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Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 1 p.m. - 4p.m., Friday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

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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Pastoral Team:

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Welcome to St. Louis Parish - 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 – John Miller (john@johnbmiller.ca),

5:00 Mass – 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 attending members, please contact the parish office at least one year in advance of your date. A marriage preparation course is required.

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. Privacy-of-Information laws prohibit the parish from obtaining information about parishioners in the hospital.

Priesthood and Religious Life - Is God calling you to religious life, as a Brother, Deacon or Priest? If so, please contact Fr. Toby Collins, C.R., Vocation Director for the Congregation of the Resurrection, at 226-989-1057, crvocations@gmail.com or check www.resurrectionist.ca

Parish Organizations and Contacts:

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Cynthia Ehrlich

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EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



Mass Intentions

Monday January 9 - Baptism of the Lord

No Mass

Tuesday, January 10 9:00 am No Mass

Wednesday, January 11

9:00 am No Mass NO DAILY MASSES **JANUARY 4 - 20**

Thursday, January 12 -St. Marguerite Bourgeoys, Virgin

9:00 am No Mass Friday, January 13

9:00 am No Mass Saturday, January 14

Sunday Liturgy - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm † Martha & Frank Hause – Estate (6/12)

† Irene Hausch – Phyllis & Larry Ertel

† Kurt Sommer – Eldon & Sandra Prince

† Hilde Zgraja – Malton Family

Sunday, January 15 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 am † Eugene August – Krause Family

† Clarence Anstett – Currie Family

† Kasem, Johnny & Khampheng Xaysy – Xaysy

Family

For the intentions of the Sisters of the Poor of Jesus –

Suzanne Perry

11:30 am For People of St. Louis Parish

Reflection on the First Reading (Isaiah 60:1-6):

Today the Church celebrates the manifestation of Christ to all the world, beginning with a passage from Isaiah which overflows with light, brightness, radiance, and glory. This passage was most likely written about the time of Judah's release from Babylonian captivity and their return to the Promised Land, around 586 BC. The Prophet looks forward to the fulfillment of divine promises to re-create the covenant people, the city of Zion, and God's dwelling place among them. Repeatedly, Isaiah stresses that God's act of restoration will be witnessed by foreign nations, who will thus recognize the saving work of the Lord.

Twice in the first two verses of today's reading, Isaiah uses the Hebrew word kabod, translated "glory". This significant term indicates an outward manifestation of divine presence, at times nearly equivalent to God Himself. The earlier Prophet Ezekiel, a Jerusalem priest deported to Babylon among the first wave of exiles, saw a vision of the glory of the Lord leaving the Temple (Ezekiel 10), a certain sign that Judah's final desolation had begun, because without God's saving presence, the city and its people lay completely vulnerable to enemy attack. But Isaiah now announces that not only will the Lord's people return to their land, but more importantly, the "glory" of God will again dwell in their midst in a new Temple, in a new Jerusalem. The Prophet further proclaims that the radiance of the Lord's saving act will be the marvel of other nations and their rulers. A defeated and scattered people will again be gathered together in the Promised Land, drawing those from foreign lands to praise the God of Israel.

Upcoming Events

Monday January 9

7:30 pm Pivotal Players – G. K. Chesterton p.1 Large Hall

Tuesday, January 10

Lunch & Learn: Does the Bible Really Say Nursery noon

That? (Chapter 26, 27) by Patrick Madrid

Wednesday, January 11

(11:30) Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm Church

Thursday, January 12

9:30 am Small Christian Community Large Hall 1:00 pm Bible Study: Priest, Prophet & King Large Hall by Bishop Robert Barron p.1

Quilting Club meeting 6:30 pm Nurserv (9:30) Choir rehearsal 7:30 pm Church

Friday, January 13

6:00 pm Youth Music Rehearsal Church 7:00 pm Youth Group Meeting Large Hall

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	
Sat. Jan 14	1 Nardo Nava	1 Joan Sichewski	
5:00 pm	2 Maggie Fioravanti	2 Guy Tremblay	
	C Debbie Delattre	3 Trudy Allensen	
Sun. Jan 15	1 Barry Hinschberger	1 Jeff Dinner	
9:30 am	2 Caroline Noel	2 Joanne Bond	
	C Frank Mensink	3 John Klein	
11:30 am	1 Paul Butler	1 Donna Herbstreit	
	2 Ben Beaton	2 Terry Sullivan	
	C Carolyn Beaton	3 Matthew Dopko	

NO DAILY MASSES AT ST. LOUIS PARISH THIS WEEK. Daily Mass times for other Waterloo Parishes:

Our Lady of Lourdes: Mon., Wed., Fri.: 8:30 am & Tue., Thur.:

St. Michael's Church: Tues.: 7 pm, Wed. & Thu.: 12:15 pm, Fri.: 8 am.

St. Agnes Church: Tue. – Fri.: 7 pm, Sat.: 9 am.



As the Christmas decorations come down some people write the following on their front doors with a chalk that was blessed for the occasion on the feast of the Epiphany.

20 * C + M + B + 17

A key to the code:

- The '*' symbolizes the star that led the wise men to Jesus.
- The letters 'C', 'M', and 'B' signify the Wise Men, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. They are also the first three letters of the Latin phrase 'CHRISTUS MANSIONEM BENEDICAT' which means 'May Christ Bless the house'.
- The three crosses '†' signify the Holy Trinity made known to us through the Incarnation.
- Encompassing them all is the year we have just entered into: '2017'. It is a nice devotion for Epiphany - great for families – and is an active reminder for us through the year of the wonder of Christmas. (Pieces of the blessed chalk will be available at the back of the church.)

JANUARY 8, 2017

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 Wednesday nights beginning Wed. Jan. 25th from 6

pm - 7:30 pm in the Nursery. The celebration of this Sacrament will take place on Sunday, May 7th at the 11:30 am Mass. Anyone interested, please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office to register.



Embracing the Wisdom of Monks & Mystics: A Senior Adult Workshop Series - 6 Wednesday afternoons, starting Jan. 11,

2017 1:30-3:30pm at Chancery Office - Hamilton

This 6 part workshop/study session will explore the lives of twelve great monks & mystics from the Christian tradition in new & creative ways. This course will be facilitated by Sr. Mary Heather MacKinnon SSND. The cost (\$35) includes the text, Illuminating the Way, by Christine Valters Paintner. Register by Dec. 22. For further information please contact Monica at myerin@hamiltondiocese.com or 905-52807988 X 2238 or check the website, www.hamiltondiocese.com for more information.

Laudato Si is a Call to Conversion - Come and spend an evening exploring Pope Francis' encyclical on The Environment and Human Ecology with Fr. Tom Rosica, CSB, CEO of Salt and

Light Television. "Past popes have written on the importance of protecting the environment, but [Laudato Si] is a major piece of work, and an ardent call from one of our world's major leaders for us to work together to address this existential problem. ... To use religious language, what the Pope is calling for is conversion." (Fr. Tom Rosica, CSB) Join us Wed. Jan. 11, 2017 at 7pm, St. Francis of Assisi Church, 49 Blueridge Ave. Kitchener. Sponsored by St. Francis Parish Catholic Women's League.



KW Right to Life sponsors the **Stop Censorship Tour** - Saturday January 14, 2017 - *Why Abortion Statistics Matter* featuring Mike Schouten from WeNeedaLaw.ca and John Sikkema Lawyer at

ARPA Canada - at the Knights of Columbus Centre 145 Dearborn Place Waterloo - Fish and Chip Dinner at 5:00pm (\$10) Social at 4:30pm - Speakers at 6:00pm with Silent Auction - All proceeds go the STOP CENSORSHIP Initiative. Call 519-746-5433 or email jane@kwrtl.ca to reserve your place or table.

2016–2017 Lectures in Catholic Experience at St. Jerome's University - Friday, January 20th, Priscilla Solomon, an Ojibway of the Anishinabek Nation and a Sister of St. Joseph, will reflect on the TRC calls to transformation and reconciliation. Drawing on years of work in the Faith and Justice Office of her congregation, especially its recent focus on Indigenous rights, healing, and reconciliation between Indigenous peoples and Settler peoples, Sr. Solomon will consider what is required for us to create a new reality of integration in our country. Location: Vanstone Lecture Theatre, Academic Centre (SJ2 1004), St. Jerome's University. Time: 7:30 pm. Doors open at 6:45 pm. Free of Charge. Free Parking. Wheelchair Accessible. Refreshments Served.

Seminar of Hope - How To Pray For Your Sons, Daughters & Loved Ones - Free Live Seminar – by Vernon Robertson. As seen on EWTN. As parents do you suffer because of the spiritual condition of your children? Have your loved ones stopped practicing the faith? Do they no longer believe in God? Then this seminar is for you. FREE participant manual will be given at the

Seminar. For more information, or to register call Pat or Rita at 519-748-5548 or email paddy@golden.net. St Anthony Daniel Catholic Church (29 Midland Drive Kitchener N2A 2A9)

Friday, Jan. 20th – 7 to 9 pm & Saturday, Jan. 21st – 9 am to 4 pm.

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Come join us to find the "Keys to Loving Relationships"

"Keys" is a nine week video-based program meant for anyone (married or single) who is looking for a more meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better "me" in all your relationships! The program runs Tuesday evenings from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm starting January 24th, at St. Mark's Parish, 55 Driftwood Ave., Kitchener. The cost is \$45.00. For more information, please call the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249.

Euthanasia & Assisted Dying – Dr. Moira McQueen Presentation. Dr. Moira McQueen of the Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute will offer a presentation and Q&A on the need for conscience rights protection for physicians, healthcare workers and Catholic institutions in light of the legalization of assisted dying and euthanasia. Join us at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King on Sunday, January 29th at 12 Noon (following the 11:00 am. Mass) for this presentation in McNally Hall – a light lunch will be provided.

Vocation Seeds: "On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid Him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, email mking@hamiltondocese.com. www.hamiltonvocations.com.

Band of Christian Brothers Men's Conference - On February 18th join Fr. Larry Richards and Archbishop of Montreal Christian Lépine for Serviam Ministries' 2nd annual Band of Christian Brothers Men's Conference at Canada Christian College in Toronto. The theme is "Step Up". The day will strengthen and challenge men to become the man God created them to be. Mass, Adoration and Confession will take place. Special Father/Son rates available. All info and tickets: https://www.serviamministries.com/events/step-up/, info@ServiamMinistries.com or 1-888-522-2070.

Past Collections:

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Dec. 25 Sunday Envelopes	\$	3,867.00
Jan. 1 Sunday Envelopes	\$	3,339.00
Initial Envelopes	\$	1,098.00
New Year's Day Envelopes	\$	2,625.60
Loose Donations on Dec. 24/25	\$	2,211.35
Loose Donations on Dec. 31/Jan.	1 \$	345.95

Thank you for your generosity& continuous support!

Pre-Authorized Giving available at St. Louis Church. You can sign up at any time.

Funds are transferred monthly on the 20th of each month. (This covers **only** the regular Sunday envelope donations). If interested, pick up a registration form.





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