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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 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:

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 23 – No Mass

**Tuesday, November 24 – St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc,
Priest and Companions, Martyrs**

9:00 AM To Bring Our Loved Ones Home to the Church

Wednesday, November 25

9:00 AM † Hilda Cassel – Cecilia Beechey

**Thursday, Nov. 26 – St. Catherine of Alexandria,
Virgin, Martyr - Patron of St. Catherine Diocese**

9:00 AM † Helen Resetar – Rudnisky Family

Friday, November 27

9:00 AM † Rita Lorbetski – Cecilia Beechey

Saturday, November 28

Vigil of First Sunday of Advent

5:00 PM People of St. Louis Parish

Sunday, November 29 – First Sunday of Advent

9:30 AM † Andreas Schwarz – Elizabeth Schwarz

† Helen Helm – Fred & Joanne

† Nancy Regier – Frayne Family

† Deceased Members of the Gies Family – Rob Hinsperger

11:30 AM † Colonel & Jean Moser – Kim Moser

† Gerald & Audrey Moser – Reid Family

Reflection on the Second Reading : 1 Corinthians 15:20 -26, 28.

Paul teaches that Christian faith and hope are based on Jesus' being raised from the dead. He calls Christ the first fruits of those who have "fallen asleep" (the Greek verb form emphasizes that they are "still sleeping"). In this passage, the first fruits are not so much an offering as a pledge or guarantee of "the crop" of believers who will be harvested at the end of time.

Paul's comparison of Adam with Christ is of the first man, who represents all humanity, with the last man, who is Christ. The first man (all humans) must die, but the last man died and was raised up from the dead – as will be all those who are baptized into Him. They shall certainly be "made alive," but in the proper order, that is, in God's order. First, Jesus was raised, then He will return to earth, at which time all the dead will be raised up, and then literally, "the end" will occur, or the last thing will be the risen Christ handing the kingdom over to the Father.

The Corinthians, like the baptized today, live between Christ's Resurrection and His (second) "coming" or "arrival," in Greek, His *parousia*. The image of Christ putting all His enemies under His feet draws on Psalm 110:1, which was read during enthronement rites for a king of Israel or Judah. The psalm itself borrows images from the biblical world that show a ruler who is seated on his throne, using the heads of vanquished enemies for his footstool. The risen Christ will rule until all His enemies are under His feet, the last of these being death. In "the end," when everything is subjected to God, divine life will permeate and enliven all that exists. (From the *Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word.*)

The bulletins are posted on-line only.

Office is open by appointment only.

Mon. – Thu.: 9 AM - 12 PM & 1PM - 4 PM & Fri.: 9 AM - 12 PM

To add names of your recently deceased loved ones to the Book of Remembrance please contact the parish office. Those in the Book already will also be included in all November Mass intentions.

Envelopes for Combined Special Collection next weekend (Share Lent, Pope's Pastoral Works, Holy Land (Good Friday), Cura Pastorum, Needs of Canadian Church and Mission Sunday) are distributed this weekend. This collection will make up for any donations missed during shutdown.



A Campaign for the Diocese of Hamilton

At St. Louis Parish the One Heart One Soul fund raising campaign celebrated the Commitment Sunday last week which completes the public portion of the campaign. Now what remains is the sending in and collection of the last remaining pledges. So far we have received \$239,000, about 60% of our goal of \$390,000. **Thank You** to all who have contributed, or pledged so far, and, **Thank You** to all the volunteers who phoned. Please know that all of the money donated goes to St. Louis and to chaplaincy programs at the hospitals, universities, and prisons, as well as to some small country parishes who are struggling financially. Thank you for your generosity. If you haven't sent yours in, it's not too late. If you need more information please call the parish office.



*Special thanks
to the Grounds Crew,*

who cut the grass

and tend the gardens at St. Louis:

Peter, Bob, John and Irwin for cutting the grass,
Sharon, Carolyn, Wendy, and Sue for looking
after the flower gardens and
Dennis, Douglas and Brian for looking after the
rock garden.

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

– is a little different this Fall! Join Teacher Kelly every Sunday morning at 10:30am 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. I have a link for a children's bulletin that is full of fun information and ongoing activities. Would like to get involved? 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 would like to invite everyone in gr. 6 - 12 who would like to join our group of very enthusiastic, fun youth who care about their faith. We are getting together every second Friday night from 7-9pm via zoom meetings. We are playing games and having fun, learning more about our faith and exploring questions that we might have. There are 12 youth who have been meeting on a regular basis through zoom from the spring, and were instrumental in helping Kelly to make St. Louis Virtual Summer Camp a great success. If this sounds like a group you would like to join, email Kelly at the parish office to get the information needed to join us. We all look forward to meeting you.



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"Lord, when was it that we saw you ...?" Have you heard the Lord as well? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, or vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, or Carmel of St. Joseph in St. Agatha at 519-884-6700, or CR Vocation Director, crvocations@gmail.com



Christmas Masses this year will be different. Singing is still strongly discouraged, and we have limitations in the number who can attend. Our schedule will be **5:00 PM and 8:00 PM on Christmas Eve, and 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM on Christmas Day.** *(Please pray for more priestly vocations).*

A Reservations system will be in place. A maximum of around 100 people will be allowed at each Mass. More details to follow.

Coping with Christmas - St. Michael Parish Grief Support - Grieving the loss of a loved one at any time is difficult but it can seem all the worse as we approach the Christmas season. Join us as we watch a video and discuss ways to reduce stress while still being able to find joy in each moment trusting that there will be brighter days ahead. **Thur., Dec.3 at 7 pm – St. Michael Parish Centre (doors open at 6:30pm).** Please register by Nov. 23rd by contacting our Parish office at 519-884-9311, or parish@stmichaelw.ca.

Novena of Masses for the Immaculate Conception - In its capacity as our Diocese's Shrine to the Blessed Mother the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph will be hosting a Novena of Masses leading up to the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. This Novena will be seeking the intercession and protection of the Mother of God, and Mother of the Church, on our Diocese in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic. **Novena Masses will be held at 7 pm from Nov. 29 to Dec. 7 inclusive.** His Excellency, Bishop Crosby will celebrate **Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception at 7 pm on Tue., Dec. 8.** All the faithful of the Diocese are welcome to take part in this Novena. Please note that all Diocesan covid protocols must be observed while at the Basilica. Even if you cannot come to the Basilica of Our Lady in person please join this Novena in prayer from your home.

Our Lady, the Immaculate Conception, Pray for Us.

Due to COVID-19 the ever popular K-W ADVENT NOVENA which has been attended by hundreds over the past 40+ years will NOT take place this year at St. Agnes Parish. God willing we will be able to resume this tradition in 2021. Blessings of peace, love and good health to all who have been a part of this beautiful preparation for Christmas in the past.

Coping with the Holidays - Christmas is an especially difficult season for anyone grieving the loss of a loved one. For many, this will be complicated even further when the loss occurred during the COVID-19 shut down. Have you lost a love one and find yourself struggling with the thought of the upcoming Christmas season? Join us on Mon., Nov. 30th at 7 P.M. for a one-hour session on Zoom offering reflection and practical strategies for coping at Christmas. To register please call Lena at 905-528-7988 X 2249, or register on line at hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/grief-support/coping-with-the-holidays. We will send a zoom invite by e-mail to all those who have registered the day before the session so you can join by video or phone.

The Waterloo K of C PATIO IS OPEN. Call 519-884-2060 to reserve your place. Fish Fry Pick Up also available. From 4:30 to 6:30 PM EVERY FRIDAY at 145 Dearborn PL., (1 P.C. \$14; 2 P.C. \$16). **Please call Derek before 4:15 PM at 226-748-8378 to order Pick –Up. Wednesday Spaghetti Dinner program** - Dinner for two for a total of \$18.50 Tax incl, Call Martin at 519-884-2060 to place TAKE OUT ORDER only at this time. PICK UP TIMES: 4:30 - 6:00 P.M.

Sunday	Mainten.	Diocesan collections	Loose	Pre-Author.
\$ 1170.00	\$ 885.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 24.90	\$2739.00

This week's donations – Thank you!

Message from St. Jerome's University - Are you a student looking at university or a parent wanting to help guide your student to choose a university that lives the values of the gospel? St. Jerome's University (SJU) is a small, Catholic, liberal arts university federated with the University of Waterloo (UW) and located right at its heart. We are a "neighbourhood within a city" –just a few steps from main campus UW! We are a tight-knit residence and academic community with alumni and partners around the world. Explore our campus, programs, and community by connecting with us live and virtually at www.sju.ca/connect-with-us

St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc and Companions' Story

Andrew Dũng-Lac, a Catholic convert ordained as a priest, was one of 117 people martyred in Vietnam between 1820 and 1862. Members of the companions group gave their lives for Christ in the 17th-19th centuries were canonized by St. John Paul II.

Christianity came to Vietnam through the Portuguese. Jesuits opened the first permanent mission at Da Nang in 1615. They ministered to Japanese Catholics who had been driven from Japan.

Severe persecutions were launched at least three times in the 19th century. Between 100,000 and 300,000 Catholics were killed or subjected to great hardship. Foreign missionaries martyred in included priests of the Paris Mission Society, and Spanish Dominicans.

In 1832, Emperor Minh-Mang banned all foreign missionaries, and tried to make all Vietnamese deny their faith by trampling on a crucifix. Like the priest-holes in Ireland during English persecution, many hiding places were offered in homes of the faithful.

Persecution broke out again in 1847, when the emperor suspected foreign missionaries and Vietnamese Christians of sympathizing with a rebellion led by one of his sons.

The last of the martyrs were 17 laypersons executed in 1862. That year a treaty with France guaranteed religious freedom to Catholics, but it did not stop all persecution.

By 1954, there were over a million Catholics—about 7% of the population—in the north. Buddhists represented about 60 %. Persistent persecution forced some 670,000 Catholics to flee to the south. In 1964, there were still 833,000 Catholics in the north, but many were in prison. In the south, Catholics were enjoying the first decade of religious freedom in centuries, their numbers swelled by refugees.

During the Vietnamese war, Catholics again suffered in the north, and again moved to the south in great numbers. Now reunited, the entire country is under Communist rule. *(From franciscanmedia.org)*

BILL C-7 - An Act to amend the Criminal Code Expansion of eligibility criteria for physician-assisted dying

Worrisome! Because: People may have recourse to medical assistance in dying even when natural death is not reasonably foreseeable. A person may waive their final consent when natural death is reasonably foreseeable, putting them in a vulnerable position.

Disturbing! Because: A questionable, biased and rushed online survey underlies this Bill. A systematic discarding of different points of view.

Let us Affirm: The inalienable right to life which cannot be taken away by others. The importance of compassion for the sick and dying. Our responsibility to protect the most vulnerable among us. The possibility of relieving pain without resorting to murder.

Let us Demand: A public, transparent process open to a wide variety of voices. A taking into account of inviolable moral and ethical principles.

Let us Act: Be sure your member of parliament (MP) hears your opinion! Send a letter, phone, or use the electronic form: www.canadiansforconscience.ca **We must act now to protect all, including future generations from Bill C-7. For more info follow the link on St. Louis website Welcome page to the Diocesan website.**

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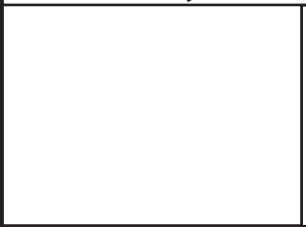
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