

St. Louis Catholic Church

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Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 1 p.m. - 4p.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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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 28 - No Mass
Tuesday, November 29
 9:00 am † Al McTavish – Terry & Family
Wednesday, November 30 – St. Andrew, Apostle
 9:00 am † Mary Fischer – Marilyn Foster
Thursday, December 1
 9:00 am † Alex Mario Rodrigues – Emily & Nat Rodrigues
Friday, December 2
 9:00 am † Frank Sonser – Anna & Tony Zappitelli
Saturday, December 3
Sunday Liturgy – Second Sunday Of Advent
 5:00 pm † John Kenny – John & Patrick Forde
 † Martha & Frank Hause – Estate (5/12)
 † Eamonn Halpin – Joan & Patrick Forde
 † S. Anthony (Tony) Horton – Violet Horton
Sunday December 4 – Second Sunday Of Advent
 9:30 am For the People of St. Louis Parish
 11:30 am † Barbara Adamska – Malton Family
 † Barry Kieswetter – Marjorie and Family

Today we begin of a new liturgical year in which the Gospel readings are taken mostly from the Gospel of Matthew (Year A).



Reflection on the First Reading from Isaiah 2:1-5

The opening verses of the Book of Isaiah recount the kings who reigned in Judah during Isaiah's time, indicating that the Prophet's ministry spanned four decades, ending about 701 BC. Some scholars think it may have been even longer. During this time, Judah repeatedly turned to foreign alliances for protection against the expanding might of Assyria, which led an unsuccessful attack on Jerusalem in 701. The Prophet repeatedly called Judah to trust in the divine rather than human power, but with little success. Many of Isaiah's prophecies charged the people with infidelity to their covenant with the Lord: they were failing to worship sincerely or ensure social justice, and they must repent. Other prophecies spoke of God's coming judgement and future divine rule over God's people and all nations.

Today's First Reading focuses on the second motif. In verses previous to the reading, Isaiah rebuked the people for numerous transgressions and called them to return to God, their one true source of life. Now he evokes an image of Israel's splendid new future. Nearly identical to a prophecy of Micah (4: 1-4), his contemporary, this passage envisions God enthroned in the Jerusalem Temple, drawing together all Israelites into one righteous people. What's more, all nations will finally recognize the Lord as the one true source of life, gathering on Mount Zion to learn and practise His teaching. When Israel and all nations walk in the light of God's instruction, they will truly "cease doing evil" and "learn to do good" (Isaiah 1:16).

Upcoming Events

Monday, November 28
 4:00 pm Good Shepherd Catechesis I, II & III Nursery
 7:30 pm Pivotal Players – John Henry Newman p2 L. Hall
Tuesday, November 29
 noon Lunch & Learn: *Does the Bible Really Say That?* (Chapter 19, 20) by Patrick Madrid Nursery
Wednesday, November 30
 6:00 pm (11:30) Choir Rehearsal Church
 7:00 pm Confirmation Preparation Nursery
Thursday, December 1
 9:30 am Small Christian Community Large Hall
 7:30 pm (9:30) Choir rehearsal Church
Friday, December 2
 6:00 pm Adoration and Benediction Church
 7:00 pm Youth Group Large Hall

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. Dec 3	1 Jennifer McDonald	1 Trudy Allensen
5:00 pm	2 Maureen O'Grady C Betty Gross	2 Daniel Delattre 3 Debbie Delattre
Sun. Dec 4	1 Frank Mensink	1 Jeff Dinner
9:30 am	2 Caroline Noel C Terry Collins	2 Justine Krause 3 Frank Hulme
11:30 am	1 Confirmandi 2 Confirmandi C Rory Ferrier	1 Natalie Ferrier 2 Marianne Butler 3 Anna Malton

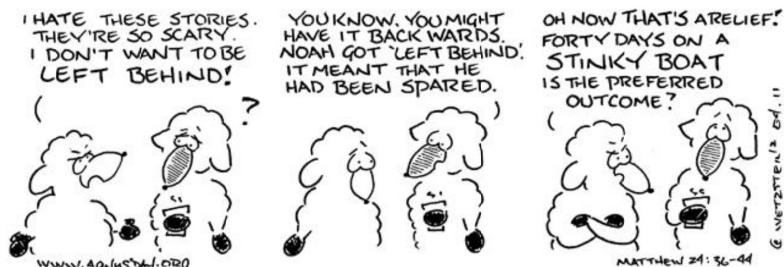


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Next St. Louis Catholic Women's League meeting **Wed., Dec. 7th** (Advent/Christmas theme), beginning with Mass at 7 pm, followed by a most enjoyable evening of refreshments; a brief meeting announcing the results of The Mission Sale, our annual fun auction, carol sing-a-long...a time to be grateful for the good works God has allowed us to do this year for our parish and communities here and abroad.



Sharing Fair - A unique gift sale that makes a world of difference. A project of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd. Sale of handcrafted goods to give honour and dignified employment to women in developing countries, thus providing food and necessities for the families. 100% of the profits returned to the village where the goods were made and where \$2 will provide a meal for a family. Goods from 18 countries.

Sat. Nov. 26th 4 - 6:30 pm & Sun. Nov. 27th 9:30 - 1 pm at St. Joseph's Parish Hall: 148 Madison Ave. S. Kit.

Sat. Dec. 3rd 5:30 - 8:30 pm & Sun. Dec. 4th 10 - 2pm at Our Lady of Guadalupe and St John's Parish: 85 Strange St. Kit.



New Toys For Needy Kids - Noteworthy Singers Concert *Christmas Joy* on Thu., Dec. 8th, at Waterloo Pentecostal Assembly (395 King St N.) Time 2 pm. Please bring a new unwrapped toy OR a cash/cheque donation.



St. Mark's Parish Mission & Exposition of Relics: Nov. 26 – 30 with Fr. Carlos A. Martins, C.C. at St. Mark's Parish (55 Driftwood Dr., Kit.) Come to partake in an opportunity for spiritual renewal as we lead into the holy season of Advent. Join us for a series of talks with Fr. Carlos Martins, one of the world's foremost experts on relics and their importance in the life of the Church. Fr. Martins will celebrate Mass and give a talk on Nov. 26 at 5 pm; Nov. 27 at 9:30 & 11:30 am; Nov. 28 and 29 at 10:30 am & 7 pm; Nov. 30 at 10:30 am. Then, at 7 pm on Wednesday, Father invites you to the parish hall for a teaching and exposition of over 150 sacred relics, some as old as 2000 years. Those in attendance will be able to examine and venerate each relic. In the Church's history many miracles and healings have been worked in the presence of relics, and many have been healed through this ministry. You are encouraged to bring your articles of devotion (such as rosaries, holy cards, etc.) and pictures of ill friends/family members which you will be able to touch to the reliquaries as a means of intercession.



Prayer Vigil – Thu., Dec. 1st, 9 - 10 am in front of Freeport Hospital, 3570 King St. E., Kit., for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! Parking - across the road, Schneider Park. Any queries, please contact Cathy at: kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com



St. David Grade 8 Student and Parent Information Night Thu., Dec. 1, 6:30 pm to 8 pm. (Information Booths in Foyer 6:15 pm to 6:30 pm.) Any students who live within the St. David Boundary and are planning to attend grade 9 in September 2017 are invited. Come with your parents and see all of the wonderful programs and facilities that we offer.

Euthanasia/Assisted – Did You Know?

Now that Canada has legalized assisted suicide/euthanasia, did you know that doctors in Ontario are forced to provide direct referrals for patients seeking to end their lives? Doctors who object to helping to kill their patients see a direct referral as being an accomplice to assisted suicide. No foreign jurisdiction in the world that has legalized euthanasia/assisted suicide has forced health care workers or facilities to act against their conscience. 8 other provinces in Canada have adopted protocols to protect doctors and institutions. Visit www.CanadiansforConscience.ca to learn more and to write directly to the Ontario government.



St. Teresa Of Avila Christmas Fundraising Dinner – Fri., Dec. 2nd at 6 pm at St. Teresa of Avila Church Hall, 19 Flamingo Dr., Elmira.

Tickets can be ordered through the Parish Office Monday to Friday 9 am to 1 pm, or by calling 519-669-3387. Adults \$16, children (6-12 years) \$8 and children 5 & under are free. Number of tickets is limited. Those who have purchased take-out tickets can pick their meals up at 5:30 pm. Last day to buy tickets is Wed., Nov. 30th. Funds raised for this event will go towards the new roof.

Youth Coordinator Part-Time – St. Anne's Parish, Kitchener. The Parish is calling for a part-time Youth Coordinator. Anyone who enjoys working with youth with the passion to build the faith for our future generations is invited to apply. This position entails frequent evening and weekend work. Please talk to or call Father Ray, (519-745-5302), for more information.



Advent Retreat/Seminar at St. Anne's Parish, Kit., Dec. 10th from 9 am to 2 pm: A life-changing day entitled, "Our Hearts are Restless"!

We will have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and powerful talks and testimonies by Marcel Dion of Magnificat Ministries. Come experience the truly transforming power of Jesus Christ in preparation for Christmas! No registration fee. Refreshments will be provided. Bring a bag-lunch. A free will offering will be taken. All are welcome. Bring a friend!



Christmas Celebration concert with Grand Philharmonic adult, children and youth choirs, plus K-W Symphony on Sunday Dec. 11th at 3 pm

at Centre in the Square, Kitchener. Enjoy Christmas music and audience singalong. Tickets just \$5 for children and teens. 519-578-1570 or www.grandphilchoir.com

Last Sunday Collection:

Sunday Envelopes	\$4592.90
Maintenance Envelopes	\$1407.00
Loose Donations	\$ 299.35

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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