

St. Louis Catholic Church

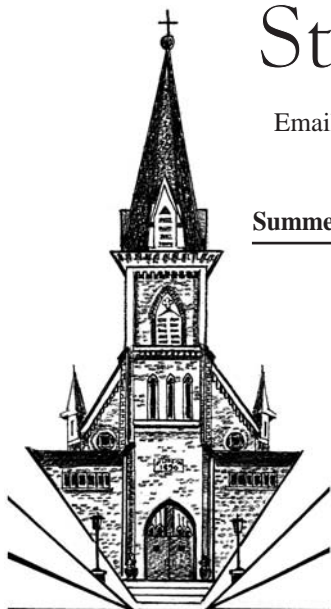
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Weekday Masses:

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.**

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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)

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 resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com or www.resurrectionists.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

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24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS & EVENTS



The Seven Sorrows of Mary are handed down through Catholic Tradition over more than one thousand years. From the connection of Mary with the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross to the writings of church fathers such as St. Ambrose of Milan, to the Seven Founders of the Servite Order, and finally the institution of the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows in 1814, devotion to Mary and her sorrows has pervaded the Church since its foundation. Throughout many apparitions, such as the visions to the Servite founders, St. Bridget of Sweden, and at Fatima, Mary has encouraged the faithful to meditate on her seven sorrows and to accompany her in her sufferings; for it is in accompanying her that we also accompany her Son.

While the devotion to the seven sorrows is taken greatly from private revelation, each of the sorrows has its founding in Sacred Scripture. Each can be found and meditated on through the written word of God. And, even though private revelation is not necessary for salvation, the Church has seen fit to institute a feast in remembrance of Mary's sorrows on September 15th. This should be enough for the faithful to see that meditation on Mary's sorrows is recommended by Holy Mother Church, especially during the month of September which is dedicated to them.

As we will see, all of Our Lady's sorrows are intimately tied to her Son. Truly, this is the foundation of Mariology, the glories of Mary are what they are because she is the Mother of God. The seven sorrows of Mary are:

- The Prophecy of Simeon (Luke 2:34-35)
- The Flight into Egypt (Matthew 2:13-21)
- The Loss of Jesus in the Temple (Luke 2:41-50)
- The Meeting on the Way to the Cross (John 19:17)
- The Crucifixion (John 19:18-30)
- Jesus is Taken Down from the Cross (John 19:39-40)
- Jesus is Laid in the Tomb (John 19:39-42)

Each of these events is a sword that pierced the heart of Mary. Each represents a martyrdom undergone by the Mother of God, as St. Alphonsus Ligouri says, "*Mary was the Queen of Martyrs, for her martyrdom was longer and greater than that of all the martyrs.*" With each martyrdom, she united herself to her beloved Son of whom the Prophet Isaiah speaks: "*He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.*" *Isaiah 53:3*

Our sorrowful mother was so united to her Son, the Man of Sorrows, that she could not be exempt from His suffering standing beneath his cross. St. Ambrose says it beautifully, "*She wanted to die with her Son, so as to rise with Him.*"

In the 14th century, Our Lady revealed seven promises to St. Bridget of Sweden for the faithful who meditate on her sorrows. She promises: I will grant peace to their families.

They will be enlightened about the divine Mysteries.

I will give them as much as they ask for as long as it does not oppose the adorable will of my Divine Son or the sanctification of their souls.

I will defend them in their spiritual battles with the infernal enemy and I will protect them at every instant of their lives.

I will visibly help them at the moment of their death—they will see the face of their mother.

I have obtained this grace from my Divine Son, that those who propagate this devotion to my tears and dolours will be taken directly from this earthly life to eternal happiness, since all their sins will be forgiven, and my Son will be their eternal consolation and joy.

The beauty in these promises does not need to be explained. The graces attached to this devotion are immense!

(From missiodeicatholic.org)

MASS INTENTIONS & EVENTS			
Monday, September 16 – St. Cornelius, Pope & St. Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs, No Mass			
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym	
7:30 PM	Adventure Bible Timeline p. 13	L. Hall	
Tuesday, September 17 – St. Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin, Doctor of the Church			
9:00 AM	To Bring Our Loved Ones Back to the Church – Tuesday Book Group		
7:00 PM	CWL Exec Meeting	L. Hall	
Wednesday, September 18			
9:00 AM	† Kenneth Ayoung-Chee – Amanda Ayoung-Chee		
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym	
7:00 PM	SVDP General Meeting	L. Hall	
Thursday, September 19			
9:00 AM	† Dorothy Battae – Krause Family		
Friday, September 20 – St. Andrew Kim Tae-Gŏn, Priest & Paul Chŏng Ha-Sang & Companions, Martyrs			
9:00 AM	† Dorothy Battae – Book Group		
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym	
Saturday, September 21 – St. Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist			
Vigil of 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time			
5:00 PM	People of St. Louis Parish		
Sunday, September 22 – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time			
9:30 AM	Intentions of Hailey & Anthony on their First Wedding Anniversary – St. Louis Quilting Club		
	Intentions of Courtney Chilton & Antonio Alves on their Three Month Anniversary – Sprout Family		
	Intentions of Karen Napier – Amanda Ayoung-Chee		
	10:30 AM	Coffee time	L. Hall
11:30 AM	Deceased Members of Rudnisky & Collyer Families – Jim & Bonnie Rudnisky		
	† Doreen O'Grady – Don & Lorraine Prior & Family		
	† Glenn Prior – Don & Lorraine Prior & Family		
	12:30 PM	Bible Timeline (with food) p.14	
			L. Hall

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

The Book of Isaiah repeatedly refers to a servant whose identity remains intentionally vague. In four so-called Servant Songs (Isaiah 42:1-4, 49:1-6, 50:4-11, 52:13-53:12), this servant is the primary agent. Today's first reading is part of one of those songs. In it we hear of the close relationship that the Lord forges with the servant. God has opened the servant's ears – a remarkable grace that is to be celebrated! This language of "opening" continues a message from last week's Gospel in which Jesus opened a deaf man's ears to hear by touching them. At the same time, Isaiah advances last week's message. By pointing out the ramifications of having ears opened to God's message and remaining loyal to (or at least not rebelling against) God's message, Isaiah shows that loyalty to God can lead to great suffering. The servant endures beatings, beard-pluckings, and spitting. Yet, through all these indignities the servant endures with God's help. In fact, by remaining loyal to God through suffering, the servant's resolve strengthens. No one can rightly bring a dispute against him, or his case. And he knows it! Fully convinced that God will support him is a case or a trial is brought against him, the servant repeatedly taunts potential contenders, daring them to confront him and his cause. In the servant, then, we see that being loyal to God may mean suffering. At the same time, we also recognize in the servant that suffering-hardened loyalty can beget courage and boldness of the highest order.

(From Workbook for Lectors etc.)



Attention all Parishioners: St. Louis CWL is trying a new fundraiser this year: Vista VIP Gift Cards. The way it works is easy. Buy gift cards to stores where you normally do your shopping: Sobeys, Canadian Tire, Giant Tiger, Tim Horton's, Esso and many more. You can use the gift cards instead of paying cash, debit or credit card when you do your regular shopping. You can of course also buy the gift cards as gifts for others. We buy the gift cards from Vista VIP and for every gift card you purchase, we make a small profit (2 to 10% of the amount of the gift card). To purchase gift cards, please call or email Patti Pagett at: 519-501-8062, dpac@golden.net. We can accept cash or cheque (made out to St. Louis CWL) to purchase the gift cards. The last day to purchase gift cards will be at our October General Meeting on Oct. 2nd.

Babysitting - we are in need of volunteers to help. The commitment would be once a month. We look after children from 0-6 yrs of age during the 9:30 AM Mass. If you can help with this ministry please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office.

Liturgy of the Word (during 9:30 AM Mass) – we are in need of volunteers. We need both volunteers who would be willing to lead the children in reading the first reading and the Gospel and then having a short discussion regarding what they have heard, and volunteers who might be more comfortable just being the second adult who can help here and there but not lead. I have one volunteer already who will lead but does not have the second adult to be in the room with them. We need two adults for each team. The commitment would be once a month. If you can help contact Kelly Krause at the parish office.

Youth group - Kelly would like to consider starting up a youth group this year. She is in need of an adult volunteer who would be interested helping co-lead. Kelly would be running a variety of activities from games to discussions and maybe a field trip or two. She is looking at possibly at getting together once or twice a month after the 5 PM Mass. If you would be interested in helping get this ministry back up and running, please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office.

Confirmation – if you have a child in grade 7 or older and would like to receive this sacrament here at St. Louis parish, classes will begin Wed., Oct. 7th from 7 PM - 8:30 PM. Confirmation will take place Sunday, Dec. 1st at the 9:30 AM Mass. To register for this class please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office.

Painting with Kelly will resume Tue., Sep. 24th from 7 -9 PM. If you would like to sign up for this class, contact Kelly at the parish office.

Bible Timeline Bible study resumes Sep. 15th at 12:30 PM (with light lunch, till 1:40 PM) and Sep. 16th at 7:30 – 9 PM with the topic of *Divided Kingdom*. (In the Large Hall). New comers always welcome.

Tuesday morning **Book Group** will start again on Sep. 17th (9:30-10:30 AM) with a new book by Fr. Jacques Philippe “*Searching for and Maintaining Peace – A Small Treatise on Peace of Heart*”. We read together and discuss the text. No homework. Come when you can. All welcome. Refreshments provided.

Resurrectionist Vocation Minute - ...But what if our identity is not something we construct for ourselves, but a gift we receive from a relationship? Although Jesus asks his disciples in today's Gospel: “who do you say that I am?”, have you ever asked the same question of Jesus? “Jesus, who do you say that I am?” The answer is your vocation. Fr. Raphael Ma, CR; resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com

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Sep 8	3863.25	378.45	525.00	0.00	2200.54

Thank you for your donations

From September 25th to November 23rd, 2024, we invite you to be part of the **40 Days for Life campaign**, a powerful global movement to pray for the end of abortion. Over these 40 Days, you are encouraged to join us in 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 – 7 PM, seven days per week. Your prayers can make a difference. Consider Adopting-an-Hour a week, which is only 6 hours over the span of the campaign. It is vital to spread the message that human life is sacred, to provide hope to those in need, and have laws that protect innocent babies.

Opening Rally: Join us on Tuesday, Sep. 24th at 7 PM at Sacred Heart Parish, 66 Shanley Street, Kitchener. Parking at the back of the church. Holy Mass at 7 PM. 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! You can also sign up for prayer hours online at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or by emailing/calling Evy at 40DaysKW@gmail.com or 519-607-1550.

Ministers of The Word formation – provided by the Diocese of Hamilton. In this workshop, participants receive formation in Liturgy and Ministry, Techniques to Proclaim the Word of God, and an opportunity to practice. It is ideal for both parishioners new to this ministry, or considering it and a good refresher for experienced Ministers of the Word. Participants receive a mandate from the Bishop of Hamilton. The cost is \$30 (includes lunch), reimbursed by the parish. Dates: Sat., Sep. 21, Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph, 9:30 AM to 3 PM or Sat., Nov. 9, St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Hamilton, 9:30 AM to 3 PM. Participants register through the Diocese of Hamilton website under Upcoming Events/Workshops.

Act II (Separated & Divorced Support Group) - 3rd Tuesday of every month - 7:30 PM at St. Michael Parish, Waterloo. With the support of others you can begin to heal the emotional, social and spiritual devastation of divorce. Join us when you can. For more info. check www.stmichaelw.ca/separated-and-divorced, or contact St. Michael's Parish office 519-884-9311, or parish@stmichaelw.ca.

Heartache to Healing-Grief Support Group-St. Michael Parish, Wat. Grief support provides companionship on the long journey through the grief process. All who have suffered a loss are welcome, regardless of how much time has passed. Monthly drop-in support - available at St. Michael Parish on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7PM.

6 week Program - theory and sharing - The program runs Wed. evenings for 6 weeks, from Oct. 16th to Nov. 20th at St. Michael Parish. Register by Oct. 1st. Contact St. Michael's Parish office 519-884-9311, or parish@stmichaelw.ca.



Mass & Reception for the Carmelite Nuns in St. Agatha celebrated by Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger at Holy Family Croatian Roman Catholic Church (180 Schweitzer St. Kitchener) on Mon., Oct. 28 at 5 PM, followed by a sit-down dinner in the reception hall. Meal for 2 people is a minimum donation of \$250 (eligible for a full tax receipt) and can be mailed to Carmel of St. Joseph 1127 Carmel-Koch Rd., RR1, St. Agatha, ON N0B 2L0, or 'Donate Now' at www.thecarmel.ca. RSVP by Oct 10. Please contact Liz Motz 519-590- 4808 with questions.

Maryhill Historical Society Heritage Day – Sun., Sep. 22. Mass at 11 AM, followed by lunch at the Maryhill Heritage Park Community Centre (58 St. Charles St. E., Maryhill). Tickets required for lunch \$15. Email: maryhillroots@gmail.com or Diane 519- 648-2432, Tom 519-824-4074 / 519-837-6967 or Linda 519-242-9595. After lunch: car cavalcade to the area shrines. Edward Halter House (Historical Society) will be open.



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