

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 p.m.
Summer hours (Canada Day to Labour Day): Mon. - Thurs. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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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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.

Our music directors are: 5:00 p.m. & 9:30 a.m. - Bob Reinhart (robertreinhart182@msn.com)
11:30 a.m. - 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 - 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 Anointing 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 (Anointing).

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 resurrectionistvocation@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:

Altar Servers Coordinator
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For assistance or information
call 519-743-4101

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Cecilia Beechey, 519-572-5435

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2025 – YEAR OF JUBILEE – PILGRIMS OF HOPE

MASS INTENTIONS & EVENTS

Monday, October 6 – No Mass

9 AM – NOON Pickle Ball Gym
 5:30 PM Good Shepherd Catechesis Nursery
 7:30 PM Bible Study – Acts 3/20 L. Hall

Tuesday, October 7 – Our Lady of the Rosary

9:00 AM † Eugene & Rita Eckensviller – The Family
 9:30 AM Book Club L. Hall
 12:15 PM Fit Club Gym
 7:00 PM Painting with Kelly L. Hall

Wednesday, October 8

9:00 AM † Florence Hartman – Janet & Grant Ertel
 9 AM – NOON Pickle Ball Gym
 7:00 PM Confirmation Class Prep Nursery
 7:00 PM SVDP Meeting L. Hall

Thursday, October 9

9:00 AM † Rosemary Peterson – Peterson Family
 12:15 PM Fit Club Gym
 1:00 PM For Intentions of Sick & Elderly of our Parish – Mass with a Sacrament of the Sick, Reception to follow in L. Hall

Friday, October 10

9:00 AM † Roberta Mangini – Janet & Grant Ertel
 9 AM – NOON Pickle Ball Gym

Saturday, October 11 - St. John XXIII, Pope

Vigil of 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM † Bert & Leota Miller – Miller Family
 † Carol Schneider – Ron Schneider
 † Evelyn & Bud Danard – Margaret Danard
 † Anne Voll-Reitzel – Janet & Grant Ertel

Sunday, October 12 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 AM † Celeste Fackoury – Louann Miller
 † Louis Paleczny – Janice & Family
 † Amalia Rohleder – Elizabeth Schwarz
Intentions of Dave & Patti Pagett on their 50th Wedding Anniversary – Sandy Williams
 10:30 AM Coffee Time L. Hall
 11:30 AM People of St. Louis Parish



The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, formerly known as Feast of Our Lady of Victory and Feast of the Holy Rosary is celebrated on 7 October in the General Roman Calendar. On 7 October 1571, the Holy League, a coalition of southern European Catholic maritime states, sailed from Messina, Sicily, and met a powerful Ottoman fleet in the Battle of Lepanto. Knowing that the Christian forces were at a distinct material disadvantage, Pope Pius V called for

all of Europe to pray the Rosary for victory, and led a rosary procession in Rome. Pius V instituted the feast of Our Lady of Victory in order to commemorate the victory at Lepanto, which he attributed to the Blessed Virgin Mary. (From Wikipedia.org)

Prayer for the Month of the Rosary:

God our Father, we thank You for the gift of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, through Whom we are adopted as Your beloved sons and daughters.

At Pentecost You poured out the Holy Spirit upon our Lady and the apostles while they were at prayer. Pour out that same Holy Spirit upon us as we meditate upon the mysteries of Christ contained in the Most Holy Rosary.

Enlighten our faith, strengthen our hope, and set us ablaze with love for You and our neighbour. Graciously grant us Saint Dominic and Saint Thérèse's own zeal for the salvation of souls.

Even when our attention wanders, may our sincere praying of the Rosary honour the King and Queen of Heaven.

May our prayers lead many souls to Jesus through Mary, so that we may know You and Your saving power now and for all eternity.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us!

Saint Dominic, pray for us!

Saint Thérèse, pray for us!

(By Fr. John Paul Kern, O.P. and Fr. Sebastian White, O.P. from Magnificat Oct. 2025)



Bible Study – The Book of Acts – The Spread of the Kingdom

by Jeff Cavins in 20 sessions. The Acts of the Apostles could be easily called The Acts of the Holy Spirit.

This book paints a picture of the Church on fire, empowered by the Holy Spirit to continue the work of Jesus Christ on earth. St. Luke draws on parallels between life of Jesus and the early church and also between lives of Peter (as a missionary to the Jews) and Paul (as a missionary to the Gentiles). The *Book of Acts* course gives us bases for understanding of the New Testament Epistles. As in the past year, this Bible study will be offered in parallel on Sundays at 12:30 PM – starting with provided lunch (till 1:45 PM) and on Mondays at 7:30 PM (till 9 PM). No registration fee. You will need to buy online access to the materials at ascensionpress.com for approx. \$10. Started Sep. 21 or 22. To register, or for more info. please contact parish office at 519-743-4101, stlouiswaterloo@hamiltondiocese.com.

that we do so with the help of the Holy Spirit "living in us," meaning that divine assistance is always present; we are never left to fend for ourselves. (From Workbook for Lectors)

Reflection on the Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Today's second reading continues the theme of endurance while suffering for one's faith. In this reading, Paul encourages Timothy in his mission work and exhorts him to stoke the flames of his faith. With these words, Paul reminds Timothy that faith is not a one-time event. Instead, faith requires continual tending and building up to burn strong and bright. This imagery of heat associated with one's faith occurs elsewhere in the Bible. In fact, one of the biggest concerns regarding the life of faith is that the believer will become lukewarm in his faith (Rev. 3:15-16, Romans 12:11)!

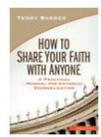
Paul's words also remind us that faith is a gift from God. We have the option to receive it, but we are not entitled to it. Recognizing this reality stirs up gratitude within us and the desire to cherish and care for this divine gift. Paul recognized that even while knowing that faith is a gift, it can be difficult to hold on to it when faced with hardships. For this reason, he states that "God did not give us a spirit of cowardice." Bravery is required to remain faithful, yet God does not expect us to drum up this courage on our own. Like the gift of faith, He provides us with the gift of courage, sustaining us with "the power of God."

In the last sentence of today's reading, Paul summarizes the value of the gifts we receive, our responsibility toward them, and the fact that God does not leave us to do so on our own. We are called to guard what has been given to us, a "good treasure entrusted to you." Paul notes

OCTOBER 5, 2025 – 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Sacrament of Confirmation - If you are in gr. 7 or higher and would like to receive sacrament of Confirmation at St. Louis Parish, please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office to register. Classes take place Wednesdays, beginning Oct. 1st through to Nov. 26th, from 7 PM - 8 PM. Confirmation will be celebrated at the 9:30 AM Mass on Nov. 30th.



Book Club News – Our Tuesday Morning Book Club is Homework Free. We read part of our book aloud during each meeting and then discuss what we just read. We start right after the 9 AM Mass in the Large Hall for an hour. Our next book is “How to Share Your Faith with Anyone: A Practical Manual for Catholic Evangelization”, by Terry Barber. We start to read our book on Sep. 30th. Contact parish office to register, or come & see.



Healing Mass at St. Louis – Thursday, October 9th at 1 PM – Mass with Sacrament of the Sick. Reception to follow in the Large Hall. Prayer Shawls will be offered.

40 Days for Life Campaign – Sep. 24 to Nov. 2, 2025 – You are invited to join in solidarity with hundreds of thousands people across North America who will be participating in 40 consecutive days of prayer and fasting to end abortion. You can sign up for an hour between 7 AM and 7 PM on line at www.40DaysforLife.com/kitchener, by calling or texting 519-970-0822, or emailing Ewelina at 40DaysKW@gmail.com. The vigil takes place opposite Freeport Hospital, 3570 King St. E., Kitchener. Parking - across the road, Schneider Park.

Diocesan Vocations Month - October 2025 – Bp. Crosby has designated October as Diocesan Vocations Month. Each Sunday your parish will pray for vocations during Mass. You are also asked to pray for vocations throughout the month. If you know someone you think should consider a particular vocation, such as marriage, priesthood, consecrated life (religious life or consecrated virginity lived in the world) or the permanent diaconate, be sure to tell that person. For more info. about praying for vocations, visit: hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/pray-for-vocations/. **Mary, Mother of Vocations, pray for us!**

NEW DATES! Workshops for Ministers of the Word – Nov.15 at St. Michael Parish, Waterloo, & Nov. 1 at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Burlington.
Workshops for Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – Oct. 18 at St. Joseph Parish, Guelph, or Nov. 22 at St Raphael Parish, Burlington. For both register under hamiltondiocese.com/events

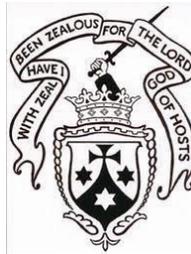
Waterloo Deanery Jubilee Year Celebration will be held on Sun., Oct. 26, at 2 PM in St. Mary Church, Kitchener with Bp. Wayne Lobsinger. All parishioners of our Waterloo Deanery are invited, especially deacons, all Parish staff and volunteers, representatives of our Catholic schools and other institutions and communities. All priests are welcome to concelebrate the Mass.

Information Session on “The Gift of Living in the Divine Will”. - Do you feel an unexplainable longing to deepen your love for God, to surrender yourself completely to God, and pursue only His Will, and to let go of your own? If your answer is yes, you are invited to attend an Information Session, based on the Church approved writings of: Servant of God Luisa Piccarreta. This will be held at: St. Anthony Daniel's Parish, 29 Midland Drive, Kitchener, Saturday, October 18, from 9 AM to NOON. To register, please contact Shirley Gatchene, or Patrick & Rita Morgan at email: divinewillkw@execulink.com or call 519-748-5548

Mass & Reception for the Carmelite Nuns in St. Agatha – The Committee for the Carmelite Nuns invite you to attend a special Mass celebrated by Rev. Raphael Ma, C.R. at Holy Family Croatian Roman Catholic Church (180 Schweitzer St. in Kitchener) on Monday Oct. 27, 2025 at 5 PM, followed by a sit-down dinner in the reception hall.

Meal for 2, which comes with a minimum donation of \$250 (eligible for a full tax receipt), can be purchased via “Donate now” at www.thecarmel.ca

. Please include the names of the attendees. RSVP required by Oct. 10. Please contact Liz Motz at 519-590-4808 with any questions.



St. Louis Fit Club –Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:15 – 1 PM at St. Louis Gym. Low-impact, mobility-oriented workout delivered by certified trainer and Globe and Mail fitness columnist Paul Landini. Free (donations accepted). Bring indoor shoes and an exercise mat, if you have one.

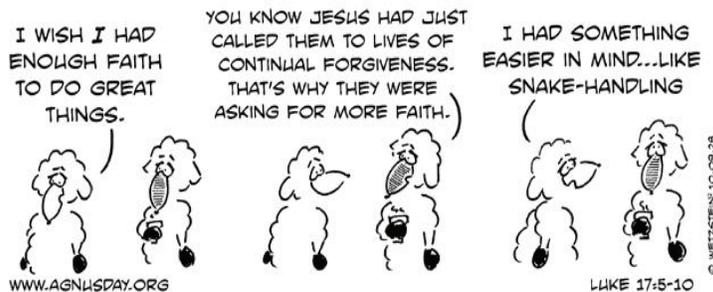
Frassati Leadership Program - Calling all those currently in Grade 10! Are you looking to grow in your faith? Do you want to explore what it means to be a Catholic leader? The Frassati Leadership Program may be for you. Join us as we reflect on the foundations of Catholic leadership and foster opportunities for you to grow in your own faith and leadership skills. Registration for this year's cohort closes on October 24th! For more information and to register please visit: hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/youth-ministry/frassati/

Struggling In Your Marriage? Find Hope with Retrouvaille – Retrouvaille is a marriage program that helps couples who are struggling to restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. Retrouvaille helps to improve communication, build stronger marriages and aids couples to reconnect. Join us for our upcoming weekend Oct. 17 (evening), 18 and 19th because no marriage is beyond hope. For more info. visit www.retrouvaille.org, or email 1013r@helpourmarriage.org, or call 905-664-5212.

When Life Changes - Part One – 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 Hamilton Diocese offers a six-week grief program for your support. Part one of the program will be offered on Wednesdays from Nov. 5 to Dec. 10 from 7:00-8:30 PM and will be held at the Chancery Office, at 700 King St. West.in Hamilton. Register hamiltondiocese.com under upcoming events for When Life Changes: Grief Relief (Part One) or call 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

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