

St. Louis Catholic Church



2021

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

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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.**



Pastoral Team:

Pastor

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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

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27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 4 – St. Francis of Assisi - No Mass

Tuesday, October 5

9:00 AM † Albert & Norma Moser – Tom Moser

Wednesday, October 6 – Morning Mass Cancelled

7:00 PM For CWL Members Deceased in 2021: Carol Dubeau, Patricia Bauer, Eileen Fischer, Helen Dietrich - CWL

Thursday, October 7– Our Lady of the Rosary

9:00 AM Deceased Benefactors & Members of the CRs

Friday, October 8

9:00 AM Intentions of Danielle Pilon – Cecilia Beechey

Saturday, October 9

Vigil of the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM † Edna & Phyllis Ertel – Larry Ertel

† Sadies Kenny – Pat & Joan Forde

† Walter & Kaye Hartman – Their Family

† Brian Zmija – Brenda Zmija

Sunday, October 10 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM † Colonel & Joan Moser – Kim Moser

† Gerald & Audrey Moser – Reid Family

† Helen Dietrich – Neighbours

† Camilla Paleczny – Peter Paleczny

11:30 AM People of St. Louis Parish

Reflections on the First Reading: Genesis 2:7ab, 15, 18-24

This narrative presents a sophisticated theological view of why there are man and women and why they marry. God originally makes a single entity, “the human being” (Hebrew *ha* “the” + *adam*, which here is not a proper name but the general term “human being”). Seeing that it is “not good” for *ha adam* to be alone, God resolves to find an *ezer kenegdō* (Gen. 2:18, 20) for this being. In Hebrew Scriptures, *ezer* denotes “a helper” and almost always refers to God or to the help that only God can give. The phrase *kenegdō* qualifies this helper as one who “corresponds to” or is the “counterpart” of the human being.

Like a potter, God goes to work forming animals, birds, and sea creatures “out of the ground” (*adamah*), just as in Genesis 2:7 the potter “formed” *ha adam* out of dust from the earth (*adamah*) and made it a “living being.” None of the new creatures, who are also called “living beings,” are the *ezer kenegdō* that God seeks for the humans, the loftiest creation.

The detail that God casts *ha adam* into a deep sleep veils the creation of the woman with divine mystery. The human being is unaware that God takes a rib, literally, “something from his side,” and “builds” it into the woman. With this scene, the narrator reveals that though a man and a woman are sexually different, they are made by God of the very same stuff. Neither men nor women are “more” than the other – not more noble, superior, significant, reasonable, or anything. This divine view challenges the patriarchal views of men and women that were held by the contemporaries of this inspired biblical author.

The man’s reaction to the woman reinforces the sameness of their make-up. “Bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh” is an expression which conveys kinship and mutual loyalty in biblical contexts of commitment or covenant (see Genesis 29:14; Judges 9:2; 2 Samuel 5:1; 1 Chronicles 1:11; 2 Samuel 19:13). Sameness is also conveyed by the masculine and feminine forms of the Hebrew words for “man” and “woman”: “This one shall be called ‘woman’ (*ishshah*) for out of man (*ish*) this one has been taken.” The two human beings are reunited in marriage. Becoming “one flesh” refers to more than sexual union; it also conveys the new existence that a couple share and the life they create together. (From the Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word)



St. Louis CWL warmly welcomes you to our first General Meeting of 2021 on **Wed., Oct. 6th**. We will begin outside, weather permitting, with a dedication ceremony for our CWL magnolia tree at 6:45 PM. We will continue in the church with Mass at 7 PM and have our meeting in the church where we can remain socially distanced. In addition to a short meeting, we will have live entertainment with the band Leap of Faith. Please join us and bring a friend! Members and non-members are always welcome.



St. Louis Children’s Babysitting during 9:30 AM Mass is starting Oct. 3rd and will continue with exception of Sundays of long weekends and holidays. We are looking for more volunteers for Babysitting. You would be committing to helping once a month. If you are able to help please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office: 519-743-4101.

Confirmation Classes to begin Tuesday, October 26th at 7pm in the nursery. The Sacrament will be received Friday, January 28th at 7pm. If you are in grade 7 and would like to have your sacrament celebrated here at St. Louis parish please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office.



Our Lady of the Rosary: Saint Pius V established this feast in 1573 (known as Our Lady of Victory). The purpose was to thank God for the victory of Christians over the Turks at Lepanto—a victory attributed to the praying of the rosary.

The development of the rosary has a long history. First a practice developed of praying 150 Our Fathers in imitation of the 150 Psalms. Then there was a parallel practice of praying 150 Hail Marys. Soon a mystery of Jesus’ life was attached to each Hail Mary. Though Mary’s giving of the rosary to Saint Dominic is recognized as a legend, the development of this prayer form owes much to the followers of Saint Dominic. One of them, Alan de la Roche, was known as “the apostle of the rosary.” He founded the first Confraternity of the Rosary in the 15th century. In the 16th century, the rosary was developed to its present form—with the 15 mysteries: joyful, sorrowful and glorious. In 2002, Pope John Paul II added the five Mysteries of Light to this devotion. (From Franciscanmedia.com)

Canada Coast to Coast Rosary – we are encouraged to pray the Rosary on Sunday, October 10th at 3 PM for our Nation.



Saint Francis of Assisi: The patron saint of Italy, Francis of Assisi was a poor little man who astounded and inspired the Church by taking the gospel literally—not in a fundamentalist sense, but by actually following all that Jesus said and did, joyfully, without limit, and without a sense of self-importance.

Serious illness brought Francis to see the emptiness of his frolicking life as leader of Assisi’s youth. Prayer—lengthy and difficult—led him to a self-emptying like that of Christ, climaxed by embracing a leper he met on the road. It symbolized his complete obedience to what he had heard in prayer: “Francis! Everything you have loved and desired in the flesh it is your duty to despise and hate, if you wish to know my will. And when you have begun this, all that now seems sweet and lovely to you will become intolerable and bitter, but all that you used to avoid will turn itself to great sweetness and exceeding joy.”

From the cross in the neglected field-chapel of San Damiano, Christ told him, “Francis, go out and build up my house, for it is nearly falling down.” Francis became the totally poor and humble workman.

He must have suspected a deeper meaning to “build up my house.” But he would have been content to be for the rest of his life the poor “nothing” man actually putting brick on brick in abandoned chapels. He gave up all his possessions, piling even his clothes before his earthly father—who was demanding restitution for Francis’ “gifts” to the poor—so that he would be totally free to say, “Our Father in heaven.” He was, for a time, considered to be a religious fanatic, begging from

door to door when he could not get money for his work, evoking sadness or disgust to the hearts of his former friends, ridicule from the unthinking. But genuineness will tell. A few people began to realize that this man was actually trying to be Christian. He really believed what Jesus said: "Announce the kingdom! Possess no gold or silver or copper in your purses, no traveling bag, no sandals, no staff".

Francis' first rule for his followers was a collection of texts from the Gospels. He had no intention of founding an order, but once it began he protected it and accepted all the legal structures needed to support it. His devotion and loyalty to the Church were absolute and highly exemplary at a time when various movements of reform tended to break the Church's unity.

Francis was torn between a life devoted entirely to prayer and a life of active preaching of the Good News. He decided in favour of the latter, but always returned to solitude when he could. He wanted to be a missionary in Syria or in Africa, but was prevented by shipwreck and illness. He tried to convert the sultan of Egypt during the Fifth Crusade.

During the last years of his relatively short life, (he died at 44), Francis was half blind and seriously ill. Two years before his death he received the stigmata, the real and painful wounds of Christ in his hands, feet and side.

On his deathbed, Francis said over and over again the last addition to his Canticle of the Sun, "Be praised, O Lord, for our Sister Death." He sang Psalm 141, and at the end asked his superior's permission to have his clothes removed when the last hour came in order that he could expire lying naked on the earth, in imitation of his Lord. (From Franciscanmedia.com)

2021 is the Year of St. Joseph.

Prayer to St. Joseph, after Rosary, especially in October.

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our tribulation, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also.

Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness.

As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven.

COVID Vaccines – Statement from the Diocese:

The official position of the Catholic Church is that all available COVID vaccines are ethical and all Catholics who are able are encouraged to receive the vaccine. All employees serving in the Diocese of Hamilton are encouraged to be fully vaccinated or to submit to a COVID rapid test every Monday and Thursday in order to carry out their responsibilities. Volunteer liturgical ministers are required to be fully vaccinated. Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, encourages every member of the Catholic Church within our Diocese of Hamilton to be fully vaccinated.

Date	Sunday	Maint.	Diocesan	Loose	Pre Auth.
Sep. 26	\$ 2435.00	\$ 10.00	\$180.00	\$ 92.00	\$ 2643.69

Last weeks' donations - Thank you!

Statement from the Canadian Catholic Bishops on Reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of Canada

The Catholic Bishops of Canada, gathered in Plenary this week, took the opportunity to affirm and acknowledge to the Indigenous Peoples the suffering experienced in Canada's Indian Residential Schools. Many Catholic religious communities and dioceses participated in this system, which led to the suppression of Indigenous languages, culture and spirituality, failing to respect the rich history, traditions and wisdom of Indigenous Peoples. They acknowledged the grave abuses that were committed by some members of our Catholic community; physical, psychological, emotional, spiritual, cultural, and sexual. They also sorrowfully acknowledged the historical and ongoing trauma and the legacy of suffering and challenges faced by Indigenous Peoples that continue to this day. Along with those Catholic entities which were directly involved in the operation of the schools and which have already offered their own heartfelt apologies, the Catholic Bishops of Canada expressed their profound remorse and apologized unequivocally. Together with the many pastoral initiatives already underway in dioceses across the country, the Bishops pledged to undertake fundraising in each region of the country to support initiatives discerned locally with Indigenous partners. Furthermore, they invited the Indigenous Peoples to journey with us into a new era of reconciliation, helping us to prioritize initiatives of healing, to listen to the experience of Indigenous Peoples, especially to the survivors of Indian Residential Schools, and to educate our clergy, consecrated men and women, and lay faithful, on Indigenous cultures and spirituality. They further committed to continue the work of providing documentation or records that will assist in the memorialization of those buried in unmarked graves.

A delegation of Indigenous survivors, Elders/knowledge keepers, and youth will meet with the Holy Father in December 2021. Pope Francis will encounter and listen to the Indigenous Peoples, so as to discern how he can support our common desire to renew relationships and walk together along the path of hope in the coming years. The Bishops of Canada have pledged to work with the Holy See and our Indigenous partners on the possibility of a pastoral visit by the Pope to Canada as part of this healing journey.

We are committed to continue the journey with the First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples of this land. For more information, please contact the diocese or visit www.cccb.ca.



WE ARE OPEN: (Waterloo Knights of Columbus) Dining inside and outside on our new Patio. If you wish to dine in, or out, please contact Martin at 519-884-2060 to reserve for our Friday Knight Fish & Chips Dinner, BEST IN REGION. To order take out, please call Derek at 226-748-8378 by 4 PM on Friday. PICK UP TIMES: 4:30 PM TO 6 PM; 1 PC \$15, 2 PC \$18 - TAX INCL.

40 Days for Life continues. We will stand across from Freeport Hospital, where abortions are performed, to pray and witness for the weakest members of our Nation, the unborn, from 7 AM to 7 PM daily until Oct. 31. To register for hours go to 40daysforlife.com/kitchener, call 5197485548, or email paddym@golden.net. Thank you for your prayers and support of the unborn.



Matrimony - a beautiful vocation so misused today. Celibacy - a beautiful gift so misunderstood today. Whether we do God's work in pairs or as a single person in ministry or in a community, we do God's work because He calls us. If you feel God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Most Rev. W. Lobsinger, Auxiliary Bishop and Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988, vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, or Fr. Raphael Ma, Congregation of the Resurrection Vocation Director, at crvocations@gmail.com, or Carmel of St. Joseph in St. Agatha at 519-884-6700.



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