

# St. Louis Catholic Church

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**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.**



St Louis Catholic Church

## Pastoral Team:

### **Pastor**

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### **Coordinator of Youth and Children's Ministries**

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### **Parish Secretary**

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### **Custodian**

Doug Lichty

**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

### **Maintenance Committee**

Bob Lorentz, 519-576-5556

### **OOTC Community Suppers**

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### **Parish Webmaster**

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### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Sandra Williams, 519-742-9239

### **Prayer Chain**

Sharon Carey, 519-746-8073

### **St. Vincent De Paul**

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# FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

## MASS INTENTIONS and EVENTS

### Monday, November 28 – No Mass

9 AM – NOON Pickle Ball Gym  
7:30 PM Genesis to Jesus -Bible study L. Hall

### Tuesday, November 29

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

9:30 AM With St. George on the Porch book group –“Reveal the Gift: Living the Feminine Genius” by Lisa Cotter L. Hall  
1:30 PM Prayer Shawl Meeting L. Hall  
4:30 PM Good Shepherd Catechesis Nursery  
6:30 PM 11:30 Choir Rehearsal Church  
7:30 PM Painting with Kelly L. Hall

### Wednesday, November 30 – St. Andrew, Apostle

9:00 AM Intentions of Sophie Piller Gym  
9 AM – NOON Pickle Ball Gym

### Thursday, December 1

9:00 AM † André Duval – Catherine Duval-Russell

### Friday, December 2

9:00 AM † Don Fedy – Connie Birmingham Gym  
9 AM – NOON Pickle Ball Gym

### Saturday, December 3 – St. Francis Xavier, Priest

#### Vigil of Second Sunday of Advent

5:00 PM † Louise Feeney – Her Family  
† Carl Kuntz – Larry Ertel  
† Tom Moser – Alice McTavish  
† Terry Lichty – Jerry & Rosemary Thorpe

### Sunday, December 4 – Second Sunday of Advent

9:30 AM People of St. Louis Parish  
9:30 AM Babysitting & Sunday School Nursery  
10:30 AM Sunday Social L. Hall  
11:30 AM † Bernadette & Harold Walsh – Family  
† Aniela Litwin – Marian Litwin & Family  
† Tom Moser – Elizabeth Payne  
† Frank Voisin – Larry Ertel  
12:30 PM Genesis to Jesus Bible Study L. Hall  
5:00 PM OOTC Community Supper Gym  
2:45 PM – 8 PM Set-up to Clean-up

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

Isaiah's role as Prophet is to be interpreted in light of the Babylonian Exile, which spanned roughly the years 586 to 539 BC. Many of the exiled Israelites who had witnessed the destruction of Jerusalem were still alive when Isaiah tried to call the people back to their land. This was an unenviable task, as many of the Israelites had come to discover peace and prosperity in Babylon. What within the rubble of a destroyed Jerusalem could possibly entice them to return?

Isaiah's prophecy responds to this dilemma by proclaiming that, "in days to come," Jerusalem will be raised higher than any other nation on earth. It will be the envy of every nation, as all peoples will "stream to it." Although the timeframe suggested by the words "in days to come" points to an eschatological reality, there is an urgency about Isaiah's vision. A return to the remnants of Jerusalem will offer the Israelites an opportunity to be instructed in the way of the Lord.

The instruction that the Lord will provide is not simply for the comfort and security of Israel as a restored nation. Instead it is meant to radiate outward to all the nations. Israel will know its redemption not only by taking possession of the land once more but also by being an example of God's justice that will turn "swords into ploughshares" and "spears into pruning hooks." Instead of focusing on war, the nations of

this world will learn to walk in the Lord's light. Thus the prophesy of Isaiah is designed to make the restored nation of Israel a Prophet itself. (Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, & Proclaimers of the Word.)



**St. Louis CWL** warmly invites all ladies, members and non-members, to join us for our next General Meeting taking place on Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> beginning with Mass at 7 PM with a festive meeting to follow in the Large Hall. Our guest speaker will be Martin Hickey from our local Knight of Columbus who will speak about possible ways the Knights and CWL could collaborate for future events. We look forward to seeing you there!

Anne Cameron was a guest presented at November CWL meeting. She teaches dances from around the world and donates the money she receives to supporting the education of girls in Afghanistan.. Here is what she writes: *Thank you so much St. Louis CWL for the \$100 donation. This represents over 3 week's wages for the Teacher's Salary project of Canadian Women for Women in Afghanistan [www.cw4wafghan.ca](http://www.cw4wafghan.ca) Teachers earn \$4 daily/\$125 monthly, and it is a living wage, supporting the teacher and her family and educating anywhere from 15-80 little girls; they can and do crowd a lot in. No one is turned away. It's amazing to think how far our Canadian dollar goes both distance-wise and monetarily in Afghanistan. And you helped this happen.*



**Family Fun Friday Movie Night** - will take place on December 9<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM in the Large Hall. Come out for some pizza, popcorn and some classic Christmas movies. All ages are encouraged to come. Please RSVP with Kelly Krause at the parish office, or down in the Nursery on a Sunday if you plan to come, so we have enough pizza for everyone.



**Dramatization of the Christmas Gospel** - For children of all ages. Practices will take place on December 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> after the 11:30 AM Mass. Hot dogs will be provided for everyone's lunch. The dramatization will take place at the 5 PM Mass on Christmas Eve. Please sign up for this in the Nursery, or by emailing Kelly Krause at the parish office ([kkrause@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:kkrause@hamiltondiocese.com)).

**St. Teresa's Catholic Women's League Online Auction** - Begins Sunday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>, from noon until Sunday, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM. We invite you to bid on the many wonderful donated items. Bidding can be done at the following: [www.32auctions.com/StTeresaCWL Auction2022](http://www.32auctions.com/StTeresaCWL Auction2022) Proceeds go to support St. Teresa CWL ongoing endeavours.

**Prayer Vigil** – Thu., Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>, from 10 AM to 11 AM in front of Freeport Hospital, 3570 King St. E., Kitchener, 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](mailto:kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com).

**St. Agnes Education Cafe series** starts on Tue. Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:45 PM (after Mass) with Part 1 - a talk by Teresa Hartnett, (Diocesan Director of Family Ministry) on "Loving our Dysfunctional Families". With the Christmas season approaching, how do we love & forgive despite hurts & conflict? Part 2 will follow on January 15<sup>th</sup>. Following Christmas gatherings, Fr. Mike King will help us to find a loving way forward. Details under "Events" at: [saintagnescatholicchurch.org](http://saintagnescatholicchurch.org)

**Waterloo Catholic District School Board** is currently accepting applications for: Lunch Hour Supervision and inviting Bachelor of Education 2022-2023 Graduates to join the Daily Occasional Teacher List and inviting All Ontario College of Teachers (OCT) Certified Teachers for our daily Occasional Teacher List and Available Long-Term Occasional Teaching Assignments. Please visit our website for job details and application criteria: [www.wcdsb.ca](http://www.wcdsb.ca)



**Bambinelli Sunday** - For the past several decades, the Pope has blessed the Baby Jesus figurines from Nativity Scenes that belong to families, and the families themselves, in St. Peter's Square in Rome. The blessing generally takes place on Gaudete Sunday, the third Sunday of Advent, and is known as Bambinelli Sunday. The blessing of the 'Bambinelli' – as they are known in Rome – reminds us that the Nativity scene is a school of life where we can learn the secrets of true joy.

All are invited to bring your Baby Jesus figurines from your homes to Mass on Sunday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> to be blessed as we too celebrate our own Bambinelli Sunday. After the blessing you are encouraged to take your 'Bambinelli' home and place it in a gift box, wrap the box and save it for Christmas. Let this be the first gift you open on Christmas day and as you lay Jesus in the Manger, allow this moment to be a reminder of the great blessings we receive at Christmas.



**Resurrectionist Vocation Minute** - One of the things the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius is popularly known for, is the contemplation for making a choice regarding a state or way of life. Among the advice, and considerations offered by the saint for this purpose, is how we will one day stand before Christ as our judge, talking with Him about the decisions we made. And the saint's advice is to choose for ourselves as our state or way of life what on the Day of Judgment we feel will give us happiness and joy as we speak about it with God, who loves us. Read the full story at [resurrectionists.ca](http://resurrectionists.ca). For more about vocation discernment, email [resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com](mailto:resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com)



"They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks." If God is calling you contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com), 905-528-7988, or Fr. Raphael Ma, Congregation of the Resurrection Vocation Director, at [crvocations@gmail.com](mailto:crvocations@gmail.com), or Carmel of St. Joseph, St. Agatha at 519-884-6700. Pray for vocations!

In support of Waterloo Region's Homeless, St. Mary's Catholic Church presents "**A Christmas Wish**" Concert with Waterloo Regional Police Chorus with special guest John McDermott on Sat. Dec. 3, 2022 at 2PM or 7PM. Tickets \$40 per person available at St. Mary's Church (519-576-3860). (Special arrangement through the St. Mary's Church for those unable to pay \$40). For more info contact [stmarys@rogers.com](mailto:stmarys@rogers.com) or 519-576-3860.

**ALPHA 2023** ... Coming soon to St. Mark Parish. All are welcome to join this 11-week program, bringing people together for conversations about life, faith and Jesus; looking at questions like: Who is Jesus? Why and how do I pray? Does God heal today? Join us Thu. evenings, Feb. 16 to April 27, from 6:45 to 9:15 PM at St. Mark Parish Hall (55 Driftwood Drive, Kitchener). To sign up, or for more info, contact Ron Denomme at [rondenomme@gmail.com](mailto:rondenomme@gmail.com) or 226-748-3210.



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**Saint Andrew's Story** - Andrew was Saint Peter's brother, and was called with him. "As [Jesus] was walking by the sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is now called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen. He said to them, 'Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.' At once they left their nets and followed him".



John the Evangelist presents Andrew as a disciple of John the Baptist. When Jesus walked by one day, John said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." Andrew and another disciple followed Jesus. "Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi (which translated means Teacher), where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come, and you will see.' So they went and saw where He was staying, and they stayed with Him that day".

Little else is said about Andrew in the Gospels. Before the multiplication of the loaves, it was Andrew who spoke up about the boy who had the barley loaves and fishes. When the Gentiles went to see Jesus, they came to Philip, but Philip then had recourse to Andrew.

Legend has it that Andrew preached the Gospel in what is now modern Greece and Turkey and was crucified at Patras on an X-shaped cross. Saint Andrew is the Patron Saint of: fishermen, Greece, Russia and Scotland. (From [franciscanmedia.org](http://franciscanmedia.org))

**Saint Francis Xavier's Story** - Jesus asked, "What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?" The words were repeated to a young teacher of philosophy who had a highly promising career in academics, with success and a life of prestige and honour before him.



Francis Xavier, 24 at the time, and living and teaching in Paris, did not heed these words at once. They came from a good friend, Ignatius of Loyola, whose tireless persuasion finally won the young man to Christ. Francis then made the spiritual exercises under the direction of Ignatius, and in 1534, joined his little community, the infant Society of Jesus. Together at Montmartre they vowed poverty, chastity, obedience, and apostolic service according to the directions of the pope.

From Venice, where he was ordained a priest in 1537, Xavier went on to Lisbon and from there sailed to the East Indies, landing at Goa, on the west coast of India. For the next 10 years he laboured to bring the faith to such widely scattered peoples as the Hindus, the Malaysians, and the Japanese. He spent much of that time in India, and served as provincial of the newly established Jesuit province of India.

Wherever he went, Xavier lived with the poorest people, sharing their food and rough accommodations. He spent countless hours ministering to the sick and the poor, particularly to lepers. Very often he had no time to sleep or even to say his breviary but, as we know from his letters, he was filled always with joy.

Xavier went through the islands of Malaysia, then up to Japan. He learned enough Japanese to preach to simple folk, to instruct, and to baptize, and to establish missions for those who were to follow him. From Japan he had dreams of going to China, but this plan was never realized. Before reaching the mainland, he died. His remains are enshrined in the Church of Good Jesus in Goa. He and Saint Thérèse of Lisieux were declared co-patrons of the missions in 1925. Saint Francis Xavier is a Patron Saint of: Japan, jewelers, missions and sailors (From [franciscanmedia.org](http://franciscanmedia.org))

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