St. Louis Catholic Church

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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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For food hamper or more information call 519-743-4101





11:30 AM People of St. Louis Parish 12:30 PM Genesis to Jesus - Bible study

Reflection on the First Reading: 2 Maccabees 7:1-2,7, 9-14++

Confirmation preparation session

Nursery

L. Hall

10:30 AM

Today's readings challenge us to evaluate the sincerity of our personal belief that we will be raised up after death to a new kind of life. They do this by showing how the human values and preoccupations that dominate our earthly life and determine our daily choices often contradict this belief. The first reading focuses on the convictions that people need a sound body to live a full and meaningful life and that, as far as possible, they should avoid all pain and suffering. The Gospel looks at one of the most universal and respected traditions, marriage, in the light of the Resurrection.

The second Book of Maccabees was written during a time when the Greeks dominated the biblical world. In order to control and unite conquered populations, these rulers forced people to abandon their religious culture and values and adopt Greek ones. To counter this program and to inspire Jews to remain faithful to their religious practices, the author of 2 Maccabees presents stories about courageous ancestors who chose to die rather that appear disloyal to their God. These martyrs trusted so unwaveringly in the divine plan for their life — a plan revealed to Israel through their more than millennium-

long journey with God - that they preferred to die rather than deny the true "King of the universe."

Today's story is about a mother who watches her seven sons being tortured and killed because they refuse to violate God's law by eating pork. The sons proclaim that their life will not end with physical death. Nothing their torturers can say will persuade them otherwise. One declares: "the King of the universe will raise us up to an everlasting renewal of life." This son takes the long view and sides, not with men who have the power to kill him, but with God, whose greater power can raise him from the dead. For this man, dying is a temporary condition, like sleep or a passing illness.

Another son, when told by his torturers to stick out his tongue so that they can cut it off, holds out his hands to be cut off as well. Even the king and his court marvel at his courage. They are astounded by his absolute indifference to horrendous suffering and its life-changing consequences. The author hopes that his readers too will marvel at such bravery and be inspired to overcome natural fears and bear bolder witness to the King of the universe's sovereignty. He urges all who hear this reading to live no longer like spineless, unenlightened unbelievers but like God's courageous people, who plan to live forever. (Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, & Proclaimers of the Word.)

St. Louis CWL warmly invites you to our annual Raffle and Bake Sale taking place on the weekend of November 19th and 20th after each Mass. We will be graciously accepting donations of raffle items and baked goods. Proceeds of this event will go toward the operating expenses of our CWL and to help support various charities in our region and throughout Canada. Any inquiries can be directed to our President, Donna Herbstreit at: 519-

Our next CWL General Meeting will take place on Wednesday, November 9th beginning with Mass at 7PM with our meeting to follow in the Large Hall. Our guest speaker will be: Ann Cameron who teaches dances from around the world. Her presentation a few years ago was a big hit, so be sure to join us and bring a friend. Members and Non-Members are always welcome to our General Meetings. Also, annual dues (now \$45) can be handed in to Patti Pagett at this meeting.

884-9380. We look forward to seeing you there!

As a part of our ongoing work in *Forward Together in Christ*, the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis is happy to welcome **Mr. David Wells** for a **presentation** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King on Tue., Nov. 8, at 7 PM. David is a tremendous educator, catechist and disciple who speaks with great love for our Holy Church. The topic will be, "Is This Seat Taken? The Church's Call to Radical Hospitality in a Post-Pandemic Church". David will be sharing from the heart about the importance of hospitality in our communities of faith, and how essential this ministry is as we rebuild our communities after COVID. This event will be hosted in person and streamed live on the Cathedral Basilica's YouTube page. Although registration is not necessary, you are encouraged to sign up for an event reminder on the diocesan website.

Our God is a God of the living not of the dead. Have you had an experience of this living God and want to share it with others? You may be called to the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life. If God is calling you contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, 905-528-7988, 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. Pray for vocations!



The Knights of Columbus Student Council in Waterloo (16859) is hosting a **Pro-Life charity dinner** Nov. 26 at St. Michael's Parish Centre (80 University Ave. W.) from 6 PM to 8:30 PM. Guest Speaker: Alex Schdenberg, Executive Director, Euthanasia Prevention Coalition. Dinner menu: Chicken Parmesan and Pie. Tickets: \$30 for adults and \$20 for students. The link to purchase tickets www.eventbrite.ca/e/pro-life-dinner-knights-of-columbus-16859-tickets-439605280227

Young Adults Night – Nov. 5th and Dec. 3rd - As we begin Vocations Awareness Week, our new diocesan Vocations Director, Fr. Mark Morley, invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30 PM - 7:30 PM), Social with Food (7:30 PM - 8:30 PM), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8 PM - 9 PM), and Compline (9 PM). Saturday, Nov. 5th at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk Street, Guelph). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

Next Young Adults Night - December 3rd - the same schedule.

The Three Eparchs Of The Ukrainian Catholic Church serving in Canada published a Pastoral Letter recently "to the Clergy, Religious and Faithful of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in Canada, and to all Good People", calling for prayer, fasting, and action as "the war in Ukraine rages on with no end in site." They compare the current dire situation of the people of Ukraine to "the Holodomor-Genocide (Ukrainian Famine) of 1932-1933, which claimed the lives of millions of people in Ukraine". They implore people to pray daily for peace in Ukraine, to fast for the people of Ukraine and for peace in their country, and to give alms as a way to identify with the needs of the people of Ukraine. It is a clear roadmap to making a difference in Ukraine. The link to their entire letter is on the parish website..

Lecture Series In November at The Holy Rosary Guelph Community Room (175 Emma St. in Guelph), 7 - 8 PM on Wednesdays

Nov. 9 - Greg Kennedy - *The Future: Why Aren't We Scared to Death?* Nov. 16 - Fr. Eric Jensen - *Jesus' Special Friends: Martha, Mary, and Lazarus.*

Nov. 23 - Emily Orlando - Living the Mystery of God with Trust and Joy Nov. 30 - Mrs. Teresa Hartnett - God's Design for Us: Who are we Called to Be? Who are we Capable of Being?

WYD 2023 - There are limited spots available to any young people aged 18-35 who wish to participate in the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lisbon, Portugal for World Youth Day 2023. World Youth Day is a life-changing opportunity that gathers young Catholics from all around the world together with the Holy Father, Pope Francis, for days of prayer and celebration. More information about this pilgrimage opportunity and registration can be found at https://wyd.hamiltondiocese.com/.

St. Michael Catholic Women's League (CWL) is turning 60! This milestone will be celebrated with an Anniversary Mass on Sunday November 20th at 2:30 PM. His Excellency, Bishop Douglas Crosby will be joining us and will celebrate this special Mass. A reception (tea/coffee/snacks) will follow in the parish hall. This Mass & reception are open to all CWL members, non-members, parishioners and friends. Everyone is welcome!

Saint Martin of Tours' Story - A conscientious objector who wanted to be a monk; a monk who was maneuvered into being a bishop; a bishop who fought paganism as well as pleaded for mercy to heretics—such was Martin of Tours, one of the most popular of saints and one of the first not to be a martyr.

Born of pagan parents in what is now Hungary, and raised in Italy, this son of a veteran was forced at the age of 15 to serve in the army. Martin became a Christian catechumen and was baptized when he was 18. It was said that he lived more like a monk than a soldier. At 23, he refused a war bonus and told his commander: "I have served you as a soldier; now let me serve Christ. Give the bounty to those who are going to fight. But I am a soldier of Christ and it is not lawful for me to fight." After great difficulties, he was discharged and went to be a disciple of Hilary of Poitiers.

He was ordained an exorcist and worked with great zeal against the Arians. Martin became a monk, living first at Milan and later on a small island. When Hilary was restored to his see following his exile, Martin returned to France and established what may have been the first French monastery near Poitiers. He lived there for 10 years, forming his disciples and preaching throughout the countryside.

The people of Tours demanded that he become their bishop. Martin was drawn to that city by a ruse—the need of a sick person—and was brought to the church, where he reluctantly allowed himself to be consecrated bishop.

Along with Saint Ambrose, Martin rejected Bishop Ithacius's principle of putting heretics to death—as well as the intrusion of the emperor into such matters. He prevailed upon the emperor to spare the life of the heretic Priscillian. For his efforts, Martin was accused of the same heresy, and Priscillian was executed after all. Martin then pleaded for a cessation of the persecution of Priscillian's followers in Spain. He still felt he could cooperate with Ithacius in other areas, but afterwards his conscience troubled him about this decision.

As death approached, Martin's followers begged him not to leave them. He prayed, "Lord, if your people still need me, I do not refuse the work. Your will be done."

Saint Martin of Tours is a Patron Saint of: Horses, Soldiers, South Africa (From franciscanmedia.org)



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Most Rev. Bishop Douglas Crosby, O.M.I. was consecrated as a Bishop on Jan. 2, 1998.

In Thanksgiving for his life of service and with my best wishes for him I commit myself

to pray Rosaries

between now and end of 2022 for the intention of Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI for his 25th Anniversary.

Name

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