

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 Fr. Dan Lobsinger, C.R., 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 Bob Lorentz, 519-576-5556

OOTC Community Suppers Keith & Sharon Schnarr 519-801-8687

Parish Webmaster Daniel Delattre, daniel@uwaterloo.ca Altar Servers Coordinator Dave Pagett, 519-744-7705

Catechesis Of The Good Shepherd, Youth Ministry Kelly Krause, 519-743-4101

Catholic Women's League Donna Herbstreit, 519-884-9380 **Ministry to the Elderly & Homebound** Cecilia Beechey, 519-572-5435

Prayer Shawl Ministry Sandra Williams, 519-742-9239

Prayer Chain Sharon Carey, 519-746-8073

St. Vincent De Paul For food hamper or more information call 519-743-4101



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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 7 - No Mass Tuesday, September 8 - The Nativity of the **Blessed Virgin Mary** To Bring Our Loved Ones Home 9:00 AM Wednesday, September 9 9:00am Blessings on our CR Congregation Thursday, September 10 For the Intentions of Ron Papp – Terry McTavish 9:00am Friday, September 11 9:00 AM + Loretta Lavigne – Prayer Shawl Ministry Saturday. September 12 – The Most Holy Name of Mary Vigil of The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00 pm + Laura Kroetsch - Donna Herbstreit † Paula O'Hanlon – Pat & Joan Forde + David Kirby – Kirby Family † John Foster – Marilyn & Family

Sunday, September 13 -The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30AM + Raymond Ko – Elizabeth Schwarz

+ Loretta Lavigne – Senior & Risen Life Choir For the intentions of an 85th birthday – Elizabeth Schwarz For the intentions of Wendy Ayoung-Chee – Amanda Ayoung Chee

11:30AM People of St. Louis Parish

The bulletins are posted on-line only. Office is open by appointment only. (Mon – Thu: 9 AM to 4 PM) *Closed Monday Labour Day*



Sunday School & Liturgy of the Word

(ages 3-10) – we are going to begin our fall doing things a little differently. To respect the comfort level of our volunteers and parents,

we at St. Louis have decided that we will go virtual. Please join Teacher Kelly every Sunday morning at 10:30am for a virtual Sunday school session, beginning Sunday, September 13th. We will explore our church calendar, sing some songs and read the Gospel together where we will take away a few important points from the reading. I will have a link for a children's bulletin that is full of fun information and ongoing activities. Anyone wanting to get involved will need to email Kelly at the parish office to get the link to our virtual Sunday school. Join us and learn more about your faith!

Sacrament of Confirmation - if you have a child in grade 7 this year and would like them to receive their Sacrament of Confirmation here at St. Louis parish please sign up for our classes. Classes will begin <u>Tuesday, September 22nd from 7pm-8:30pm</u> and will take place in the Nursery. We will be following guidelines given to us by the Hamilton Diocesan office, who is being directed by the Ontario Health organization, in order to keep all participants safe. If you would like details, have any questions and/or would like to sign up, please call Kelly Krause at the parish office.

One Heart, One Soul Campaign comes to St. Louis Parish

The Diocese of Hamilton's *One Heart, One Soul* Campaign has raised more than \$15 million so far, with most of it benefiting parishes and the projects of their choosing. Our parish will kick off its participation in the campaign on Sept. 26-27. For the next few weeks, we'll feature Frequently Asked Questions about the campaign, beginning with questions related to COVID-19. For the full list of FAQs and much more about the campaign, visit **www.oneheartonesoul.ca**.

Q. Why are we doing the campaign? With the virus, shouldn't we be focused on other priorities?

A. From the beginning, this campaign has been primarily about strengthening our parishes. Because of the pandemic, our parishes have even greater needs than when we started. Because the campaign is in place, we are in a better position than almost any diocese in North America to help our parishes recover from the blows suffered from COVID-19. The campaign offers parishes the opportunity to better fulfill their missions. There is no greater priority than that.

Q. How can we ask for money from people who lost their job or are otherwise hurting financially because of the virus?

A. We certainly are very sensitive to the struggles parishioners are facing, whether related to the virus or not. That's why we work with pastors and leaders at parishes to set and review request amounts. That process will be even more important throughout the rest of the campaign. It is not foolproof, though. Pastors do not know every parishioner's situation. But there is never an intention to be insensitive to a parishioner's suffering. Meanwhile, some parishioners are in a position to give now, and they want to help. The campaign gives them the opportunity to help and the confidence of knowing how the money will be used. Be assured that only those who are able to give are expected to do so, and ultimately the decision is between the donor and the Lord.

Job positing at St. Jerome's University for the Director of Campus Ministry. All information can be found using the following link: <u>https://www.sju.ca/director-campus-ministry</u>

THE WATERLOO KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PATIO IS NOW OPEN. CALL 519-884-2060 TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE. FISH FRY PICK UP IS ALSO AVAILABLE. From 4:30 to 6:30 P.M. EVERY FRIDAY at 145 DEARBORN PLACE, WATERLOO (1 P.C. \$14.00, 2 P.C. \$16.00) PLEASE CALL DEREK AT 226-748-8378 TO ORDER PICK –UP.

Pray "For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." The community that gathers needs leadership; consider the priesthood. **Contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.**

email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com or Carmel of St. Joseph in St. Agatha at 519-884-6700, or Fr. Dan Lobsinger, CR, Vocation Director, <u>crvocations@gmail.com</u>



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SEPTEMBER 6, 2020



This year, 2020, is the 750th Anniversary of the death of St. Louis (King Louis IX, King of France). *In bulletins starting on May 17th we are looking at the world and life of our Patron Saint.*

How is St. Louis portrayed in art?

Ever wonder why our statue of St. Louis has him holding a crown of thorns on a pillow?

Saint Louis is represented in many ways in art. As a king. He is normally portrayed with a crown and/or other signs of regal status, like other sainted kings. Unlike them, he can be identified by the French royalty's fleur-de-lis symbol, which may appear on his crown. He may also be represented in armour, as a knight mounted on a horse, in recognition of his service as a crusader. Or, as in our church, holding a cushion with a Crown of Thorns. This representation recalls the fact that King Louis IX brought to France various relics from the East.

Baldwin II (r. 1228–1273), emperor of Constantinople, was facing significant financial difficulties. He embarked on a tour of Western Europe in a recruitment campaign for men and money. While in France, Baldwin received word that his barons had borrowed money from the Venetians and used the Crown of Thorns as collateral. He begged King Louis IX to help him repay the loan to prevent the transfer of the precious relic to Venice. In return, Baldwin promised to gift the Crown of Thorns to Louis.

The saintly monarch envisioned France as a new Holy Land, and what better way to manifest that vision than with possession of the relics of the Lord's Passion. The king earnestly believed that the offer from Baldwin was providential and agreed to provide the funds to the young emperor. King Louis sent two Dominicans (Jacques and André), one of whom had spent time in Constantinople and could verify the authenticity of the relic, with a royal letter to the imperial city. The royal messengers arrived on June 17, 1238, one day before the loan's due date. The Venetians, disappointed that the prized relic would not permanently reside in their city, honoured the king's payment with the condition that Louis allow the crown to travel to Venice for a period of veneration by the inhabitants of the republic. Louis agreed to the request, and, in 1239, the crown was transported across the sea to Venice, where it was received with much adulation.

That same year, the relic began the overland journey to France. Miraculous occurrences were reported during its journey to Louis's kingdom, including weather phenomena wherein no rain fell when the relic was transported by day but torrential rains when it was safely inside at night. The king planned to accompany the crown into Paris (along with his mother, brothers, several bishops, barons and knights), meeting it ninety miles away at the town of Villeneuvel'Archevêque.

From there, the king and his entourage began a penitential procession to Sens, which welcomed the relic with great fanfare. Clerics brought out the city's collection of saint relics to welcome the crown amid the ringing of church bells and the sound of organs. The relic's journey continued via the Yonne River from Sens to Vincennes over several days. As they neared Paris, Louis and his brother Robert carried the crown of thorns into the city barefoot, each wearing a single tunic. Once inside the city, the king took the crown to Notre Dame Cathedral for a brief period before its arrival at the royal palace, where it was placed in the Chapel of St. Nicholas.

Recognizing that such a holy relic should not remain in a small palace chapel, king Louis ordered the construction of a special chapel on the Île de la Cité, near Notre Dame. The Gothic style chapel, known as *Sainte-Chapelle* (Holy Chapel), containing fifteen exquisite stained

glass windows that depict 1,113 scenes from the Bible, was consecrated on April 26, 1248.

The crown of thorns remained in Sainte-Chapelle for over 500 years until the French Revolution, which saw the crown removed to the National Library for several years until the archbishop of Paris received it back with the signing of the Concordat of 1801 between Napoleon and Pope Pius VII. Subsequently, the crown was placed in Notre Dame. The relic was displayed on First Fridays of the month and Fridays during Lent, including Good Friday for veneration. (From <u>catholic.com</u>)

Saint Louis, pray for us.



September 12 marks the **Memorial of the Most** Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Honouring the Holy Name of Mary as a feast was originally established around 1513, with variations on the date through the centuries. It was removed during the reform of the General Roman Calendar

in 1969 but restored by St. John Paul II as an optional memorial in 2002 There are two simple points of this feast to draw home today: the honouring of the name of Mary, and also understanding the importance of a name through our baptism.

Reverence is extended for the Blessed Virgin Mary and her name. The Catholic Encyclopedia explains that "[w]e venerate the name of Mary because it belongs to her who is the Mother of God, the holiest of creatures, the Queen of heaven and earth, the Mother of Mercy....[T]he feast commemorates all the privileges given to Mary by God and all the graces we have received through her intercession and mediation." The Roman Missal includes directives to bow our heads in reverence at the names of Jesus, Mary, and the Saint of the Day when they are mentioned in the prayers of the liturgy.

This feast day helps us focus on the importance and significance of our own personal names. We are reminded of our reception of the sacrament of Baptism when we were given our name in Christ. So much thought and time goes into naming our children. We talk about passing on family names and perhaps naming after important people in our lives. Sometimes the meaning of the name is taken into consideration. We are attracted to some names and repulsed by others. We even try out the initials to make sure they flow well.

Even since Biblical times, the naming of a child was of utmost importance. With the founding of Christianity and the spilling of the blood of the martyrs, the tradition of naming children after saints was two-fold: asking for intercession from the saint for the child, and also a saint for the child to emulate. Our Christian names after saints indicate that association with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

So at this feast of the Holy Name of Mary, we praise her greatness and seek her aid at the invocation of her holy name. We also consider our own Christian name which was conferred at our baptism, when we became part of this family of Christ. Through the intercession of Mary and our patron saints, may we deepen our love of Christ our brother and love for our family in Christ, the Mystical Body of Christ.

https://www.catholicculture.org/commentary/most-holy-name-mary-whats-in-name/

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