

St. Louis Catholic Church

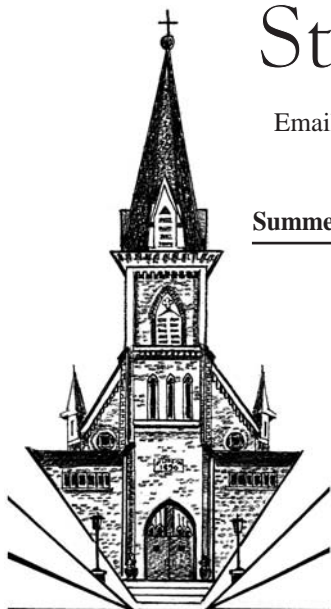
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St Louis Catholic Church



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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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:

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25TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS and EVENTS



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE JUBILIANS
 Rev. David Mowat, C.R. (60 Years of Priesthood)
 Brother David Ernst, C.R. (60 years of Religious Life)
 Rev. James Donohue, C.R. (40 years of Priesthood)
 Rev. Adam Wroblewicz, C.R. (40 years of Priesthood)

O RISEN LORD, THE WAY, THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE, MAKE US FAITHFUL FOLLOWERS OF THE SPIRIT OF YOUR RESURRECTION.

GRANT THAT WE MAY BE INWARDLY RENEWED, DYING TO OURSELVES IN ORDER THAT YOU MAY LIVE IN US. MAY OUR LIVES SERVE AS SIGNS OF THE TRANSFORMING POWER OF YOUR LOVE.

USE US AS INSTRUMENTS FOR THE RENEWAL OF SOCIETY, BRINGING YOUR LIFE AND LOVE TO ALL AND LEADING THEM TO YOUR CHURCH.

THIS WE ASK OF YOU, LORD JESUS, LIVING AND REIGNING WITH THE FATHER, IN THE UNITY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, GOD FOREVER. AMEN (Resurrection Prayer)

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. Parent meeting will be on Monday Sep. 25th at 6 PM in the Nursery. 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 your child in grade 7 would like 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.



First Communion – Classes will begin Wed., Jan. 24th, 2024. First Communion celebration will take place on Sun., May 5, 2024 during the 9:30 AM Mass.

Young Adults Nights - Fr. Mark Morley invites young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30-7:30 PM), Social with Food (7:30-8:30 PM), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8-9 PM), & Compline (9 PM) on Sat. Oct. 7th at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk St., Guelph), and on Sat., Nov. 4th at St. Pius X Church (9 Waverly St., Brantford). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more info., email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Theology of the body for Teens – It is St. John Paul II’s integrated vision of human person. The human body has a specific meaning, making visible an invisible reality, and is capable of revealing answers regarding fundamental questions about us and our lives such as: Is there a real purpose to life and if so, what is it? What does it mean that we were created in the image of God? What exactly is “Love”? Is it truly possible to be pure of heart? This program is offered on Mondays (Sep. 25 - Dec. 18) in Milton at St. Benedict Parish – for more info on the program email tobteensmilton@gmail.com



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!

Monday, September 25 – No Mass		
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym
6:00 PM	Parent Meeting – Good Shepherd Catechesis	Nursery
6:30 – 7:30 PM	11:30 Choir Rehearsal	Church
7:30 – 8:30 PM	Bible Study – Psalms (#2/9)	L. Hall
Tuesday, September 26 – St. Jean Brébeuf & St. Isaac Jogues, Priests, & Companions, Martyrs		
9:00 AM	To Bring All Souls Home to the Good Shepherd	
9:30 AM	Book Group Meeting	L. Hall
1:00 PM	Prayer Shawl Meeting	L. Hall
7:00 PM	Painting with Kelly	L. Hall
Wednesday, September 27 – St. Vincent de Paul, Priest		
9:00 AM	† André and Fabienne Duval – Catherine Duval-Russell	
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym
Thursday, September 28		
9:00 AM	† Karen Byrne – Rosemary & Shaun MacNeil	
Friday, Sep. 29 – Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels		
9:00 AM	† Jessie O’Keefe – Rosemary & Shaun MacNeil	
Saturday, September 30 – St. Jerome, Priest, Doctor		
9:00 AM	SVDP Sandwich Project	L. Hall
Vigil of the 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time		
5:00 PM	People of St. Louis Parish	
Sunday, October 1 – 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time		
9:30 AM	† Ann Troesch – Annette & Frank Hulme & Family	
	† Terry Lichty – Lichty Family	
	In Thanksgiving for Graces Received on the 72 nd Wedding Anniversary of Lorne & Elizabeth Winkler	
10:30 AM	Sunday Social	L. Hall
11:30 AM	† Evangelina Logena Roxas – Tess Bianchi	
	† Janet Scott – Rosemary & Shaun MacNeil	
	Intentions of Ronayne O’Connor – Butler Family	
	Intentions of Aylward Family – Phyllis Augustine-Sprout	
12:30 PM	Bible Study – Psalms (#3/9)	L. Hall

Reflection on the First Reading: Isaiah 55: 6-9

This reading comes from the final chapter of the second portion of Isaiah known as “Deutero-Isaiah.” Chapters 40 to 55 were most likely written after Israel had been exiled to Babylon. The basic warning found in today’s reading focuses on the temptation to make God operate in a way that corresponds to human understanding. God’s ways do not always correspond to ours.

The reading opens with a command to “seek the Lord.” Searching for the Lord is possible because He allows Himself to be found, and the author says that God is indeed “near.” Recall that the pattern of seeking God for the Israelites was generally found in the sacrifices offered in the Temple, now destroyed by the Babylonians. Because of their exile, the Israelites had to find a new way to seek the Lord, one that was more personal in nature. Isaiah suggests that the Lord can be found when one turns from evil and seeks the Lord’s mercy. Because God “will abundantly pardon,” one can trust that the past will be overturned as new way of living begins.

It is in the context of assuring Israel that the repentant sinner will be restored to relationship with God that Deutero-Isaiah cautions against trying to overly scrutinize God’s ways. Searching for the Lord does not mean imposing human standards upon Him. While the mercy of God is abundant, one should not attempt to measure it according to the world’s sense of justice. The Lord transcends all human thought. Even though God’s ways and wisdom are mysterious and beyond us, true worship of God demands conversion of life and constant journeying to find and follow the way of the Lord. (From the Workbook for Lectors.)



St. Louis CWL warmly welcomes all ladies 16 years of age and older to join us on Wednesday, October 4th for our next General Meeting. We will begin with Mass at 7pm and then gather in the Large Hall for refreshments, social time and a brief meeting. Members and non-members are all welcome and why not bring a friend or two! We are now on social media: on Facebook, St. Louis Catholic Women's League Waterloo, Ontario and on Instagram @st.louiswcl. We invite YOU to join our sisterhood.

Oct. 11 Mass & Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick at St. Louis at 2 PM

Thanksgiving Food Drive – This year, instead of food items collection for St. Vincent de Paul, we will be collecting funds to support the Community Suppers of Out of the Cold program at St. Louis Parish. This program provides hot suppers every Sunday from beginning of November to end of April for the less fortunate and creates a supportive experience. Specially marked envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please write cheques to “Out of the Cold of St. Louis Parish.

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 Tue., Sep. 26th at 7 PM in the Large Hall. For more information about supplies or to register please email Kelly at the parish office.



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.** Mass at 7PM. Refreshments and sign-ups to follow. Come to pray for the success of this Campaign and the protection of all life in our country!*



The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation is Sat., Sep.30. The annual "Every Child Matters Walk" will begin at 10 AM at The Healing of the Seven Generations (H7G), 300 Frederick St., and proceed to a rally in Victoria Park. A bus will be available from H7G to the rally for those with mobility needs. Ahead of the walk, Mass for Reconciliation will be offered at 9 AM at St. Anne Church. Following Mass, all are invited to walk up East Ave. to join the walk. This Mass is offered as a joint effort of St Anne and St Joseph parishes. Please join us in prayer and action as we work to answer the Calls to Action in the TRC.

Date	Sunday	Loose	Maint.	Pre Auth.
Sep 17	\$1620.00	\$419.00	\$ 930.00	\$2401.98

Thank you for your donations!

St. Agnes Education Café – “*Adjusting Our Focus - The Unshakeable Peace Found in Living a Life Guided by Faith not Fear*” - St. Agnes Church Sun., Oct. 1st, 2 - 3:30 PM. Presented by Fr. Aleks Mazur, S.A.C. 75 Bluevale St. N, Wat. - 45 minute talk + Q&A & Refreshments - Free.

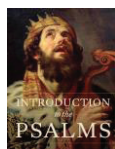


“Seek the Lord while he may be found...” While searching, listen; could it be that you are being called to serve as a priest, deacon, sister or brother, or consecrated virgin? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/, or Fr. Raphael Ma, Congregation of the Resurrection Vocation Director, at rvocations@gmail.com, or Carmel of St. Joseph, St. Agatha, at 519-884-6700. Pray for vocations!

Resurrectionist Vocation Minute - Often in our lives, the simplest things can be the most life changing. In today's Gospel, the reply of the people standing around in marketplace is – nobody ever asked us. Too many of us think a “call from God” is some kind of dramatic experience you only see stained glass or a renaissance painting. But God not only speaks to all of us, but also through us in ordinary ways. The Canadian Province of the Resurrectionists will soon be launching an exciting initiative to help equip and empower people to discern and invite young people to consider labouring in the vineyard as a consecrated religious. Stay tuned for more information! Read more at www.resurrectionists.ca

Faith Enrichment programs for this Fall

(All meetings are in the Large Hall and refreshments are always provided. To sign up – contact the parish office, or come to the session.)



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. Presented by a master teacher Dr. John Bergsma - twice "Best Teacher" at Franciscan U. of Steubenville. 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! Offered twice – Mondays@ 7:30 PM and Sundays @ 12:30 PM in the Large Hall. Started: Sun., Sep. 17 & Mon., Sep. 18. Half an hour video plus discussion, or come for 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.



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 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. She received 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, leading to a more constant awareness of God's presence. The 5 stages of Lectio Divina include reading, meditation, prayer, contemplation and action. The first meeting in October will focus on what Lectio Divina is.

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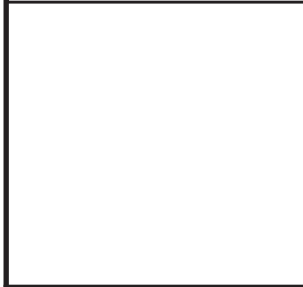
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