

St. Louis Catholic Church

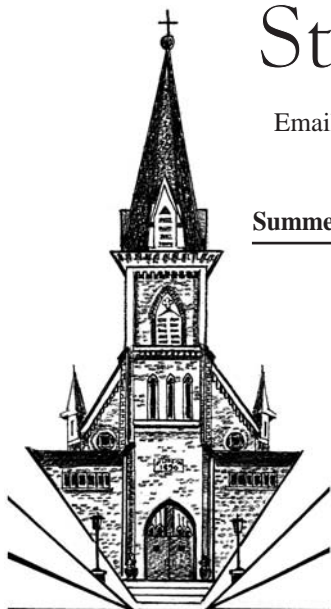
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Office hours: Monday – Thursday 9 - 12 and 1- 4 p.m.

Summer hours (Canada Day to Labour Day): Mon. - Thurs. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.



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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)

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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Prayer Chain

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St. Vincent De Paul

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24TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS and EVENTS

Monday, September 18 – No Mass			
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball		Gym
6:30 – 7:30 PM	11:30 Choir Rehearsal		Church
7:30 – 8:30 PM	Bible Study – Psalms (#1/9)		L. Hall
Tuesday, September 19			
9:00 AM To Bring All Souls Home to the Good Shepherd			
9:30 AM	Book Group Meeting		L. Hall
6:30 PM	CWL Executive Mtg.		L. Hall
Wednesday, September 20 – St. Andrew Kim Tae-Gön, Priest, Paul Chông Ha-Sang and Companions, Martyrs			
9:00 AM † Karen Byrne – Rosemary & Shaun MacNeil			
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball		Gym
Thursday, September 21 – St. Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist			
9:00 AM † Salvador Arevalo Anonueve – Pete & Tess Bianchi			
Friday, September 22			
9:00 AM			
11:00 AM	Intentions of CR Members Celebrating Jubilee		
NOON	CR Jubilee Reception		Gym
Saturday, September 23 – St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), Priest			
3:00 PM Wedding of Hailey Caravaggio and Anthony Congi			
Vigil of the 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time			
5:00 PM	† Walter & Kaye Hartman – Family		
	† John Foster – Foster Family		
	† Gerhard & Leni Kirchner's Family – Elizabeth		
	† Andreas & Magdalena Bierling's Family – Elizabeth		
Sunday, September 24 – 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time			
9:30 AM	† Jimmie Doyle – John & Sharon Carey		
	† David & Norma Kirby – Kirby Family		
	† Jim Ayward– Phyllis Augustine-Sprout		
	For Intentions of Nicole & Tyler on their 1st Wedding Anniversary – St. Louis Quilting Club		
11:30 AM	People of St. Louis Parish		
12:30 PM	Bible Study – Psalms (#2/9)		L. Hall

CHILDREN PROGRAMS AT ST. LOUIS PARISH



Good Shepherd program – This is a program where we create a space and time for children 3-7yrs of age to be with God. The space we call “the Atrium” is a place where every detail from the handmade materials to the presentations given and celebrations celebrated all aim to lead the children to prayer, to an understanding of Scripture, the life of the Church and most of all a deeper understanding of God’s love for them. We will have an Open House for anyone to come and see the “Atrium” and talk to us about the program, after all the Masses, September 16/17. Sessions will begin Monday, October 16th, 5:30 PM - 6:45 PM. Please register with Kelly Krause at the Volunteer Fair, or in the parish office.



Confirmation Classes – If you have a child in grade 7 and would like them to receive the Sacrament at St. Louis parish please register with Kelly Krause at the parish office. Classes will start Wed., Sep. 27th from 7 PM - 8:30 PM. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Sun. Dec. 3rd during the 9:30 AM Mass.

Babysitting – runs during the 9:30 AM Mass for children 0-3 yrs of age. No registration is required, just come down and sign your child in. At the end of Mass, sign your child out. We are in need of two volunteers to complete our four week rotation. As of now, we will run this program 3 weeks open and one week closed. If you can help, please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office.

Sunday school – runs alongside the babysitting program. We begin in the same room; you sign your child in and out along with the babysitting children. Kelly will take those 3-6yrs of age into the side room off of our babysitting room and read the Gospel with the children followed by a craft. When the craft is done, the children will resume playing in the babysitting room until parents pick them up. No registration is required; drop in anytime you are at Mass.

Liturgy of the Word – runs during the 9:30 AM Mass for children 7 & up. Children and two catechists will be invited forward by Fr. Phil to come together as a group after the Opening Prayer in the church. The children will go down to the Large Hall where they will hear the First Reading and the Gospel, and have a short discussion about what they heard at their level. They will come back upstairs to join their parents just in time for the Offertory. No registration is required; just participate when you are at Mass. We are in need of two more adults to help lead this program to make up one more team. This will give us a full four week rotation. As of now, we will be running this program, 3 weeks running and one week not running. If you are interesting in helping please contact Kelly Krause at the Volunteer Fair, or email her at the parish office.



First Communion – If you have a child in grade 2 and would like them to receive the Sacrament at St. Louis parish please register with Kelly Krause at the parish office. Classes will begin Wednesday, January 24th, 2024. First Communion celebration will take place on Sunday May 5, 2024 during the 9:30 AM Mass.

PAINTING WITH KELLY



If you have ever wanted to learn how to paint with acrylics then join Kelly and a fun group of people who love learning to paint together. No talent is required. Kelly will walk you through step by step how to paint each project. This session we will be painting a little Mennonite girl holding flowers. Classes will begin Tuesday, September 26th at 7 PM in the Large Hall. To get more information about supplies and to register please email Kelly at the parish office.

Reflection on the First Reading: Sirach 27:30- 28:7

The wisdom of the Hebrew scribe Ben Sira is believed to have been compiled between the years 200 and 175 BC. As a collection of ethical instructions, this book attempts to provide practical advice on primary relationships, such as those with mother and father, siblings, the rich and the poor. Today’s reading offers wisdom on the issue of holding a grudge against others. Ben Sira opens this section with the image of the sinner hugging tightly “anger with wrath.”

He proceeds to instruct his hearers that those who inflict vengeance upon others will in turn receive the Lord’s vengeance. In order to be forgiven by God, one must extend forgiveness to others. The same is true with anger; if one harbours anger in one’s heart, then one should not be surprised when God will not heal the situation. In the final portion of his instruction on why a person should avoid hatred and vengeance, the author employs the image of death. The threat of death is indeed the gravest of all of his warnings. By remembering the last moments of life, a person ought to recognize that it would be ultimate destruction to die in a state of holding hatred against another. Ben Sira’s message is abundantly clear: live constantly the virtue of dismissing the faults of others, and God will respond in kind.

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



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. 40 Days for Life saves the lives of children in the womb who do not have the chance to stand up for themselves. You are encouraged to get involved by **Prayer and Fasting** for an end to abortion, as well as attending a **Peaceful Vigil** outside of Freeport Hospital, for an allocated hour between 7 AM and 7 PM, seven days a week. We encourage volunteers to consider **Adopting-an-Hour** a week; which is only 6 hours over the span of the campaign and this would greatly help in filling all the hours. 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. You can either sign up for prayer hours online at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or by emailing/calling Ewelina at 40DaysKW@gmail.com or 519-904-2620. 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.

You are *also invited to join us* for the **OPENING RALLY** which will be held on **Tue. Sep. 25th**, at **Sacred Heart Parish, 66 Shanley St., Kit.** Holy Mass at 7PM. Refreshments and sign-ups will follow; please come to pray for the success of this Campaign and the protection of all life in our country!

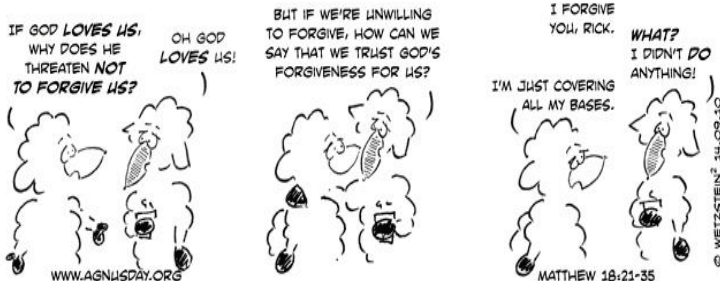
St. Agnes Education Café – “*Adjusting Our Focus - The Unshakeable Peace Found in Living a Life Guided by Faith not Fear*” - St. Agnes Parish 2:00 - 3:30 pm - Sunday October 1st Presented by Fr. Aleks Mazur, S.A.C. - 75 Bluevale St N, Waterloo - 45 minute talk + Q&A and Refreshments - Complimentary.



"If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's."

Consider service as a priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin. 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!

Resurrectionist Vocation Minute - Although we think of ourselves as the ones who are being “patient” with God – the reality is, it’s God who has been patient with us. God has been lovingly calling us before we even learned how or desired to listen. And when we realize this loving way God is with us, we experience a conversion, a desire to be “patient” like God is with ourselves, our vocation situation, and the people God has placed in our life. Read more at www.resurrectionists.ca

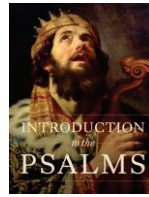


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Faith Enrichment programs starting this Fall

(All meetings are in the Large Hall and refreshments are always provided)

“Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ!”- St. Jerome



Introduction to the Psalms by Dr. John Bergsma – 9 part series unveils the beauty and mystery of one of the most beloved of all books in Sacred Scripture. And in the hands of a master teacher like Dr. John Bergsma - two-time winner of the "Best Teacher" award at Franciscan University of Steubenville - this amazing book of the Bible comes alive like never before.

You'll learn all the different kinds of Psalms, the authors, the incredible stories behind many psalms, and see how the Psalms play a major role in salvation history...your salvation history! Each episode is packed with insights. Offered twice – Mondays at 7:30 PM and Sundays at 12:30 PM in the Large Hall. Starts: Sunday, Sep. 17 or Monday, Sep. 18. Half an hour video followed by discussion. You may come for the video only.



Study of the Gospel of John on Thursdays at 1 PM starting 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. Topics include: The Incarnation, Cana of Galilee, The Well of Salvation, The Dead Will Hear, New Bread from Heaven, Water from the Rock, The Merciful Judge.



Book Group and discussion (Tuesdays after morning Mass 9:30 – 10:30 AM) will start a new book in October **“My Sisters The Saints – A Spiritual Memoir”** by **Colleen Carroll Campbell**. It is a story of 15 year 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, print and broadcast journalist and former presidential speechwriter. Her book *My Sisters the Saints*, won two national awards and has been published in five languages. She is the recipient of two honorary doctorates and numerous other awards. The book is read together during the session and discussed. No homework. Come when you can.



Lectio Divina – based on the readings for the following Sunday once per month – 2nd Thursday at 7 PM – Starting Oct 12. The goal of Lectio Divina is an expanding capacity to listen with the heart to the word of God in all of life’s situations, leading to a more constant awareness of God’s presence. It is a listening that leads to a new way of seeing and an integration of prayer, work and relationship with others. The 5 stages of Lectio Divina include reading, meditation, prayer, contemplation and action.

The first meeting in October will focus more on what Lectio Divina is.

To sign up, or for more information about all the above programs please contact the parish office.

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