

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

Terry Collins, 519-741-1534

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 10 – No Mass

Tuesday, May 11

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

Wednesday, May 12

9:00 AM † Mary Ann Toussaint – Richard & Claire Armitage

Thursday, May 13

9:00 AM † Doreta Fritz – Cecilia Beechey

Friday, May 14 – St. Matthias, Apostle

9:00 AM Intentions of Danielle Pilon – Cecilia Beechey

Saturday, May 15

Vigil of the Ascension of the Lord

5:00 PM † Valentine Forde & Nora Herbert – Joan & Patrick Forde

† Josephine Haid – Children

† Walter & Kaye Hartman – Their Family

† Alex Sichewski – Joan & Family

Sunday, May 16 – The Ascension of the Lord

9:30 AM People of St. Louis Parish

11:30 AM † David Kirby – Kirby Family

† Fr. Bernie Hayes, C.R. – Kim Moser

† Clarence Anstett – Jackie Anstett & Family

Reflections on the First Reading: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

The Acts of the Apostles contains the stories of the Holy Spirit's activity in the lives of early Church leaders and their communities. Today's lectionary reading is a small part of a much longer story in which a centurion named Cornelius had a vision that prompted him to ask Peter to visit him. Centurions were Roman military leaders who were stationed throughout the Roman provinces and were in charge of a hundred military personnel. However, Cornelius was no ordinary centurion. Luke describes him as a Gentile who was interested in Judaism and was a generous contributor to the needs of the Jewish community in Caesarea. On the day after Cornelius received his vision, Peter also received a vision in which a heavenly voice told him to eat ritually unclean animals. Peter responded by saying, "By no means." This would have been a violation of Jewish dietary regulations. Nevertheless, the heavenly voice said, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane".

Even though Peter was unsure of the meaning of his vision, when the Holy Spirit told him to go with the soldiers to meet Cornelius at his home, he went. Upon entering Cornelius' house, he encountered a large group of family and colleagues waiting for him. When they had completed all the niceties of introduction and welcome, Cornelius asked Peter to speak to them about Jesus' message. Peter had not yet finished speaking when he saw the Holy Spirit descend on the gathering. Peter's companions, all circumcised followers of Jesus, were astounded – literally, out of their minds – at the thought that Gentiles could receive the Holy Spirit, because it was reserved for Jews alone, or so they thought. But "God shows no partiality." Peter needed no further confirmation, and therefore called for the Baptism of Cornelius and his household. As Paul says elsewhere, "There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave, or free, there is no longer male of female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus".

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

Stay at home order in effect till May 20, 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.

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honour them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord.



Sunday School & Liturgy of the Word (ages 3-10) – is a little different! 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.

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

UNDERSTANDING ANGER: Why do we get angry? Anger is a secondary emotion. Understanding the cause of anger is the first step to managing it. This workshop will identify the causes of anger and explore our own beliefs and patterns of response. Learn how to respond to anger on a day-to-day basis in a healthy, constructive, and creative way. SAT., MAY 8, 2021 10:00 AM TO 3:00 PM. HELD VIRTUALLY ON ZOOM PLATFORM. COST: \$40.00

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, 2021 10:00 AM TO 3:00 PM. HELD VIRTUALLY ON ZOOM PLATFORM. COST: \$40.00

LEARNING TO FORGIVE: FORGIVENESS: What is it and how do you do it? This workshop identifies the stumbling blocks to forgiveness and provides practical methods to work through the anger, blame and resentment. Forgiveness is about letting go of the past, and understanding it in order to move on. Forgiveness is one of the greatest gifts you can give yourself. SAT., MAY 29, 2021 10:00 AM TO 3:00 PM HELD VIRTUALLY ON ZOOM PLATFORM. COST: \$40.00

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WEDNESDAY KNIGHT SPAGHETTI AND MEATBALL DINNERS

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PICK UP TIMES: 4:30 P.M. TO 6:00 P.M.

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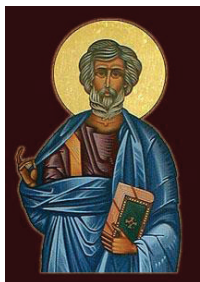
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St. Matthias (May 14)

The first act of the apostles after the Ascension of Jesus was to find a replacement for Judas. With all the questions, doubts, and dangers facing them, they chose to focus their attention on finding a twelfth apostle. Why was this important? Twelve was a very important number to the Chosen People: twelve was the number of the tribes of Israel. If the new Israel was to come from the disciples of Jesus, a twelfth apostle was needed.

But Jesus had chosen the original twelve. How could they know whom he would choose?

One hundred and twenty people were gathered for prayer and reflection in the upper room, when Peter stood up to propose the way to make the choice.

Peter had one criterion, that, like Andrew, James, John, and himself, the new apostle be someone who had been a disciple from the very beginning, from his baptism by John until the Ascension. The reason for this was simple, the new apostle would have to become a witness to Jesus' resurrection. He must have followed Jesus before anyone knew him, stayed with him when he made enemies, and believed in him when he spoke of the cross and of eating his body -- teachings that had made others melt away.

Two men fit this description -- Matthias and Joseph called Barsabbas. They knew that both these men had been with them and with Jesus through his whole ministry. But which one had the heart to become a witness to his resurrection. The apostles knew that only the Lord could know what was in the heart of each. They cast lots in order to discover God's will and Matthias was chosen. He was the twelfth apostle and the group was whole again as they waited for the coming of the Holy Spirit.

That's the first we hear of Matthias in Scripture, and the last. Legends like the Acts of Andrew and Matthias testify to Matthias' enthusiastic embrace of all that being an apostle meant including evangelization, persecution, and death in the service of the Lord.

Clement of Alexandria says that Matthias, like all the other apostles, was not chosen by Jesus for what he already was, but for what Jesus foresaw he would become. He was elected not because he was worthy but because he would become worthy. Jesus chooses all of us in the same way. What does Jesus want you to become?

In His Footsteps: Have you ever felt like an afterthought, a latecomer? Or have you ever resented someone new who was added to your group? Try to see your community as not complete without the newcomer, whether you or someone else. Welcome any newcomers to your parish, work, or family community this week as someone chosen by God.

Prayer: Saint Matthias, pray that we may become worthy witnesses to the resurrection of Jesus in the way we live the eternal life we have right now. (From Catholic online)



The greatest love story that ever happened: God's continuing love for His people. All God asks is "Love one another as I have loved you". The world really needs to see people who are trying to love others with all their hearts. Priests, religious and deacons can be excellent examples of this love. If you feel God is calling you to priesthood, religious life or diaconate, call Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger, Auxiliary Bishop and Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, 905-528-7988, or Fr. Raphael Ma, Congregation of Resurrection Vocation Director, at crvocations@gmail.com, or Carmel of St. Joseph in St. Agatha at 519-884-6700.

Covid 19 social gathering restrictions have placed many constraints on all communities. 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.

A few resources to get you started....

Romansky.tv – Roman Sky is a Catholic Media Site managed by the Confraternity of Christ the Priest (located in Wagga Wagga, NSW Australia). Launched in 2019. Provides videos and podcasts for all stages of spiritual life in 184 categories from 53 publishers.

Stay tuned for more resources each week....

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 www.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. If you have questions contact familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

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).



Duccio, Nativity
Italian, 1308-1311
Washington, D.C.,
National Gallery of Art.

In this picture, by Duccio, Joseph has increased in size, a sure indicator that he is becoming a more important figure. So, he is now marginally more important than the midwives and the shepherds with their sheep and dog because he is bigger in size.

Both of these aspects of Joseph's iconography, his advanced age and his detachment, spring from the concern to protect both the divinity of Christ and the perpetual virginity of Mary. It was thought that a younger, more involved figure might raise questions about his role.



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