

St. Louis Catholic Church

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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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Welcome new members - We would like to invite you to register. Registration forms can be found in the narthex (lobby). Please call the parish if you would like your home to be blessed.

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 - John Miller (john@johnbmiller.ca),

5:00 Choir - Peter DeSousa and Youth Music (peterdesousa730@gmail.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 attending members, please contact the parish office at least one year in advance of your date. A marriage preparation course is required.

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. Privacy-of-Information laws prohibit the parish from obtaining information about parishioners in the hospital.

Priesthood and Religious Life - Is God calling you to religious life, as a Brother, Deacon or Priest? If so, please contact Fr. Toby Collins, C.R., Vocation Director for the Congregation of the Resurrection, at 226-989-1057, crvocations@gmail.com or check www.resurrectionist.ca

Low gluten hosts are available upon prior request.

Parish Organizations and Contacts:

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For food hamper or more information call 519-743-4101



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Monday, September 28

No Mass

**Tuesday, September 29 – St. Michael, St. Gabriel,
St. Raphael, Archangels**

9:00 am † Fr. Bob Liddy C.R. – Fran Ruetz

Wednesday, September 30 - St. Jerome, Priest, Doctor

9:00 am † Angus Horne – Fran Ruetz

**Thursday, October 1 – St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus,
Virgin, Doctor**

9:00 am † George Heinsz – Fran Ruetz

Friday, October 2 – Holy Guardian Angels

9:00 am The intentions of Sebastian - Malton Family

Saturday, October 3

Sunday liturgy – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm People of St. Louis Parish

Sunday, October 4 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 am † John Lowry – Dorothy Lowry

† Fr. Bob Liddy C.R. – Malton Family

The intentions of Allan Martin – Suzanne Perry

11:30 am † Theresa Hause – The Family

† Blair Lefneski & Family – Don & Lorraine Prior
& Family

† Grant Uhrig – Amelia & Family

For the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Today's passage from the Letter of St. James shifts from instruction on how to live and proper disposition underlying a righteous life to warnings for those who ignore such teaching. Immediately before today's Second Reading, the author has cautioned against overly confident preparation for the future, since all things are divinely ordained. In each present moment, one ought to do God's will, and whoever fails to do what he or she knows to be right commits sin.

James addresses the warning that follows in today's Scripture to those who expend great effort amassing wealth in this world. Again he stresses that the present world is transitory, and so the attempt to store up riches for the future is fruitless. Further, those who have cheated others to secure luxury for themselves will find God on the side of the poor who suffered because of their grasping for wealth. Increasing riches and pleasure for oneself at the cost of fair treatment of others is momentary; God's just recompense will last forever.

In today's Gospel Jesus uses various teaching techniques to emphasize that anything that might cause a disciple to sin, however indispensable it might seem, must be renounced. Reference to punishment for sin in Gehenna reflects the Jewish thought of the time, which included notions of a final judgement with reward or punishment for righteous or unrighteous lives. In actuality, Gehenna was the valley of ben Hinnom below Jerusalem, which served as the city dump, continually burning. It was also the place where Israelite kings had burned their own sons as offerings to a foreign god (Jeremiah 7:30 -32). Gehenna thus served as an apt image of both sin and punishment. Jesus' major teaching, however, focuses on avoidance of all that might lead to sin.

Upcoming Events

Monday, September 28

4:00 pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Convent
Levels I & II & III

7:30 pm Faith Enrichment: *Symbolon* (2/10) Large Hall

Tuesday, September 29

1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry meeting Convent

Wednesday, September 30

7:00 pm Confirmation Class N.D. Hall

7:30 pm (11:30) Choir rehearsal Church

Thursday, October 1

9:30 am Small Christian Community N.D. Hall


1:00 pm Bible Study: *Gospel of Luke* Large Hall

7:30 pm RCIA Large Hall

7:30 pm (9:30) Choir rehearsal Church

Friday, October 2

6:00 pm Adoration & Benediction Church

7:00 pm  Talk: *The Seven Best Kept
Secrets of the Catholic
Church* (2/7) Large Hall

7:30 pm Youth Group Meeting Convent


Saturday, October 3

6:00 pm Spaghetti Supper Gym

Sunday, October 4

12:30 pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Convent

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. Oct 3 5:00 pm	1 Mary Smith 2 Debbie Delattre C Marnie Wharnsby	1 Grant Ertel 2 Marilyn Foster 3 Joan Sichewski
Sun. Oct 4 9:30 am	1 Christopher Bishop 2 Jack Bishop C Tom Bishop	1 Jeff Dinner 2 Rob Hinsperger 3 Justine Krause
11:30 am	1 Kelly Krause 2 Ioanna Malton C Rose Nastnak	1 Patti Walsh 2 Marianne Butler 3 Pegg LeRoux

 **40 DAYS FOR LIFE™** Fall campaign has begun on September 23rd and ends on November 1st, 2015. Daily hours in front of Freeport Hospital are from 6 am to 9 pm. **Our Parish has agreed to sponsor Thursday October 1st and together we are committing to filling all the hours on this day.** We need at least 2 people to sign-up for each hour.

At the back of the church you will see Adopt-a Day sign-up sheets on the 40 Days for Life table. We ask that you consider signing up for one or more hours that day.

**KW Life Chain Memorial – Sunday Oct 4th, 2015 2- 3pm at
Kitchener City Hall (200 King St. W. Kit.).** We mourn the loss of over 3.5 million children aborted in Canada since 1970. Bring your Family, Friends and hold a sign along King St. in Silent Prayer. A memorial service will be held at 2:50 pm.



Next Catholic Women's League meeting - Wednesday, Oct. 7th. Guest speaker: Eleanor Ross "Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes". More information to follow.

You are invited: Parish Spaghetti supper - Sat. Oct. 3rd after the 5 pm Mass. - Proceeds to CWL programs, speakers & community charities. (No January card party). If you'd like to help serve the plates (buffet style); sell tickets for the cake raffles, or help with dishes that night, please call 519-745-3032. WE NEED YOUR HELP! Sponsored by the CWL and the Social Committee of St. Louis Parish.

Thanksgiving Food Drive: It has been a tradition of St. Louis Parish to present gifts of food or money at Thanksgiving for St. Vincent de Paul food bank at our Parish. Suggested items include: pasta, spaghetti sauce, rice, soups, peanut butter, granola bars, canned vegetables and fruit, pork and beans, cereal, fruit juice, tea & coffee. Thank you and God bless you. Please place donations in front of Sacred Heart Altar.



K of C Oktoberfest Card Party, October 1st Waterloo K of C Hall, 145 Dearborn Pl., Wat., at 6 pm. Sausage on a bun, sauerkraut, desert & great door prizes, \$12. Bring your friends & favourite game.

St. John's CWL is hosting a Day of Spirituality for all, on Sat., Oct. 3rd. The speaker will be the pastor, Fr. Francisco Cruz. Start at 8:30 am; speaker at 9 am; Mass at 11 am; Lunch following Mass. The cost of \$10 includes the hot lunch. RSVP by Sept. 30th – csgosselin17@gmail.com, 519-742-3248.

Discernment Gatherings - If you feel called by God to explore the call to the priesthood or religious life, please join our Discernment Gatherings on 1st and 2nd Saturdays of the month in Waterloo and in Hamilton. For more info, contact Fr. Kuzma, the Vocation Director, at www.HamiltonVocations.com

Come and celebrate with St. David Catholic Secondary School as they turn 50. Join us on Fri., Oct. 9th at 9:45 am at St. David Catholic Secondary School in the gym for our opening event this year with Mass presided by Bishop Crosby. Special seating is provided for the alumni.

A Lifeline for Marriage – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? For confidential information about Retrouvaille, or to register for the Hamilton Diocesan program which begins with a weekend on Oct. 23 - 25 in Niagara Falls please call 905-664-5212 or email: hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca or www.retrouvaille.org.

Time for Two: Growing in Love - The Marriage Encounter/Enrichment weekend will be on Oct. 17&18 at the St. Ignatius Retreat Centre in Deemerton, ON. Contact the Family Ministry Office: 905-528-7988 X 2249 or familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com. Information & on-line registration at www.hamiltondiocese.com.

Collection: September 19 & 20, 2015

Sunday envelopes:	\$	5121.00
Maintenance envelopes;	\$	1094.00
Loose donations:	\$	298.25

Thank you for your generosity and continuous support

Excerpts from: A CALL TO CANADIAN CITIZENS FROM THE CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF CANADA: Statement on Assisted Suicide issued by the Plenary Assembly of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Yesterday, we were at Saint Joseph's Oratory in Montreal to celebrate the Year of Consecrated Life. The Oratory is a special place of prayer, inspired by the city's own Saint Brother André Bessette who brought healing and hope to those in need. It honours Joseph, husband of Mary, Mother of Jesus. We venerate Saint Joseph as patron of Canada, and also as patron of a good death because he had Jesus and Mary at his side to comfort him in his dying.

We affirm our nation's long tradition of caring for the sick and the vulnerable. We cannot but express our outrage at the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada to create a new "constitutional right" in Canada, the so-called "right" to suicide. Nor can we suppress our profound dismay, disappointment and disagreement with the Court's decision. The ruling would legalize an action that, from time immemorial, has been judged immoral: the taking of innocent life. Moreover, it puts at risk the lives of the vulnerable, the depressed, those with physical or mental illness, and those with disabilities.

In the face of the terrible suffering that can be caused by illnesses or depression, a truly human response should be to care, not to kill. Likewise, the response to the anguish and fear people can experience at the end of their lives is to be present to them, offering palliative care, not intentionally to cause their death. The need for palliative care should be one of the most pressing preoccupations of our country and its institutions. This is where the energies and resources of our elected leaders should be directed. This is why we advocate making high-quality palliative care, long-term care, and home care easily accessible to all Canadians.

We are in the midst of a federal election campaign. The candidates' silence on the question of assisted suicide astonishes us. We urge all the citizens of our country to raise this question of life and death at meetings with candidates, to stimulate a true debate worthy of our great country.

The one-year period given by the Supreme Court is far too short for such a fundamental change in our laws to enter into force. We urge the government that is elected on October 19 to invoke the Notwithstanding Clause and extend this timeline to five years. If ever a legal decision warranted invoking this clause in our Constitution, this is it. We need to allow ourselves time to reflect before acting, time to consider seriously the consequences of our actions in dealing with this crucial moral issue.

As Catholic Bishops, we speak in terms that are informed by reason, ethical dialogue, religious conviction and profound respect for the dignity of the human person. Our awareness is shaped by thousands of years of reflection, and by our actions as Christians in following Jesus. The values of Jesus of Nazareth are the basis for our views on assisted suicide. Canada has nothing to fear in committing itself to these profoundly human and life-giving values.

Remembering the humble witness of Saint Brother André, we invite all Canadians to build a society that respects the dignity of every person. May our call be heard with respect, attention and openness.

**The Catholic Bishops of Canada
September 18, 2015**

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