



St. Louis Catholic Church

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July - August:

Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Closed on Fridays.

September - June:

Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.,
Friday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

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.

Welcome to St. Louis Parish - 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 - John Miller (john@johnbmiller.ca),
5:00 Mass - 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 attending members, please contact the parish office at least one year in advance of your date. A marriage preparation course is required.

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. Privacy-of-Information laws prohibit the parish from obtaining information about parishioners in the hospital.

Priesthood and Religious Life - Is God calling you to religious life, as a Brother, Deacon or Priest? If so, please contact Fr. Toby Collins, C.R., Vocation Director for the Congregation of the Resurrection, at 226-989-1057, crvocations@gmail.com or check www.resurrectionist.ca

Parish Organizations and Contacts:

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For food hamper or more information call 519-743-4101



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 27 – No Mass

Tuesday, November 28

9:00 am † Shirley Hinsperger – Rob Hinsperger

Wednesday, November 29

9:00 am Intentions of Karen Napier – Amanda Ayoung-Chee

Thursday, November 30 – St. Andrew, Apostle

9:00 am Intentions of Christopher Ahong – Amanda Ayoung-Chee

Friday, December 1

9:00 am Intentions of Paul Haroun – Martin Family

Saturday, December 2

Vigil of First Sunday of Advent

5:00 pm † Edna Ertel – Phyllis & Larry Ertel

† John Kenny & Dick Mulhall – Pat & Joan Forde

† Bill Wharnsby – Uniac Family

† Jenny Janowski – Kaye Hartman

Sunday, December 3 – First Sunday In Advent

9:30 am People of St. Louis Parish

11:30 am † Barbara Adamska – Malton Family

† Edward Hrycyk – Stella Hrycyk & Family

† James Gray – Rudnisky Family

† Jack Cashin – Don & Lorraine Prior & Family

Reflection on the First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

The God who speaks to Ezekiel announces both comfort and judgement. In the verses just before today's reading, God tells Ezekiel to prophesy against the shepherds, or leaders, of Israel, particularly the kings who have responsibility for the flock. Because they have not cared for their subjects, God declares, "Ah, you shepherds of Israel who have been feeding yourselves!" God says that his flock has become food for the wild beasts because their shepherds looked out only for themselves.

Concerned for these abandoned sheep, God promises to become their shepherd, saying, "I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out." Unlike the lax and self-centered leaders of Israel, God's shepherding will be energetic and attentive. God will search and seek out; both verbs indicate active searching, necessary because so many sheep have been scattered due to the neglect of kingly shepherds. God will rescue these scattered sheep; here God's action is forceful, snatching them away from predators. The flock belongs to God, who refers to them as "my sheep," the sheep are God's own, and God takes on all the responsibility for them: pasturing (feeding), giving them rest (letting them lie down). God announces that the lost, strayed, injured, and sick will receive special attention.

After describing God's compassionate shepherding, the prophecy returns briefly to the condemnation of those who grow sleek and strong while ignoring their flock. God will shepherd them rightly, literally, "will feed my sheep with justice." Hearing this reading on the last Sunday in the liturgical year, we look ahead to God's final accounting of all the flock, from the lost to the leaders. It is reassuring that the God who will judge is the same God who is the benevolent shepherd, the one to whom the flock belongs.

THIS WEEK EVENTS

Monday, November 27

noon Lunch and Learn Nursery

4:00 pm Good Shepherd's Catechesis I, II, III Nursery

7:30 pm Faith Enrichment: Bishop Barron's DVD Large Hall
talks on *Mystery of God 4/6*

Tuesday, November 28

1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Meeting Large Hall

Wednesday, November 29

7:00 pm 11:30 Choir Rehearsal Church

Thursday, November 30

9:30 am Small Christian Community Large Hall

7:30 pm 9:30 Choir Rehearsal Church

Friday, December 1

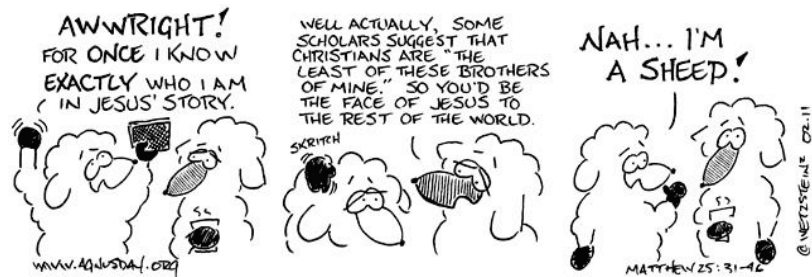
7:00 pm Advent Concert – John Miller & Friends Church

8:00 pm Reception L. Hall

Saturday, December 2

3:45 pm Youth Music rehearsal prior to Mass Church

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. Dec. 2 5 pm	1. James Skidmore 2. Laura Shoemaker C. Peter Fioravanti	1. Grant Ertel 2. Christiane Martin 3. Marilyn Foster
Sun. Dec. 3 9:30 am	1. Betty Gross 2. Cecilia Beechey C. Ed Ruppe	1. Joanne Bond 2. Mary Smith 3. John Klein
Sun. Dec. 3 11:30 am	1. Shaun MacNeil 2. Rosemary MacNeil C. Donna Herbstreit	1. Lois Peterson 2. Christine Dopko 3. Marianne Butler



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Sign up for Christmas Dramatization of the Gospel: All children ages 5 and up are invited to participate in our dramatization of the Gospel that will take place on Christmas Eve at the 5pm Mass. There will be two practices, Dec. 10th and 17th right after the 11:30 am Mass. **Anyone wanting a specific role must be at both practices!** Sign-up sheets will be in the Nursery, or contact Kelly Krause at the parish office.

"The Star" - In Sony Pictures Animation's *The Star*, a small but brave donkey named Bo yearns for a life beyond his daily grind at the village mill. One day he finds the courage to break free, and finally goes on the adventure of his dreams. On his journey, he teams up with Ruth, a loveable sheep who has lost her flock and Dave, a dove with lofty aspirations. Along with three wisecracking camels and some eccentric stable animals, Bo and his new friends follow the Star and become accidental heroes in the greatest story ever told - the first Christmas. (Galaxy or Landmark cinemas)

The **next St. Louis Catholic Women's League Meeting** will be **Wednesday Dec. 6th** - Mass 7 pm - Installation of the 2018-2019 new CWL executive and pre-Christmas get together. More information in next week's bulletin.

Retreats and Spiritual Direction: An open invitation to this year's Open House put on by the Jesuit Community of Guelph. Sunday, Dec. 3 from 2 - 4pm at Loyola House, Ignatius Jesuit Centre 5420 Hwy 6, North, Guelph. RSVP is not required - just come! Light snacks and beverages for all.

39th Annual Advent Novena - An Invitation To Prepare Well For Christmas: Nine daily Masses at 6:30 am at St. Agnes Church, (75 Bluevale St. N. Wat.), **Fri., Dec. 8th to Sat., Dec. 16th**. Breakfast in the Parish Centre following Mass on Sat., Dec. 16th. A free will offering will be taken for St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Hampers. **Exception: Sunday, Dec. 10th** - You are welcome to attend your own church on this day or St. Agnes at 9 am or 11 am. Make this Advent a special time of preparation for Christmas by joining your KW friends who have been keeping this Advent tradition for many years. Everyone is welcome! Plenty of time to get to work afterwards!

The Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation (CWLFF) is accepting applications for its initial Leadership Program for Canadian Catholic women. The Program will be facilitated by the Providence School of Transformative Leadership and Spirituality, Saint Paul University, Ottawa. For more information about the CWLFF, the Leadership Program, and to complete an application form, visit <http://cwlffcanada.ca>

Vocation News - "Lord, when was it that we saw you ...?" Have you heard the Lord as well? If God is calling you to serve as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations & Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, mking@hamiltondiocese.com, www.hamiltonvocations.com

Adoration for Life - Come, let us adore Jesus in the Eucharist - Console His Heart Wounded by abortion and sins against the Sanctity of Life on: Wed. Nov. 29th 7 - 8pm St Teresa of Avila Church (44 Leonard St. Kit) and on Sat. Dec. 2nd 11am - noon St. Mary Church (56 Duke St. W. Kit. - side entrance). Call KW Right to Life for more info. 519-746-5433.

The Noteworthy Singers, present, **Christmas Joy** - in support of the New Toys for Needy Kids Toy Drive and the Waterloo Knights of Columbus. Dec. 7th, 2 pm St. Aloysius, 11 Traynor Ave. Kitchener. Admission: Donation, cash or cheque, to New Toys for Needy Kids, or an unwrapped child's toy.

December 1st, Friday Knight Fish Fry, and Christmas Carols. - St. Michael's Choir performs at the Columbus Conference Centre, 145 Dearborn Place, Waterloo. Start at 6 pm.

Diocese of Hamilton is looking for Part-time Auditors to perform internal audits. For more information - please call the parish office. Applications accepted till Dec 15, 2017.



Songs of Advent and the Birth of Jesus: John Miller and Friends in Concert at St. Louis Church on Fri. Dec 1 at 7 pm. Donation of \$10/person is appreciated. Reception to follow.

John B. Miller & Friends is a group made up of professional and semi-professional musicians from diverse performing backgrounds. Throughout the year, they perform together and separately in various forms for private and public events. In recent years, John has produced an annual concert series during the season of Advent, which endeavours to take seasonal traditional & contemporary music, and present it in a prayerful, modern, and beautiful way. To date, John B. Miller & Friends has performed over 40 concerts for very appreciative audiences. The current concert schedule, and some audio samples, can be found at www.johnbmiller.ca



St. David Catholic Secondary School Grade 8 Student & Parent/Guardian Information Night - Wed., Nov. 29, 6:30pm to 8 pm. Information Booths in Foyer. Presentation at 6:30 in the cafeteria. Students who live within the St. David Boundary and plan to attend grade 9 in September 2018 are invited. Bring your parents and see all of the wonderful programs and facilities that we offer.

Reconciliation Services Advent 2017

Wednesday, Nov. 29th - 7:00 pm St. Agatha's Church in St. Agatha
Monday, Dec. 4th - St. Louis Church, Waterloo
Tuesday, Dec. 5th - St. Agnes Church, Waterloo
Wednesday, Dec. 6th - St. Michael's Church, Waterloo
Thursday, Dec. 7th - Our Lady of Lourdes, Waterloo

Lecture in Catholic Experience at St. Jerome's University - Friday, Dec. 8, at 7:30 pm. Fr. Eric Hollas, OSB, from St. John's Abbey in Collegeville, Minnesota, will help us to consider the profound insights that artists such as calligraphers and illuminators can offer us, especially with regard to the illuminations in The Saint John's Bible. Vanstone Lecture Hall, Academic Centre, SJU. This lecture is available on a complimentary basis. Please register at: www.sju.ca/lce

Inter Mennonite Children's Choir Christmas Concert: Gloria in Excelsis on Sunday, Dec. 10th at 3pm at St. Jacobs Mennonite Church (1310 King Street North St. Jacobs). Tickets: \$10 adult, \$5 children (ages 5-18). Conductor: Carolyn Neumann VanderBurgh. Accompanist: Christine Klaver-Schmidt.



Christmas Cakes and Gift boxes to support Campaign Life Coalition will be on sale next weekend after all Masses. Large cakes \$25, small cakes \$18, gift boxes \$30.

PAST DONATIONS

Date	Sunday Env.	Maintenance	Loose
Nov 19, 2017	3355.00	1394.25	417.90

Preauthorized donations for Nov. prorated per week: \$ 1602.07

Thank you for your generosity & continuous support!



Pre-Authorized Giving available at St. Louis Church. Funds transferred monthly on the 20th of each month. (This covers only the regular Sunday envelope donations). If interested, ask an usher, or Fr. Phil for a registration form.



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