

St. Louis Catholic Church



2021

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

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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.**



Pastoral Team:

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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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31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTION

Monday, November 1 – All Saints – No Mass

Tuesday, November 2 – All Souls

9:00 AM To Bring Our Loved Ones Home to The Church

Wednesday, November 3

9:00 AM Deceased Benefactors & Members of the Congregation of the Resurrection

7:00 PM † Rosemary Peterson & Pat Nairn - CWL

Thursday, November 4 – St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

9:00 AM † Bob Ruetz – Fran Ruetz

Friday, November 5

9:00 AM † Pola Hickman – Cecilia Beechey

Saturday, November 6

Vigil of the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM † Colonel & Jean Moser – Kim Moser

† Gerald & Audrey Moser – Reid Family

Sunday, November 7 – 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM † Peter Pkachyk – Anne & Frank Hulme

† Edith Kruger-Eppich – Helma Herbst

Intentions of Louis and Janice Paleczny – Moser Family

11:30 AM People of St. Louis Parish

Reflections on the First Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2-6

This passage stresses the responsibilities that each generation has not only to “fear the Lord,” i.e. to respect the Lord as the most powerful being that exists, but also to instill this respect for the Lord in their children and their grandchildren. People learn to fear the Lord as they make choices and decisions that are based on divine statutes and commands, and then observe carefully what happens next. Parents and elders bear witness to the Lord’s fidelity by retelling their experiences of God’s presence with them in the ups and downs of family life.

For example, they pass on the surprise of discovering the Lord’s care for them manifested in unexpected people and places. Each generation of God’s people must persuade the following one that the way to the fullest life possible – to life in a “land flowing with milk and honey” – is to heed and follow the Lord alone. The “land flowing with milk and honey” originally referred to a wilderness area that could support only small animals, like the goats favoured by Israel’s semi-nomadic ancestors. The honey is wild honey.

Israel’s famous *Shema* (*Hear, O Israel...see below*), which faithful Jews repeat two or three times daily, carry in amulets, or place on doorposts, constantly reminds them of their calling to live as God’s people in the world. The repetitions of “all” in the *Shema* underscore the consuming nature of this vocation. The “heart,” which for Israelites is the seat of the intellect, must concentrate on ways to demonstrate loyalty to the Lord. The “soul” (Hebrew *nephesh*) denotes one’s entire being, i.e. every gift, quirk, and penchant that marks a person as a uniquely crafted image of God. All this *nephesh* and all one’s “might” or “energy,” which for some scholars includes one’s wealth, must be put at the Lord’s disposal.

“Hear of Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.” Deuteronomy 6:5-9

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



Our next **C.W.L. General Meeting** will take place Wednesday November 3rd beginning with Mass at 7 PM with meeting to follow in the church. More details to follow in the bulletin next week. Members and non-members are always welcome. Sandra Williams will be speaking about the Prayer Shawl Ministry and will be offering shawls to anyone who would like one.

Your C.W.L. warmly invites everyone to our **Bake Sale and Raffle** taking place after each Mass on the weekend of November 20th and 21st. All covid protocols will be strictly followed ensuring a safe and enjoyable time for the entire parish. Money raised will support our St. Louis C.W.L. - so please invite all of your family, friends and neighbours! See you there!

We will be gratefully accepting your donations for the C.W.L. Bake Sale and Raffle at the following times:

Raffle Items can be placed in the container at the back of the church Nov. 6th, 7th, 13th and 14th. New, never used items only please.

Baked goods and Raffle items can be brought to the Large Hall on Friday, Nov. 19th between 6-8 PM and on Saturday, Nov. 20th between 10 AM and 12 PM. Please ensure baked goods are securely packaged. Please note that we will not be accepting any estate or “nearly new” donations this year. Thank you for your generosity in supporting our C.W.L.!



St. Louis Youth Group - Fruits on Fire - would like to extend an invitation to any young person in the parish from gr. 6 and up. Our next meeting will be on November 5th from 7-9 PM in the Large Hall. We will start Teen Bible Timeline with Mark Hart. All are welcome to come out and see who we are and what we are up to this year. All covid protocols will be followed.



St. Louis Children’s Babysitting during 9:30 AM Mass will continue next week (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 began Tuesday, October 26th at 7 PM 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 asap.

40 Days for Life concludes on October 31. Thank you for your prayers.

Prayer Vigil – Thur., Nov. 4, from 10 to 11 AM in front of Freeport Hospital, 3570 King St. E., Kitchener, for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! Parking - across the road, Schneider Park. Any queries, please contact Cathy at: kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com





The Story of the Solemnity of All Saints -

The earliest certain observance of a feast in honour of all the saints is an early 4th century commemoration of "all the martyrs." In the early 7th century, after successive waves of invaders plundered the catacombs, Pope Boniface IV gathered up some 28 wagon-

loads of bones and reinterred them beneath the Pantheon, a Roman temple dedicated to all the gods. The pope rededicated the shrine as a Christian church. The pope intended that the memory of all the saints might in the future be honoured in the place which had formerly been dedicated to the worship not of gods but of demons.

But the rededication of the Pantheon, like the earlier commemoration of all the martyrs, occurred in May. Many Eastern Churches still honour all the saints in the spring, either during the Easter season or immediately after Pentecost.

How the Western Church came to celebrate this feast in November is a puzzle to historians. The Anglo-Saxon theologian Alcuin observed the feast on November 1 in 800, as did his friend Arno, Bishop of Salzburg. Rome finally adopted that date in the 9th century.

This feast first honoured martyrs. Later, when Christians were free to worship according to their consciences, the Church acknowledged other paths to sanctity. In the early centuries the only criterion was popular acclaim, even when the bishop's approval became the final step in placing a commemoration on the calendar. The first papal canonization occurred in 993; the lengthy process now required to prove extraordinary sanctity took form in the last 500 years. Today's feast honors the obscure as well as the famous—the saints each of us have known. (From franciscanmedia.org)

The Story of the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed -

The Church has encouraged prayer for the dead from the earliest times as an act of Christian charity. "If we had no care for the dead," Augustine noted, "we would not be in the habit of praying for them." Yet pre-Christian rites for the deceased retained such a strong hold on the superstitious imagination that a liturgical commemoration was not observed until the early Middle Ages, when monastic communities began to mark an annual day of prayer for the departed members.

In the middle of the 11th century, Saint Odilo, abbot of Cluny, France, decreed that all Cluniac monasteries offer special prayers and sing the Office for the Dead on November 2, the day after the feast of All Saints. The custom spread from Cluny and was finally adopted throughout the Roman Church.

The theological underpinning of the feast is the acknowledgment of human frailty. Since few people achieve perfection in this life but, rather, go to the grave still scarred with traces of sinfulness, some period of purification seems necessary before a soul comes face-to-face with God. The Council of Trent affirmed this purgatory state and insisted that the prayers of the living can speed the process of purification.

Superstition easily clung to the observance. Medieval popular belief held that the souls in purgatory could appear on this day in the form of witches, toads or will-o'-the-wisps. Graveside food offerings supposedly eased the rest of the dead.

Observances of a more religious nature have survived. These include public processions or private visits to cemeteries and decorating graves with flowers and lights.

Whether or not one should pray for the dead is one of the great arguments which divide Christians. Martin Luther rejected the concept of purgatory. Yet prayer for a loved one is, for the believer, a way of erasing any distance, even death. In prayer we stand in God's presence in the company of someone we love, even if that person has gone before us into death. (From franciscanmedia.org)



"To love Him with all the heart and with all the understanding, and with all the strength" and "to love one's neighbour as oneself" are the greatest commandments. If you feel that God is calling you to serve Him as a priest, religious or deacon, 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.



WE ARE OPEN: (Waterloo Knights of Columbus) Friday

Knight Fish Fry Dine in: please contact Martin at 519-884-2060 to reserve your place. To order take-out, call Derek at 226-748-8378 by 4 PM on Friday. PICK UP TIMES: 4:30 - 6 PM; 1 PC \$15, 2 PC \$18 - Tax incl.

Wednesday Knight Take-Out of Spaghetti & Meatballs or Lasagna dinner with Garlic bread (Tax Incl.) for \$13.25 per person. Call Martin at 519-884-2060 to order up to 4 PM. Pickup times 4:30 – 6 PM.

Marriage Support - Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing challenges in their relationship. The next Retrouvaille weekend will be via Zoom, Nov. 4 - 7. For info. contact teamrecine@gmail.com or 905-664-5212.

How To Pray Rosary Better (cont. from previous bulletin)

– While reciting the 10 Hail Marys, read scripture that describes the mystery, and think about putting yourself in the scene as if walking with our Lord and the Blessed Virgin Mary in their earthly lives. Below are some scripture verses that go along with various mysteries.



Joyful Mysteries: Annunciation (John 1:14, Luke 1:26-38), Visitation (Luke 1:39-56), Nativity (Luke 2:7-20), Presentation (Luke 2:22-38), Finding of the Child Jesus (Luke 2:41-50).

Sorrowful Mysteries: Agony in the Garden (Luke 22:39, 41-44), Scourging at the Pillar (John 19:1), Crowning with Thorns (John 19:1-5), Carrying of the Cross (John 19:16, Luke 23:27, Gal. 6:14), Crucifixion (Luke 23:20, Matthew 27:26, John 19:30, Gal. 5:24, Gal. 2:19).

Glorious Mysteries: Resurrection (Matthew 28:5, Colossian 2:12, Colossian 3:1), Ascension into Heaven (Luke 24:50-53, Acts 1:6 -11), Decent of the Holy Spirit (John 4:16, Acts 2:1-4), Assumption of Mary (Song of Songs 2:10-13, Luke 1:46-50), Coronation of Mary (Song of Songs 4:7, Revelation 12:1).

Luminous Mysteries: Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan (Matthew 3:13-17), Wedding Feast at Cana (John 2:1-12), Revelation of the Kingdom of God (Luke 12:31-33), Transfiguration (Matthew 17:1-8), Institution of the Eucharist (Luke 22:14-20). (From reverentcatholicmass.com)



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