel of Mary:

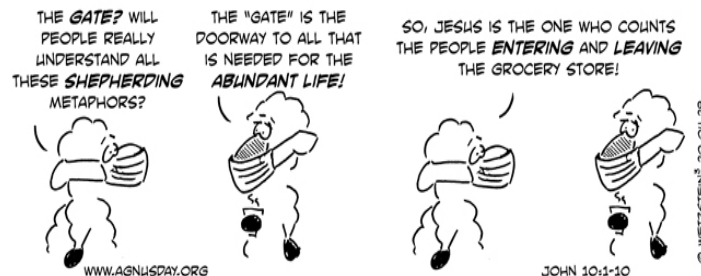
"I am the Blessed Virgin Mary of the Immaculate Conception." This is very similar to what Our Lady said at Lourdes to St. Bernadette and at Fatima to the three children, who were rightfully very inquisitive, and asked what she desired. Again, Our Lady gave a simple, yet very meaningful answer: *"I wish you to pray the Rosary every day."*

We would like to take up this invitation and invite you to join with us praying the Rosary on Wednesday evenings in May in a virtual manner using Zoom on your computer or by calling in on your phone.

On Wednesdays in May, (6th, 13th, 20th and 27th) we will join together at 7:00 p.m. to Pray the Rosary.

If you would like to join us, you are welcome. If you are not interested in getting on ZOOM to join us, you certainly can join us by saying the Rosary yourself. This invitation is for all CWL members and for all members and friends of St. Louis parish.

If you would like to join in with zoom or telephone, please contact Debbie Delattre at debbie@delattre.ca She will send you information and instructions on joining in.



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