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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Doug Lichty

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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 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

Amoris Laetitia Family

Year 2021 - 2022

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Parish Webmaster Daniel Delattre, daniel@uwaterloo.ca Altar Servers Coordinator Dave Pagett, 519-744-7705

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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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	† Don Miller – Family					
	† Robert J. Thomas – Family					
	+ Eldon Prince – Moe & Anne Marie Webster					
11:30AM	People of St. Louis Parish					

From Canada Day to Labour Day parish office hours are: Monday – Thursday: 9 AM to 1 PM

Reflection on the First Reading on July 10th: Deut. 30:10-14

God establishes His covenant with Israel to be a mutual expression of fidelity and love. When God brought the Israelites out of Egypt, led them through the wilderness to Mount Sinai, and there both gave and subsequently renewed a covenant with the people, He left no doubt as to what needed to be attended to in their mutual relationship. God would journey with His people and bring them into the land flowing with milk and honey. The people, for their part, would simply have to demonstrate a daily willingness to sacrifice to God and to trust in Him completely. This test would prove difficult to Israelites.

In July 10th reading, Moses, at the age of 120, assembles the people to renew the covenant. Afterwards, he would pass the leadership to Joshua, who would have the responsibility of guiding them into the Promised Land ending their forty years of wandering.

The identity, as God's chosen people, is found primarily in the act of listening to the voice of God. Moses instructs the Israelites at the outset of their journey to "listen carefully to the voice of the Lord your God". The essential Jewish prayer, the *Shema*, begins, "Hear, O Israel: The Lord is your God, the Lord alone". Moses suggests to the people that they ought not to make this hearing overly difficult; the Law is not found way up in the sky, or far off on the sea. It is, rather, on the lips and in the hearts of those to whom it has been given. For this very reason, it is crucial for subsequent generations to be taught the fullness of the Law and maintain God's truth within the heart of the nation. In this way, it will be impossible for Israel to abandon the covenant completely.

Reflection on the First Reading on July 17th: Genesis 18:1 - 10a

In the biblical world, it is a sacred duty to welcome strangers who simply show up in one's life, like the visitors in this reading. Though the narrator tells readers that it is the Lord who appears to Abraham, this is not immediately apparent to Abraham. He looks up and sees there men standing nearby. It is only as their visit unfolds – Abraham sees that the three know Sarah's name and are aware of her silent laughter at their announcement that she will bear a son – that he realizes that the three men are the Lord and two heavenly attendants.

When the strangers arrive, one-hundred-year-old Abraham is sitting at the hottest time of the day in the coolest place he can find, the opening of the tent, where the sunshine meets the shade and the air temperature suddenly changes and stirs up a slight breeze. He abandons his comfortable spot to welcome people about whom he knows nothing. He runs to greet them and bows to the ground, addressing them as "Adonai" or "lord," which like "sir" is a common title of respect. His eagerness, bowing, and respectful address are typical of social interaction in the biblical world. Abraham then asks the strangers to do him the favour of not passing him by without allowing him to bring "a little water" and "a little bread" so they can refresh themselves.

After the visitors accept his invitation, old Abraham hurries to ninety-year-old Sarah and tells her to take a huge amount of their finest flour and make "cakes." Then he runs and chooses one of his choicest animals and tells his servant to prepare it quickly. In the end, Abraham sets much more than a little food before his visitors and then stands and waits on them while they eat. In the verses immediately following this reading, one of the visitors announces that Abraham and Sarah will soon have the son for whom they longed.

(From the Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, & Proclaimers of the Word.)

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JULY 10 AND JULY 17, 2022

The Carmel of St. Joseph Guild invites all members, families and friends to attend the **Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass** to be held <u>Sunday July 17, at 2.00 PM, at St. Agatha Catholic Church</u>, 1839 Notre Dame Dr., St Agatha. The Rosary will precede the Mass. The celebrant will be Rev. Bishop Crosby, Bishop of Hamilton. Reception with light refreshments to follow.



The Story of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel - Hermits lived on Mt. Carmel near the Fountain of Elijah in northern Israel in the 12th century. They had a chapel dedicated to Our Lady. By the 13th century they became known as

"Brothers of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel." They soon celebrated a special Mass and Office in honour of Mary. In 1726, it became a celebration of the universal Church under the title of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. For centuries the Carmelites have seen themselves as specially related to Mary. Their great saints and theologians have promoted devotion to her and often championed the mystery of her Immaculate Conception (St. Teresa of Avila, St. John of the Cross, St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus).

There is a tradition, that Mary appeared to St. Simon Stock, a leader of the Carmelites, and gave him a scapular, telling him to promote devotion to it. The scapular is a modified version of Mary's own garment. It symbolizes her special protection and calls the wearers to consecrate themselves to her in a special way. The scapular reminds us of the gospel call to prayer and penance. (*From franciscanmedia.com*)

It's a simple concept: love God with your whole being and put that love into practice. How is God calling you to love? Have you considered the way of loving called 'priesthood', 'diaconate' or 'religious life'? If God is calling you, contact Most Rev. W. Lobsinger, Aux. Bp. & Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, 905-528-7988, or Fr. Raphael Ma, Congregation of the Resurrection Vocation Director, at crvocations@gmail.com, or Carmel of St. Joseph, St. Agatha at 519-884-6700. Pray for vocations!

St. Benedict's Story (c. 480 - c. 547) - Benedict was born into a distinguished family in central Italy, studied at Rome, and early in life was drawn to monasticism. At first he became a hermit, leaving a depressing world pagan armies on the march, the Church torn by schism, people suffering from war, morality at a low ebb.



He soon realized that he could not live a hidden life in a small town any better than in a large city, so he

withdrew to a cave high in the mountains for three years. Some monks chose Benedict as their leader for a while, but found his strictness not to their taste. Still the shift from hermit to community life had begun for him. He had an idea of gathering various families of monks into one "Grand Monastery" to give them the benefit of unity, fraternity, and permanent worship in one house. Finally he began to build what was to become one of the most famous monasteries in the world—Monte Cassino, commanding three narrow valleys running toward the mountains north of Naples.

The Rule that gradually developed prescribed a life of liturgical prayer, study, manual labor, and living together in community under a common abbot. Benedictine asceticism is known for its moderation, and Benedictine charity has always shown concern for the people in the surrounding countryside. In the course of the Middle Ages, all monasticism in the West was gradually brought under the Rule of St. Benedict. Today the Benedictine family is represented by two branches: the Benedictine Federation encompassing the men and women of the Order of St. Benedict; and the Cistercians, men and women of the Order of Cistercians of the Strict Observance. (*From franciscanmedia.com*)



St. Apollinaris' Story - According to tradition, St. Peter sent Apollinaris to Ravenna, Italy, as its first bishop. His preaching of the Good News was so successful that the pagans there beat him and drove him from the city. He returned, and was exiled a second

time. After preaching in the surrounding area, he entered the city again. After being cruelly tortured, he was put on a ship heading to Greece. Pagans there caused him to be expelled to Italy, where he went to Ravenna for a fourth time and died there from wounds received during a savage beating. A beautiful basilica honoring him was built there in the sixth century. (Died c. 79 AD) *(From franciscanmedia.com)*

St. Bonaventure's Story (1221 – 1274) - He played an important role in both the medieval Church and the history of the Franciscan Order. As a senior faculty member at the University of Paris, he captured the hearts of his students through his academic skills and insights. But more importantly, he captured their



hearts through his Franciscan love for Jesus and the Church. Like his model, St. Francis, Jesus was the center of everything—his teaching, his administration, his writing, and his life. So much so, that he was given the title "Seraphic Doctor."

St. Bonaventure's teaching career came to a halt when the Friars elected him as their General Minister. His 17 years of service were not easy as the Order was embroiled in conflicts over the interpretation of poverty. As a man of prayer and a good administrator he managed to structure the Order through effective legislation and offered the Friars an organized spirituality based on the vision and insights of St. Francis. In 1273 Pope Gregory X appointed him a Cardinal and bishop of Albano. But a little over a year later, while participating in the Second Council of Lyon, St. Bonaventure died suddenly on July 15, 1274. There is a theory that he was poisoned. *(From franciscanmedia.com)*



St. Mary Magdalene's Story - Except for the mother of Jesus, few women are more honored in the Bible than Mary Magdalene. Yet she could well be the patron of the slandered, since there has been a persistent legend in the Church that she is the unnamed sinful woman who anointed the feet of Jesus in Luke 7:36-50. Most Scripture scholars today point out that there is no

scriptural basis for confusing the two women. Mary Magdalene, that is, "of Magdala," was the one from whom Christ cast out "seven demons" (Luke 8:2)—an indication at the worst, of extreme demonic possession or possibly, severe illness. Writing in the New Catholic Commentary, Fr. Wilfrid J. Harrington, O.P., says that "seven demons" "does not mean that Mary had lived an immoral life—a conclusion reached only by means of a mistaken identification with the anonymous woman of Luke 7:36." In the Jerome Biblical Commentary, Father Edward Mally, S.J., agrees that she "is not...the same as the sinner of Luke 7:37, despite the later Western romantic tradition about her." Mary Magdalene was one of the many who were assisting Jesus and the Twelve out of their means. She was one of those who stood by the cross of Jesus with his mother. And, of all the "official" witnesses who might have been chosen for the first awareness of the Resurrection, she was the one to whom that privilege was given. She is known as the "Apostle to the Apostles."

Waterloo Catholic District School Board is currently accepting applications for <u>Lunch Hour Supervision</u>. Please visit our website for job details and application criteria: <u>www.wcdsb.ca</u>

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