St. Louis Roman Catholic Church

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Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

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Vietnamese Community:

Sunday Mass: 3:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday - Friday 9:00 a.m.

Rosary: Tuesday to Friday before 9:00 a.m. Mass

Welcome new members

We would like to invite you to register. Registration forms can be found in the narthex (lobby). Please call the parish if you would like your home to be blessed.

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),

Youth Choir - Donna McLellan (dlmshanley@golden.net).

Peter DeSousa provides music for the 5 p.m. Mass (peterdesousa730@gmail.com)

Sunday programs for children

During the Sunday morning 9:30 am. 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

Church policy requires that the Sacraments be performed in the parish located closest to you geographically – unless you are registered and regularly attend elsewhere. At St. Louis, the sacraments of initiation are available to registered and regularly attending parishioners only.

Baptism: Celebrated once a month. Please contact the parish office for more information.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 4 - 4:30 p.m., or by appointment.

Marriage: Please contact the parish office at least one year in advance of your date. A marriage preparation course is required.

R.C.I.A: 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 Sacrament of Reconciliation, Holy Communion, or Sacrament of the Sick.

Pastoral Care to those in Hospital: Privacy-of-Information laws prohibit the parish from obtaining information about parishioners in the hospital. A family member is asked to contact the parish whenever a parishioner is in hospital and requests a pastoral visit.

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 or cryocations@gmail.com.



LAST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, November 26

9:00 am

Wednesday, November 27

9:00 am † Paul Fackoury – Don & Louann Miller

Thursday, November 28

9:00 am † Deceased benefactors and parent of members of the Congregation of the Resurrection

Friday, November 29

9:00 am † Edna Mary Ertel – St. Louis Parish Saturday, November 30 – St. Andrew, Apostle

Sunday liturgy - First Sunday of Advent

5:00 pm People of St. Louis Parish

Sunday, December 1 - First Sunday of Advent

9:30 am † Kay Freiburger – Harold Freiburger & Family

† Deceased members of the Corrick Family –

John McNeelly

11:30 am For the Confirmation Candidates

3:00 pm Vietnamese Mass

For the Solemnity of Christ the King

Imagine that you are in a political science class and the topic being discussed was about kings and kingdoms. Very quickly questions of belonging and commitments would be considered. Who belongs to the monarch? What are the king's obligations? What are his peoples' commitments and obligations? Who is in the kingdom and who is not? The questions are not arcane... they are quite relevant to us. Take for instance the concept of family. Who belongs and who does not? What do we mean by the word "family"? Who is a Canadian and who is not? Who possesses the rights, duties, and obligations of Canadian citizenship and who does not?

On the 11th of December, 1925, Pope Pius XI instituted this liturgical feast day in the Church's calendar chiefly because he saw the oppressive conditions to which totalitarian regimes had reduced people. Kings and monarchs had for centuries entered into wars which, in many instances, were the result of their lust for greater power and control over people and their territories. Fascism and communism were on the rise. Various other "isms" were claiming ownership and control over people, efforts we see in the world even today. In his thinking, Pius XI saw that God was being pushed out of the minds and hearts of people by oppressive political systems claiming that individual humans were simply the property of the state. The idea of military conscription (the draft) was something that did not exist until the Emperor Napoleon had introduced it. Its deadly effect reached terrible heights in World War I.

At the time of Pope Pius XI, human beings were simply pawns used by kings and rulers on the world's geopolitical chessboard. Their lives were not only useful... they were easily expendable. Even today human life is seen as belonging under the power of Man, not under the reign of God. Abortion, mercy killing, and suicide bombing result from such views.

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1:00 pm Bible Study	Large Hall
1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry	Notre Dame Hall

Wednesday, November 27

Tuesday November 26

6:30 pm Confirmation Preparation Notre Dame Hall 7:30 pm (11:30) Choir rehearsal Church

Thursday, November 28

9:30 am Small Christian Community Notre Dame Hall 7:30 pm (9:30) Choir rehearsal Church

Friday, November 29

7:00 pm John Miller & Friends in Concert Church (reception afterwards) Large Hall

Saturday, November 30 Sunday, December 1

11:30 am Mass with Bishop Miehm and Sacrament
Confirmation Church

Readers **Eucharistic Ministers** Mass Saturday Nov 30 1 Marnie Wharnsby 1 Sr. A. McCarville 5:00 pm 2 Stephen Mulhall 2 Rosemary Thorpe C Debbie Delattre 3 Gerard Thorpe Sunday Dec 1 1 Joan Sichewski 1 Ed Ruppe 9:30 am 2 Christopher Bishop 2 John Armatruda C Frank Mensink 3 Jeff Dinner 11:30 am 1 Mark Modolo 1 Anna Malton

C Carol Sullivan

2 Aurora DiPasquale 2 Terry Sullivan

3 Patti Walsh

To whom, then, do we belong? Who is worthy of our commitments? As Christians, every time we pray the Lord's Prayer we petition God: "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." We ought pause and reflect on what those prayerful words really mean because they raise questions as to whom we belong and to whom we give our ultimate allegiance. Our rights, our human rights, depend upon the answers to those questions. They come to us from God our Creator. No king, ruler, president or prime minister confers our human rights upon us.

In the Preface of this Mass, we as Catholics, shortly will affirm: Father, all-powerful and ever living God, we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks. You anointed Jesus Christ, your only Son, with the oil of gladness, as the eternal priest and universal king.



As priest He offered His life on the altar of the cross and redeemed the human race by this one perfect sacrifice of peace. As King He claims dominion over all creation, that He may present to you, His almighty Father, and eternal and universal kingdom: a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace.

We should, then, pray that we always speak the truth and favour life, strive for holiness and seek God's grace, while at all times live seeking justice, sharing love, and striving for peace. We are Canadians, while at the same time we are citizens in God's kingdom. Jesus Christ has established God's kingdom here on earth. May we commit ourselves to live so as to reveal it here on earth as it is in heaven, for justice, peace, love, beauty, truth, and life itself comes to us not because of our own doing, but because a loving God endows us with them. Christ is our King. If He is not, our lives and our souls are in peril. (If you found this and prior reflections valuable – you may wish to read more homilies by Fr. Charles Irvin on CatholicWeb.com)

Collection for Philippine Relief will be taken this weekend. You may still donate through this week and next weekend. All funds will be sent directly to Development and Peace and matched by Canadian government.

Children's Christmas Eve Presentation: It is that time of year again and we must prepare. We will be doing something a little different and new this year. If your child is 5yrs of age or older and would like to help us sing and tell the Christmas story at our Christmas Eve Mass sign up with Kelly Krause down in the nursery. Please be prepared to come to the following practices: Nov. 24, Dec. 8 & Dec. 15, all to be held in the nursery after the 11:30 Mass. Lunch will be provided.

Volunteer needed for Liturgy of the Word leader. We have one team, that due to a move, has lost a leader. If you would like to get involved with helping our children discover the Gospel at their level at the 9:30 am Mass, we need your help. You would be leading with another leader who has experience with leading the children, so observing for a time would be an option. If you think you could help us out please call Kelly Krause at the parish office.

Songs of Advent and the Birth of Jesus – John Miller and Friends in Concert – $\underline{Friday \ Nov \ 29^{th}} \ \underline{from \ 7:00 - 8:00} \ \underline{pm}$ at St. Louis Church. Suggested donation of \$10 per person to cover the costs and the remaining amount will be donated to St. Louis Church. Reception will follow in the Large Hall, hosted by the Social Committee of St. Louis.

Waterloo Knights of Columbus wonderful **Fish Fry dinner** and an evening of traditional Advent music and Christmas Carols featuring St. Agnes Parish Choir on <u>Fri. Dec 6th</u>. Dinner, which includes a plated dessert is \$7.50 for a 1 pc Fish n' chip and \$10 for a 2 pc Fish n' chip. Doors open at 5 pm. Dinner and show start at 6 pm. During the evening a free will offering would be taken up in support of the St. Agnes Parish Community. Tickets available from

Mission Statement

St. Louis Parish is a welcoming and caring Roman Catholic community. We reflect the presence of the Risen Christ among us, as we grow together in Faith, Hope and Love.

members of KofC, or at KofC Hall (145 Dearborn Place in Waterloo). For info call 519-884-2060.

St. Louis Parish is gratefully acknowledging receipt of \$20,000.00 bequest towards our Church Maintenance Fund – steeple project, from Edna Ertel estate.

Advent Retreat - lead by Fr. Dennis Conway following the 9 am Mass on <u>Sat. Nov 30th</u> (from 9:45 am to 12 pm) at St. Joseph's Parish Hall, Kitchener. Bring a brown bag lunch for fellowship after the retreat. A donation of non perishable item(s) for SVD would be appreciated.

The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during the Novena to Infant Jesus, <u>Dec 16 - 25</u>, 2013. Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to Infant Jesus. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to: Carmel of Saint Joseph, 1127 Carmel-Koch Road, R.R. # 1, St. Agatha, NOB 2L0.

Weihnachtsmarkt - One of the traditional Christmas Bazaars in our area is the "Weihnachtsmarkt" staged annually by the Ladies Group of St. Mary's German Congregation of Kitchener. Sat, Nov. 30th in St. Mary's Lower Hall, 56 Duke Street West, Kitchener. Doors open from 8:30 am and sale begins at 9:00 am. Cakes, cookies and tortes will be featured at the sale tables. Proceeds will aid church missions. Hope to see you there!

The Waterloo Regional Police Male Chorus will be supporting "Food for Children" with proceeds from their Christmas Concert on Saturday, Nov. 30th at 7:00 pm at Grandview Baptist Church, 250 Old Chicopee Dr., Kitchener. A guest choir "The Renaissance Singers" will also be performing. Advance Tickets: \$13.00 for adults, \$7.00 for children under 12 and \$15.00 at the door. Contact Andy McAuliffe at 519-742-4847 for tickets.

Waterloo Knights Of Columbus Annual Toy Drive - Help us to bring Christmas to each and every needy child. The Waterloo KofC in conjunction with the Waterloo, and Kitchener Firefighters and the Police of Waterloo Region are holding its 17th annual 2013 "New Toys For Needy Kids Toy Drive". Drop off toys at your local fire station, police detachment, or 145 Dearborn Place Waterloo. Call 519-884-2060 for more information.

Collection: November 16 and 17, 2013

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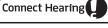
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