

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.

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)

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:

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30TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS and EVENTS

Mon., October 30 – No Mass			
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym	
5:30pm	Good Shepherd	Nursery	
6:30 PM	11:30 Choir Rehearsal	Church	
7:30 PM	Bible Study – Psalms (#6/9)	L. Hall	
Tuesday, October 31			
9:00 AM	To Bring Our loved ones home to the Church		
9:30 AM	Book Group Meeting	L. Hall	
1 PM	Prayer Shawl	L. Hall	
Wednesday, November 1 – All Saints Day			
9:00 AM	† Alex McKinnon – Esther McKinnon		
7:00 pm	CWL Mass		
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym	
7 pm	CWL Mass	Church	
7:30pm	CWL Meeting	L. Hall	
Thursday, November 2 – Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed			
9:00 AM	† Members of the Leonard and Estrada family – Estrada Family		
7:00 pm	For all the Faithful Departed		
7 PM	Mass for the Faithful Departed	Church	
Friday, November 3 – St. Martin de Porres, Religious			
9:00 AM			
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym	
6:30pm-9pm	Fencing Club	L. Hall	
Saturday, November 4 – St. Charles Borromeo			
Vigil of the 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time			
5:00 PM	† Phyllis Ertel – Larry Ertel		
	† Carol Schneider – Ron Schneider		
	† Walter and Kaye Hartman – Family		
	† Harvey, Ken, Roy and Lorne Voll – Voll Family		
Sunday, October 29 – 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time			
9:30 AM	People of St. Louis Parish		
	10:30 AM	Sunday Social	L. Hall
11:30 AM	† Janet Scott – Rosemary and Shaun MacNeil		
	† Michael Sullivan – Bulter Family		
	† Fatima Cabral – Mother		
	† Casimiro Teixeira – Maria		
	12:30 PM	Bible Study – Psalms (#7/9)	L. Hall

service so that they can be an example to others until the coming of the risen Lord. Moreover, we can live in hope because, just as God raised Jesus, Jesus will rescue us at the end time. *(From the workbook for Lectors)*



Our next General Meeting will take place on Wednesday, November 1st beginning with Mass at 7pm. After refreshments and social time, our guest speaker Cheryl Schade, who is the Spiritual Care Coordinator for Trinity Village Centre, will speak on the role of caregivers to those who are ill and/or dying. All ladies 16 years of age and older are invited to our General Meetings and you do not need to be a CWL member to attend. We will end the evening with a brief meeting. We will be taking donations of new or nearly new bath towels which will be given to guests of the weekly Community Supper. We look forward to seeing you on November 1st!



Memorial Mass to be held on All Souls Day November 2, at 7 PM. If you would like to have your loved one remembered at this Mass, please let Kelly Krause know at the parish office and she will have a candle with a name card prepared. If you would like to also have a picture of your loved one present with the candle, please provide a copy of a picture to Kelly as well. When you come to the Memorial Mass, we will ask you to come to the front and light the candle for your loved one, before the Mass begins. Kelly will be there to direct and help you.

Faith Enrichment programs starting this month

All meetings are in the Large Hall and refreshments are always provided.



Study of the Gospel of John on Thursdays at 1 PM started Oct. 5th. Frances Hogan (lay missionary and experienced educator) leads a series of meditations on the first part of the Gospel of St. John. She presents the Gospel in lay language for a contemporary audience. Every session is packed with insight.



Book Group and discussion (Tuesdays after morning Mass 9:30 – 10:30 AM) starts a new book this week **"My Sisters the Saints – A Spiritual Memoir"** by Colleen Carroll Campbell. It is a story of a quest to understand the meaning of her life and identity in light of her Christian faith and contemporary feminism. Colleen is an award-winning author and journalist. This book won two national awards and was published in five languages. The book is read together during the session and discussed. No homework. Come when you can.



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. **Sunday November 12th, 2:00pm at St. Agnes, Waterloo.**



Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes and explanatory pamphlets (age groups/what can and cannot be included) are available in the Narthex (or you can use your own shoeboxes). Please fill and return them to the Narthex by Nov. 12. Thank you!

Reflection on the First Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1: 5-10

Today's second reading is the second half of the thanksgiving section of the First Letter to the Thessalonians, which we began reading last week. The thanksgiving sections of Paul's letters are interesting because they often contain the major themes of the letter. This one is no exception. One of his favourite themes is captured in the phrase "And you became imitators of us and of the Lord." It might sound arrogant to modern listeners, but Paul repeatedly tells the communities that he founded to imitate him. He can say this because he sees his own life as imitating Christ, that is, dying with him so that he can come to new life in Christ (see Philippians 3:7-11). All of this is by God's grace. A related theme that Paul previews in this thanksgiving is the persecution that they share. The Greek word for this is *thlipsis*, and it means "oppression, affliction, tribulation, or distress." Paul intends it to refer to the tribulations that were expected to accompany the Parousia, the return of the risen Christ in the end time. Although he was mistaken about the timing of the Parousia – he thought it would be in his lifetime (1Thessalonians 4:14-18) – his message is sound. Despite afflictions, Christians should receive God's word with joy and live out their faith in



Concert by Heart Cry Ensemble: Heart Cry Ensemble is a local seventeen voice ensemble that seeks to preserve sacred choral music and encourage other believers. They will be sharing their program, "And Send Thee Help: Themes from Psalm 20", at **St. Agatha Parish** (1839 Notre Dame Drive, St. Agatha, ON) at **3 pm on November 5, 2023**. Free Admission. Everyone welcome!



St. Anthony Daniel will be offering a **"Flame of Love"** Seminar in the parish beginning November 8th and running 4 consecutive weeks up to and including the 29th of November. The start time is 7pm and will run until 8:30pm. There is a cost of \$10 to cover course materials. If you have any questions you can contact Patrick Morgan at 519-748-5548 or email us at flameoflove29@gmail.com



St. Francis of Assisi Parish Christmas Bazaar is back! Join us on Saturday November 11th from 9:00 AM to 1:00 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 Diocese of Hamilton is pleased to offer a variety of resources to inform our various communities of the work of the 16th Ordinary Assembly of the Synod of Bishops taking place in Rome during the month of October. The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis has produced a series of short, informative videos on a series of topics/themes that have been highlighted in the Instrumentum Laboris, rooting the work of the Assembly of Bishops. Each video is less than 4 minutes and features a variety of voices including our very own Bishop Crosby, expert theologians, religious, young people, educators and the laity. Each video comes alongside questions for reflection and consideration as well as a trailer-length sneak peek that can be used on social media. All the full length videos can be found here:

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/synod-21-24/diocesan-resources/>
Trailer length summaries for each of the videos can be found for download here:
<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/ssdsw0fr63bgtk391er/h?rlkey=78buyyz1bl5nnkdq0p74azw06&dl=0>. A new video will be added to these resource pages every Monday in October.

Resurrectionist Vocation Minute –The truth is, all of us – no matter what our vocation is – are called to love God with all our heart, soul, and mind. Priests and consecrated persons don't necessarily do this better than anyone else. But for many, the thought of living for God rather than just ourselves, may be a new concept. Think about that, if you were a person who loved God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, what might that look like? Read more at www.resurrectionists.ca



"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, diaconate, religious or consecrated life. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, 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!

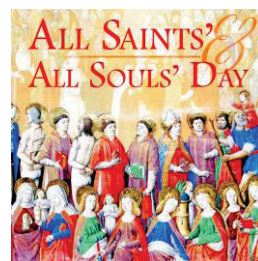


Pray to End Abortion - From **Sep. 27th** to **Nov. 5th**, we invite you to join together

with over a million volunteers across North America who will simultaneously participate in 40 consecutive days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are encouraged to attend a **Peaceful Vigil** outside of Freeport Hospital, for an hour between 7 AM and 7 PM, seven days a week. It is vital to spread the message that human life is *sacred* and that a law needs to come into effect to stop the killing of innocent babies. Sign up for prayer hours online at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or contact Ewelina at 519-904-2620 or 40DaysKW@gmail.com. It is **VERY IMPORTANT**, that you **sign up BEFORE** coming to the vigil site as this prevents one of the committee or emergency back-up members from driving out to the site.

Separated / Divorced Support Group Waterloo - Life changes are never easy. After a separation or divorce, you may be feeling isolated or need of support and healing to adjust to your new life? Come together with others to realize there is a 'second act'. Join us on the 3rd Tuesday of every month - 7:30-8:30 pm – Oct. 17, Nov. 21, and Dec. 19, 2023. We will meet in the Parish Centre (basement) of St. Michael Church, 80 University Avenue West, Waterloo at 7:30pm. To register: Phone 519-884-9311, or Email: parish@stmichaelw.ca

Struggling After an Abortion? - Either your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, to find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.



Although millions or even billions of people may already be saints, All Saints' Day observances tend to focus on known saints --that is those recognized in the canon of the saints by the Catholic Church. All Saints' Day is also commemorated by members of the Eastern Orthodox Church as well as some protestant churches, such as Lutheran and Anglican churches.

Generally, All Saints' Day is a Catholic Holy Day of Obligation, meaning all Catholics are required to attend Mass on that day, unless they have an excellent excuse, such as serious illness. All Saints' Day was formally started by Pope Boniface IV, who consecrated the Pantheon at Rome to the Virgin Mary and all the Martyrs on May 13 in 609 AD. Boniface IV also established All Souls' Day, which follows All Saints. The holy day was eventually established on November 1 by Pope Gregory III in the mid-eighth century as a day dedicated to the saints and their relics. The May 13 celebration was subsequently abandoned. Following the establishment of the Frankish Empire, and following the reign of Charlemagne, the holy day, which was already celebrated on November 1, became a holy day of obligation by decree of Pope Gregory IV and Louis the Pious, who was king over a portion of Charlemagne's former empire. Following the Protestant Reformation, many Protestants retained the holy day, although they dismissed the need to pray for the dead. Instead, the day has been used to commemorate those who have recently died, usually in the past year, and to remember the examples of those who lived holy lives. The Catholic practice however, celebrates all those who have entered heaven, including saints who are recognized by the Church and those who are not. Take from - <https://www.catholic.org/saints/allsouls/>

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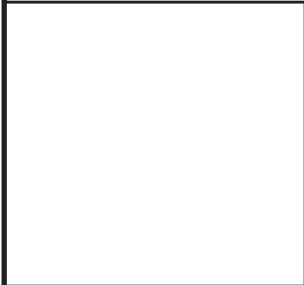
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