

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.**



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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 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

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 13 – St. John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor - No Mass

Tuesday, September 14 – The Exaltation of the Cross

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

Wednesday, September 15 – Our Lady of Sorrows

9:00AM Intentions of Lauren Krause - Krause Family

Thursday, September 16 – St. Cornelius, Pope, St. Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

9:00AM Intentions of Karalynn & Kevin Jones - Krause Family

Friday, September 17

9:00AM Intentions of Phyllis Ayoung-Chee – Amanda Ayoung-Chee

Saturday, September 18

Vigil of the 25th Sunday In Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Intentions of Joan Powers – Marilyn Foster

Intentions of Karen Napier – Amanda Ayoung-Chee

† Leo Reitzel – John & Sharon Carey

Sunday, September 19 – 25th Sunday In Ordinary Time

9:30AM † Sr. Anne Rektor – Janet & Grant Ertel

† Hal Dunning Irwin – Phyllis Augustine-Sprout

† William Ronald Van Loon - Phyllis Augustine-Sprout

11:30am People of St. Louis Parish

Reflections on the First Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9

Most of the prophecies in the work known as Second Isaiah (Isaiah 40 – 55) are oracles of salvation or good news. But, interwoven through these are four poems that trace the life of the “Servant of the Lord,” a man who suffered and died to fulfill his divine calling. Some of these poems identify him as Israel, but others as an enigmatic figure who is rejected, killed, and assigned a grave among the wicked (Isaiah 53:8-9). In today’s reading, which is part of the third poem, the servant insists that his teachings come from the Lord; “the Lord has opened my ear.” Though his call places him in danger he is not “rebellious” and does not “turn backward.”

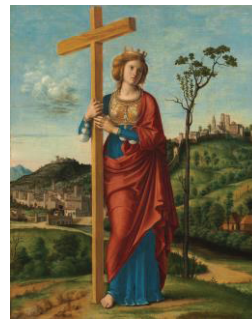
What gives the servant the courage to fulfill his mission no matter what the personal cost, to “set [his] face like flint”? He is convinced that the Lord God is with him, “helping” (Hebrew ‘āzar) him. Āzar almost always denotes divine assistance, help that no human could imagine, much less provide. For the Servant, his experience that God is helping him to persevere, moment by moment, is more desirable than the transient peace and security that would be his if he abandoned his call.

The Servant wants his persecutors and contemporaries to know that he does not see himself as disgraced and shamed. He is not a “help-less” victim. He “gives” his back to those who beat it, his cheeks to those who pluck his beard, his face to their punches and spit. The servant lays down his own life, blindly trusting that the Lord is using his suffering and death to accomplish a divine purpose. For this he was born.

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



The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during the **Novena to Little St. Therese, Sep.23rd to Oct. 1st**. Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to St. Therese. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to: Carmel of Saint Joseph 1127 Carmel-Koch Road, R.R. #1, St. Agatha, ON N0B 2L0.



The feast of the **Exaltation of the Holy Cross** celebrates two historical events: the discovery of the True Cross by Saint Helena, the mother of the Emperor Constantine, in 320 under the temple of Venus in Jerusalem, and the dedication in 335 of the basilica and shrine built on Calvary by Constantine, which marked the site of the Crucifixion.

The basilica, named the Martyrium, and the shrine, named the Calvarium, were destroyed by the Persians in 614. The Church of the Holy Sepulcher which now stands on the site was built by the crusaders in 1149.

However the feast, more than anything else, is a celebration and commemoration of God’s greatest work: His Salvific Death on the Cross and His Resurrection, through which death was defeated and the doors to Heaven opened.

The entrance antiphon for the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is: “We should glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for He is our salvation, our life and our resurrection: through Him we are saved and made free.” *(From Catholicnewsagency.com)*



The title, **Our Lady of Sorrows**, given to our Blessed Mother focuses on her intense suffering and grief during the passion and death of our Lord. Traditionally, this suffering was not limited to the passion and death event; rather, it comprised the seven dolors or seven sorrows of Mary, which were foretold by the Priest Simeon who proclaimed to Mary: “This child [Jesus] is destined to be the downfall and the rise of many in Israel, a sign that will be opposed and you yourself shall be pierced with a sword so that the thoughts of many hearts may be laid bare” (Luke 2:34-35). These seven sorrows of our Blessed Mother included the flight of the Holy Family into Egypt; the loss and finding of the child Jesus in the Temple;

Mary’s meeting of Jesus on His way to Calvary; Mary’s standing at the foot of the cross when our Lord was crucified; her holding of Jesus when He was taken down from the cross; and then our Lord’s burial. In all, the prophecy of Simeon that a sword would pierce our Blessed Mother’s heart was fulfilled in these events. For this reason, Mary is sometimes depicted with her heart exposed and with seven swords piercing it. More importantly, each new suffering was received with the courage, love, and trust that echoed her fiat: “Let it be done unto me according to Thy word”, first uttered at the Annunciation.

St. Bernard (d. 1153) wrote, “Truly, O Blessed Mother, a sword has pierced your heart.... He died in body through a love greater than anyone had known. She died in spirit through a love unlike any other since His” *(De duodecim prerogativis BVM)*.

Focusing on the compassion of our Blessed Mother, our Holy Father, Pope John Paul II, reminded the faithful, “Mary Most Holy goes on being the loving consoler of those touched by the many physical and moral sorrows which afflict and torment humanity. She knows our sorrows and our pains, because she too suffered, from Bethlehem to Calvary. ‘And thy soul too a sword shall pierce.’ Mary is our Spiritual Mother, and the mother always understands her children and consoles them in their troubles. Then, she has that specific mission to love us, received from Jesus on the Cross, to love us only and always, so as to save us! Mary consoles us above all by pointing out the Crucified One and Paradise to us!” (1980).

Therefore, as we honour our Blessed Mother, our Lady of Sorrows, we honour her as the faithful disciple and exemplar of faith.

Let us pray as we do in the opening prayer of the Mass for this feast day: "Father, as your Son was raised on the cross, His Mother Mary stood by Him, sharing His sufferings. May your Church be united with Christ in His suffering and death and so come to share in His rising to new life. Looking to the example of Mary, may we too unite our sufferings to our Lord, facing them with courage, love, and trust." (From catholiceducation.org)



2021 is the Year of St. Joseph.

The following prayers are taken from the book *Consecration to St. Joseph – The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father* by Fr. Donald H. Calloway, MIC.

Memorare to St. Joseph

Remember, O Most Chaste Spouse of the Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto you, my spiritual father, and beg your protection. O Foster Father of the Redeemer, despise not my petitions, but in your goodness hear and answer me. Amen.

Prayer of St. Louis de Montfort

Hail Joseph the just, wisdom is with you; blessed are you among all men and blessed is Jesus, the fruit of Mary, your faithful spouse.

Holy Joseph, worthy foster-father of Jesus Christ, pray for us sinners and obtain divine wisdom for us from God, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

The Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region Presents:

An Interactive Virtual Discussion on Student Support for Active Parents Thursday September 23, 7:00pm - 8:00pm. Although learning environments have shifted over the past year, parents everywhere have helped their children navigate these changes by taking a more active role in their education (kudos to you, parents!) Now, as students go back to in-person learning this fall, you can ensure your child is more prepared - both socially and academically - by attending our upcoming event. The Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region invites you to join in an interactive presentation and virtual discussion on Thursday, September 23, 2021 from 7pm - 8pm. We are bringing together experts from the region to share their best practices, ideas and identify learning needs to help students succeed moving forward from the pandemic influences/challenges. Take the first step in setting your child up for success this school year! Space is limited. Register today! us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Inzs9w4rQB1im6xA6xlxg



St. Louis Children's programs looking for volunteers.

We are in the process of organizing our fall schedules with the hope of being able to open up soon. We are looking for volunteers for Babysitting and Liturgy of the Word at the 9:30 AM Mass. You would be committing to helping once a month. If you are able to help out please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office: 519-743-4101



"Who do people say that I am?" Who do you think Jesus is? The depth of our faith is rooted in our answer. Is God calling you to be a priest, religious, or deacon? If you think you are being called to be a priest, religious, or permanent 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.

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament at St. Teresa of Avila Parish, 44 Leonard St., Kitchener. Divine Mercy Chapel is open for Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament Monday to Friday, 9 AM to 8 PM. If you are ready to dedicate 1 hour, please contact St. Teresa's parish office at 519-743-4525. If you cannot commit to an hour, you are welcome to just come for a few minutes.

WHY@Breakfast invites you to **A Day of Healing** with Sister Barbara Paleczny, SSND, on Sat., Sept. 25th. Grief, resentment, fear, stress, anger may enfold us, but it is up to us to transform those experiences and heal from them. Sister Barbara has a doctorate in systematic theology and theological ethics. For the twelve years until the pandemic, Sister Barbara trained leaders and led programs on healing from trauma in South Sudan. On Sept. 25th, Sr. Barbara will address healthy and unhealthy uses of anger and grief, method on healing from stress and trauma, and why the method works. This online event will be delivered via Zoom. Morning sessions from 9:30 AM to 11 AM. Afternoon sessions from 1:30 PM to around 3 PM. Please see whyatbreakfast.com for the complete schedule and free registration.

40 Days for Life will again be holding it's annual Campaign in the K/W area to pray and witness for the weakest members of our Nation, the unborn. We will stand across from Freeport Hospital where abortions are performed, from 7am to 7pm daily commencing on September 22 and continuing to October 31.

To register for hours please go to www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or call 5197485548 or email paddym@golden.net. Thank you for your prayers and support of the unborn.

Do you need support after an abortion? Project Rachel is confidential, individual and with a trained counsellor. Please contact us at 1-888-385-3850.



WE ARE BACK OPEN: (Waterloo Knights of Columbus)

Dining inside and outside on our new Patio is finally a reality. If you wish to dine in, or out on the Patio, please contact Martin at 519-884-2060 to reserve for our Friday Knight Fish and Chips Dinner, BEST IN REGION. To order take out, please continue to call Derek at 226-748-8378 by 4p.m. on Friday. PICK UP TIMES: 4:30 P.M. TO 6 P.M.; 1 PC \$15, 2 PC \$18 - TAX INCL. Spaghetti Dinner on Wednesday night is cancelled for now, but will be returning in September with an enlarged menu and dining in or take out. We look forward to welcoming you back, especially to our new patio. May God Bless and Keep you safe.



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Date	Sunday	Maint.	Loose	Pre Author.
Sep. 12	\$ 2910.00	\$105.00	\$ 63.00	\$ 2627.54

Last weeks' donations - Thank you!

Churches open for public Masses.
Office open: Mon. – Thu. 9 AM –noon & 1 - 4 PM & Fri. 9 AM - noon
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