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.



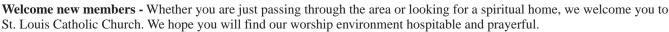
**Pastor** Father Phil Reilly, C.R. preilly@hamiltondiocese.com

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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:**

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**Maintenance Committee** 

2021

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

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#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

### Monday, August 9 –No Mass Tuesday, August 10 – St. Lawrence, Deacon, Martyr

9:00<sub>AM</sub> To Bring Our Loved Ones Home to the Church – Monday Lunch and Learn Group

Wednesday, August 11 - St. Clare, Virgin

9:00<sub>AM</sub> Intentions of Danielle Pilon – Cecilia Beechey

Thursday, August 12

9:00<sub>AM</sub> † Helen Dietrich– Cecilia Beechey

Friday, August 13

9:00 AM Intentions of Pat Nairn – Cecilia Beechey

Saturday, August 14 – St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest, Martyr

Vigil of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

5:00 рм

† Frank Pendergast – Pendergast Family

† Walter & Kaye Hartman – Their Family

† Don Miller – Joan Sichewski

† Sr. Margaret Mary Forde, Sean McNamara – Joan & Pat Forde

# Sunday, August 15 — The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:30ам

† Paul Moser – Moser Family

† Don Miller – Joan Powers

† Doris Johnston – Frank & Annette Hulmes

† Helen Dietrich – Neighbours

† Bill Smith – Mary & Geraldine Smith

11:30 AM People of St. Louis

Reflections on the First Reading: 1 Kings 19:4 – 8

Our first reading is one of a series of stories about the Prophet Elijah that are recorded in 1 Kings 17 - 19. Prior to this lectionary reading, Elijah confronts King Ahab and the people of Israel who are divided in their loyalty between the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob and Baal, a fertility god and lord of rain and dew, on Mount Carmel. During a time of terrible drought in the land, Elijah challenged the prophets of Baal to a test. Each would build an altar and pray to their god to start the fire. Whichever god started the fire would be their God. The people agreed and, of course, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob won the test. Elijah ordered the people to seize the prophets of Baal, and he slaughtered all four hundred of them in the Wadi Kishon. Shortly after this he prophesied to King Ahab that a heavy rain was coming toward them, and indeed it did! Ahab drove his chariot the twenty-seven kilometers from Mount Carmel to Jezreel, while Elijah, aided by "the hand of God," run the entire way and arrived in Jezreel before Ahab.

But King Ahab betrayed Elijah and told his wife Jezebel, a Phoenician princess and devotee of Baal, what Elijah had done to the prophets of Baal and she, vowed to do the same to Elijah before the passing of a day. Elijah was so frightened that he fled to Beersheba, one hundred and sixty kilometers away, and then went another day's journey into the wilderness. Thus, at the start of the lectionary reading, we need not wonder why Elijah prays for death as he sits beneath a solitary bush in the middle of the wilderness. Elijah does not see the Angel who touched him and spoke to him in his sleep. Instead, he finds only a flatbread and some water. After eating, he goes back to sleep, but he is again awakened by the Angel who tells him to eat, so he has strength for the journey ahead of him. He is going to God's mountain, Horeb, also known as Sinai, where he will encounter God and be renewed in his resolve to serve God. (From the Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word)

#### 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. In this book Fr. Calloway describes ten "wonders" of St. Joseph, which we are following in successive bulletins this summer.

### Wonder 6: Saviour of the Saviour

In the  $16^{\rm th}$  century, a devotion to St. Joseph began in the Church called the Seven Sorrows of St. Joseph. No one seems to know the exact origins of the devotion, but it parallels a popular devotion to Our Lary called the Seven Sorrows of Mary.

As a devotion, the Seven Sorrows of St. Joseph consists of meditation on biblical passages from the life of St. Joseph that caused him sorrow. During meditation it is customary to pray an Our Father, a Hail Mary, and a Glory Be.

Because St. Joseph was associated with Mary in her glorious privileges, he also had to suffer like her and his heart too was pierced by seven swords. – St. Peter Julian Eymard

To give life to someone is the greatest of all gifts. To save a life is the next. Who gave life to Jesus? It was Mary. Who saved His life? It was Joseph. Ask St. Paul who persecuted Him. Saint Peter who denied Him. Ask all the sainst who put Him to death. But if we ask, "Who saved His life?" Be silent, patriarchs, be silent, prophets, be silent, apostles, confessors and martyrs. Let St. Joseph speak, for the honour is his alone; he alone is the saviour of the Saviour. — Blessed William Joseph Chaminade

Blessed William Joseph Chaminade was a very holy priest and had a tremendous devotion to St. Joseph. He lived through the French Revolution and suffered many hardships during a very anti-Catholic era of France's history. Blessed Chaminade knew the power of St. Joseph well and encouraged everyone to seek refuge beneath the fatherly protection of St. Joseph.

Make him [St. Joseph] responsible for the protection of your person, he who saved the life of his Saviour. - Blessed William Joseph Chaminade

To him [St. Joseph] was entrusted the Divine Child when Herod loosed his assassins against him. – Pope Pius XI

The Apostle Paul writes, that in the next life Jesus Christ "will render to everyone according to their works". What a great glory must we suppose that He bestowed upon St. Joseph, who served and loved Him so much while He lived on earth! At the last day our Saviour will say to the elect, "I was hungry, and you gave me to eat. I was a stranger, and you took me in; naked and you clothed me". These, nevertherless, have fed Jesus Christ, have lodged Him and clothed Him, in the persons of the poor, but St. Joseph procured food, a dwelling, and clothes for Jesus Christ in His own person....All this helps to increase our confidence in St. Joseph; it makes us reflect that, on account of so many merits, God will refuse no grace which St. Joseph asks of Him for his devout clients. — St. Alphonsus Liguori, Doctor of the Church

Joseph, caring for the child as he had been commanded, made Jesus a craftsman, transmitting his own professional skill to him. So the neighbours of Nazareth will call Jesus both faber and fabri filius: the craftsman and the son of the craftsman. Jesus worked in Joseph's workshop and by Joseph's side. What must Joseph have been, how grace must have worked through him, that he should be able to fulfill this task of the human upbringing of the Son of God!

For Jeus must have resembled Joseph: in His way of working, in the features of His character, in His way of speaking. Jesus' realism, His eye for detail, the way He sat at table and broke bread, His preference for using everyday situations to give doctrine – all this reflects His childhood and the influence of Joseph. – St. Josemaria Escrivá.



St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr - The esteem in which the Church holds Lawrence is seen in the fact that Aug. 10th celebration ranks as a feast. Little is known about his life. He is one of those whose martyrdom made a deep impression on the early Church. Celebration of his feast day spread rapidly.

He was a Roman deacon under Pope Saint Sixtus II. Four days after this pope was put to death, Lawrence and four clerics suffered martyrdom, probably during the persecution of the Emperor Valerian.

Legendary details of Lawrence's death were known to Ambrose, and Augustine. The church built over his tomb became one of the seven principal churches in Rome and a favorite place for Roman pilgrimages.

As deacon in Rome, Lawrence was responsible for the material goods of the Church, and the distribution of alms. When Lawrence knew he would be arrested, he sought out the poor of Rome and gave them all the money he had on hand, selling even the sacred vessels to increase the sum. When the prefect of Rome heard of this, he imagined a great treasure. He sent for Lawrence and said, "You Christians say we are cruel to you, but that is not what I have in mind. I am told that your priests offer in gold, that the sacred blood is received in silver cups, that you have golden candlesticks. Your doctrine says you must render to Caesar what is his. Bring these treasures. God does not need money: He brought none of it into the world with him-only words. Give me the money, and be rich in words."

Lawrence replied that the Church was indeed rich. "I will show you a valuable part." He gathered a great number of blind, lame. leprous, orphaned, and widowed and presented them as "Treasures of the Church." The prefect was so angry he told Lawrence that he would indeed have his wish to die—but it would be by inches. He had a great gridiron prepared with coals beneath it, and had Lawrence's body placed on it. After the martyr had suffered the pain for a long time, the legend concludes, he made his famous cheerful remark, "It is well done. Turn me over!" - From Franciscanmedia.org



Saint Clare of Assisi - Clare refused to marry at 15 and was moved by the dynamic preaching of Francis of Assisi. He became her lifelong friend and spiritual guide. At 18, Clare escaped from her father's home one night, was met on the road by friars, and in the poor little chapel

called the Portiuncula received a rough woolen habit and sacrificed her long tresses to Francis' scissors. He placed her in a Benedictine convent, which her father and uncles immediately stormed in rage. Clare clung to the altar of the church, threw aside her veil to show her cropped hair, and remained adamant.

Sixteen days later her sister Agnes joined her. Others came. They lived a simple life of great poverty, austerity, and complete seclusion from the world, according to a Rule which Francis gave them as a Second Order. At age 21, Francis obliged Clare under obedience to accept the office of abbess, one she exercised until her death. The Poor Ladies went barefoot, slept on the ground, ate no meat, and observed almost complete silence. They possessed no property, even in common, subsisting on daily contributions.

Clare served the sick and washed the feet of the begging nuns. She came from prayer with her face so shining it dazzled those about her. She suffered serious illness for the last 27 years of her life. Her influence was such that popes, cardinals, and bishops came to consult her—She never left the walls of San Damiano.

When the convent faced attack by invading Saracens Clare had the Blessed Sacrament placed on the walls and begged for God's protection. To her sisters she said, "Don't be afraid. Trust in Jesus." The Saracens fled. - From Franciscanmedia.org



"I am the living bread that came down from heaven." Each of us must be a living sign and symbol of God's presence within us. If you feel God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, 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.

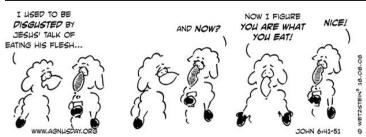
Spaghetti Dinner on Wednesday night is cancelled for now, but will be returning in September with an enlarged menu and dining in or take out. We look forward to welcoming you back, especially to our new patio. May God Bless and Keep you safe.

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

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.

Do you need support after an abortion? Project Rachel is confidential, individual and with a trained counsellor. Please contact us at 1-888-385-3850.

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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