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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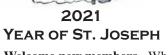
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Welcome new members - Whether you are just passing through the area or looking for a spiritual home, we welcome you to St. Louis Catholic Church. We hope you will find our worship environment hospitable and prayerful.

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

**Maintenance Committee** 

Bob Lorentz, 519-576-5556

**OOTC Community Suppers** 

Keith & Sharon Schnarr 519-801-8687

**Parish Webmaster** 

Daniel Delattre, daniel@uwaterloo.ca

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Kelly Krause, 519-743-4101

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### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday, May 24 - Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church - No Mass Tuesday, May 25

9:00 AM To Bring Our Loved Ones Home To The Church – Monday Lunch & Learn Group

Wednesday, May 26 - St. Philip Neri, Priest

9:00ам † Laura Kroetsch – Jerry & Rosemary Thorpe

Thursday, May 27

9:00am † Don Oberholzer – Cecilia Beechey

Friday, May 28

Intentions of Danielle Pilon - Cecilia Beechey 9:00ам

Saturday, May 29

Vigil of The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

5:00 рм † Dorothy Zmija – Brenda Zmija

Sunday, May 30 - The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

9:30am † Mary-Anne Toussaint – Richard & Claire Armitage

11:30 ам People of St. Louis Parish

Reflections on the First Reading: Acts 2: 1-11

Acts of the Apostles is the only New Testament book to tell the story of the first Christian Pentecost. Its author, Luke, indicates that this event took place on the Jewish Pentecost, Sukkot, also known as the Feast of the Tabernacles or Booths. Because it was a pilgrimage feast, the city of Jerusalem would have been filled with visitors from near and far. The Apostles and some women, including Mary, the mother of Jesus, and some of Jesus' kinsfolk were gathered in the place where they were staying. Suddenly, a noise like a driving wind comes from the sky and fills the entire building. The Greek word pnoé means "wind," but it can also mean "a gust" or "breath." The adjective, translated here as "violent," also means "driving," or "rushing." Such is the power of the Holy Spirit – strong enough to knock everyone off their feet!

Sukkot was a joyous harvest festival, but it was also time for Jews to remember the years their ancestors dwelt in tents during their Exodus sojourn. The Exodus story of God's appearance on Mount Sinai describes God coming down from the heavens in fire (Exodus 19:18). Perhaps Luke had this story in mind when he described the appearance of tongues of fire coming down and resting upon the people gathered in the house. In any case, Luke clearly wants to highlight the Holy Spirit's heavenly origin and its power to unite peoples of all nations through confident and intelligible preaching of "God's deeds of power." In some respects, we might think of this Pentecost scene as a return to the beginning, before the dispersal of peoples and confusion of language that transpired in the Tower of Babel story (Genesis 11:1-9). What marvellous grace!

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

Stav at home order in effect till June 2, 2021. Churches are closed for public Masses. Fr. Phil celebrates the Masses in private for the intentions requested. Office is closed. Working from home. Checking email. Check the website for up to date information. Bulletins are published on-line only.

Anniversary Mass 2021 Registration - The Anniversary Mass scheduled for June of 2021 has been cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60, and 60-plus years of marriage on the Diocesan website at hamiltondiocese.com, simply click on the Anniversary Mass icon on the home page. We will send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass. Questions?- contact familyministry@hamitondiocese.com.



Juan de Flandes, Pentecost, Flemish, 1514-1519 Madrid, Museo Nacional del Prado

Monday after the Feast of Pentecost has been designated as the Feast of Mary, Mother of the Church in 2018 by Pope Francis. The Church has traditionally portrayed the Blessed Virgin Mary together with the apostles and disciples gathered at that first Pentecost, joined in prayer with the first members of the Church. The title, Mater Ecclesiae is found in the writings of Berengaud, bishop of Treves (d. 1125). In the 1895 encyclical Adjutricem populi (Helper of the People) Pope Leo XIII wrote, "She is invoked as Mother of the Church and the teacher and Queen of the Apostles". Following the title's usage by Leo XIII, it was later used many times in the teachings of John XXIII and Paul VI, John Paul II and Benedict XVI. The use of the Mater Ecclesiae title to the Virgin Mary goes back to Ambrose of Milan in the 4th century. (From Wikipedia)

The confused and fear filled apostles were totally changed by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit as they became powerful and dynamic proclaimers of their faith in Jesus Christ. In today's Church God calls priests, religious and deacons to serve Him and to serve others, especially by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. If you feel God is calling you to priesthood, religious life or deaconate, call Most Rev. W. Lobsinger, Auxiliary Bishop and Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, 905-528-7988, or Fr. Raphael Ma, Congregation of Resurrection Vocation Director, at crvocations@gmail.com, or Carmel of St. Joseph in St. Agatha at 519-884-6700.

"The First Lady And Her Successors" is a feature-length documentary, written, produced and directed by Dr. Josephine Lombardi. The movie showcases nine dynamic women following in the footsteps of Mary of Nazareth. It will premiere on May 13th, at 7 p.m. on her website (iosephinelombardi.com). See trailer on her website.

**Sunday School & Liturgy of the Word** (ages 3-10) – is a little different! Join Teacher Kelly every Sunday morning at 10:30 AM for on-line Sunday school session.



We explore our church calendar, sing songs and read the Gospel together where we take away a few important points from the reading. Kelly has a link for a children's bulletin that is full of fun information and activities. Email Kelly (kkrause@hamiltondiocese.com) to get the link to our virtual Sunday school. Join us to learn more about your faith!

**St. Louis Youth Group** (Gr. 6 - 12) is meeting on-line twice a month on Friday nights. Contact Kelly for more information.

Covid 19 social gathering restrictions have placed many constraints on all communities. Until we can meet in person, you are invited to tap into some excellent online resources focused on personal spirituality, family, marriage, and our Catholic faith.

A few resources to get you started....

Top 50 Catholic Mom Blogs, Websites in 2021 (https://blog.feedspot.com/catholic\_mom\_blogs/) – The range of blogs and interests is vast, but all have in common being a Catholic and being a mother. Stay tuned for more resources each week....

**Upcoming zoom workshops presented by Anne Racine** (Trained Facilitator of Workshops and Retreats and a Certified Spiritual Director from Mount Carmel Retreat Centre in Niagara Falls):

THE IMPACT OF COVID 19: Are you experiencing stress caused by COVID-19? You are not alone! People around the world have felt overwhelmed and helpless as a result of experiencing Coronavirus Anxiety. Adjusting to new realities has caused fear and worry. This workshop will explore coping strategies and practical skills to deal with the impact that COVID-19 has had on our lives. Sat., June 19, 10 AM to 3 PM. Held Virtually On Zoom Platform. Cost: \$40.00

**LEARNING TO FORGIVE: FORGIVENESS:** What is it and how do you do it? This workshop identifies the stumbling blocks to forgiveness and provides practical methods to work through the anger, blame and resentment. Forgiveness is about letting go of the past, and understanding it in order to move on. Forgiveness is one of the greatest gifts you can give yourself. Sat., May 29, 10 AM to 3 PM. Held Virtually On Zoom Platform. Cost: \$40.00

REGISTER AT: annaracine.org@gmail.com or (905) 351-8367.

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**Unpacking Patris Corde – With a Father's Heart -** that is how Joseph loved Jesus, whom all four Gospels refer to as "the son of Joseph"". This opening line from Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter, Patris Corde, released on Dec. 8, 2020 to mark the opening of a Year of St. Joseph, sets the tone for the entire letter. In Patris Corde, we hear that, "St. Joseph reminds us that those who appear hidden or in the shadows can play an incomparable role in the history of salvation." You are invited to join us on Tuesday, May 25th at 7 PM for a 90 minute zoom webinar (by phone or internet) to discover more about the Patron Saint of both the Catholic Church and Canada. Presented by Monsignor Murray J. Kroetsch (PH, VG) and Mrs. Teresa Hartnett (M.R.E.).

Registration is required to receive the zoom link and can be found at hamiltondiocese.com (on the home page go to Upcoming Events). For further information, contact Teresa at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

Pope Francis has launched a **Marathon of Prayer for the month of May**. "Guided by Shrines around the world during this month of May, we recite the Rosary to invoke an end to the pandemic and the resumption of social and work-related activities." Father lan Duffy, Rector of our own Diocesan Shrine, the Basilica of Our Lady in Guelph, is joining the Pope's prayer marathon by praying the Rosary at noon each day. You are invited to participate.

### 2021 is the Year of St. Joseph.

We are taking a look at representations of St. Joseph in art taken from *imaginemdei.blogspot.com* . (Continued from previous bulletin).

Giotto, The Marriage of Mary and Joseph Italian, 1304-1306 Padua, Scrovegni Chapel



Scenes, other than Nativity, Presentation or Finding Jesus in the temple, taken from apocryphal stories of the life of Mary, began to appear, among them the story choice of Joseph as Mary's husband and the marriage ceremony itself. According to the stories, Mary had many

eligible suitors. In order to ensure that the choice would fall to a truly good man, the Temple elders required all the suitors to bring a dry rod to the Temple. The rods were placed on the altar overnight. In the morning, only one had blossomed, the rod belonging to Joseph.

In the scene of the wedding of Mary and Joseph he carries his lily topped rod as a symbol of his own purity and as the sign of divine appointment as foster father for Jesus.



Rosso, Marriage of Virgin, talian, 1523, Florence, San Lorenzo

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