



# St. Louis Catholic Church

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**Office hours:** Monday – Thursday 9 - 12 and 1- 4 p.m.  
**Summer hours** (Canada Day to Labour Day): Mon. - Thurs. 9 a.m. to 1 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.**



### Pastoral Team:

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**Custodian**  
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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)

**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 Anointing 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 (Anointing).

**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 resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com or www.resurrectionists.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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**Maintenance Committee**  
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# 2025 – YEAR OF JUBILEE – PILGRIMS OF HOPE

## MASS INTENTIONS & EVENTS

<b>Monday, August 11 – St. Clare of Assisi, Virgin - No Mass</b>	
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball <span style="float: right;">Gym</span>
<b>Tuesday, August 12</b>	
9:00 AM	In Thanksgiving for Graces Received by Esther MacKinnon – Esther MacKinnon
<b>Wednesday, August 13</b>	
9:00 AM	9 AM – NOON Pickle Ball <span style="float: right;">Gym</span>
<b>Thursday, August 14 – St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest, Martyr</b>	
9:00 AM	
<b>Friday, August 15 – The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>	
9:00 AM	9 AM – NOON Pickle Ball <span style="float: right;">Gym</span>
<b>Saturday, August 16</b>	
9 AM – NOON	SVDP Sandwich Project <span style="float: right;">Kitchen</span>
<b>Vigil of 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
5:00 PM	† Jocelyn Haroun – Martin Family † Bert & Katie Ruetz – Ruetz Family † Bill Smith & Rita Barnes – Pat & Joan Forde † Edna Ertel – Larry Ertel
<b>Sunday, August 17 – 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
9:30 AM	† Paul Moser – Moser Family † Phyllis Ertel – Larry Ertel † Thomas & Marcella Kuntz – Peter Kuntz † Samran, Khampheng, Kasem & Johnny Xaysy – Xaysy Family
11:30 AM	People of St. Louis Parish
<b>Monday, August 18 – No Mass</b>	
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball <span style="float: right;">Gym</span>
<b>Tuesday, August 19</b>	
9:00 AM	† Fred & Beatrice Yantz – The Family
<b>Wednesday, August 20 – St. Bernard, Abbot, Doctor</b>	
9:00 AM	In Thanksgiving for Graces Received by Estrada Family – Estrada Family
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball <span style="float: right;">Gym</span>
<b>Thursday, August 21 – St. Pius X, Pope</b>	
9:00 AM	† Alex MacKinnon – Esther MacKinnon
<b>Friday, August 22 – The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>	
9:00 AM	9 AM – NOON Pickle Ball <span style="float: right;">Gym</span>
<b>Saturday, August 23</b>	
<b>Vigil of 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
5:00 PM	† John Weir, Sean McNamara – Pat & Joan Forde † Sr. Mary Margaret Forde – Pat & Joan Forde † Walter & Kaye Hartman – Children † Albert Potvin – Giselle, Cathy, Colette Potvin & Family
<b>Sunday, August 24 – 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
9:30 AM	† Annie Donkers – Donna Donkers & Family † Louis Paleczny – Ron & Alice Paleczny † Josephine Naidoo – Carolyn Ditner
11:30 AM	People of St. Louis Parish

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**The Story of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** - On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII defined the Assumption of Mary to be a dogma of faith: “We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma that the immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory.” The pope proclaimed this dogma only after a broad consultation of bishops, theologians and laity. There were few dissenting voices. What the pope solemnly declared was already a common belief in the Catholic Church.

We find homilies on the Assumption going back to the sixth century. In following centuries, the Eastern Churches held steadily to the doctrine, but some authors in the West were hesitant. By the 13<sup>th</sup> century there was universal agreement. The feast was celebrated under various names—Commemoration, Dormition, Passing, Assumption—from at least the fifth or sixth century. Today it is celebrated as a solemnity.

Scripture does not give an account of Mary’s assumption into heaven. Nevertheless, Revelation 12 speaks of a woman who is caught up in the battle between good and evil. Many see this woman as God’s people. Since Mary best embodies the people of both Old and New Testaments, her assumption can be seen as an exemplification of the woman’s victory.

Furthermore, in 1 Corinthians 15:20, Paul speaks of Christ’s resurrection as the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

Since Mary is closely associated with all the mysteries of Jesus’ life, it is not surprising that the Holy Spirit has led the Church to believe in Mary’s share in His glorification. So close was she to Jesus on earth, she must be with Him body and soul in heaven. *(From franciscanmedia.org)*



**The Story of the Queenship of Mary** - Pope Pius XII established this feast in 1954. But the Blessed Virgin Mary’s queenship has roots in Scripture. At the Annunciation, Gabriel announced that Mary’s Son would receive the throne of David and rule forever. At the Visitation, Elizabeth calls Mary “mother of my Lord.” As in all the mysteries of Mary’s life, she is closely associated with Jesus: Her queenship is a share in Jesus’ kingship. We can also recall that in the Old Testament the mother of the king (Queen Mother) has great influence in court.

In the fourth century Saint Ephrem called Mary “Lady” and “Queen.” Later Church fathers and doctors continued to use the title. Hymns of the 11th to 13th centuries address Mary as queen: “Hail, Holy Queen,” “Hail, Queen of Heaven.” The Dominican rosary and the Franciscan crown as well as numerous invocations in Mary’s litany celebrate her queenship.

The feast is a logical follow-up to the Assumption and is now celebrated on the octave day of that feast. In his 1954 encyclical *To the Queen of Heaven*, Pius XII points out that Mary deserves the title because she is Mother of God and closely associated as the New Eve with Jesus’ redemptive work, because of her preeminent perfection, and because of her intercessory power. *(From franciscanmedia.org)*



**Saint Bernard of Clairvaux’s Story** - Man of the century! Woman of the century! You see such terms applied to so many today. But Western Europe’s “man of the twelfth century,” without doubt or controversy, had to be Bernard of Clairvaux. Adviser of popes, preacher of the Second Crusade, defender of the faith, healer of a schism, reformer of a monastic Order, Scripture scholar, theologian, and eloquent preacher: any one of these titles would distinguish an ordinary man. Yet Bernard

# AUGUST 10 – 19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

# AUGUST 17 – 20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

was all of these—and he still retained a burning desire to return to the hidden monastic life of his younger days.

In the year 1111, at the age of 20, Bernard left his home to join the monastic community of Citeaux. His five brothers, two uncles, and 30 young friends followed him into the monastery. Within four years, a dying community had recovered enough vitality to establish a new house in the nearby valley of Wormwoods, with Bernard as abbot. The zealous young man was quite demanding, though more on himself than others. A slight breakdown of health taught him to be more patient and understanding. The valley was soon renamed Clairvaux, the valley of light.

His ability as arbitrator and counselor became widely known. More and more he was lured away from the monastery to settle long-standing disputes. It was Bernard who intervened in a full-blown schism and settled it in favour of the Roman pontiff against the antipope.

The Holy See prevailed on Bernard to preach the Second Crusade throughout Europe. His eloquence was so overwhelming that a great army was assembled and the success of the crusade seemed assured. The ideals of the men and their leaders, however, were not those of Abbot Bernard, and the project ended as a complete military and moral disaster.

Bernard felt responsible in some way for the degenerative effects of the crusade. This heavy burden possibly hastened his death, which came August 20, 1153. (*From franciscanmedia.org*)

**Frassati Leadership Program - Entering Grade 10 in September 2025?** Are you looking to grow in your faith? Do you want to explore what it means to be a Catholic leader? The Frassati Leadership Program may be for you. Join us as we reflect on the foundations of Catholic leadership and foster opportunities for you to grow in your own faith and leadership skills. For more information and to register please visit: [hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/youth-ministry/frassati/](http://hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/youth-ministry/frassati/)



**Regina Caeli Academy** - A private Catholic school will open in Guelph in September 2026, serving students from JK to Grade 8. If you would like to join the planning committee or learn more about the school, please come to our next meeting. The meeting will be held at St. John Church, 45 Victoria Road North, Guelph, on Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM See [Reginacaeliacademy.ca](http://Reginacaeliacademy.ca) for more information.

**Young Adults Night in September in Hanover** - Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations on Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at Holy Family Parish (352 – 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Hanover, Ontario). The Young Adults Night will begin with a Holy Hour (7 – 8 PM) in the church and will continue in the school with a social with food (8 – 8:30 PM), praise night with vocations testimony (8:30 PM -9:30 PM), and Compline (9:30 PM). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: [hamiltondiocese.com/vocations](http://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations) For more information, please contact: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)



**Our Lady of Lourdes Fundraising Concert**  
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on Sunday, September 21, 2025 at 2:30 PM.

Tickets: \$25 available through the Our Lady of Lourdes Parish office 519-886-0342 ext. 101.



**Experience a Retreat at Loyola House in Guelph: Laudato Si: Ten Years Still Waiting** – Sep.23-28 - Register at [loyolahouse.com](http://loyolahouse.com) or [registration@ignatiusguelph.ca](mailto:registration@ignatiusguelph.ca) or 519-824-1250 X 266.

## Young Adult Pilgrimage to Midland – Jubilee of Hope

Calling all young adults! Join us for a special day pilgrimage to the Martyrs' Shrine in Midland, Ontario as we journey together in the spirit of the Jubilee of Hope. This is a chance to connect with others, deepen your faith, and walk in the footsteps of the Canadian martyrs.

Date: Saturday, September 27, 2025 Departure Time: 8 AM

Departure from: Chancery Office, Diocese of Hamilton (700 King St. W.)

Cost: \$40 per person (Includes: transportation, entry to the Shrine, time for prayer, reflection, fellowship, celebration of Mass, BBQ Dinner.) All young adults (20's & 30's) are welcome.

Space is limited, so register early! To register or learn more, contact: Christina Mines, Director of Evangelization and Catechesis [catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com), [www.hamiltondiocese.com/events](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com/events) Come and be renewed in hope!

(If you wish to drive directly from KW and meet up at Midland, that is also an option. Please contact Christina Mines to discuss details.)

**Adult Faith Formation Through VLCFF** The Diocese of Hamilton is proud to partner with Dayton University's Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation (VLCFF) to offer certificate programs for ministry and enrichment for adult faith formation. We are currently taking enrollment for the Youth Ministry Certification Program and the Catechist Formation Program for the Diocese of Hamilton, which begins in September 2025. Three and five week e-seminars are also available at a discounted rate for all adults in the Diocese looking to further their learning. For more info. visit [www.hamiltondioceselearns.com](http://www.hamiltondioceselearns.com)

**2025 Marian Days at the Basilica of Our Lady in Guelph** – The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate as the Diocesan Marian Shrine, is hosting the Hamilton Diocesan Marian Days on the first Saturdays from June to October. The Day begins with a Holy Hour at 9 AM, confessions during the Holy Hour, Mass at 10:30 AM, followed by the Rosary Procession. You are welcome to bring a lunch, coffee and tea will be served after the Procession, and tours of the Basilica will be available. Dates: Sep. 6 (Card. Leo) and Oct. 4 (Bp. Crosby).

## Programs at the Chancery Office (700 King St. West in Hamilton):

**Restart: Moving Forward** – Ten-week program offers education and support to help to heal and move forward after divorce or separation.

**Restart: Refresh, Renew, Revive Support Group** – Struggling after divorce or separation? Join us for learning, support and fun on Friday evenings. Held the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays of each month.

**Enhancing Self-Esteem** - Increase your self-awareness & learn specific skills for building a positive self-esteem to help you feel stronger in all areas of your life.

Contact Sarah: [familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com) 905-528-7988 X 2249.

**Struggling After an Abortion?** Either your own, or someone else's? This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, to find hope and healing. Please call 1-888-385-3850.

## ST. LOUIS PARISH NEWS:

Summer - Office hours (Mon. – Thu. 9 AM – 1 PM) till Labour Day.

Sunday Social/Coffee Time, Babysitting and Sunday School are pausing until September.

The beautiful flower gardens of St. Louis - Take time to admire. Pause for a prayer. Huge *Thank you!* to St. Louis gardening team.

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