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.



**Pastor** Father Phil Reilly, C.R.

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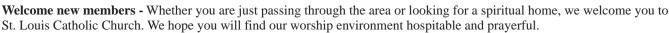
Coordinator of Youth and **Children's Ministries** 

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Doug Lichty



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** 

2021

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

Bob Lorentz, 519-576-5556

**OOTC Community Suppers** 

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**Parish Webmaster** 

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Catechesis Of The Good Shepherd, **Youth Ministry** 

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Cecilia Beechey, 519-572-5435

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**Prayer Chain** 

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#### **MASS INTENTION**

Monday, October 25 – No Mass Tuesday, October 26

 $9:00~\mathrm{AM}$  To Bring Our Loved Ones Home to The Church

Wednesday, October 27

9:00 AM † Sr. Anne Rektor, SSND – Gerri Duque & daughters

Thursday, October 28 - St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles

9:00 AM † Joanne Dillon – Cecilia Beechey

Friday, October 29

9:00 AM † Don Miller – Roos Family

Saturday, October 30

Vigil of the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM † Sally Van Osh – Alice McTavish

Sunday, October 31 - 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM † Ted Powers – Joan & Family

† Dennis Hayes – Malton Family

† Helen Dietrich – Neighbours

† Mary Grochowina – Annette & Frank Hulme

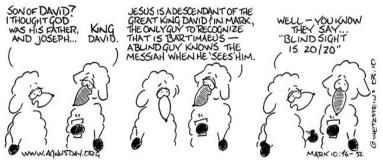
11:30 AM People of St. Louis Parish

Reflections on the First Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9

Jeremiah prophesies in Judah in the seventh century BC, following the fall of the Northern Kingdom, Israel (referred to in this reading as "Ephraim"), to the Assyrians. These conquerors, in order to impede the efforts of their new subjects to rebel, mixed the Israelites with other populations throughout their realm.

In today's reading, Jeremiah announces that the Lord will gather this scattered people and bring them back to Zion or Jerusalem. Among this "remnant" – "a great company" – Jeremiah mentions the blind, lame, and pregnant, people whose way would be especially difficult. The Prophet assures them that the Lord will provide water, which is never a certainty in biblical lands, all along an easy road home. Upon hearing this divine promise, the people should rejoice.

The responsorial psalm expresses Israel's longing for the promised reversal of their situation, with one verse highlighting the abruptness that often marks divine activity: "Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses in the desert of the Negeb." This area of uncertain rainfall lies between the Judean wilderness and the Sinai peninsula. When rains do come here, they collect in the dry stream beds and suddenly bring life where none seemed possible. (From the Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word)



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**40 Days for Life** continues. We will stand across from Freeport Hospital, where abortions are performed, to pray and witness for the weakest members of our Nation, the unborn, from 7 AM to 7 PM daily until Oct. 31. To register for hours go to *40daysforlife.com/kitchener*, call 5197485548, or email paddym@golden.net. Thank you for your prayers and support of the unborn.

We celebrate World Mission Sunday 2021 (Oct. 24) with the following theme: "It is impossible for us not to speak about what we have seen and heard." (Acts 4:20) Present in 120 countries, Pontifical Mission Societies support missionary action of the poorest churches by constructing new churches, chapels, convents and presbyteries, premises for catechesis, transportation of missionaries, and purchases of books and media for libraries.



St. Jude, known as Thaddaeus, was a brother of St. James the Lesser, and a relative of Jesus. Ancient writers tell us that he preached the Gospel in Judea, Samaria, Idumaea, Syria, Mesopotamia, and Lybia. According to Eusebius, he

returned to Jerusalem in the year 62 AD and assisted at the election of his brother, St. Simeon, as Bishop of Jerusalem.

He is an author of an epistle (letter) to the Churches of the East, in particular the Jewish converts, directed against the heresies of the Simonians, Nicolaites, and Gnostics. This Apostle is said to have suffered martyrdom in Armenia, which was then subject to Persia. The final conversion of the Armenian nation to Christianity did not take place until the third century A.D.

St. Jude was the one who asked Jesus at the Last Supper why He would not manifest Himself to the whole world after His Resurrection. Little is known of his life; he may have visited Beirut and Edessa.

He was beaten to death with a club, then beheaded in 1st century Persia. His relics reside at St. Peter's in Rome, and at Rheims, and Toulouse in France.

St. Jude Thaddeus is invoked in desperate situations because his New Testament letter stresses that the faithful should persevere in the environment of harsh, difficult circumstances, just as their forefathers had done before them. Therefore, he is the patron of desperate situations, hospital workers, hospitals, forgotten, impossible and lost causes. He is represented as bearded man holding an oar, a boat, a boat hook, a club, an axe, or a book. Nearly every image of him depicts him wearing a medallion with a profile of Jesus. He usually has a small flame above his head and he often carries a pen.

**St. Simon the Zealot -** Little is known about the post-Pentecost life of St. Simon, who had been called a Zealot. He is thought to have preached in Egypt and then to have joined St. Jude in Persia. Here, he was supposedly martyred by being cut in half with a saw, a tool he is often depicted with. However, the 4th-century St. Basil the Great says he died in Edessa, peacefully. (From catholicnewsagency.com)

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

Consecration to St. Joseph emulates the tried-and-true preparation method employed by St. Louis de Montfort in his Marian consecration, highlighting many of St. Joseph's titles, privileges, and heroic virtues. The program of preparation and consecration takes 33 days. It can be undertaken on your own or in a group.



How to make your consecration as an individual:

Choose a consecration date that coincides with a liturgical feast of St. Joseph. Your consecration date is day 33 of the program.

You'll spend about 20-30 minutes a day on a short exposition on one of the invocations in the powerful Litany of St. Joseph, followed by a reading on St. Joseph, concluding with the recitation of the Litany of St. Joseph. If you miss a day, just make it up and continue.

On the day of your consecration, feel free to use whichever act of consecration you like best; you can also make up your own, if you like. (For more see <a href="https://www.consecrationtostjoseph.org">www.consecrationtostjoseph.org</a>)



St. Louis Youth Group - Fruits on Fire - would like to extend an invitation to any young person in the parish from gr. 6 and up. We will be having our first meeting on October 29th from 7-9 PM in the Large Hall. All are welcome to come out and see who we

are and what we are up to this year. All covid protocols will be followed. Come out and join us for a fun evening of games and activities.



St. Louis Children's Babysitting during 9:30 AM Mass will continue next week (with exception of Sundays of long weekends and holidays). We are looking for more volunteers for Babysitting. You would

be committing to helping once a month. If you are able to help, please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office: 519-743-4101.



Confirmation Classes begin Tuesday, October 26th at 7pm in the nursery. The Sacrament will be received Friday, January 28th at 7pm. If you are in grade 7 and would like to have your sacrament celebrated here at St. Louis parish, please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office.



Our next C.W.L. General Meeting will take place Wednesday November 3rd beginning with Mass at 7 PM with meeting to follow in the church. More details to follow in the bulletin next week. Members and nonmembers are always welcome.

The blind beggar Bartimaeus would not listen to the many people scolding him to be quiet, but shouted all the louder in prayer "Son Pray of David, have mercy on me!" Only then did Jesus call him over and answered his need. Bartimaeus becomes a powerful example of how persistent we must be in prayer when we are asking God to show us His Will for our lives. And then, ask Him for the grace to accept it. If you feel God is offering you the grace of a Church vocation, call Most Rev. W. Lobsinger, Auxiliary Bishop and Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988, vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, or Fr. Raphael Ma, Congregation of the Resurrection Vocation Director, at cryocations@gmail.com, or Carmel of St. Joseph in St. Agatha at 519-884-6700.



WE ARE OPEN: (Waterloo Knights of Columbus) Friday Knight Fish Fry Dine in: please contact Martin at 519-884-2060 to reserve your place. To order take-out, call Derek at

226-748-8378 by 4 PM on Friday. PICK UP TIMES: 4:30 - 6 PM; 1 PC \$15, 2 PC \$18 - Tax incl.

Wednesday Knight Take-Out of Spaghetti & Meatballs or Lasagna dinner with Garlic bread (Tax Incl.) for \$13.25 per person. Call Martin at 519-884-2060 to order up to 4 PM. Pickup times 4:30 - 6 PM.

Unpacking UNPLANNED: Bringing Hope and Healing - Hamilton Right to Life and the Diocesan Family Ministry Office are partnering to bring you an online information session regarding UNPLANNED, the story of Abby Johnson, the youngest Planned Parenthood clinic director in the U.S., and how she changed her mind on abortion. The Zoom event will combine video, questions and discussion. Join us on Oct. 27th from 7-8:30 PM as Mrs. Teresa Hartnett (MRE), Director of Family Ministry, will share how individuals and groups can spread the pro-life message. The session is free, but donations will be accepted during registration. Click here to register or call Hamilton Right to Life at 905-528-3065.

SYNOD OF BISHOPS 2023 - Pope Francis recently announced that the next Synod of Bishops will take place in October 2023. The Theme of the Synod is: For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission. For the first time, the meeting will be the culmination of a "three-year path" involving all of the People of God at every level of the Church. This "path" is a process rather than an event, which Pope

Francis has solemnly inaugurated this October 9-10, which is meant to be a manifestation of "synodality": a form that realizes the participation of all the people of God in mission.

The synodal path will take place in three phases. The first phase (October 2021 to April 2022) begins on October 17th under the leadership of the Bishop in each Diocese. This stage is conceived as a broad consultation with the People of God in each Diocese. The second phase (September 2022 to March 2023) is the "continental" phase. This will involve the fruit of deliberations on each Continent. For example, Canada and the United States of America will collate their responses to the questions posed by the Holy See and submit them to the General Secretariat of the Synod of Bishops in Rome by March 2023. The final phase of the Synod will take place in October 2023 with the celebration of the Assembly of Bishops in Rome.

In the Diocese of Hamilton, a Committee has been established to guide the Diocesan Phase of the Synodal Process. Information will be sent to the Parishes in late October and the parishioners in the Diocese of Hamilton will have an opportunity to respond to the questions to be considered by the Synod. The actual consultation will take place beginning in November and conclude by mid-December, so that our Diocesan Report can be prepared and sent to the Ontario Assembly of Catholic Bishops to be included in the Canadian report. We pray for the success of this unique and historic synodal process:

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality

influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of the truth and what is right. All this we ask of you, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, for ever and ever. Amen.

Marriage Support - Is your marriage experiencing more trouble than joy? The solution is Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing challenges in their relationship. It is a practical program, where sharing is only between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication and build stronger marriages. It also works well for couples considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend will be via Zoom, Nov. 4 - 7. For info. call 905-664-5212 or email: teamrecine@gmail.com.

How To Pray Rosary Better - A tried-and-true way to meditate while praying the rosary better is to read short scripture readings while reciting the rosary. This is the essence of how one is supposed to pray the rosary. It is a

great approach to this devotion as the mind, body, and spirit are all engaged.

To pray methodically focusing on meditation, pray all the beginning prayers a little slower than you usually would, and think about what you are saying.

While reciting the 10 Hail Marys, read scripture that describes the mystery, and think about putting yourself in the scene. This is a way of walking with our Lord and the Blessed Virgin Mary in their earthly lives. Below are some scripture verses that go along with Joyful Mysteries: Annunciation (John 1:14), Visitation (Luke 1:39), Nativity (Luke 2:7), Presentation (Luke 2:22), Finding of the Child Jesus (Luke 2:46). To be continued. (From reverentcatholicmass.com)

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