

St. Louis Catholic Church



2021

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

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Served by the Congregation of the Resurrection since 1890.

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 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

Parish Organizations and Contacts:

Finance Council

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 31 – Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - No Mass

Tuesday, June 1- St. Justin, Martyr

9:00 AM † Hilda Reilly

Wednesday, June 2

9:00 AM Deceased Benefactors and Members of the Congregation of the Resurrection

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

9:00 AM For Blessings on Godchildren – Malton Family

Friday, June 4

9:00 AM Intentions of Pat Nairn – Cecilia Beechey

Saturday, June 5 – St. Boniface, Martyr

Vigil of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

5:00 PM † Luke Potvin – Potvin Family

Sunday, June 6 – The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

9:30 AM † Ted Powers – Joan & Family

† Katie Davies – Sprout Family

11:30 AM People of St. Louis Parish

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

Although prayers to God as Trinity existed earlier, the feast of the Most Holy Trinity was not included in the liturgical calendar until the fourteenth century, when it was designated for the Sunday after Pentecost. In fact, Christians did not have a universally agreed upon doctrine of the Trinitarian God until the Council of Constantinople in AD 381. This is the creed we now know as the Nicene Creed. Therefore, we should not expect a fully formed doctrine of the Trinity in the Bible. Yet, we find allusions to Trinitarian God, even in the Old Testament, as is evident in today's first reading.

The Book of Deuteronomy, which was written over an extended period of time between the eighth and sixth centuries BC, is presented as the words of Moses to the Israelites before their entry into the Promised Land. In this brief excerpt, we are reminded of God's amazing deeds on behalf of humanity from the time of creation and of God's special care of God's chosen ones, demonstrated in presence and power. In Moses' words, this is why God's people must know in their hearts that God is their only God. Two details of this reading allude to the Holy Spirit: the mention of creation, and the image of fire. You may recall the detail of the wind sweeping over the waters in the first creation story (Genesis 1:2) and, in the second, the reference to God breathing into Adam to make the human a living being (Genesis 2:7). Fire is an image associated with God's presence in the Exodus (Exodus 19:18), but it also reminds us of the Christian Pentecost story, when the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples in tongues of fire (Acts 2:3).

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

Stay at home order in effect till June 2, 2021.

Churches are closed for public Masses. Fr. Phil celebrates the Masses in private for the intentions requested.

Office is closed. Working from home. Checking email.

Check the website for up to date information.

Bulletins are published on-line only.

Anniversary Mass 2021 Registration - The Anniversary Mass scheduled for June of 2021 has been cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60, and 60-plus years of marriage on the Diocesan website at hamiltondiocese.com, simply click on the Anniversary Mass icon on the home page. We will send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass. Questions?- contact familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

I believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

I believe one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, one in Being with the Father....

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified....

The Nicene Creed is the work of the early church fathers in their efforts to carefully express the crucial points of the Gospel where it was being seriously misrepresented under the influence of a dualistic Greek (Hellenized) philosophy. That philosophy posited that God, being one, perfect and unchangeable, must, necessarily, be separate from and have nothing to do with physical matter (including flawed human beings). Influenced by this philosophy, some Christians, including influential leaders, were reasoning that in order to remain aloof from the flawed, changing world of matter, God created angels who created and then interacted with the physical world (thus keeping God at arm's length from the world). In like manner, they reasoned that Jesus Christ (who came into the world of matter and took on flesh) must also be a created intermediary, not eternal (uncreated) God. This view was championed by Arius, an influential elder (presbyter) in the Christian community located in Alexandria, Egypt. His bishop, Alexander, vehemently disagreed with Arius' view, and tried to remove Arius from his office. But the people protested and the Arian controversy resulted.

In A.D. 325, in order to try to settle the Arian controversy, Roman Emperor Constantine convened a church council in the town of Nicaea in Asia Minor near Constantinople. About 300 bishops attended, most from the East. They debated the nature of God and of Jesus Christ, most rejecting Arius' idea that Jesus was a created being. They believed that in worshiping Jesus, they were worshiping God. They believed they were saved by God, not by a created being. In short, they were convinced that Scripture declares that Jesus Christ is God.

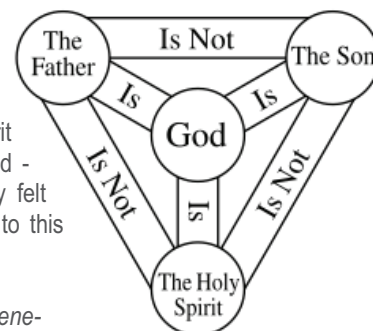
To affirm this belief, the council wrote the Nicene Creed, which declares that Jesus Christ is "God from God, light from light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, one in Being with the Father." The last portion had particular significance in the council. The phrase of one being translates the Greek word *homoousios*, which means "of the same substance or essence - of one being." The Nicene Creed thus declares that what God is in His substance (essence, being), the Son of God is as well.

Following the Nicene Council, the debate continued, including discussions about the Holy Spirit. The Nicene Council had merely said that "we believe in the Holy Spirit," without saying anything about who or what the Spirit is.

Eventually, Theodosius (the new Roman emperor), called a second council, which was held in Constantinople in A.D. 381. That council affirmed the view of the earlier Nicene Council that Jesus is fully divine, eternal, not created.

Moreover, the council accepted the full divinity of the Holy Spirit, teaching that the Father is God, the Son is God, and the Holy Spirit is God, yet there is only one God - one God in three Persons. They felt compelled by Scripture to come to this conclusion.

(From thesurprisinggodblog.gci.org/p/nicene-creed.html)





God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit. When we go out to "make disciples of all nations", we have a lot to tell! God is present everywhere. Would you be willing to proclaim the truth of God's love and presence in your life as a priest, religious or deacon?. If you feel God is calling you to priesthood, religious life or diaconate, call Most Rev. W. Lobsinger, Auxiliary Bishop and Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, 905-528-7988, or Fr. Raphael Ma, Congregation of the Resurrection Vocation Director, at crvocations@gmail.com, or Carmel of St. Joseph in St. Agatha at 519-884-6700.

Sunday School & Liturgy of the Word (ages 3-10) –

Join Teacher Kelly every Sunday morning at 10:30 AM for on-line Sunday school session. We explore our church calendar, sing songs and read the Gospel together where we take away a few important points from the reading. Kelly has a link for a children's bulletin that is full of fun information and activities. Email Kelly (kkrause@hamiltondiocese.com) to get the link to our virtual Sunday school. Join us to learn more about your faith!



St. Louis Youth Group (Gr. 6 – 12) is meeting on-line twice a month on Friday nights. Contact Kelly for more information.

Covid 19 social gathering restrictions have placed many constraints on us all. Until we can meet in person, you are invited to tap into some excellent online resources focused on personal spirituality, family, marriage, and our Catholic faith.

Catholic News Agency (catholicnewsagency.com) – Catholic News Agency was founded in 2004, in response to Pope St. John Paul II's call for a "New Evangelization." It is one of the fastest-growing Catholic news providers in the world. CNA provides free, up-to-the-minute news affecting the Universal Church, giving particular emphasis to the words of the Holy Father and happenings of the Holy See. CNA is proud to offer free access to its news items to Catholic dioceses, parishes, and websites, in order to increase awareness of the activities of the universal Church and to foster a sense of Catholic thought and culture in the life of every Catholic. Though its focus is spread throughout the world, CNA closely covers the Catholic Church in the United States and news related to the creation of a culture of life. *Stay tuned for more resources each week...*

Upcoming zoom workshop presented by Anne Racine (Trained Facilitator of Workshops and Retreats and a Certified Spiritual Director from Mount Carmel Retreat Centre in Niagara Falls):

THE IMPACT OF COVID 19: Are you experiencing stress caused by COVID-19? You are not alone! People around the world have felt overwhelmed and helpless as a result of experiencing Coronavirus Anxiety. Adjusting to new realities has caused fear and worry. This workshop will explore coping strategies and practical skills to deal with the impact that COVID-19 has had on our lives. Sat., June 19, 10 AM to 3 PM. Held Virtually On Zoom Platform. Cost: \$40.00
REGISTER AT: annaracine.org@gmail.com or (905) 351-8367.

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2021 is the Year of St. Joseph.

We are taking a look at representations of St. Joseph in art taken from imaginemdei.blogspot.com. (Continued from previous bulletin).

One of the most interesting images of Saint Joseph from the later middle ages/early Renaissance period appears on the right wing of the Annunciation triptych known as the Merode Altarpiece.



Workshop of Robert Campin (Master of Flemalle), Merode Altarpiece Netherlandish, 1427-1432 New York, Metropolitan Museum of Art, The Cloisters Collection

The central panel shows the Annunciation taking place in a typical 15th-century town parlour. The right wing shows Joseph in his workshop. He is seated at a bench and table by the open window of his shop, surrounded by the implements of his trade.

Some completed projects appear on his workbench and on display in the window of the shop. Most conspicuous among them are two mousetraps (one is on the table, the other on display in the open window). Scholars have identified the symbolic meaning of these mousetraps. They are "the devil's mousetrap".



The idea of the mousetrap as a symbol for the Redemption is drawn from sermons of St. Augustine – the Incarnation is God's mousetrap to catch the devil. The devil wasn't expecting the Messiah to come in the form of a human baby, especially one born into such humble surroundings. Further, St. Joseph himself is a third mousetrap. His presence as the apparent father of Jesus confused the devil further. The devil anticipated contending with a different kind of Messiah, not the child of a humble carpenter. So, by inspiring the human death of Jesus the devil was himself destroyed.

This image, equating St. Joseph with the mousetrap, stands at a seminal point for the Josephite iconography. It is probably not a coincidence that this image appeared during the period in which devotion to St. Joseph began to develop. It was in 1479 that the feast of St. Joseph, celebrated on March 19, was added to the Roman calendar of commemorations.

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