## St. Louis Catholic Church

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Office hours: Monday – Thursday 9 - 12 and 1- 4 p.m.

Summer hours (Canada Day to Labour Day): Mon. - Thurs. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.



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.





**Pastor** 

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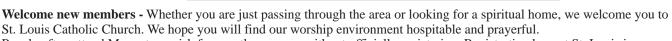
**Parish Secretary** 

Anna Malton

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Doug Lichty



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)

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 Annointing 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 (Annointing).

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 cryocations@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

St Louis Catholic Church

**Maintenance Committee** 

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### **MASS INTENTIONS and EVENTS**

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1011011600000		ON Pickle Ball	Gym							
	5:30nm	Good Shepherd catechesis	Nursery							
	6:30 PM	11:30 Choir Rehearsal	Church							
		Bible Study – Psalms (#7/9)								
Tuesdan			L. Hall							
Tuesday, November 7 9:00 AM To Bring Our loved ones Back Home to the Church										
	9:30 AM Book Group Meeting L. Hall									
		Painting with Kelly	L. Hall							
Wednesday, November 8										
9:00 AM										
	•	N Pickle Ball	Gym							
		St. V.de Paul Meeting								
Thursday	Thursday, Nov. 9 - The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica									
		ock – Sr. Joan & Pat Helm								
	1 PM	Bible Study – Gospel of John	L. Hall							
Friday, N	Friday, November 10 - St. Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor									
9:00 AM										
	9 AM - NOC	ON Pickle Ball	Gym							
Sat., Nov.	11 –St. Mai	tin of Tours, Bishop-Remembra	nce Day							
Vigil of ti	he 32 <sup>nd</sup> Su	nday of Ordinary Time								
5:00 PM	† Jean (Joh	n) Laroque – Giselle Potvin-Enns								
	† Gerard Lo	rentz – Bob & Giselle								
	t Joan Sichewski - Delattre Family									
Sunday, 1	Vovember 1.	2 – 32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary	Time							
9:30 AM										
<ul> <li>t Louise Lefebvre – Paul &amp; Betty Gross</li> </ul>										
<b>† Doreen O'Grady</b> – Don & Lorraine Prior										
† Rev. Jim Valk, C.R. – Elizabeth Schwarz										
	10:30 AM	Sunday Social	L. Hall							
11:30 AM	People of St	. Louis Parish								
	12:30 PM	Bible Study – Psalms (#8/9)	L. Hall							

### Reflection on the First Reading: Malachi 1:14-2:2, 8-10

Today's first reading is from the book of Malachi, written after the Babylonian Exile. In the verses immediately preceding this reading, the Prophet describes God as feeling dishonoured and suggests that the gates of the Temple should be shut up so that the priests cannot make defiling, or imperfect offerings. He also casts blame on the providers of the animals for the sacrifice: they promise with a vow that an animal is appropriate for sacrifice and then, at the time of sacrifice, replace it with a defective one.

With this in mind, today's reading begins with the Prophet voicing God's assertion that He is a king whose "name is reverenced among the nations." Although this statement of universal reverence is an exaggeration, the claims of God's universal kingship are valid as God is the Creator and Sustainer of all life and should be worshiped as such, especially by God's chosen people and by the priests who are charged with carrying out Levi's legacy. Levi was one of the sons of Jacob and founder of the tribe of Levi. The other tribes were allotted land in the Promised Land, but the tribe of Levi was not given its own land, because "the Lord God of Israel is their inheritance". Malachi describes Levi as having integrity and as capable of turning people away from the ways of evil with his instruction. By contrast, these Temple priests do not give God the honour that is due and use their teaching to advance their own desires. Therefore, God will shame them before the people. At the end of the reading, the prophet points out that Israel is different from other nations - Israel is one family, the children of God, and refusing to uphold the covenant of their ancestors, in essence, makes them faithless to one another. (From the workbook for Lectors)



St. Louis SVDP will be teaming up with the Waterloo Knights of Columbus by hosting a **toy drive**, here at St. Louis church. We will collect new toys that will be distri-

buted throughout the region this Christmas season to children in need.

A tree is located inside the front entrance of the church. On the tree are tags identifying a child by sex and age. Choose a tag, purchase the toy and return back to St. Louis. (PLEASE DO NOT WRAP THE TOY, SIMPLY ATTACH THE TAG). SVDP members will be collecting the new toys at the gym entrance (off the parking lot) on the weekend of November 18/19 before and after all Masses.

The Waterloo Knights of Columbus New Toys For Needy Kids Toy Drive is the largest Toy Drive in Southwestern Ontario and has collected and distributed more than \$6,000,000+ in toys and donations to date. To find out more about Waterloo Knights of Columbus Toy Drive: waterlooknightsofcolumbus.com/toy-drive/

St. Louis St. Vincent de Paul thanks you for your support of this project.

**St. Louis OOTC Community Supper** - The SVDP Thanksgiving food drive raised \$5725 for our St. Louis Community Supper. The money is used to purchase meals for approximately 25 to 30 guests per Sunday starting November 5, 2023 till April 28, 2024. Many thanks for all who donated to help this cause.



Movie Night (Fr. Nov. 17) – Following recent trip to Stratford of some of the St. Louis Book Group participants to see Shakespeare's play "Much Ado About Nothing",

Kelly and Anna are inviting all to come to the screening of the movie version of that play on Friday, Nov.  $17^{th}$  at 6:30 PM in the Large Hall. Popcorn & snacks provided. Bring friends. This version was filmed in Italy in 1993 under direction of Kenneth Branagh. Reviews "gem of a movie", "cheerful from beginning to end", "invigorating fun" make it a good choice for mid November. Enter through elevator entrance, or the side door by the Nursery.



The experience of suffering may have us wrestling with common questions: Why would God allow suffering? Does He hear my plea for help? Once again, these "storms" in life invite us into that place of "trust" where sometimes God

allows a suffering to bring about a good that we cannot see. Attend the next St. Agnes Education Cafe event: "The Struggle to Find Meaning in Suffering" with guest speaker Fr. Chris Tracey, Chaplain of Hospitals, Prisons, & Palliative Centres in the Diocese of Hamilton. Sun., Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>, 2 PM at St. Agnes, Waterloo.



**Operation Christmas Child** Please return the filled boxes to the Narthex by Nov. 12. Thank you!



St. Anthony Daniel parish (29 Midland Dr, Kitchener) is offering a <u>"Flame of Love"</u> Seminar on 4 Wednesdays (Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>). Time: 7 PM till 8:30 PM. Cost: \$10 to cover course materials. If you have any questions

contact Patrick Morgan at 519-748-5548 or <a href="mailto:flameoflove29@gmail.com">flameoflove29@gmail.com</a>

Respect Life Fundraiser Dinner (Hamilton) - Wed., Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> - Doors Open at 5:30 / 6:30 PM Dinner. Guest Speaker: Kevin Dunn, of DunnMedia, filmmaker, international speaker, and Director of such films as "Fatal Flaws" and "ROE Canada". For info, email HRLTdonations@outlook.com , or call 905-528-3065. Tickets: HamiltonRightToLife.org/events. Location: Michelangelo Banquet Centre. 1555 Upper Ottawa St., Hamilton.

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Oct 29	\$2237.00	\$383.50	10.00	\$ 25.00	\$2401.98



St. Francis of Assisi Parish Christmas Bazaar is back! Join us on Sat., November 11th from 9 AM to 1 PM, and enjoy some baking, pies, crafts, raffles, treasures and famous Hungarian Crepes! The Church is located at 49

Blueridge Ave. Kitchener. We hope to see you there!

The Knights of Columbus Council 8192 is hosting a Fish Fry on Friday, Nov. 17, at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. There will be continuous seating from 5 PM to 7:30 PM. Take out will be at 4:30 – 5 PM. Please bring your own take out bag. Advanced tickets are available until Nov. 15th. Purchase your tickets at St. Teresa of Avila Parish office between 9 AM and 1 PM, or call 519-669-3387. Cost: Adults \$20; Children (aged 6 to 12 years) \$12; Children (aged 5 and under) Free; and Take out: \$20. Don't miss out on this popular annual dinner. Proceeds to Knights of Columbus Charities.

The Annulment Process...the facts and myths – presentation on Thu., Nov. 23 at 7 PM at St. Michael Parish, 80 University Ave W, Waterloo -Parish Centre. Deacon Joseph Di Loreto, the Administrative Officer and Auditor of the Marriage Tribunal for the Hamilton Diocese will present an overview of the Annulment process. He will clarify the steps, dispel the myths, share facts and answer your questions. To reserve your spot, register via phone 519-884-9311 or email parish@stmichaelw.ca.

Resurrectionist Vocation Minute - ... And what does that mean for priests? It means that the measure of a priest is not his outward appearance, knowledge, eloquence, efficiency, or even personal piety. The measure of a priest is simply the degree to which the strong, loving. nurturing Fatherhood of God that Jesus came to reveal becomes tangible to us through His priests. That's why we call priests "Father." Read more at www.resurrectionists.ca



"The greatest among you will be your servant." Can I respond to God as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, or a consecrated virgin? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/, or Fr. Raphael Ma, Congregation of the Resurrection Vocation Director, at crvocations@gmail.com, or Carmel of St. Joseph, St. Agatha, at 519-884-6700. Pray for vocations!

### Saint Martin of Tours' Story (c. 316 – November 8, 397)

A conscientious objector who wanted to be a monk; a monk who was maneuvered into being a bishop; a bishop who fought paganism as well as pleaded for mercy to heretics—such was Martin of Tours, one of the most popular of saints and one of the first not to be a martyr.

Born of pagan parents in what is now Hungary, and raised in Italy, this son of a veteran was forced at the age of 15 to serve in the army. Martin became a Christian catechumen and was baptized when he was 18. It was said that he lived more like a monk than a soldier. At 23, he refused a war bonus and told his commander: "I have served you as a soldier: now let me serve Christ. Give the bounty to those who are going to fight. But I am a soldier of Christ and it is not lawful for me to fight." After great difficulties, he was discharged and went to be a disciple of Hilary of Poitiers.

He was ordained an exorcist and worked with great zeal against the Arians. Martin became a monk, living first at Milan and later on a small island. When Hilary was restored to his see following his exile. Martin returned to France and established what may have been the first French monastery near Poitiers. He lived there for 10 years, forming his disciples and preaching throughout the countryside.

The people of Tours demanded that he become their bishop. Martin was drawn to that city by a ruse—the need of a sick person—and

was brought to the church, where he reluctantly allowed himself to be consecrated bishop.

Along with St. Ambrose, Martin rejected Bishop Ithacius's principle of putting heretics to death—as well as the intrusion of the emperor into such matters. He prevailed upon the emperor to spare the life of the heretic Priscillian. For his efforts, Martin was accused of the same heresy, and Priscillian was executed after all. Martin then pleaded for a cessation of the persecution of Priscillian's followers in Spain. He still felt he could cooperate with Ithacius in other areas, but afterwards his conscience troubled him about this decision.

As death approached, Martin's followers begged him not to leave them. He prayed, "Lord, if your people still need me, I do not refuse the work. Your will be done." (From franciscanmedia.org)

### Saint Leo the Great's Story (d. November 10, 461)

With apparent strong conviction of the importance of the Bishop of Rome in the Church, and of the Church as the ongoing sign of Christ's presence in the world, Leo the Great displayed endless dedication as pope. Elected in 440, he worked tirelessly as "Peter's successor," guiding his fellow bishops as "equals in the episcopacy and infirmities."

Leo is known as one of the best administrative popes of the ancient Church. His work branched into four main areas, indicative of his notion of the pope's total responsibility for the flock of Christ. He worked to control the heresies of Pelagianism—overemphasizing human freedom—Manichaeism—seeing everything material as evil and others, to secure true Christian beliefs.

A second major area of his concern was doctrinal controversy in the Church in the East, to which he responded with a classic letter setting down the Church's teaching on the two natures of Christ. With strong faith, he also led the defense of Rome against barbarian attack, taking the role of peacemaker.

In these three areas, Leo's work has been highly regarded. His growth to sainthood has its basis in the spiritual depth with which he approached the pastoral care of his people, which was the fourth focus of his work. He is known for his spiritually profound sermons. An instrument of the call to holiness, well-versed in Scripture and ecclesiastical awareness. Leo had the ability to reach the everyday needs and interests of his people. One of his sermons is used in the Office of Readings on Christmas.

Leo's true significance rests in his doctrinal insistence on the mysteries of Christ and the Church and in the supernatural charisms of the spiritual life given to humanity in Christ and in his Body, the Church. Thus Leo held firmly that everything he did and said as pope for the administration of the Church represented Christ, the head of the Mystical Body, and Saint Peter, in whose place Leo acted. (From franciscanmedia.org)

### Quotes of St. Leo the Great

"Peace is the first thing the angels sang. Peace is the mark of the children of God. Peace is the nurse of love. Peace is the mother of unity. Peace is the rest of the blessed souls. Peace is the dwelling place of eternity."

"Let no one be ashamed of the cross by which Christ has redeemed the world. None of us must be afraid to suffer for the sake of justice or doubt the fulfillment of the promises, for it is through toil that we come to rest and through death that we pass to life."

"Teach nothing new, but instill into all men's breasts those things which the Fathers of revered memory have with harmony of statement taught... Preach nothing else than what we received from our forefathers... Accordingly, both in the rule of faith and in the observance of discipline, let the standard of antiquity be maintained throughout."

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