St. Louis Catholic Church

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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.



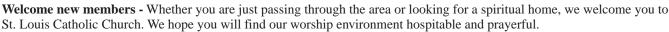
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People often attend Mass at a parish for months or years without officially registering. Registration here at St. Louis is an expression of your commitment to being an active member of our community. Parish registration simplifies the process with 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

Maintenance Committee

2021

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

Bob Lorentz, 519-576-5556

OOTC Community Suppers

Keith & Sharon Schnarr 519-801-8687

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

Catholic Women's League Donna Herbstreit, 519-884-9380 Ministry to the Elderly & Homebound

Cecilia Beechey, 519-572-5435

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





FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 26 — No Mass Tuesday, April 27

9:00_{AM} To Bring Our Loved Ones Home to the Church – Monday Lunch & Learn Group

Wednesday, April 28

9:00_{AM} Intentions of Pat Nairn – Cecilia Beechey

Thursday, April 29 - St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor of the Church

9:00 AM † Jacqueline Anne Parent – Deb Zettle-Schmitt

Friday, April 30 - St. Marie De L'Incarnation,

Religious

9:00_{AM} † Patricia Bauer – Cecilia Beechey

Saturday, May 1 - St. Joseph the Worker Vigil of 5th Sunday of Easter

5:00 PM People of St. Louis Parish

Sunday, May 2 - 5th Sunday of Easter

9:30_{AM} † Colonel & Jean Moser – Kim Moser

† Gerald & Audrey Moser – Reid Family † Loretta Schnarr – John & Sharon Carey

Intentions of the Family of Chris Straw – Sprout Family

Reflections on the First Reading: Acts 4: 7-12

Today's reading from the Acts of the Apostles is the first part of Peter's speech before the Sanhedrin. According to Luke's chronology Peter just finished his speech to the people who had gathered in Solomon's Portico of the Jerusalem Temple to ogle at the healing of a crippled man. Almost immediately Peter and John were confronted by the religious leaders associated with the Temple - priests, the captain of the Temple guard, which consisted of Levites, and some Sadducees who were upset with them for preaching about the resurrected Jesus and healing in His name. Sadducees did not believe in the resurrection of the dead. They arrested the two and made them appear before Sanhedrin to answer to their crimes. Luke makes it clear that it is by the power of the Holy Spirit that Peter witnesses to the Risen Jesus. Peter is described as giving a speech much like the one he gave earlier in the Solomon's Portico - beginning with a charge against religious authorities for putting to death Jesus Christ, whom God raised from the dead, followed by a call to repentance and a proclamation of the salvific power of Christ. The image of the stone rejected that becomes a cornerstone comes from Psalm 118:22 and is intended to convey a notion of victory over one's enemies.

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

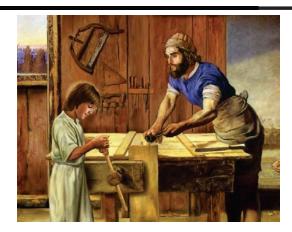
Stay at home order in effect till May 20, 2021.
Churches are closed for public Masses. Fr. Phil celebrates the Masses in private for the intentions requested.
Office is closed. Working from home. Checking email.
Check the website for up to date information.
Bulletins are published on-line only.

Sunday School & Liturgy of the Word (ages 3-10) – is a little different! Join Teacher Kelly every Sunday morning at 10:30 AM for on-line Sunday school session.

SCHOOL ONLINE

We explore our church calendar, sing songs and read the Gospel together where we take away a few important points from the reading. Kelly has a link for a children's bulletin that is full of fun information and activities. Email Kelly (kkrause@hamiltondiocese.com) to get the link to our virtual Sunday school. Join us to learn more about your faith!

St. Louis Youth Group (Gr. 6-12) is meeting on-line twice a month on Friday nights. Contact Kelly for more information.



St. Joseph has two feast days on the liturgical calendar. The first is March 19—Joseph, the Husband of Mary. **The second is May 1—Joseph, the Worker.**

"Saint Joseph is a man of great spirit. He is great in faith, not because he speaks his own words, but above all because he listens to the words of the Living God. He listens in silence. And his heart ceaselessly perseveres in the readiness to accept the Truth contained in the word of the Living God," Pope John Paul II had once said.

There is very little about the life of Joseph in Scripture but still, we know that he was the chaste husband of Mary, the foster father of Jesus, a carpenter and a man who was not wealthy. We also know that he came from the royal lineage of King David.

We can see from his actions in scripture that Joseph was a compassionate man, and obedient to the will of God. He also loved Mary and Jesus and wanted to protect and provide for them. Since Joseph does not appear in Jesus' public life, at his death, or resurrection, many historians believe Joseph had probably died before Jesus entered public ministry.

Joseph is the patron of many things, including the universal Church, fathers, the dying, and social justice. (*Catholic News Agency*)

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Date	Sunday	Loose.	Share Lent	Maint.	Pre Author.
Apr 18	\$ 1450.00	\$ 10.15	\$ 20.00	\$1225.00	\$2675.77

Last weeks' donations - Thank you!



Resurrection by Sculptor Luca Della Robbia, (Italian, 1442-1445) Florence, Cathedral – Depiction of Jesus hovering over the grave. (See imaginemdei.blogspot.com)

WHAT EASTER MEANS by <u>Bishop Robert Barron</u> April 17, 2014 Part 2 (See Part 1 in April 18, 2021 bulletin)

Yet assuming the resurrection is true, what does it mean? It means, first, that the customary manner in which we understand the relationship between order and violence — from the Epic of Gilgamesh to "Game of Thrones" — has to be rethought. On the standard Realpolitik reading of things, order comes about through the violent imposition of strength. And if that order is lost or compromised, it must be restored through answering violence. In Jesus' time, the great principle of order was the Empire of Rome, which maintained its hold through the exertions of its massive army and through the imposition of harsh punishment on those who opposed its purposes. The most terrible and fearsome of these punishments was, of course, the cross, a particularly brutal mode of torture that was purposely carried out in public so as to have greatest deterrent effect. It was precisely on one of these Roman crosses that Jesus of Nazareth was put to death, having been betrayed and abandoned by his friends and condemned by a corrupt tribunal of collaborators.

When the risen Jesus presented himself alive to his disciples, they were, we are told, afraid. Their fear might not have been simply a function of their seeing something uncanny; it might have been grounded in the assumption that he was back for vengeance. However, after showing his wounds, the risen Jesus said to his friends, "Shalom," Peace. The teacher who had urged his followers to turn the other cheek and to meet violence with forgiveness exemplified his own teaching in the most vivid way possible. And what he showed, thereby, was that that the divine manner of establishing order has nothing to do with violence, retribution, or eye-for-an-eye retaliation. Instead, it has to do with a love which swallows up hate, with a forgiveness which triumphs over aggression. It is this great resurrection principle which, explicitly or implicitly, undergirded the liberating work of Martin Luther King, Jr. in America, of Gandhi in India, of Bishop Tutu in South Africa, and of John Paul II in Poland. Those great practitioners of non-violent resistance were able to stand athwart the received wisdom only because they had some sense that in opting for the way of love they were going with the deepest grain of reality, operating in concert with the purposes of God.

Secondly, the resurrection means that God has not given up on his creation. According to the well-known account in the book of Genesis, God made the whole array of finite things — sun, moon, planets, stars, animals, plants, things that creep and crawl on the earth — and found it all good, even very good. There is not a hint of dualism or Manichaeism in the Biblical vision, no setting of the spiritual over and against the material. All that God has made reflects some aspect of his goodness, and all created things together constitute a beautiful and tightly-woven tapestry. As the Old Testament lays out the story, human

sin made a wreck of God's creation, turning the garden into a desert. But the faithful God kept sending rescue operation after rescue operation: Noah's Ark, the prophets, the Law and the Temple, the people of Israel itself. Finally, he sent his only Son, the perfect icon or incarnation of his love. In raising that Son from the dead, God definitively saved and ratified his creation, very much including the material dimension of it (which is why it matters that Jesus was raised bodily from death). Over and again, we have said no to what God has made, but God stubbornly says yes. Inspired by this divine yes, we always have a reason to hope.



The above image of <u>Jesus as a Good Shepherd</u> is a photo of an upper 2/3 of a stained glass window. The entire window comes in three pieces and was found in the basement of our church. We do not know where this window was originally installed in the church, or when it was removed. It is basically of the same size as all the other windows in our church, but without a bottom part that states who funded this window. If you have any information about this window, please contact Fr. Phil.

This Sunday is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The world needs leaders with courage and integrity. The Church needs good leaders as well, leaders who will unselfishly care for the needs of God's people and minister to them. If you feel God is calling you to priesthood, religious life or deaconate, call Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger, Auxiliary Bishop and Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, 905-528-7988, or Fr. Raph Ma, Cong. of Resurrection Vocation Director, at crvocations@gmail.com, or Carmel of St. Joseph in St. Agatha at 519-884-6700.



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