St. Louis Catholic Church

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Served by the Congregation of the Resurrection since 1890.

Office hours: Monday – Thursday 9 - 12 and 1-4, Friday 9 - 12



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

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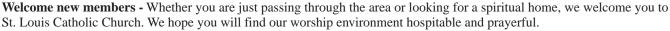
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People often attend Mass at a parish for months or years without officially registering. Registration here at St. Louis is an expression of your commitment to being an active member of our community. Parish registration simplifies the process with 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 Fr. Dan Lobsinger, C.R., Vocation Director for the Congregation of the Resurrection, at cryocations@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

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 13 - No Mass Tuesday, January 14

9:00am † Bob Ruetz – Fran Ruetz & Family

Wednesday, January 15

9:30am † Eugene & Beatrice August – Krause Family

Thursday, January 16

Intentions of Danielle Pilon – Cecilia Beechey 9:00am

Friday, January 17 - St. Anthony, Abbot

† Albert & Norma Moser – Moser Family

Saturday, January 18

Vigil of Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM People of St. Louis Parish

Sunday, January 19 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am † Marc Verhoeve – Sarah & Paul Beingessner

† Beatrice Santamaria – Annette & Frank Hulme

† Paul Moser – The Family

† Shirley Ellert – Malton Family

11:30ам † David Kirby – Kirby Family

† Clarence Anstett – Anstett Family

† Ethel Kehn – Beaton Family

Reflection on the First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

In four beautiful poems, the Prophet Isaiah describes a mysterious servant whom God chooses and sustains. The identity of the servant at times seems to be an individual, perhaps Isaiah himself, or the Messiah to come; at other times it appears to refer to the people as a whole. Whoever the servant may be, he will be the instrument of bringing God's justice to the earth.

Today's reading is the first of these servant songs. Well pleased with the servant, God has put the divine spirit upon him, thereby endowing him with the power to accomplish the designated mission. In the first part of the poem, God presents the servant to an audience that may include both the exiles and the oppressor nations. Though the nations had treated God's people with harsh justice, the servant will bring about justice in a gentle way. He will act patiently, neither breaking those who are bruised, not quenching the faint light in those barely surviving. Even the distant coastlands will await the servant's life-giving teaching.

Having described the servant to exiles and nations, God addresses the servant directly. The divine actions of calling, grasping by the hand, and forming the servant are deliberate, intimate, and done for a specific purpose. The servant is to be a living sign of God's covenant to Israel and at the same time be a light to the nations. The justice and light that the servant will bring will be directed particularly to the blind, the imprisoned, and those in darkness. The servant's actions will thus be like God's own in caring for the most in need. (Excerpt from Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers and Proclaimers of the Word)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: DINNER, DANCE & GAMES PARTY SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1 POTLUCK DINNER (6PM) AND LIVE MUSIC FOR CEILI DANCING 7PM

THIS WEEK EVENTS

Monday,	Januarv	13
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9 AM - NOON	Pickleball	Gym
NOON - 1PM	Lunch & Learn – Book study: Walking	Nursery
	with God by Tim Gray and Jeff Cavins	
4 - 5:30 PM	Good Shepherd Catechesis I, II, III	Nursery

Faith Enrichment - Gospel of Luke 7:30-9 PM Large DVD study by Frances Hogan

Tuesday, January 14

11:30 AM Choir Practice 6:30 рм Church

Wednesday, January 15

9 AM - NOONPickleball Gym

Thursday, January 16

Celebrating the Word – Reflections 9:30am Large Hall

on upcoming Sunday Readings

1:00 PM Bible study: Pivotal Players starts Large Hall 7:00 рм 9:30 AM Choir Practice Church

Friday. January 17

Pickleball 9 AM - NOONGym 6:00 рм Youth Music Church

Saturday, January 18

9 AM - 1 PM OOTC Cake Baking session L. H. kitchen

Sunday, January 19

10:30 ам Sunday Social Large Hall 5:00 рм **OOTC** Community Supper Gym

Mass Readers **Eucharistic Ministers** Sat. Jan 18 1 Fran Ruetz 1 Daniel Delattre 5:00 рм 2 Debbie Delattre 2 Grant Ertel C Jim Walsh 3 Trudy Allensen Sun. Jan 19 1 Eric Davis 1 Frank Hulme 9:30am 2 Paul Beingessner 2 Betty Gross 3 Cecilia Beechev C Annette Hulme Sun. Jan 19 1 Al Kehn 1 Albert MacMillan 2 Tom Bishop 2 Charley Wilson 11:30ам C Stephen Filipowicz 3 Darlene Wilson











Hall.

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BIBLE QUIZ FOR KIDS (Answers next week):

1) Who baptized Jesus?

a) Peter the Rock. b)David the King d)Moses the Deliverer c) John the Baptist

2) Where was Jesus baptized?

a) The Jordan River b)The Red Sea c) The pool of Bethesda d)The Dead Sea

3) What animal landed on Jesus after He came up out of the water?

a) a rabbit b) a lizard c) a dove d) a frog

4) Whose voice was heard after Jesus came up out of the water?

a) Joseph b) Moses

c) Mary d) God, Jesus' Father

(See Gospel of Mattew Chapter 3 for hints).



First Communion: Anyone who has a child in Gr. 2 and would like them to receive the Sacrament of the First Eucharist here at St. Louis parish; classes will run Tuesday or Wednesday nights (To be determined)

beginning Jan. 21^{st} or 22^{nd} from 6 pm - 7:30 pm in the Nursery. The celebration of this Sacrament will take place on Sunday, May 3^{rd} at the 11:30 am Mass. Please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office to register.

New Program starts during the Bible study on Thursdays at 1 pm – Pivotal Players - Bishop Barron presents life and impact of

St. Francis of Assisi, St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Catherine of Siena, Bl. (now Saint) John Henry Newman, G.K. Chesterton and Michelangelo. Starts Jan 16th.



Healthy Relationships Share Common Skills – Come and Learn More! "Keys to Loving Relationships" is a ten week video-based program that all people (married, dating, or single) can use to develop the skills needed to have a truly meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better "me" in all your relationships!

St. Mark's Parish, 55 Driftwood Dr., Kit. (519-571-9200)

Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9 PM Jan.28 - March 24The cost is \$45. For more info. or to register, call the Family Ministry at 905-528-7988X2249 or www.hamiltondiocese.com.

As John the Baptist introduced the people of his time to Jesus "a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'" Perhaps God is calling you to do the same in our time as a priest. If so, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 <u>vocations@hamiltondiocese.com</u>, or Fr. Dan Lobsinger, CR, Vocation Director, at crvocations@gmail.com, or Carmel of St. Joseph in St. Agatha at 519-884-6700.

2020 Labyrinth Project: First session to be hosted by Our Lady of Lourdes RC Church, 173 Lourdes Street, Waterloo, on Saturday, January 18th, from 9:30 AM to Noon. All are welcome to come and try praying with the labyrinth. The labyrinth is a great tool for helping us to focus on our prayers. A short introduction will be presented at 9:30 AM. Those who are experienced with this mode of prayer might wish to come anytime during the morning. Please see webpage https://whyatbreakfast.com/2020-labyrinth-project/ for details.

KW Right to Life Candle-Light Prayer Vigil Tues. Jan. 28th 6pm., in front of Kitchener City Hall (skating rink) 200 King St. W. One hour of silent prayer for Preborn Human Rights to protect babies in the womb. Their lives are the most vulnerable of all. Thanks for supporting this important human rights issue. Jane Richard KW RTL President 215 Lancaster St. W. Kitchener 519-746-5433 jane@kwrtl.ca



BOOK THE DATES:

VBS: July 20 -24, 2020 for 5 to 10 year olds (11 year olds and older can volunteer as leaders).

Registration will start in April.

Remember that this camp fills up quickly.

Saint Anthony the Abbot (also known as St. Anthony the Great, or St. Anthony of Egypt) (250/251 - 356/357) is the patron Saint of the pets, livestock, of the farmer and related work (such as butchers, bakers, grocers, basket makers, shearers, etc.), fire, skin diseases and of the gravediggers. Also considered the first of the abbots and founder and pioneer of the Christian



monastic asceticism, so that St. Benedict will be guided by him in the sixth century for the creation of the Western monasticism. And, therefore, considered to be the protector of the hermits and monks.

Two Greek philosophers ventured out into the Egyptian desert to the mountain where Anthony lived. When they got there, Anthony asked them why they had come to talk to such a foolish man? He had reason to say that -- they saw before them a man who wore a skin, who refused to bathe, who lived on bread and water. They were Greek, the world's most admired civilization, and Anthony was Egyptian, a member of a conquered nation. They were philosophers, educated in languages and rhetoric. Anthony had not even attended school as a boy and he needed an interpreter to speak to them. In their eyes, he would have seemed very foolish.

But the Greek philosophers had heard the stories of Anthony. They had heard how disciples came from all over to learn from him, how his intercession had brought about miraculous healings, how his words comforted the suffering. They assured him that they had come to him because he was a wise man.

Anthony guessed what they wanted. They lived by words and arguments. They wanted to hear his words and his arguments on the truth of Christianity and the value of asceticism. But he refused to play their game. He told them "If you think me wise, become what I am, for we ought to imitate the good. Had I gone to you, I should have imitated you, but, since you have come to me, become what I am, for I am a Christian."

Anthony went on to tell the Greek philosophers that their arguments would never be as strong as faith. He pointed out that all rhetoric, all arguments, no matter how complex, how well-founded, were created by human beings. But faith was created by God. If they wanted to follow the greatest ideal, they should follow their faith. Anthony always told those who came to visit him that the key to the ascetic life was perseverance, not to think proudly, "We've lived an ascetic life for a long time" but treat each day as if it were the beginning. To many, perseverance is simply not giving up, hanging in there. But to Anthony perseverance meant waking up each day with the same zeal as the first day. It wasn't enough that he had given up all his property one day. What was he going to do the next day? (From Catholic Online)

PAST DONATIONS

Date	Sunday	Mainte	New Year	Loose	Pre-
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