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Served by the Congregation of the Resurrection since 1890.

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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30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TME

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 26 – No Mass

Tuesday, October 27

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

**Wednesday, October 28 – St. Simon & St. Jude,
Apostles**

9:00AM † Doris Toussaint – Claire & Richard Armitage

Thursday, October 29

9:00AM † Gerry MacDougall – Fran Ruetz

Friday, October 30

9:00AM † André Toussaint – Claire & Richard Armitage

Saturday, October 31

Vigil of Solemnity of All Saints

5:00 PM † Eamon Halpin – Pat & Joan Forde

† Edna Ertel – Larry & Phyllis Ertel

† Brian Zmija – John & Sharon Carey

Sunday, November 1 – Solemnity of All Saints

9:30AM † Ted Powers – Joan Powers & Family

† Henry Prachar – Audrey Reitzel

11:30AM People of St. Louis Parish

Reflection on the First Reading from Exodus 22:21-27

Many Israelite laws also appear in the legal material of the peoples with whom they mingled. For example, the commandments “You shall not steal” and “You shall not kill” are common in most societies, and “an eye for an eye” appears in the Old Babylonian Code of Hammurabi that is dated to the eighteenth century BC, around five centuries before Moses. But biblical laws have an added dimension: they present life from God’s point of view. Their purpose is to reprogram humans and persuade them to live by divine standards and priorities. Especially important to the God of Israel is the way people treat each other.

The first law in this reading forbids wronging and oppressing foreigners. Because they are often unfamiliar with the mores of a new place and not fluent in the language spoken there, foreigners are frequently victimized and their well-being endangered. The Hebrew behind the word *oppressing* conveys the crowding or pressing in of tormentors on their prey. The reason that Israel must not bully foreigners is that they, too, experienced how difficult an immigrant’s life can be when they took refuge in Egypt.

The second law forbids abusing “the widow or orphan.” In the biblical world, these groups are vulnerable because they have no man to protect them and advocate for their rights. By extension, they represent all those in society who have no one to look out for them. In this law, the Hebrew repeats three verbs in different forms to underscore the consequences of one’s decision to wrong another. The text reads literally, “If *wronging* you ever *wrong* them, and *crying out* they *cry out* to me, *hearing* I will surely *hear* their cry.” The motivation for not breaking this law is that the wrongdoer will die and his family will experience the harm that he did to others.

The last law reveals that in God’s view empathy for people overrides commonly, accepted business practices. Here when a man’s cloak is taken to guarantee a loan, the lender must return it to him when he needs it! What a crazy way to conduct business – for a mere human, certainly. But not for those who see even the smallest travails, of others’ existence with God’s compassionate eyes.

(From the *Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word*.)

St. Jude (or Judas) was often confused with his evil contemporary. Since Judas Iscariot was so despised and ignored, and since he shared a name with the good Jude, a tradition gathered over the centuries of petitioning St. Jude only when all other saints had failed to answer one’s prayers. St. Jude became the Patron Saint of Hopeless Causes, then, probably because of the faithful’s reluctance to seek the intercession of one whose misfortune it was to share a name with Christ’s betrayer. Out of confusion or caution, Saint Jude thus became a saint of last resort. When the dam was barely holding, when a pulse could no longer be felt, when the rains wouldn’t come, a candle was lit to St. Jude, hoping against hope, that he would respond.

St. Simon the Apostle is called the “Zealot” in St. Luke’s Gospel. This may describe his zeal for the house of the Lord or denote his membership in a radical Jewish sect. Zeal is, in any case, a virtue. It must be joined with prudence to ensure that it does not offend for the sake of offending. A zealous soul will, however, lovingly provoke others to consider the things of God through his words, actions, and appropriate silences. Zeal for the house of the Lord has migrated to other concerns in many parts of today’s world. While religious zeal has unfortunately come to be understood as a negative virtue, zeal for planet earth and various other more “acceptable” causes are now seen as positive. The intentional disciple, however, understands zeal in its historical sense as a burning concern for perennial truths, not mere fads, and as a proactive form of love for all those things that lead mankind to God. God is a person, after all, and depends on His friends to defend Him.

Saints Simon and Jude disappear from the pages of the Gospels after the brief mentions of their names. Nothing is known of either of them with any certainty, not even where they evangelized or where they met death. As Apostles, however, we know with certainty that they were key actors in laying the deep foundations of the Church in the rock-solid substrata of the Middle Eastern culture in which they lived. The Catholic Church is the household of faith. An earthly family is united by blood, while the theological family of the Church is united by the Sacraments and the Creed. But it is not sufficient for a family to be united by biological or theological DNA. A family is little if it is not a household. A household works together, prays together, and eats together. A household is where a family feels like a family. A boy may know who his father is, but if he doesn’t share everyday life with that father, their family relationship means little. It is in the household that life happens all over the globe. Mom and dad, sons and daughters, brothers and sisters, in the kitchen, around the table, in the garden, at Mass, a band united in both mundane and sacred duties. The Church is the household of faith where God’s family gathers week in and week out, century after century. Christians must not only be united intellectually, but must live united, and feel that unity in their bones. These saints worked long ago to build the household we now enjoy. They dug the well so that we could pull up the water and drink. They planted so that we could reap. They lit the fire so that we could warm ourselves close to the flames, one universal family living in one universal household we call the Church.

Saints Simon and Jude, we ask for your intercession in heaven as members of the Twelve Apostles. Approach the Lord Jesus with our needs in your hands. Answer the prayers we present. Fulfill the petitions we seek. (From mycatholic.life/saints)





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 an 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.



"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your mind." Live in that love 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 Fr. Dan Lobsinger, CR, Vocation Director, crvocations@gmail.com

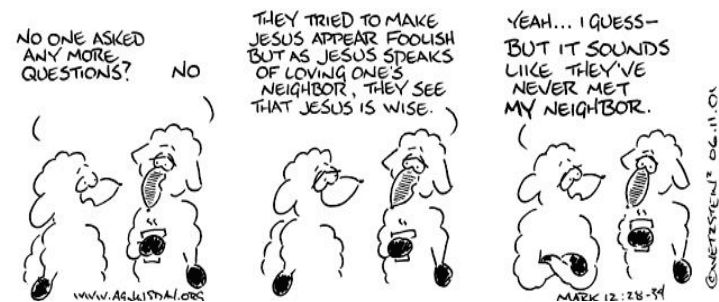
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NEW!!! Wednesday Spaghetti Dinner program - Dinner for two for a total of \$18.50 Tax incl, Call Martin at 519-884-2060 to place TAKE OUT ORDER only at this time. TAKE OUT PICK UP TIMES, 4:30 P.M. THROUGH 6:00 P.M.

40 Days for Life is a Campaign of prayer, fasting and prayerful witness from Sep. 23rd to Nov. 1st. Daily hours are from 7 am till 7 pm across from Freeport Hospital. Prayerfully consider signing up for one hour per week or as you are able at 40daysforlife.com/kitchener or call Patrick at 519-748-5548 for more info. Thank you for your support of the unborn.

A Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre (7020 Stanley Ave. – Niagara Falls – 905-356-4113 – www.carmelniagara.com) presents Workshop on **Forgiveness** on Sat., Nov 7 – 9:30 am-3:30 pm. (This interactive workshop identifies the stumbling blocks to forgiveness, and then provides positive, practical methods through the anger, blame and resentment.) Cost: \$65 (lunch incl.) each. Presenter: Anna Racine.



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In these extraordinary times, our local community continues to be blessed with the prayers of the Carmelite Sisters. They have devoted their lives to God and provide us with

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The Committee for the Carmel of St. Joseph invites its supporters to **Visit the Carmelite Monastery** (1127 Carmel-Koch Road, RR1, St. Agatha, ON, N0B 2L0) on Monday, October 26, 2020 any time between 2 & 6 pm. Please RVSP by email to saintagatha@thecarmel.ca.

A minimum donation of \$25 is sincerely appreciated and a tax receipt will be issued. You may send a cheque payable to The Carmel of St. Joseph, or e-transfer donation to saintagatha@thecarmel.ca.

For questions contact Jane Malleck at 519-748-1225, cjmalleck@sympatico.ca

BILL C-7 - An Act to amend the Criminal Code Expansion of eligibility 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 and suffering 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 persons, 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: www.saintlouisparish.ca

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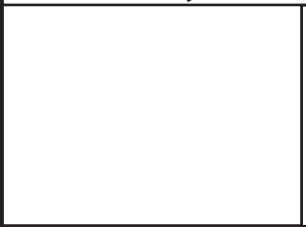
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