St. Louis Catholic Church

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Served by the Congregation of the Resurrection since 1890.

Office hours: Monday – Thursday 9 - 12 and 1-4, Friday 9 - 12



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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Year 2021 - 2022

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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

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 9 - No Mass Tuesday, May 10

Wednesday, May 11

Thursday, May 12 - St. Pancras. Martyr

 $9:00~\mathrm{AM}$ Intentions of Moe and Anne Marie Webster on their 60^{th}

Wedding Anniversary - Prayer Shawl Ministry

Friday, May 13 - Our Lady of Fatima

9:00 AM Intentions of Fr. Phil on His Birthday and Anniversary of

His Ordination - Prayer Shawl Ministry

Saturday, May 14 – St. Matthias, Apostle Vigil of Fifth Sunday of Easter

5:00PM † Edna & Phyllist Ertel – Larry Ertel

† Rev. Bernie Hayes, C.R. - Kim Moser

† Nancy Forde – Patrick & Joan Forde

† Alex Sichewski – Joan Sichewski

Sunday, May 15 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

† Eleanor Keating - Cathy & Bruce Brown

Deceased Members of Gies Family – Hinsperger Family

Intentions of Bernice Reinhart – Robert Reinhart

11:30 AM People of St. Louis Parish

Reflection on the First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 13:14, 43-52

Today's reading from the Acts of the Apostles finds Paul and Barnabas in the synagogue in this Gentile region of Antioch. They take their seats, showing us that they are connected to their Jewish roots. Acts suggests that at first these missionaries were welcomed by "many Jews and devout converts to Judaism."

The reading suggests that their work to reveal the risen Lord to the people of the city was highly effective; on the following Sabbath, "almost the whole city" came together to hear the preaching of Paul and Barnabas. Nevertheless, the response of the leading Jews is one of jealousy, as they witness the success of the missionaries' preaching. Paul's response to their fear is to announce that the work of preaching the Word of God would be focused from that point upon the Gentiles rather than the Jews. Paul proclaims that he and Barnabas have been commissioned by the Lord to be "a light for the Gentiles" – reminiscent of Simeon's words in Luke's Gospel when the infant Jesus was presented in the Temple – "so that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth."

At the declaration that they have been made the worthy recipients of the Lord's care, the Gentiles in Antioch were "glad" and came to belief in the Gospel. The Jews, however, distanced themselves more from the way of Jesus. For those who are willing to listen and come to faith, the gift of great joy and ongoing spread of the Word is granted, but for those who choose to reject the teaching of the Apostles, fear and jealousy will prevent them from accepting the gift of salvation. We are meant to see in this reading the power of God's Word to triumph over disbelief as the disciples were "filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit." From the Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word.)

PRAYERS FOR PEACE - St. Louis Bells

("St. Louis, Confessor King" and "St. Magdelena") are rung every night at 7 PM to call us to prayers for Peace wherever we are.



Mary, on this day when we honor all mothers, we turn to you. We thank the Lord whom you serve for the great gift of motherhood. Never has it been known that anyone who sought your intercession was left unaided by grace. Dear



Mother, thank you for your "Yes" to the invitation of the angel which brought heaven to earth and changed human history. You opened yourself to God's word and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us. Dear mother, intercede for all of our mothers. Ask your Divine Son to give them the grace of surrendered love so that they could join with you in giving their own "Fiat." May they find daily strength to say yes to the call to the sacrificial love- the very heart of the vocation of motherhood. May their love and witness be a source of great inspiration for all of us called to follow your Son. On this Mothers day, Mother of the Word Incarnate, pray for us who have recourse to you. In the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. (Catholic.org)



Our Lady of Fatima - Between May 13 and October 13, 1917, three Portuguese children—Francisco and Jacinta Marto and their cousin Lucia dos Santos—received apparitions of Our Lady at Cova da Iria near Fatima, a city 110 miles north of Lisbon. Mary asked the children to pray the rosary for world peace, for the end of World

War I, for sinners, and for the conversion of Russia. Mary gave the children three secrets. The first, concerned devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The second secret was a vision of hell. The third secret was revealed in 2000 on instructions of Pope John Paul II. It spoke of a "bishop in white" who was shot by a group of soldiers who fired bullets and arrows into him. Many people linked this vision to the assassination attempt against Pope John Paul II in St. Peter's Square on May 13, 1981. "What is the meaning of the 'secret' of Fátima as a whole? It is the exhortation to prayer as the path of 'salvation for souls' and, likewise, the summons to penance and conversion." *Card. Ratzsinger.*



Saint Pancras, Martyr - Third Century

Pancras was an orphan who traveled to Rome from the east in the company of his uncle. The pair converted to Christianity and then died for that conversion during the reign of Diocletian. Pancras was perhaps fourteen years old when he traded his earthly life for a better one in heaven. He likely became well known owing to his rare combination of youth and heroic witness. Our martyr was buried near a major Roman road, and a modest

basilica was constructed over his tomb, a popular pilgrimage destination, partly due to its healing bath, which was famous for its curative powers. Patron Saint of children, jobs, and health. (From mycatholic.life)

St. Louis is proud to participate in the **Baby Bottle Campaign**, in support of Marillac Place. Marillac Place relies heavily on the donations from our community to support mother-led families in need of assistance. This year please provide your support by donating online or sending a cheque directly to Marillac Place. marillacplace.ca/donate For more info. on Marillac Place contact 519-571-0722x202, or admin@marillacplace.ca or marillacplace.ca. Thank you!

On this Good Shepherd Sunday we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If God is calling you contact Most Rev. W. Lobsinger, Aux. Bp. & Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988, vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, 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.

LEAP of FAITH in CONCERT! - Christian country band LEAP of FAITH will be performing here, at St. Louis on Sunday May 29th at 3 PM in the Church. Now in their 25th year the band includes two members of our Church: Carolyn Beaton, pianist at 11:30 Mass, and Al Kehn. A freewill offering will be taken with proceeds going to: S.H.O.W. (Supportive housing of Waterloo - a not-for-profit charitable corporation with a mandate to supply affordable housing to people in need in Waterloo Region). Arrive early and bring a friend!

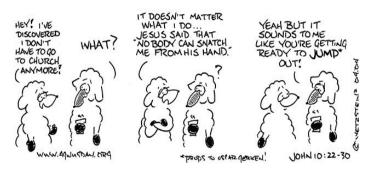
March for Life Toronto May 13th – KW RTL will travel by bus to Toronto to participate in March for Life. Plan to Participate. Reserve a bus seat now – Call 519-746-5433 or email jane@kwrtl.ca

Grief Relief - Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? You are not alone! The Diocese of Hamilton will be offering a four week online grief program on Tuesday evenings from 7 – 8:30 PM May 17, 24 & 31, and June 7, 14 & 21st. Find out more and register to receive the zoom link athttps://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/grief-support, or call Teresa at 905-528-7988 x 2250.

Do No Harm Webinar series, hosted by the Sisters of St. Joseph and the Collaborative Network to End Exploitation "Frontline workers, survivors, and other experts share insight into the unintentional harms and impacts of some human trafficking practices and policies in this weekly webinar series. The series begins Thursday, May 5 at 2 PM and recurs on Thursday each week until June 9. Registration info. can be found on the Sisters of St. Joseph (Toronto) website, www.csj-to.ca. (This information reached St. Louis late.)

Sacred Heart Parish in Hamilton - 100th **Anniversary Celebration – June 5, 2022 -** Bp. Crosby will celebrate at 10 AM on June 5th. Luncheon at Michelangelo Banquet Centre to follow. Tickets for the luncheon available at the Rectory Office, 19 Viewpoint Ave., 1-905- 383-3280. Prices: \$30 (adults) & \$15 (children ages 3-10).

Wedding Certificate 2022 Registration: The Wedding Anniversary Mass will not occur this year. Please register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years of marriage on the Diocesan website at hamiltondiocese.com to receive a certificate with Bishop Crosby's blessing.





The Bible and the Church Fathers – video study program from St. Paul Centre for Biblical Theology after both Sunday Masses in the Large Hall. A 20 minute video with a brief discussion & refreshments.

Synopsis of the past session ("The New Covenant and the New Eucharist"):

According to recent estimates there are over 40 thousand different Protestant denominations. Did God intend for His Body to be divided in such a manner? In a famous passage known as the High Priestly Prayer (John 17) Jesus prays that we would "all be one, even as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You, that they also may be in Us."

So how is this unity to be achieved? Does it happen by all of us having a Bible? Obviously not, since all those Christians in different denominations have Bibles. And nowhere in the Gospels do we see Christ commanding His Apostles to write down what He taught them. Rather, the command we hear is not "write this," but "Do this" (Lk 22:19). Christ did not leave behind a single written text. Very few of the Apostles left behind written words either, but they all celebrated the New Testament. Why? Because at the Last Supper, Christ did not make them authors – He made them priests. He prepared them to follow in His footsteps and to carry His mission to unite the world in Him through the sacraments.

When Christ told us He would not leave us orphans (Matt 28), He wasn't promising a book, but sacraments incorporating us into His family. He would remain with us through the preaching of the Gospel and the actualization of that Gospel in the Eucharist. After His Ascension, the Apostles "went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by the signs that attended it" (Mk 16:20). To ensure that this message was going to spread and continue, they ordained priests to celebrate the sacraments.

At the heart of Protestant disagreement with Catholics is the denial that Christ established one visible Church under the authority of Peter, the first pope – a Church charged with offering sacrifice – and led by Peter's successors throughout its history.

Around AD 50, the *Didache* (or "*Teaching of the Twelve Apostles*") was written. It refers to Mass as "this sacrifice that was spoken by the Lord". Why is it important to emphasize the sacrifice of the Mass? Because it is through the Eucharist that we become "one body of Christ." This truth is at the heart of why there is only one Church established by Jesus Christ.

Christ is the only perfect and true priest. But if there was to be a continuation of His covenant, new priests were needed. And this is exactly what Jesus intended when He told His Apostle to "Do this in memory of me". The Church teaches that priests act in *persona Christi*, in the person of Christ. When they celebrate the sacraments, they are acting in Christ and through Christ, by the authority of the One whose sacrifice is pleasing and acceptable to the Father. That is why the validity of a sacrament doesn't depend upon the holiness of the priest.

The Apostles clearly understood that succession was part of the plan and vital to their mission. Matthias replaced Judas and new popes were elected after martyrdom of Peter.

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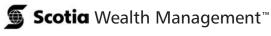
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