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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.**



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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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THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 9 – The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica - No Mass

Tuesday, November 10 – St. Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church

9:00 AM To Bring Our Loved Ones Home to the Church – Monday Lunch and Learn Group

Wednesday, Nov. 11 – St. Martin of Tours, Bishop

9:00 AM † Adrian Donkers – Teresa Donkers

Thursday, November 12 – St. Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr

9:00 AM † Shirley Hinsperger – Hinsperger Family

Friday, November 13

9:00 AM † Melanie Brattman – Carla McLennan

Saturday, November 14

Vigil of Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

5:00 PM † Albert & Katie Ruetz – Family

† Walter & Kaye Hartman – Children

† Zygmunt & Barbara Adamski – Malton Family

† Brian Zmija – John & Sharon Carey

Sunday, Nov. 8 – 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM † Jerome V. Dietrich – Helen, Carl & Paul Dietrich

† Shirley Hinsperger – Rob Hinsperger

11:30 AM People of St. Louis Parish

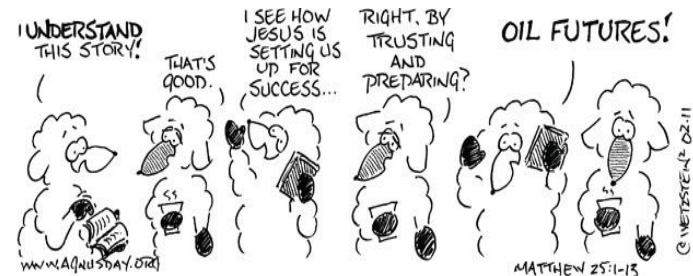
Reflection on the Second Reading from 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

This earliest of Paul's writings and oldest of New Testament works suggests that when Paul wrote it, he and many Christians expected imminent return of the Risen Christ. When members of the community die before this event, others worry about what happened to them. Paul reassures these mourners that their beloved dead are with the Lord, who will bring them back when He returns.

Paul uses apocalyptic imagery, "an Archangel's call with sound of God's trumpet... from heaven," to convey symbolically the divine plan. They will meet the Lord "in the air," a term which scholars think denotes the earth's atmosphere. It must be born in mind that Paul is not talking about a physical place. He speaks analogously about a reality that, because it is divine, is beyond complete human understanding – namely, the reality that somehow all believers will one day always be together with the Risen Lord.

The death of their brothers and sisters provides an opportunity for Christians to display their certain hope to those around them.

The comfort that the baptized have to offer each other is more than pious platitudes or even profound formulas. It is their deep conviction that the bond they share with and in Christ is so strong that death cannot separate them. Since Christ died and rose, there is – in Him – a seamlessness between the physical and spiritual worlds which allows the dead to remain somehow connected with the living. (From the *Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word.*)



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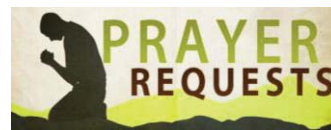


Sunday School & Liturgy of the Word (ages 3-10)

– is a little different this Fall! Join Teacher Kelly every Sunday morning at 10:30am for a 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, beginning Oct. 2nd, from 7-9pm. Due to the covid restrictions, these will be zoom meetings. We'll be 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 Krause at the parish office to get the information needed to join us. We all look forward to meeting you.

Please pray for all young people discerning their vocation and especially for Colin Frayne, from our parish, who is joining a pre-novitiate next month in Wyoming.



"Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour." Listen with your heart as well as with your ears for then you may accept the call to serve in the priesthood. 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

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.

NEW!!! 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.

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? We know you belong here. 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. Think of us as a "neighbourhood within a city" – we are just a few steps across the creek from main campus UW; truly, the best of both world! We are a tight-knit residence and academic community with alumni and partners around the world, and no matter how you come to be connected with us, you are a part of SJU. And since we can't bring you to SJU because of the pandemic, we're bringing SJU to you! Explore our campus, programs, and community by connecting with us live and virtually at www.sju.ca/connect-with-us

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.

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



**The Life of Saint Josaphat,
Martyr for Christian Unity**

St. Josaphat was born John Kuncevic about 1580 in Vladimir, a village of the Lithuanian Province of Volhynia (then a part of the Polish Kingdom begun under the Jagellonian Dynasty). His parents belonged to the Eastern Rite Church of Kyiv (Ukraine) which was then separated from Rome.

When John was just a child, his mother explained the icons in church. Years later he told a friend that he felt a spark of fire leave the wounded side of the Crucified and enter his own heart, which was filled with joy. This event influenced the rest of his life. He began to memorize the Church rituals and psalms. Within him grew the desire to suffer poverty and death for his Savior.

John's father sent him to Vilno in Lithuania to learn more about the family business. Nevertheless, he spent much of his leisure in reading the lives of the Saints and observing the religious ferment in the local church. The Ruthenians (the ethnic origin of his family) had been evangelized from Constantinople-modern Istanbul-and generally followed the lead of the Byzantine Church there. But because of the absorption of the Ruthenians into the Polish Kingdom, always staunch Roman Catholics, the question of reunion with Rome was hotly debated.

The Union of Brest - The bishops of the Ukrainian and Byelorussian Churches who lived within the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth held a Ruthenian Synod in 1595 and voted to unite with Rome under Pope Clement VIII. John Kuncevic was fifteen years old. In 1598 seven bishops signed the Union of Brest, which allowed them to retain their Eastern Rites while in full communion with the Pope. Although most of Vilno refused union, John made his profession of faith, then entered the Basilian Monastery of the Holy Trinity in Vilno, and took the name of Josaphat.

Unable to find adequate spiritual direction among the lax priests of his Order, Josaphat compensated by severe mortifications of reparation for them and for those who had refused communion with Rome. Finally spiritual guidance came in the person of John Rutsky, a convert from Calvinism and later Bishop of Kiev. In 1609 Josaphat was ordained a priest and began his career of preaching and spiritual direction and providing for the needy and homeless. Over sixty men entered the Basilian Order under his influence.

Josaphat was made the superior of a daughter monastery at Byten, where he revived devotion to the Mother of God at Zirovica. Returning to Vilno as archimandrite of the monastery, he began to reform the monks. There he also compiled texts from the Eastern Fathers and Doctors under the title "A Defense of Church Unity." All these activities led to his being appointed Coadjutor Bishop to the elderly, ailing Bishop of Plock (Plotsk). Subsequently Josaphat became the Archbishop of Plock.

Called to Revitalize His Diocese - The new appointee at once called a synod to revitalize his diocese. He detached his priests from subservience to the unruly nobility and wrote "A Rule for Priests." Most of all he pursued the reunion of all with Rome. The major obstacle was the Orthodox Bishop Meletius Smotrytsky, who was aided by schismatic preachers sent from Constantinople to prevent reunion. The latter spread slanders against Josaphat and, during his absence in Warsaw to plead for reunion, agitated for Josaphat's removal from Plock. Hostility increased when he wrote to prove that St. Vladimir, had actually preached the Catholic, not Orthodox faith.

While Josaphat was visiting Vitebsk (Belarus), he was cruelly hacked to death on Nov. 12, 1623. He was about 45 years old.



Josaphat had said before his martyrdom, "I rejoice to offer my life for my holy Catholic faith." He had prayed, "Grant that I be found worthy, Lord, to shed my blood for the union and obedience to the Apostolic See." He had never revoked his childhood experience of the Crucified.

The Events of His Martyrdom - The mob hostile to reunion broke into the courtyard of the mansion where Archbishop Josaphat was staying. He came out of the house and addressed his enemies calmly, "Why are you attacking my servants? Take your anger out upon me!" Momentarily the mob quieted. Then two men rushed forward and slit his head open with battle-axes. As if that were not enough, they shot him as well, stripped his body, and set wild dogs to tear him apart. Tiring of their terrible sport, the mob threw his body into the river with his penitential hairshirt tied around his neck and loaded with rocks to sink his body. His remains were subsequently recovered and hidden from further desecration.

It has been written that the blood of the martyrs is the seed of Church growth. Among the many miracles consequent to Josaphat's murder was the conversion of those assassins to the Roman union. Thousands of dissidents returned to the Catholic faith. Most significant, even Bishop Smotrytsky became an ardent supporter of the Pope!

In May 1643, twenty years later, Pope Urban VIII declared him "Blessed." But it was not until June 29, 1867, that Pope Pius IX canonized him "Saint." On Nov. 12, 1923, the tercentenary of Josaphat's martyrdom, Pope Pius XI declared him the heavenly Patron of Reunion between Orthodox and Catholics. During the Second Vatican Council, at the express wish of Pope John XXIII, who himself was most interested in reunion, the body of St. Josaphat was finally laid to rest at the magnificent altar of St. Basil in St. Peter's Basilica. This took place on Nov. 25, 1963. (From thebasilica.org by the Very Rev. Anselm Romb, OFM Conv., former Rector of the Basilica of St. Josaphat)

**BILL C-7 - An Act to amend the Criminal Code Expansion of
eligible 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
- It shows 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
- To be heard!

Let us Act!

- Be sure your member of parliament (MP) hears your opinion!
- Send an e-mail, letter, or use the electronic form here: <https://www.canadiansforconscience.ca/>

We must act now to protect all, including future generations from Bill C-7. More information is available on Diocesan website. Follow the link on the Welcome page of St. Louis website.

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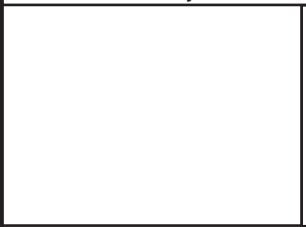
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