

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.**



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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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St. Vincent De Paul

For food hamper or more
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26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 27 – St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

- No Mass

Tuesday, September 28

9:00 AM † Leo Reitzel – Richard & Claire Armitage

Wednesday, September 29 – St. Michael, St. Gabriel,

St. Raphael, Archangels

9:00 AM † Don Miller – Cecilia Beechey

Thursday, September 30– St. Jerome, Priest, Doctor

9:00 AM Intentions of Alex Cronin – Elizabeth Van Dam

For Peace & Reconciliation

Friday, October 1 – St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus,

Virgin, Doctor

9:00 AM Intentions of Rita Hammer – Elizabeth Van Dam

Saturday, October 2 – Holy Guardian Angels

Vigil of the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM † Leo Reitzel – John & Sharon Carey

† Al Dietrich – Bob Reinhart

Sunday, October 3 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM † Carl King – Phyllis Augustine-Sprout

11:30 AM People of St. Louis Parish

Reflections on the First Reading: Numbers 11:25-29

When Moses complains that leading the Israelites is too much of a burden for him alone to bear (Numbers 11:14-17), the Lord takes some of the Spirit that is on him and bestows it on elders who then assist him by prophesying. Like all biblical Prophets, their main task is to persuade the people to follow the Lord and the divine teaching with more integrity.

Two Israelites, Eldad and Medad, apparently were on the list but do not attend the ceremony at the Tent of Meeting, the portable sanctuary that symbolizes God's presence with the people in the wilderness. The elders who do show up for the rite prophesy briefly and only by the Tent. Eldad and Medad, however, keep on prophesying "in the camp," out among the people. This anecdote (last edited around 400 BC) seems to reflect the tensions that existed during the monarchy between court prophets, who were appointed by the king, and "lay" Prophets whom the Lord called but who held no official position.

Joshua's concern is the unofficial status of Eldad and Medad, who were not liturgically installed. When he hears of their prophesying, he urges Moses to stop them. But Moses, who has learned that the Lord traditionally acts in untraditional ways, expresses his deep desire that all the Lord's people live as spirit-filled Prophets. His wish eventually comes to fruition in Christian Baptism where believers receive the Spirit and are anointed "Prophets," not for a temporary mission, but for life. Not only around the "Tent," but out "in the camp."

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



Today's readings speak of the gifts of prophecy and of casting out demons. If you feel that God is calling you with the gift 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.

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.

2021 is the Year of St. Joseph.

Pope Francis' favourite prayer to St. Joseph:



Glorious Patriarch Saint Joseph, whose power makes the impossible possible, come to my aid in these times of anguish and difficulty. Take under your protection the serious and troubling situations that I commend to you, that they may have a happy outcome. My beloved father, all my trust is in you. Let it not be said that I invoked you in vain, and since you can do everything with Jesus and Mary, show me that your goodness is as great as your power. Amen.

September 30th is National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

Mass on that day will be offered for that intention.

The office will be closed.

Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada: Thank you for your ongoing support!

Each year, and with the generosity of Catholic faithful from coast to coast to coast, the Bishops of Canada continue their work on relations with Indigenous peoples, important doctrinal and ethical questions; ecumenical initiatives and interreligious dialogue; international relations; evangelization, faith education and catechesis; questions of social justice; responsible ministry, and the development of a culture of life and family. In addition to their national Conference, the Bishops of Canada also meet in four Regional Assemblies (Atlantic, Quebec, Ontario and the West). The CCCB and the regional assemblies include the Bishops of the Latin Church, as well as the Eparchial Bishops of the Eastern Catholic Churches. On behalf of all Bishops of Canada, the Most Reverend Richard Gagnon, Archbishop of Winnipeg and CCCB President, shares his gratitude for the continued support of the Church's pastoral mission through prayers, gestures of kindness, encouragement, and generosity. "On behalf of all Canada's Bishops I would like to thank you for your ongoing support. May the Lord to extend his grace and love upon you and your loved ones."



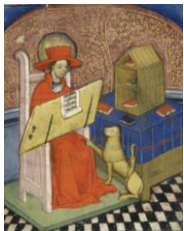
Saint Vincent de Paul's Story (1580 – 1660) - The deathbed confession of a dying servant opened Vincent de Paul's eyes to the crying spiritual needs of the peasantry of France. This seems to have been a crucial moment in the life of the man from a small farm in Gascony, France, who had become a priest with little more ambition than to have a comfortable life.

The Countess de Gondi persuaded her husband to endow and support a group of able and zealous missionaries who would work among poor tenant farmers and country people in general. Vincent was too humble to accept leadership at first, but after working for some time in Paris among imprisoned galley slaves, he returned to be the leader of what is now known as the Congregation of the Mission, or the Vincentians. These priests, with vows of poverty, chastity, obedience, and stability, were to devote themselves entirely to the people in smaller towns and villages.

Later, Vincent established confraternities of charity for the spiritual and physical relief of the poor and sick of each parish. From these, with the help of St. Louise de Marillac, came the Daughters of Charity, "whose convent is the sickroom, whose chapel is the parish church, whose cloister is the streets of the city." He organized the rich women of Paris to collect funds for his missionary projects, founded several hospitals, collected relief funds for the victims of war, and ransomed over 1,200 galley slaves from North Africa. He was zealous in conducting retreats for clergy at a time when there was great laxity, abuse, and ignorance among them. He was a pioneer in clerical training and was instrumental in establishing seminaries.

Most remarkably, Vincent was by temperament a very irascible person. He said that except for the grace of God he would have been "hard and repulsive, rough and cross." But he became a tender and affectionate man, very sensitive to the needs of others.

Pope Leo XIII made him the patron of all charitable societies. Outstanding among these, of course, is the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, founded in 1833 by his admirer Blessed Frédéric Ozanam. (From franciscanmedia.org)



Saint Jerome's Story (c. 342 - 420) - Most of the saints are remembered for some outstanding virtue or devotion which they practiced, but Jerome is frequently remembered for his bad temper! It is true that he had a very bad temper and could use a vitriolic pen, but his love for God, and His Son Jesus Christ, was extraordinarily intense; anyone who taught error was an enemy of God and truth, and St. Jerome went after them with his mighty, and sometimes sarcastic, pen.

He was above all a Scripture scholar, translating most of the Old Testament from Hebrew. Jerome also wrote commentaries which are a great source of scriptural inspiration for us today. He was an avid student, a thorough scholar, a prodigious letter-writer, and a consultant to monk, bishop, and pope. Saint Augustine said of him, "What Jerome is ignorant of, no mortal has ever known."

St. Jerome is particularly important for having made the Vulgate - the translation of the Bible into Latin. It is not the most critical edition of the Bible, but its acceptance by the Church was fortunate. As a modern scholar says, "No man before Jerome, or among his contemporaries, and very few men for many centuries afterwards, were so well qualified to do the work." The Council of Trent called for a new and corrected edition of the Vulgate, and declared it the authentic text to be used in the Church.

In order to be able to do such work, Jerome prepared himself well, mastering Latin, Greek, Hebrew, and Chaldaic. He began his studies in Stridon in Dalmatia. Later he went to Rome, and thence to Trier, Germany. He spent several years in each place, always trying to find the very best teachers. He traveled extensively in Palestine, marking each spot of Christ's life with an outpouring of devotion. He spent five years in the desert of Chalcis so that he might give himself up to prayer, penance, and study. Finally, he settled in Bethlehem, where he lived in the cave believed to have been the birthplace of Christ. Jerome died in Bethlehem, and the remains of his body now lie buried in the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome. (From franciscanmedia.org).



Saint Thérèse of Lisieux's Story - "I prefer the monotony of obscure sacrifice to all ecstasies. To pick up a pin for love can convert a soul."

These are the words of Thérèse of Lisieux, a Carmelite nun called the "Little Flower," who lived a cloistered life of obscurity in the convent of Lisieux, France. And her preference for hidden sacrifice did indeed convert souls. Few saints of God are more popular than this young nun. Her autobiography, *The Story of a Soul*, is read and loved throughout the world. Thérèse Martin entered the convent at the age of 15 and died in 1897 at the age of 24.

Life in a Carmelite convent is indeed uneventful and consists mainly of prayer and hard domestic work. But Thérèse possessed that holy insight that redeems the time, however dull that time may be. She saw in quiet suffering a redemptive suffering, suffering that was indeed her apostolate. Thérèse said she came to the Carmel convent "to save souls and pray for priests." And shortly before she died, she wrote: "I want to spend my heaven doing good on earth." Thérèse was canonized in 1925 and in 1997 proclaimed a Doctor of the Church, the third woman to be so recognized. (From franciscanmedia.org)



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.

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.



Dear Ladies, **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.

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 7 AM to 7 PM 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.

Angels—messengers from God—appear frequently in Scripture, but only Michael, Gabriel and Raphael are named. Michael appears in Daniel's vision as "the great prince" who defends Israel against its enemies; in the Book of Revelation, he leads God's armies to final victory over the forces of evil. Gabriel also makes an appearance in Daniel's visions, announcing Michael's role in God's plan. His best-known appearance is the Annunciation to Mary, who consents to bear the Messiah. Raphael's activity is confined to the Old Testament story of Tobit. There he appears to guide Tobit's son Tobiah through a series of fantastic adventures which lead to a threefold happy ending.

Guardian angels' role is to represent individuals before God, to watch over them always, to aid their prayer, and to present their souls to God at death. The concept of an angel assigned to guide and nurture each human being is a development of Catholic doctrine and piety based on Scripture but not directly drawn from it. Jesus' words in Matthew 18:10 best support the belief: "See that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that their angels in heaven always look upon the face of my heavenly Father." (From franciscanmedia.org)



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, 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 4 PM on Friday. PICK UP TIMES: 4:30 PM TO 6 PM; 1 PC \$15, 2 PC \$18 - TAX INCL.

Date	Sunday	Maint.	Diocesan	Loose	Pre Auth.
Sep. 19	\$ 1480.00	\$ 105.00	\$374.90	\$ 42.10	\$ 2643.69

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