

**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 Fr. Dan Lobsinger, C.R., 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

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**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



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# 18<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TME

### MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 3 – No Mass – Civic Holiday – Office closed Tuesday, August 4 – St. John Vianney, Priest 9:00ам To Bring Our Loved Ones Home to the Church – Monday Lunch & Learn Group Wednesday, August 5 9:00 AM For Blessings on Congregation of the Resurrection Thursday, August 6 – Transfiguration of the Lord 9:00am † Shirley Ellert - Family Friday, August 7 9:00am + Kryspin Strabel – Malton Family Saturday, August 8 – St. Dominic Bishop and Doctor of the Church Vigil of The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00 рм † Bill Smith - Pat & Joan Forde + Walter & Kaye Hartman – Children † Edna Ertel – Larry & Phyllis Ertel Sunday, August 9 -The 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30am + Albert & Katie Ruetz – The Family † Theresa Bierling – Elizabeth Schwarz In Thanksgiving for Graces Received and for blessings on 45th Wedding Anniversary of Dave and Patti Pagett -The Pagett Family

For Intentions of Afra Schwarz on her 85th Birthday -

Elizabeth Schwarz

11:30AM People of St. Louis Parish

#### Reflection on the First Reading from Isaiah 55:1-3

The Prophet known as Second Isaiah (Isaiah 40-55) brings comfort to God's people toward the end of their exile in Babylon (midsixth century BC). He reaches out especially to those who believe that because they broke the Mosaic covenant, it was now annulled, and companionship with the Lord is a thing of the past.

In today's reading, the Prophet invites these and all people to come to the feast that the Lord prepares for them. In biblical times, meals of water, wine, milk, and rich fare injected joy into people's routines. They were not the norm, as they can be today with supermarkets providing daily fare fit for kings. The plenty and variety of the Lord's feast are a metaphor for divinely revealed teachings which the people feast on when they put them into practice. In the Lord's words, "Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good."

Though Israel was not faithful to the covenant and lost everything, the Lord did not terminate his relationship with them. One of the inspired insights of Second Isaiah is that the covenant is everlasting and unconditional. It is like the one made with Noah in Isaiah 54:9-10 where the Lord says, "My steadfast love shall not depart from you, and my covenant of peace shall not be removed." Second Isaiah saw that the continuation of the divine-human relationship would always depend not on human fidelity, but on God's steadfast love and loyalty. The "everlasting covenant" restores the benefits of the covenant with David and extends them to all the people. (From the *Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word.*)

THE WATERLOO KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PATIO IS NOW OPEN. CALL 519-884-2060 TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE. FISH FRY PICK UP IS ALSO AVAILABLE. From 4:30 to 6:30 P.M. EVERY FRIDAY at 145 DEARBORN PLACE, WATERLOO (1 P.C. \$14.00, 2 P.C. \$16.00) PLEASE CALL DEREK AT 226-748-8378 TO ORDER PICK –UP.



# Another successful VBS.

This year was unique because our camp was a virtual camp. Leaders and campers all got together from the comfort of their homes to enjoy several hours of entertainment and fun. We had adventures caught

up in a comic strip and the campers had to help us come up with solutions to the problems. We had tours of St. Louis Parish every day thanks to Fr. Phil and Justine Krause. We crafted a wooden ship and learned a bit about ships of old. We crafted flowers for the altar at St. Louis reminding parishioners that we care. We danced, we crafted, we laughed, we had a lot of fun. Team Dave put together a website with lots of access to many more activities and fun. A big "thank you" goes out to the team of adults and teens who helped put this camp together for the kids. And another big "thank you" goes out to the campers who signed up and participated in the camp. Without you we would not have had a camp. Theme for VBS 2021 will be "Space". Plan on coming back next year for lots of laughter and fun!

Virtual Pilgrimage August 1-8 - Ever thought about going on a Pilgrimage, but didn't have the time or thought you couldn't physically do it. Now is your chance. The Guelph to Midland Walking Pilgrimage is going virtual. From Sat., Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> to Sat., Aug. 8<sup>th</sup> you can join us on line as we virtually recreate the journey from Guelph to Midland. Each day will include opportunities for Mass, prayer and reflection. You can participate in as much or as little as you want but you must register to have access. Check out the virtual Pilgrimage at <u>ignatiusguelph.ca/programs/walking-pilgrimage/guelph-virtual-walking-pilgrimage-2020/</u>

**Prayer Vigil** – Thur., Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, from 9 to 10 a.m. in front of Freeport Hospital, 3570 King St. E., for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! Parking - across the road at Schneider Park. We will observe 2 meters distance from each other. Questions, email Cathy at: <u>kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com</u>

"And all ate and were filled." Are you fulfilled? If God is calling you to the priesthood, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton <u>vocations@hamiltondiocese.com</u>, 905-528-7988, or Carmel of St. Joseph in St. Agatha at 519-884-6700, or Fr. Dan Lobsinger, CR, Vocation Director, <u>crvocations@gmail.com</u>.



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#### This year, 2020, is the 750<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the death of St. Louis (King Louis IX, King of France). In bulletins starting on May 17th we are looking at the world and life of our Patron Saint. <u>King Louis IX, his conduct towards poor and religious – exerpts</u> from *"The Memoirs of Lord of Joinville"*.

"The King was so liberal an almsgiver, that wherever he went throughout his kingdom, he made gifts to poor churches, to lazarhouses, to almshouses, to asylums, and to poor gentlemen and gentlewomen. From his childhood up, he was compassionate towards the poor and the suffering; and it was the custom that, wherever he went, six score poor should always be replenished in his house with bread and wine, and meat or fish every day. In Lent and Advent, the number was increased, and many a time the King would wait on them, and place their meat before them, and would carve their meat before them, and with his own hand would give them money when they went away. Likewise on the high vigils of solemn feasts, he would serve the poor with all these things, before he either ate or drank. Besides all this, he had every day old broken down men to dine and sup with him, and had them served with the same food that he himself was eating. And when they had feasted, they took away with them a certain sum of silver. Over and above all these things, the King used every day to give large and liberal alms to poor men of religion, to poor asylums, to the sick poor, and all sorts of poor colleges, to poor gentlemen and married women and spinsters, to fallen women, to poor widows, and to women in child-bed, and to such poor as by reason of old age or sickness were unable to labour or pursue their trade in number past all telling.

He asked me whether I washed the feet of the poor on Shrove Thursday; and I replied No, that I thought it unseemly. And he told me that I ought not to condemn it, for God had done it." "When any of



the benefices of Holy Church escheated to the King, before bestowing it, he would first take counsel with good persons of religion and others; and after consultation he would bestow the benefices in good faith, honourably and according to God. Nor would he give any benefice to any cleric, unless he resigned all the other Church benefices that he might hold. In all the towns of his realm where he had never been before, he would seek out the Preachers and Grey Friars, if there were any, and desire their prayers."

"From the very first, when he came into his kingdom and to years of discretion, he began building monasteries and various religious houses, amongst which the Abbey of Royaumont bears the palm for eminence and renown. He founded the Abbey of St. Anthony near Paris; and the Abbey of St. Matthew of Rouen, into which he put women of the order of Preaching Friars; and that of Longchamp for women of the Minorite order; and endowed them highly. He allowed his mother to found the Abbey of Liz by Melun-sur-Seine, and that of Pontoise, which is called Maubuisson. He founded several almshouses: the Almshouse of Paris, that of Pontoise, and that of Compiegne and of Vernon, and endowed them highly; besides the Grey Friars Nunnery of St. Cloud, which his sister, my Lady Isabel, founded by his leave.

Also he founded the Blind Asylum near Paris to receive the blind of the city of Paris, and had a chapel built for them to hear divine service. And the good King built the Charterhouse outside Paris, and assigned sufficient revenues to the monks who dwelt there for the service of Our Lord. Shortly afterwards he had another house built outside Paris, which was called the House of the Daughters of God, and caused a great number of women to be boarded there, who by reason of poverty had fallen into the sin of wantonness, and granted them four hundred pounds' worth of revenue to support them. Also in many places of his kingdom he founded houses of female Begouins, and gave them revenues to live upon, and gave orders to admit such as gave promise of a chaste life. Some of his kindred used to grumble at his liberal almsgiving, and because he spent so much on this kind of thing; but he used to say: " I would much rather be extravagant in alms, for the love of God, than in the pomp and vainglories of this world." Yet, though the King spent so much in charity, his daily household expenses were none the less very great. He lived in a free and open-handed style at the parliaments and assemblies of barons and knights; and the hospitality at his Court was so courteous, generous, and plentiful that nothing like it had been known for a long time past at the courts of his predecessors.

The King loved all people who devoted themselves to the service of God and wore the religious habit, and all such as came to him were secure of a livelihood."



Letter of Saint-Louis IX, King and Confessor to His Son Philip III (cont. from previous bulletin)

29. Dear son, I advise you to appease wars and contentions, whether they be yours or those of your subjects, just as quickly as may be, for it is a thing most pleasing to our Lord. And Monsignor Martin gave us a very great example of this. For, one time, when our Lord made it known to him that he was about to die, he set out to make peace between certain clerks of his archbishopric, and he was of the opinion that in so doing he was giving a good end to life.

Seek diligently, most sweet son, to have good bailiffs 30. and good provosts in your land, and inquire frequently concerning their doings, and how they conduct themselves, and if they administer justice well, and do no wrong to any one, nor anything which they ought not do. Inquire more often concerning those of your household if they be too covetous or too arrogant; for it is natural that the members should seek to imitate their chief; that is, when the master is wise and well-behaved, all those of his household follow his example and prefer it. For however much you ought to hate evil in others, you should have more hatred for the evil which comes from those who derive their power from you, than you bear to the evil of others; and the more ought you to be on your guard and prevent this from happening. To be continued.... (From www.christendomrestoration.org)

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