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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.



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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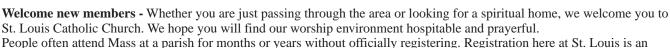
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expression of your commitment to being an active member of our community. Parish registration simplifies the process with regard to sponsoring a sacramental candidate; obtaining pastoral references and for preparation of baptisms, weddings and funerals. 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 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 resurrectionistyocation@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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St Louis Catholic Church

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MASS INTENTIONS & EVENTS

| Monday, | November 18 | – No Mass | | | | | | |
|--|---------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|--|--|--|--|----------|
| | 9 AM - NOON | Pickle Ball | Gym | | | | | |
| 5:30 PM | | Good Shepherd Catechesis | Nursery | | | | | |
| | 6:30 PM | Choir Rehearsal | Church | | | | | |
| | 7:30 PM | Adventure Bible Timeline p. 21 | L. Hall | | | | | |
| Tuesday, | November 19 |) | | | | | | |
| 9:00 AM To Bring Our Loved Ones Home to the Church – Book Gr. | | | | | | | | |
| | 9:30 AM | Book Group | L. Hall | | | | | |
| | 6:30 PM | CWL Exec Meeting | L. Hall | | | | | |
| Wednesd | lay, November | | | | | | | |
| 9:00 AM | † Steven Winkle | | | | | | | |
| | 9 AM - NOON | Pickle Ball | Gym | | | | | |
| | 7:00 PM | Confirmation Prep. Class | Nursery | | | | | |
| Thursday | y, November 2 | 1- The Presentation of the | | | | | | |
| • | • | Blessed Virg | in Mary | | | | | |
| 9:00 AM | † Robert Voll - | | • | | | | | |
| | 1:00 РМ | Pivotal Players (8/10) | L. Hall | | | | | |
| Friday, 1 | Vovember 22 - | - St. Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr | • | | | | | |
| | | Pendergast – John Pendergast | | | | | | |
| | | Pickle Ball | Gym | | | | | |
| Saturday | | 3 – St. Clement I, Pope, Mai | rtyr | | | | | |
| · · | 9 <i>AM</i> – <i>NOON</i> | Karate | L. Hall | | | | | |
| Vigil of C | Dur Lord Jesus | Christ, King of the Universe | 2 | | | | | |
| 5:00 PM | People of St. Lo | uis Parish | | | | | | |
| | 6 PM | CWL Mission & Bake Sale | Gym | | | | | |
| Sunday, | November 24 | – Our Lord Jesus Christ, | | | | | | |
| | | King of the | Universe | | | | | |
| 9:30 AM | † Don Miller – | | | | | | | |
| | | ie Ruetz – Ruetz Family | | | | | | |
| † Fatima Cabral – Maria Cabral † Celeste Fackoury – Louann Miller | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | 10:30 AM |
| 11:30 AM | | | | | | | | |
| † Jocelyn Haroun – Martin Family | | | | | | | | |
| | † Cletus, Fran | ces & Dan Byrne – | | | | | | |
| | | Rosemary & Shau | n MacNeil | | | | | |
| | 12:30 AM | CWL Mission & Bake Sale | Gym | | | | | |
| | 4:30 PM | OOTC Community Supper | Gym | | | | | |

Reflection on the First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3

In today's first reading, we hear of God's justice and reward for those who remain faithful to Him. The apocalyptic imagery and language of the Book of Daniel appear again in the Book of Revelation. The term "apocalypse" is not synonymous with doom and gloom and the destruction of the world, although the end of this world is often described in apocalypses. In reality, "apocalypse" refers to the unveiling of heavenly mysteries, especially as they pertain to human history. The imagery and symbolism utilized are a code understood by insiders but remaining incomprehensible to those who persecute them.

In this passage, we find one of the first references to Michael, Israel's guardian, in the Bible. His presence in the midst of persecution brings solace and hope to God's people. The book referred to here is likely the "book of truth" in Daniel 10:21, in which future events are recorded.

Today's reading also contains one of the few Old Testament references to the resurrection of the dead as well as the final judgement and the afterlife. The concept of resurrection here is not exactly the same as that found in the New Testament. It states that "many of those who sleep" will experience resurrection, which gives the impression that not everyone will be resurrected on the last day. Of those who are resurrected, some will be rewarded and others will be punished. Herein



St. Louis CWL invites everyone to our annual **Mission Craft** and **Bake Sale!** In addition to delicious homemade baking for sale, we will have a silent auction, an estate table with many

valuable treasures, gift cards for sale and a Cozy Corner where you can sit and have a drink, a few treats, and hot dogs! Join us in the gym after each Mass on the weekend of November 23rd and 24th. All money raised (except for the gift cards, those proceeds will go to our CWL) will go to Catholic Missions in Canada, Development and Peace and Resurrectionists Missions in Tanzania. We will be gratefully accepting your donations on Friday, November 22nd in the Large Hall from 3 PM to 7PM and in the Gym on Saturday, November 23rd from 9:30 AM to 1 PM. Please contact Donna Herbstreit with any questions at: 519-741-6390 or to volunteer. We kindly ask that you consider bringing your own shopping bag to take your goodies home. Please note: we will be collecting your used glasses (prescription and readers, including sunglasses) for Medical Missionaries who distribute the gift of sight to underdeveloped countries around the world.



Reminder: CWL Membership fees for 2025 are now due. In addition to cash, you can write a cheque to St. Louis CWL or St. Louis Catholic Women's League. The amount is \$45.

Thank you.



St. Louis SVDP will be teaming up with the Waterloo Knights of Columbus by hosting a toy drive, here at St. Louis church. We will collect new

toys that will be distributed throughout the region this Christmas season to children in need. A tree will be located inside the front entrance of the church November 16th to December 1st. On the tree will be tags identifying a child by sex and age. Choose a tag, purchase the toy and return back to St. Louis. (PLEASE DO NOT WRAP THE TOY, SIMPLY ATTACH THE TAG.) SVDP members will be collecting the new toys at the gym entrance (off the parking lot) on the weekend of Dec. 6th & 7th before and after all Masses. The *Waterloo Knights of Columbus New Toys for Needy Kids Toy Drive* is the largest Toy Drive in Southwestern Ontario and has collected and distributed more than \$6,000,000 in toys and donations to date. To find out more about Waterloo Knights of Columbus Toy Drive: https://waterlooknightsofcolumbus.com/toy-drive/ St. Louis St. Vincent de Paul thanks you for your support of this project.



Pivotal Players –Thursdays at 1 PM in the Large Hall screening of full episodes of Bishop Barron's series on men and women whose friendship with Christ transformed their own lives and the world. Next episode is about G. K. Chesterton (1874-1936). Full schedule on the parish website.

As Catholic Christians our faith assures us that death is not the end...life has changed, not ended. Something beautiful is just beginning! We have hope & the promise of eternal life! As faithful Catholics, there are important spiritual matters we should include in our final wishes, for time of illness & when death occurs - particularly the importance of a Catholic Funeral. But what makes it a "Catholic Funeral"? Attend the **St. Agnes Education Cafe: The Catholic View of Death & the Beauty of the Catholic Funeral**: Sunday Nov. 24th 2-3:30pm. Details: www.saintagnescatholicchurch.org

lies the hope of future divine justice. After the resurrection, injustices will be made right and the wicked will be punished. In contrast, the wise and those who lead others to justice are compared to stars in the sky, likely a reference to Angels. Thus, the faithful will be accorded glory akin to that of the Angels in heaven. (From Workbook for Lectors)



The Story of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (November 21) – Mary's presentation was celebrated in Jerusalem in the sixth century. A church was built there in honour of this mystery. The Eastern Church was more interested in the feast, but it does appear in the West in the 11th century. Although the feast

at times disappeared from the calendar, in the 16th century it became a feast of the universal Church.

As with Mary's birth, we read of Mary's presentation in the temple only in apocryphal literature. In what is recognized as an unhistorical account, the Protoevangelium of James tells us that Anna and Joachim offered Mary to God in the Temple when she was 3 years old. This was to carry out a promise made to God when Anna was still childless. Though it cannot be proven historically, Mary's presentation has an important theological purpose. It continues the impact of the feasts of the Immaculate Conception and of the birth of Mary. It emphasizes that the holiness conferred on Mary from the beginning of her life on earth continued through her early childhood and beyond.

Reflection: It is sometimes difficult for modern Westerners to appreciate a feast like this. The Eastern Church, however, was quite open to this feast and even insistent about celebrating it. This feast stresses an important truth about Mary: From the beginning of her life, she was dedicated to God. She herself became a greater temple than any made by hands. God came to dwell in her in a marvelous manner and sanctified her for her unique role in God's saving work. At the same time, the magnificence of Mary enriches her children. They—we—too are temples of God and sanctified in order that we might enjoy and share in God's saving work. (From franciscanmedia.org)



Saint Cecilia's Story (November 22) - Although Cecilia is one of the most famous of the Roman martyrs, the familiar stories about her are apparently not founded on authentic material. There is no trace of honour being paid her in early times. A

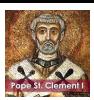
fragmentary inscription of the late fourth century refers to a church named after her, and her feast was celebrated at least in 545.

According to legend, Cecilia was a young Christian of high rank betrothed to a Roman named Valerian. Through her influence, Valerian was converted, and was martyred along with his brother. The legend about Cecilia's death says that after being struck three times on the neck with a sword, she lived for three days, and asked the pope to convert her home into a church.

<u>Reflection:</u> Like any good Christian, Cecilia sang in her heart, and sometimes with her voice. She has become a symbol of the Church's conviction that good music is an integral part of the liturgy, of greater value to the Church than any other art. St. Cecilia is the Patron Saint of Musicians (*From franciscanmedia.org*)

Waterloo Knights of Columbus invites all Catholic men, 18 and older, to join us! We are a charitable organization that helps our community in many ways. To find out more, or to visit us, call our recruitment manager Al Kehn @ 519-778-2083 or email popkehn@gmail.com. Is Jesus calling you today?

Resurrectionist Vocation Minute - The Gospel speaks of watchfulness, a quality essential in discernment. When discerning our vocation, we need to be attentive to God's signs in our lives - through prayer, the words of others, or a growing sense of inner peace. Just as we must watch for Christ's return, we must be vigilant in discerning God's call. Are you keeping watch in your heart for what God wants to reveal about your vocation? Fr. Pawel Szymanowski, CR; resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com



St. Clement, Pope, Martyr (A.D. 100) (November 23) –St. Clement, the son of Faustinus, a Roman by birth, was of Jewish extraction; for he tells us himself that he was of the race of Jacob. He was converted to the faith by St. Peter or St. Paul, and was so constant in his attendance on these

apostles, and so active in assisting them in their ministry, that St. Jerome and other fathers call him an apostolic man. Some authors attribute his conversion to St. Peter, whom he met at Cesarea with St. Barnabas; but he attended St. Paul at Philippi in 62 AD, and shared in his sufferings there. We are assured by St. Chrysostom that he was a companion of the latter, with SS. Luke and Timothy, in many of his apostolic journeys, labours, and dangers. St. Paul (Phil. iv, 3) calls him his fellow-labourer, and ranks him among those whose names are written in the book of life; a privilege and matter of joy far beyond the power of commanding devils. St. Clement followed St. Paul to Rome. where he also heard St. Peter preach, and was instructed in his school, as St. Irenaeus and Pope Zosimus testify. Tertullian tells us that St. Peter ordained him bishop. After the martyrdom of SS. Peter and Paul, St. Linus was appointed Bishop of Rome, and after eleven years, succeeded by St. Cletus. Upon his demise in 91 AD, St. Clement was placed in the apostolic chair. According to the Liberian Calendar he sat nine years, eleven months, and twenty days. He is known for a letter to the Christian congregation in Corinth, often called the First Epistle of Clement. Below is the 49th chapter of this epistle. (From ewtn.com)

Chapter 49. The Praise of Love. - Let him who has love in Christ keep the commandments of Christ. Who can describe the [blessed] bond of the love of God? What man is able to tell the excellence of its beauty, as it ought to be told? The height to which love exalts is unspeakable. Love unites us to God. Love covers a multitude of sins. Love bears all things, is long-suffering in all things. There is nothing base, nothing arrogant in love. Love admits of no schisms: love gives rise to no seditions: love does all things in harmony. By love have all the elect of God been made perfect; without love nothing is well-pleasing to God. In love has the Lord taken us to Himself. On account of the love He bore us, Jesus Christ our Lord gave His blood for us by the will of God; His flesh for our flesh, and His soul for our souls. (From newadvent.org)

Prayer for Our Faithful Departed

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Like the seed buried in the ground, you have produced the harvest of eternal life for us; make us always dead to sin and alive to God. Amen. (From Hallow.com)



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