St. Louis Catholic Church

53 Allen Street East, Waterloo ON N2J 1J3 Tel: 519-743-4101 Email: stlouiswaterloo@hamiltondiocese.com Web site: www.saintlouisparish.ca 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.

Custodian

Doug Lichty

Pastoral Team:

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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 Annointing 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 (Annointing).

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 Terry Collins, 519-741-1534

Amoris Laetitia Family

Year 2021 - 2022

Maintenance Committee Bob Lorentz, 519-576-5556

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Parish Webmaster Daniel Delattre, daniel@uwaterloo.ca Altar Servers Coordinator Dave Pagett, 519-744-7705

Catechesis Of The Good Shepherd, Youth Ministry Kelly Krause, 519-743-4101

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Prayer Shawl Ministry Sandra Williams, 519-742-9239

Prayer Chain Sharon Carey, 519-746-8073

St. Vincent De Paul For food hamper or more information call 519-743-4101



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HOSTS

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 25 – St. Mark, Evangelist – No Mass Tuesday, April 26 – Our Lady of Good Counsel 9:00 AM To Bring Our Loved Ones Home to the Church Wednesday, April 27 9:00 AM † Jean Willson- Prayer Shawl Ministry Thursday, April 28 – St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest

9:00 AM † John Kell – Donna Duquette
Friday, April 29-St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor
9:00 AM Intentions of Murray Family – Elizabeth Van Dam
Saturday. April 30 – St. Marie de L'Incarnation.

Religious

Vigil of Third Sunday of Easter

5:00PM For People of St. Louis Parish

Sunday, May 1 – Third Sunday of Easter

9:30 AM Intentions of Victoria Granger – Amanda Ayoung-Chee † Kathleen Pendergast – John Pendergast † Wanda Hadenko – Mother

11:30 AM For Children Receiving Their First Communion and Their Families

Reflection on the First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 5:12-16

The opening chapters of the Acts of the Apostles describe an infant Church that is very much concerned with the generous outpouring of gifts and talents to be shared with the Christian community. Today's reading immediately follows the story of greed: Ananias and Sapphira were a married couple who schemed to withhold more money than they needed from the sale of property. Their avarice led to both of them dying suddenly at Peter's feet.

Today's reading is one of life. Not only do we witness the grand multiplication of believers in the fold of the Church, but we also see Peter's gift of curing the sick and tormented.

Although we do not hear the story of the fraud of Ananias and Sapphira in the liturgy today, it is helpful to read the success of the growth and faith of the early Church in tandem with their story. We are tempted to imagine the early Church as a perfect utopia, with everyone sharing all things in common and the needs of the poor satisfied without any difficulty. We should be careful not to romanticize the fledgling community. The explosion of faith and the ability of the Apostles to work wonders in the Lord's name most likely came with growing pains, disappointments, and stress. Yes, we should see the early Church in a positive light and take to heart the charitable attitude engendered there, but we must also recognize that the work of achieving unity in Christ was and is possible only with perseverance and trials. (*From* the *Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word.*)

The Real Me: Drawing Teens Out of the Shadows is the 4th talk for the Hamilton Diocesan Speaker Series. Our speaker, Roy Petitfils, has spent his life helping teens not to feel invisible. During his presentation he will provide insights into how parents/teachers/parish staff/others can help ensure no child ever feels unseen. Roy will provide practical and experiential antidotes on how to assist teens to feel empowered, supported and strong enough to come out of the shadows and thrive in their lives. Join us Tuesday, April 26th from 7-8:30p.m. He is the author of, *What Teens Want You to Know (But Won't Tell You), What I Wish Someone Had Told Me About the First Five Years of Marriage* and God *Wears Running Shoes: Spiritual Reflections for Those Ministering to Young People.* For more info. and to register visit: amorislaetitia.hamiltondiocese.com, or contact Teresa Hartnett at thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com, or 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.



"Mercy, is an indispensable dimension of love; it is, as it were, love's second name and, at the same time, the specific manner in which love is revealed and effected vis-a-vis the reality of the evil that is in the world,

affecting and besieging man, insinuating itself even into his heart." "The Church lives an authentic life when she professes and proclaims mercy – the most stupendous attribute of the Creator and of the Redeemer – and when she brings people close to the sources of the Saviour's mercy, of which she is the trustee and dispenser. Of great significance in this area is constant meditation on the Word of God, and above all conscious and mature participation in the Eucharist and in the sacrament of penance or reconciliation." - Pope John Paul II

During the course of Jesus' revelations to St. Faustina (Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy) on the Divine Mercy He asked on numerous occasions that a feast day be dedicated to the Divine Mercy and that this feast be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. The liturgical texts of the 2nd Sunday of Easter, concern the institution of the Sacrament of Penance, the Tribunal of the Divine Mercy, and are thus already suited to the request of Our Lord. This Feast was granted to the Universal Church by Pope John Paul II on the occasion of the canonization of Sr. Faustina on 30 April 2000. On that day the Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed at 3 PM during services in some parishes in KW area (St. Agnes in Waterloo, Sacred Heart in Kitchener)

Evenings with His Excellency, Bishop Lobsinger - Join Auxiliary Bishop, Wayne Lobsinger, for Evenings with His Excellency, an opportunity to learn more and ask questions about our Catholic Faith. You may attend online, or in person at Canadian Martyrs Parish, Hamilton, on the 2nd Friday of every month (next one on May 13th) from 7:00 ΡM to 8:30 PM. For more info.. visit: canadianmartyrshamilton.com/upcoming/2021/9/10/evenings-with-hisexcellency.

Wedding Anniversary Mass 2022 Registration: The Wedding Anniversary Mass, which would normally have been scheduled for June of 2022, will not occur this year due to the continued concerns around COVID-19. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years of marriage on the Diocesan website at <u>hamiltondiocese.com</u> and we will be happy to send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass. The Wedding Anniversary Mass is listed on the home page under Upcoming Events.

Reel Justice Film Festival April 28, 2022 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM will show the program *Seed: The Untold Story*. As biotech companies control the majority of our seeds, farmers, scientists, lawyers, and indigenous seed keepers fight to defend the future of our food. In a harrowing and heartening story, these reluctant heroes rekindle a lost connection to our most treasured resource and revive a culture connected to seeds. The Reel Justice Film Festival is a partnership between Development & Peace and the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives. Visit us online at reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com to view our 2022 schedule or to secure your spot at any of our virtual screenings!



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Waterloo is hosting a High Tea Lunch in honour of Mother's Day, on Sunday, May 8 at 12:00 p.m.

in the OLOL parish hall. Bring your whole family, Tickets are \$20 (adult), \$15 (senior), \$10 (child of 8 years and under) (first come, first served). For more information and to purchase tickets: please call Patrycja at 519-886-0342 or email <u>lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com</u>

APRIL 24, 2022



The Bible and the Church Fathers - video study program for Lent from St. Paul Centre for Biblical Theology after both Sunday Masses in the Large Hall. It consists of a 20 minute video followed by a brief discussion. Refreshments offered. Come and check it out.

Synopsis of the previous session ("New Testament"):

The term "New Testament" was not used in the 1st and most of the 2nd century. The first time it was used (by St. Irenaeus writing against the heretic Marcion) it did not refer to a set of 27 books, since the Canon has not been defined yet. Irenaeus uses the term to refer to the new order that was brought about by Christ's coming. He connects it to what Christ gave us at the Last Supper. St. Clement of Alexandria declares that the New Testament is the reason God became man, and was given at the Last Supper.

To understand what the Church Fathers meant by the term "New Testament" we need to go to the original languages: Hebrew and Greek. Hebrew word b'rith and Greek word diatheke are more precisely translated "covenant". For Jews this word referred to profound family bond and a ritual associated with it, and not a book.

The term "New Covenant" appears for the first time in the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah (31:31-33). The word kainē ("new") in the Greek translation indicated newness in time, but has a significant nuance. It reveals that this covenant will be different than anything that has come before. It is the same word the Apostle John used to describe the "new heaven and new earth" that will come at the end of time in the Book of Revelation (Rev 21:1). The phrase kainē diathēkē appears six times in: Luke 22:20, 1 Cor. 11:25, 2 Cor. 3:6, Heb 8:8, 8:13, 9:15. Each time it refers to the new covenant Jesus made as the perfect mediator between man and God. The only time Jesus Himself uses this term is at the Last Supper account in Luke 22, in the middle of the covenantal meal: Passover. The institution of this covenant is described also in the Gospel of Matthew and Gospel of Mark and Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians. Christ intended to inaugurate a new covenant at the Last Supper. The oath and meal took place during the Last Supper, but the blood sacrifice took place on the Cross. Jesus, the High Priest, offered Himself as the victim. The Mass is not simply a meal, nor is it simply a sacrifice. It is an offering of Christ, the death of Christ and His victory over death in Resurrection, which we celebrated in the Mass. This is how the Fathers of the Church understood the New Testament.



Prayer Shawl Meeting on Tuesday April 26th at 1 PM in the Large Hall.

Painting with Kelly - classes will begin Tuesday, April 26th from 7 PM to 9 PM. Beginners are welcome. If you have never tried painting before, but always wanted to, then this is the class for you. The project we will be working

on is a set of 4 wooden coasters with various spring floral designs on them. I will walk you through painting each one step by step. Cost is \$20 for all the supplies to be provided except paint brushes. To register, or to get more information, please call Kelly at the parish office.



St. Louis C.W.L. warmly welcomes all members and nonmembers to our next General Meeting which will take place on Wednesday, May 4th beginning with Mass at 7PM with meeting to follow in the Large Hall where refreshments will be served.

Our May General Meetings are very special as we have a Crowning of Mary ceremony and a presentation of service pins directly following Mass. Please join us for a wonderful evening.

Thomas believed because he saw Jesus. What will it take for you to respond to God's Call to priesthood, diaconate, or Pray consecrated life?. If God is calling you contact Most Rev. W. Lobsinger, Aux. Bp. & 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, St. Agatha at 519-884-6700.

PRAYERS FOR PEACE

St. Louis Bells (Our bells, "St. Louis, Confessor King" and "St. Magdelena" are 115 years old!) are rung every night at 7 PM to call us to prayers for Peace wherever we are.





Pick up your Morning Glory seedling, pray for Peace and Mercy and, if you wish, make a donation to the D&P fund to relieve suffering in the Ukraine.

Resurrection Manor in Waterloo is in need of a gardener(s) to tend to our flower beds. Hours and compensation are negotiable. Please call Brother John C.R. at 519-772-2944.







Counsel

Tuesday, April 26, 2022 - 7pm

Vigil Prayer Service for Deceased Members of the CWL

Spiritual Advisors





CWL Members are invited to come in person, or join via live-stream. This Vigil Prayer Service is hosted and live-streamed by the following

parishes in our Diocese: St. Matthew in Oakville (1150 Monks Passage), saintmatthew.ca St. Pius in Brantford (9 Waverly Street), stpiusbrantford.ca St. Joseph in Fergus (760 St. David Street), stjosephfergus.org Holy Name in Hanover (352 10th Avenue), holyfamily.ca

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