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.



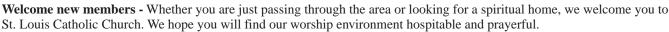
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People often attend Mass at a parish for months or years without officially registering. Registration here at St. Louis is an expression of your commitment to being an active member of our community. Parish registration simplifies the process with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

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Parish Webmaster

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Catechesis Of The Good Shepherd, **Youth Ministry**

Kelly Krause, 519-743-4101

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THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 16 -No Mass Tuesday, August 17

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

Wednesday, August 18

Thursday, August 19

9:00_{AM} Intentions of Joann Koehler – Cecilia Beechey

Friday, August 20 - St. Bernard, Abbot, Doctor

9:00_{AM} † Eileen Fischer

Saturday, August 21 — St. Plus X, Pope Vigil of the Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

† Colonel & Jean Moser – Kim Moser

† Don Miller – Fran Ruetz

† Gerald & Audrey Moser – Reid Family

Sunday, Aug. 22 – 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30_{AM} People of St. Louis

† David Kirby – Kirby Family

† Anthony Haid – Rosemary & Shaun MacNeil Intentions of Martin Family – Krause Family

Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary.

The Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory — Infallibly defined dogma by Pope Pius XII, in Munificentissimus Deus ("Most Bountiful God") on November 1, 1950.

John Paul II explained the meaning of this dogma in more details on July 2, 1997 during General Audience:

The definition of the dogma, in conformity with the universal faith of the People of God, definitively excludes every doubt and calls for the express assent of all Christians.

On Nov. 1, 1950, in defining the dogma of the Assumption, Pius XII avoided using the term "resurrection" and did not take a position on the question of the Blessed Virgin's death as a truth of faith. The Bull limits itself to affirming the elevation of Mary's body to heavenly glory, declaring this truth a "divinely revealed dogma."

The first trace of belief in the Virgin's Assumption is found in the apocryphal accounts entitled Transitus Mariae [Latin, "The Crossing Over of Mary"], whose origin dates to the 2nd and 3rd centuries.

There was a long period of growing reflection on Mary's destiny in the next world. This gradually led the faithful to believe in the glorious raising of the Mother of Jesus, in body and soul, and to the institution in the East of the liturgical feasts of the Dormition ["falling asleep"—i.e., death] and Assumption of Mary.

In May 1946, with the Encyclical Deiparae Virginis Mariae, Pius XII called for a broad consultation, inquiring among the Bishops and the clergy and the People of God as to the possibility and opportuneness of defining the bodily assumption of Mary as a dogma of faith. The response was very positive.

Although the New Testament does not explicitly affirm Mary's Assumption, it offers a basis for it because it strongly emphasized the Blessed Virgin's perfect union with Jesus' destiny.

Pius X noted: The scholastic Doctors have recognized the Assumption of the Virgin Mother of God as something signified, not only in various figures of the Old Testament, but also in that woman clothed with the sun whom John the Apostle contemplated on the Island of Patmos (Rev. 12:1ff).



Similarly they have given special attention to these words of the New Testament: "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you, blessed are you among women" (Luke 1:28), since they saw, in the mystery of the Assumption, the fulfillment of that most perfect grace granted to the Blessed Virgin and the special blessing that countered the curse of Eve [Munificentissimus Deus 27].

According to Pope Benedict XVI during General Audience, August 16, 2006:

By contemplating Mary in heavenly glory, we understand that the earth is not the definitive homeland for us either, and that if we live with our gaze fixed on eternal goods we will one day share in this same glory and the earth will become more beautiful.

Consequently, we must not lose our serenity and peace even amid the thousands of daily difficulties. The luminous sign of Our Lady taken up into Heaven shines out even more brightly when sad shadows of suffering and violence seem to loom on the horizon.

We may be sure of it: from on high, Mary follows our footsteps with gentle concern, dispels the gloom in moments of darkness and distress, reassures us with her motherly hand.

Supported by awareness of this, let us continue confidently on our path of Christian commitment wherever Providence may lead us. Let us forge ahead in our lives under Mary's guidance. (From National Catholic Register article by Jimmy Akin "The Assumption of Mary: 12 Things to know and Share.")

2021 is the Year of St. Joseph.

The following excerpts are taken from the book *Consecration to St. Joseph – The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father* by Fr. Donald H. Calloway, MIC. Fr. Calloway describes ten "wonders" of St. Joseph, which we are following in successive bulletins.

Wonder 7: Adorer of Christ

St. Joseph was the first adorer, the first religious.

Although he [St. Joseph] never adored our Lord under the Eucharistic species and never had the happiness of comunicating [receiving Holy Communion], he did posses and adore Jesus in human form.

St. Joseph knew our Lord more thoroughly than did all the saints together; he lived for Him alone. In that lies his special glory, the keynote of his sanctity. In that, above all, he is our model, and in that too does his incomparable greateness consist. – St. Peter Julian Eymard

How many times did he [St. Joseph], like the lone sparrow, nestle on the roof of that holy temple of the divinity, contemplating this divine Child sleeping in his arms, and thinking of his eternal respose in the bosom of the heavenly Father? – Bl. William Joseph Chaminade

Whenever St. Joseph traveled with his wife and Son, his home became an Adoration chapel. Nazareth, Bethlehem, and Egypt are all places where St. Joseph contemplated the divine presence of Jesus Christ and welcomed others to do the same. In that sense, St. Joseph is the founder of Adoration chapels and, with his wife, is the first to conduct a procession with the Body and Blood of Christ.

After their time in Egypt, St. Joseph and St. Mary walked with Jesus to Nazareth. This long walk was, and remains, the grandest procession of the Body and Blood of Christ ever conducted. It was a procession that covered more than 120 miles!

O God, who conferred upon us a royal priesthood, we pray to You to give us grace to minister at Your holy altars with hearts as clean and lives as blameless as that blessed Joseph who was found to hold in his arms and, with all reverence, carry Your only-begotten Son, born of the Virgin Mary. Enable us this day to receive worthily the sacred Body and Blood of your Son, and equip us to win an everlasting reward in the world to come. Amen. – Pope St. John Paul II



Saint Bernard of Clairvaux's Story - Western Europe's "man of the twelfth century," without doubt or controversy, had to be Bernard of Clairvaux. Adviser of popes, preacher of the Second Crusade, defender of the faith, healer of a schism, reformer of a monastic Order, Scripture scholar, theologian, and eloquent preacher:

any one of these titles would distinguish an ordinary man. Yet Bernard was all of these—and he still retained a burning desire to return to the hidden monastic life of his younger days.

In the year 1111, at the age of 20, Bernard left his home to join the monastic community of Citeaux. His five brothers, two uncles, and some 30 young friends followed him into the monastery. Within four years, a dying community had recovered enough vitality to establish a new house in the nearby valley of Wormwoods, with Bernard as abbot. The zealous young man was quite demanding, though more on himself than others. The valley was soon renamed Clairvaux, the valley of light.

His ability as arbitrator and counselor became widely known. More and more he was lured away from the monastery to settle long-standing disputes. The Holy See prevailed on Bernard to preach the Second Crusade throughout Europe. His eloquence was so overwhelming that a great army was assembled and the success of the crusade seemed assured. The ideals of the men and their leaders, however, were not those of Abbot Bernard, and the project ended as a complete military and moral disaster.

Bernard felt responsible in some way for the degenerative effects of the crusade. This heavy burden possibly hastened his death, which came August 20, 1153. (From franciscanmedia.com)



Pope St. Pius X – is perhaps best remembered for his encouragement of the frequent reception of Holy Communion, especially by children.

The second of 10 children in a poor Italian family, Joseph Sarto became Pius X at age 68. He was one of the 20th century's greatest popes.

Ever mindful of his humble origin, Pope Pius stated, "I was born poor, I lived poor, I will die poor." He was embarrassed by some of the pomp of the papal court.

Interested in politics, Pope Pius encouraged Italian Catholics to become more politically involved. One of his first papal acts was to end the supposed right of governments to interfere by veto in papal elections.

In 1905, when France renounced its agreement with the Holy See and threatened confiscation of Church property if governmental control of Church affairs were not granted, Pius X courageously rejected the demand

While he did not author a famous social encyclical as his predecessor had done, he denounced the ill treatment of indigenous peoples on the plantations of Peru, sent a relief commission to Messina after an earthquake, and sheltered refugees at his own expense.

In 1914 Europe was plunged into World War I. Pius had foreseen it, but it killed him. "This is the last affliction the Lord will visit on me. I would gladly give my life to save my poor children from this ghastly scourge." He died a few weeks after the war began, and was canonized in 1954.

"It is an error to believe that Christ did not teach a determined body of doctrine applicable to all times and to all men, but rather that He inaugurated a religious movement adapted, or to be adapted, to different times and different places." -- Pope Pius X (From franciscanmedia.com)

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Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour". Perhaps the way Christ has called you to magnify the Lord is through the priesthood or religious life. If you think this might be the case contact 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.

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament - St. Teresa of Avila Parish, (44 Leonard St., Kitchener) would like to resume Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in their Divine Mercy Chapel on Sep. 3, 2021 (First Friday). During the month of August, they are reaching out to those who would like to sign up for adoration to ensure safe openning of their chapel and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. If you are ready to dedicate 1 hour, please contact St. Teresa's parish office at 519-743-4525 and they will place you on their list. At least one person per hour is required for adoration.

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 on the Patio, 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 4p.m. on Friday. PICK UP TIMES: 4:30 P.M. TO 6 P.M.; 1 PC \$15, 2 PC \$18 - TAX INCL.

Spaghetti Dinner on Wednesday night is cancelled for now, but will be returning in September with an enlarged menu and dining in or take out. We look forward to welcoming you back, especially to our new patio. May God Bless and Keep you safe.

Waterloo Catholic District School Board is currently accepting applications for the following opportunities: Lunch Hour Supervision. Visit our website for job details and application criteria: www.wcdsb.ca. They are also looking for a volunteer for their Audit Committee.

Marriage Support - Is your marriage experiencing more trouble than joy? The solution is Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. It has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving partnership. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves. It is offered by Zoom. For more info. call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.

Social gathering restrictions have placed many constraints on us all, but also made available some **excellent online resources** focused on personal spirituality, family, marriage, and our Catholic faith.

One of the recommended sites is <u>ost.edu</u>, which offers a variety of online courses for credit, audit or enrichment. OST is Oblate School of Theology. Inspired by the charism of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, OST educates, forms, and renews men and women to "preach the Gospel to the most abandoned."

Churches open for public Masses.

Office is open during summer hours: Mon. – Thu. 9 AM – 1 PM

Check the website for up-to-date information.

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