



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.



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St Louis Catholic Church

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.

Our music directors are: 5:00 p.m. & 9:30 a.m. - Bob Reinhart (robertreinhart182@msn.com)
11:30 a.m. - 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 - 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:

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John Pendergast, 519-574-3384 &
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MASS INTENTIONS & EVENTS

Monday, Jan. 26 – Sts. Timothy & Titus, Bishops - No Mass			
	9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym
	5:30 PM	Good Shepherd Catechesis	Nursery
	7:30 PM	Bible Study – Acts – 13/20	L. Hall
Tuesday, January 27			
9:00 AM	† Moe Webster – Webster Family		
	9:30 AM	Book Club	L. Hall
	12:15 - 1 PM	Fit Club	Gym
	1 PM	Prayer Shawl Ministry	L. Hall
	7:00 PM	Painting with Kelly	L. Hall
Wednesday, January 28 – St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor			
9:00 AM	† Sophie Lavigne – Cecilia Beechey		
	9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym
	6 - 7 PM	First Communion Class	Nursery
Thursday, January 29			
9:00 AM	† Tony III – Cecilia Beechey		
	12:15 - 1 PM	Fit Club	Gym
Friday, January 30			
9:00 AM	† Andre Anderson – Webster Family		
	9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym
Saturday, January 31 – St. John Bosco, Priest			
	11:45 AM – 1 PM	Set up for the event	Gym
	4:30–5:45 PM	Children Games	Nursery
	6 – 7 PM	Potluck	Gym & L. Hall
	7 – 10 PM	Ceili Dance & Games	Gym & L. Hall
Vigil of Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time			
5:00 PM	People of St. Louis Parish		
Sunday, February 1 – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time			
9:30 AM	† Louise Lefebvre – Paul & Betty Gross		
	† Cyril Helm – Joanne & Fred Bond		
	† Colleen Kurtz – Webster Family		
	Intentions of Scott & Family – Malton Family		
	10:30 AM	Coffee Time	L. Hall
11:30 AM	† Audrey Hackshaw – Butler Family		
	† Cletus & Frances Byrne – Rosemary & Shaun MacNeil		
	† Clarence Anstett – Anstett Family		
	5 PM	OOTC Community Supper	Gym

Reflection on the Second Reading (1 Cor. 1:10-13, 17-18)

The Second Reading continues the theme of unity introduced in the First Reading from Isaiah. Here, Paul indicates some of the abundant graces received by members of the early Church at Corinth. Some had been evangelized and nurtured in the faith by significant figures of the early Church: Paul, Apollos, Peter (Cephas), and Chloe. Additionally, they maintained communication with Paul through Chloe's people. So, as a community, the Corinthians were steeped in the grace of apostolic faith. And they were very aware of the honour that such evangelization signalled. However, their sense of honour clouded their grasp of the gospel. Rather than celebrating their reception of Christ and the gospel, rather than delighting in having been evangelized by amazing figures know personally by the Lord, they allowed these graces to become sources of division. Various, claiming to belong to Paul, Apollos, Peter (Cephas), and Christ, the Corinthians surrendered to the temptation of vainglory. Celebrating one's status replaced celebrating the gospel. As a result, they failed to recognize themselves as the one, united body of Christ. Accordingly, Paul could ask (rhetorically) whether they constituted a "divided Christ".

Pope Leo XIV declares Year of St Francis

Pope Leo XIV has proclaimed a "Special Year of St. Francis" to commemorate the 800th anniversary of the saint's death. During this time of grace, which will extend until January 2027, the faithful are granted the opportunity to obtain a plenary indulgence.

This Franciscan Jubilee Year, considered a gift for the entire Church and an occasion for authentic spiritual renewal, was inaugurated on Jan. 10 with a decree issued by the Apostolic Penitentiary of the Holy See.

Until Jan. 10 of next year, the faithful can obtain this grace under the usual conditions — sacramental confession, Communion, and prayer for the intentions of the pope — by making a pilgrimage to any Franciscan conventual church or place of worship dedicated to St. Francis anywhere in the world.

Furthermore, the elderly, the sick, and those who, for serious reasons, cannot leave their homes can obtain the plenary indulgence by spiritually joining in the jubilee celebrations and offering their prayers, pains, or sufferings to God.

In a world where "the virtual takes over the real, disagreements and social violence are part of everyday life, and peace becomes more insecure and distant every day, this Year of St. Francis spurs all of us, each according to our possibilities, to imitate the poor man of Assisi, to form ourselves as far as possible on the model of Christ," the decree states.

For the Order of Friars Minor, this time is also an opportunity for the faithful to become "models of holiness of life and constant witnesses of peace."

On the occasion of this anniversary, Pope Leo XIV addressed a letter to the ministers general of the Franciscan Family Conference in which he emphasized that "in this era, marked by so many seemingly endless wars, by internal and social divisions that create distrust and fear, he continues to speak. Not because he offers technical solutions, but because his life points to the authentic source of peace."

In this regard, he highlighted that St. Francis reminds us that "peace with God, peace among people, and peace with creation are inseparable dimensions of a single call to universal reconciliation." (From Catholic News Agency. Image: St Francis of Assisi by Philip Fruytiers)



Palms from last year – bring them in so they can be burned for ashes for Ash Wednesday. Boxes at the back of the church.

Echoing Isaiah's message, Paul confronts divisions at Corinth by confirming that they were gathered by God's saving word and works and thus enjoyed incomparable unity. For Paul, the fledgling Corinthia community needed simply to recognize that Christ was the centre of their lives, not Paul. Rhetorical questions drive his point home. Each is to be answered negatively. Christ cannot be divided. Paul was not crucified for the Corinthians. The Corinthians were not baptized in the name of Paul. Rather, Christ is one and unites them. Christ was the one crucified for them. It was in Christ's name that the Corinthians were baptized.

To complete his self-humbling, Paul closes by recognizing that his task was only to proclaim the gospel. Its success depended on The power of Christ's cross, not the wise, compelling rhetoric of an evangelist, be it Paul or another. (From Workbook for Lectors)

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Welcome to 2026 ladies! Our first General Meeting will take place on Wednesday, February 4th beginning with Mass at 7pm with a meeting to follow in the Large Hall. Not a member? January is a great time to give yourself the gift of becoming a CWL member! Come and see what we are about and make some new friends. All ladies 16 and over are invited to our monthly General Meetings regardless of membership. In lieu of a guest speaker this month, we will have a brief introduction of our new executive and extended time for socializing. We look forward to seeing YOU!



First Communion Preparation Classes will start on Wed. Jan. 28th from 6 to 7 PM in the Nursery. If you wish your child to receive their First Communion at St. Louis Parish on May 3rd, 2026 at 9:30 AM Mass, then please contact Kelly Krause to register. (kkrause@hamiltondiocese.com)



**Mark your calendars:
Vacation Bible School Camp
will be during the week of
July 20 – 24, 2026.**



The Federation of North-American Explorers (FNE) is an international association of the Catholic Church for youth and young adults that builds its members into saints through an adventurous outdoors program. **Timberwolf FNE program (ages 8-12) is coming to KW area.** The registration is now open. The first meeting is on **Friday, January 30 @ 6:30 PM** in St. Paul Catholic Elementary School, 45 Birchcliff Ave, Kitchener. The link to registration is: <https://sites.google.com/view/fne-kwc/timberwolf-program>.

Thomas Toast – January 28th - The Communion Circle of the Diocese of Hamilton invites you to our annual Thomas Toast event on Saturday, January 31st at St. Anthony Daniel Church, 29 Midland Dr, Kitchener, ON. Coffee will be available when the doors of the hall open at 9:30 AM. At 10 AM we will gather for Daytime Prayer and a talk by Dr. Peter Erb entitled: *“Newman, Aquinas, and Przywara Revisited”* followed by a toast to Thomas and a social until 12 PM. For more information visit: communiohamiltondiocese.org, or contact Father Mark Morley: mmorley@communiohamiltondiocese.org, or Deacon Charles Fernandes: 519-923-0454.



Resurrectionist Vocation Minute - In today's Gospel, one word has always stood out for me: immediately. When Jesus calls Simon and Andrew, James and John, they leave their nets, their boat, even their father, and follow Him at once. Vocation does not begin with perfect clarity or detailed plans, but with a heart shaped by the Word and ready to trust. May we learn to hear God's Word and respond without delay. Fr. Michal Kruszewski, CR; resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com

The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass - Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2026? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Dabrowski and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 31, 2026 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at hamiltondiocese.com, or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

SOCIAL EVENTS AT ST. LOUIS PARISH:



**Saturday, January 31 from 4:30 to 10 PM
Annual Midwinter Potluck, Ceili Dance &
Children Games with Fairy Tales Theme**

The evening will start with Children Games and Crafts in the Nursery from 4:30 to 5:45 PM. Potluck dinner at 6 PM in the Gym. Ceili Dancing from 7 to 10 PM with intermission and entertainment by Fairy Singers around 8:45 PM. Once again, our fiddler will be Shane Cook, Canadian and US National Champion. Bev Bernbaum (our Caller from last year) will teach us all the dance steps. If you can follow instructions, you can dance. If dancing is not your thing, come and listen to the music and socialize. This is an event for all ages! The decorating theme will be “Fairy Tales”. Wear a costume, if you wish for more fun! See posters with more information. Invite friends and family. Do you wish to help with a set up of tables etc. in the gym? Come at 11:45 AM for about an hour.

Bible Study of the Book of Acts - Sundays at 12:30 PM (with lunch), or on Mondays at 7:30 PM (with refreshments). We keep both sessions in parallel, so you can come when it suits you better. Link to the detailed schedule is on our parish website main page.

Book Club just started new book: **“Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary – Unveiling the Mother of the Messiah” by Dr. Brant Pitre**. Here is what the author writes in introduction to this book: *“As I hope to show, far from being “unbiblical,” Catholic doctrines about Mary are deeply rooted in Scripture – if you interpret the New Testament in light of the Old Testament. Keep looking at the New Testament by itself, and you’ll never see them. Start looking at Mary through ancient Jewish eyes, and all will become clear.”*

The way book club works: the book is read aloud for part of the time, and then discussed. No homework. Come when you can. Tuesday mornings from 9:30 AM for about an hour.



Lift Jesus Higher Rally 2026 - theme is "No Greater Love." Date is March 14th. Where? Metro-Toronto Convention Center. There is an all-day youth and adult

rally that takes place simultaneously in different parts of the convention center. Please don't delay in your decision to go, we would like to order tickets and take advantage of the early bird pricing. Adult tickets are \$35, youth are \$25. Transportation to the event will be on a bus. If Kelly has numbers early enough, we will be joining another parish in sharing the bus. If you would like to join Kelly Krause for this event, adult or youth, please contact her at the parish office before February 1st.

Christian Life Program - Sponsored by *Couples for Christ*. Please join us at St Francis Church Hall (49 Blueridge Ave., Kit.) Thursdays, Jan. 29th to Mar. 26th inclusive. Be enriched by such talks as: *God's Love, Who is Jesus Christ?* and *Transformation In Christ*. Open to Christian married couples, Singles, Widows, Widowers and those separated or divorced. Dinner at 6 PM. Program: 7 to 9 PM. Child care provided for children ages 12 years and under. No fee. Contact: Ave/ Maricar Bagnes 226-978-9933 or 416-564-2239 or Len/Marie Solomon 519-744-5198.

Date	Sunday	Maint.	Initial & NY	Loose	PAD
Jan. 18	2200.95	1747.35	195.00	279.25	2415.61



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Via diocesan website: hamiltondiocese.com/ways-to-give
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