

St. Louis Catholic Church

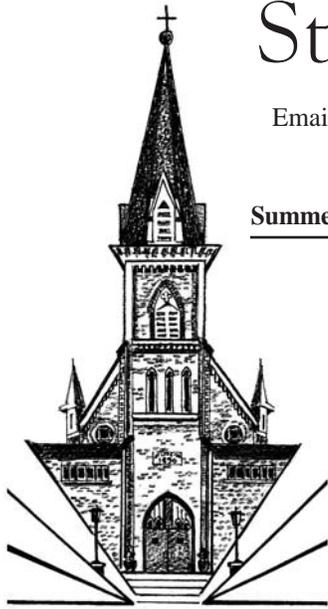
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Office hours: Monday – Thursday 9 - 12 and 1- 4 p.m.

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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.

Pastoral Team:

Pastor

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Doug Lichty

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:

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2025 – YEAR OF JUBILEE – PILGRIMS OF HOPE

MASS INTENTIONS & EVENTS

Monday, Sep. 8 – Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary <i>- No Mass</i>			
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball		Gym
Tuesday, September 9			
9:00 AM	† John Leonard – Estrada Family		
Wednesday, September 10			
9:00 AM	† Deceased Members of Corazon Misola Family – Manuel Misola		
9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball		Gym
7 PM	SVDP Meeting		L. Hall
Thursday, September 11			
9:00 AM	Intentions of Leanne Krause – Krause Family		
Friday, September 12 – The Most Holy Name of Mary			
9:00 AM	9 AM – NOON	Pickle Ball	Gym
Saturday, September 13 – St. John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor			
Vigil of The Exaltation of the Holy Cross			
5:00 PM	People of St. Louis Parish		
6 – 7 PM	St. Louis Fall Kick Off		Gym
Sunday, September 14 – The Exaltation of the Holy Cross			
9:30 AM	† Shirley Hinsperger – Hinsperger Family † Louis Paleczny – Ron & Alice Paleczny † Barbara & Zygmunt Adamski – Malton Family † Deceased Members of the Gies Family – Hinsperger Family		
	10:30 AM	St. Louis Fall Kick Off	Gym
11:30 AM	† Marie Butler – Paul & Catherine Motz † John Runstedler – Don & Lorraine Prior		
	12:30 AM	St. Louis Fall Kick Off	Gym

Reflection on the First Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18

The theme of wisdom from last week's readings continues in this week's first reading. This passage from the Book of Wisdom reinforces the need for intellectual humility. To seek intellectual humility, we must continually strive to remember that our understanding of the world has limits. In so doing, we are better able to see the boundaries of what we can know. This is especially clear when our knowledge is compared to the limitless knowledge of God, whose actions are bold and whose plans are steadfast. As this passage deftly points out, if we can barely understand the events that occur in our day-to-day lives, how much less can we comprehend "what is in the heavens"? Intellectual humility also reminds us that we cannot assume we know more than others or understand situation better. There may be information to which we are not privy that sheds light on the people and events around us.

As children of God, we should not become disheartened by our limitations, but rather we should pursue wisdom and knowledge with prudence. Wisdom is a gift from God, and we need to be open to receive it. It is in continuing to seek both wisdom and knowledge that we gain the skills we need to be able to discern the events around us and to better understand the people we encounter, whether family, friends, or strangers. All wisdom comes from God through His Spirit. In this way, we see that God helps us in our pursuit of wisdom and knowledge as we persevere in the Christian life. The reading closes by highlighting how wisdom helps us follow along the right paths that lead us to God.

(From Workbook for Lectors)

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Aug 31	1828.25	190.00	473.50	50.00	2139.84

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Regular Office hours in effect (Mon. – Thu. 9 AM – NOON & 1 - 4PM)

ST. LOUIS FALL KICK OFF

September 13 & 14

After each Mass - in the Gym



Discover this year's programs & volunteer opportunities



Sign-up for one, or many



Enjoy special savoury & sweet treats

Door prizes – \$50 gift cards to Vincenzo's

– draws on Saturday at 6:15 PM and
on Sunday at 10:45 AM & 12:45 PM.

Calling all bakers! - If you wish to test some of your savory, or sweet recipes, all contributions to this event will be most welcome. Please contact the parish office to let us know you will be bringing something delicious.



We are continuing our gift card fundraiser with Vista VIP. The next order is being placed on Oct. 6th. Buying gift cards from the places you regularly shop and dine helps our CWL financially. We earn a small amount from every gift card purchased. Please contact Patti Pagett: dpac@golden.net or 519-501-8062. Thank you for your support!



Sacrament of Confirmation - If you are in gr. 7 and would like to have your sacrament happen here at St.

Louis Parish please contact Kelly Krause at the parish office to register. Classes will 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.

Babysitting during the 9:30 AM Mass - we are in need of volunteers. If you have children between the ages of 0-6 yrs of age they are welcome to participate in our babysitting and Sunday school program. To keep this program running we are in need of 3 volunteers. You would be committing to, once a month, helping supervise children play while the Mass is taking place. During this time, some of the older children will go into the second room and attend Sunday School with Kelly and then return to play while waiting for their parents to pick them up. We need a minimum of two volunteers each week to run this program. You do not have to have children in the program to volunteer, anyone can help keep this program running. Vulnerable police check is required. For more info. or to volunteer please contact Kelly Krause in the parish office.

All Children's programs resume:

Babysitting & Sunday school will start Sep.14th during the 9:30 AM Mass in the Nursery. No registration required. Children 0-3yr. old stay in the main room to play. Children 3-6yr. old are invited to come into the side room and participate in Sunday School - they hear the Gospel and do a craft related to the main message of the Gospel. All are welcome.

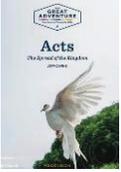
Liturgy of the Word will also take place during the 9:30 AM Mass. This is for children 7yrs and up. They will be invited, just before the First Reading, to go downstairs into the Large Hall. There will be catechists who will lead them through the readings and have a discussion at the children's level. They will return to their parents as the Offertory gifts are being brought up to the Altar for preparation for Communion.

The Good Shepherd program starts Monday, Oct. 6th 5:30PM-6:45 PM.

Painting with Kelly will begin Tuesday, Sep. 23rd in the Large Hall from 7 - 9 PM. If you would like to learn to paint or enjoy painting come and join us. To register for the class or to get more information contact Kelly Krause at the parish office or talk to her at the Fall Kick Off on the 13/14th.



Fish and Chips - Take 3! Fri., Sep. 26th at 5:30 PM at Knights of Columbus in Waterloo - A table will be reserved for St. Louis parishioners, come out & support the Knights, enjoy dinner and get to know others from our parish. One, or two pieces dinners available. Pay when you come - but we need to let the Knights know how many people will be attending. If interested, please let Cynthia Ehrlich know by Tue. Sept 23rd. Call/ text: 519-744-2005, or email at cehrlich321@gmail.com



New 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 life of the early church and also between lives of Peter (as a missionary to the Jews) and Paul (as a missionary to the Gentiles). What *Bible Timeline* course was for the Story of Salvation, 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 (till 1:45 PM) and on Mondays at 7:30 PM (till 9 PM). The Sunday sessions will include lunch. The Monday sessions will include refreshments. No registration fee. To access materials online, you will need to buy online access at ascensionpress.com for approx. \$10. Starts Sep. 21 or 22. To register, or for more info. please contact parish office at stlouiswaterloo@hamiltondiocese.com, 519-743-4101.



Our Lady of Lourdes Fundraising Concert
Featuring: Waterloo Regional Police Chorus

on Sunday, September 21, 2025 at 2:30 PM. Tickets: \$25 available through the Our Lady of Lourdes Parish office 519-886-0342 ext. 101.



Experience a Retreat at Loyola House in Guelph: Laudato Si: Ten Years Still Waiting – Sep.23-28 - Register at loyolahouse.com or registration@ignatiusguelph.ca or 519-

824-1250 X 266.

The Carmel of St. Joseph Guild invites you for a Mini Retreat – a day of Prayer and Reflection – on Saturday, Sep. 27, 2025. Registration will start at 9:30 AM, followed by Rosary, Holy Mass, light lunch, a conference on Hope from Pope Benedict XVI's encyclical *Spe Salvi* by Fr. David Reitzel and Adoration at 2:30 PM. No fee. You are welcome to bring a gift for the Sisters (canned goods (no meat), paper products, computer paper). If you wish to attend, RSVP to saintagatha@thecarmel.ca or 519-884-6700 before Sep. 20. Space is limited.



Young Adult Pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine in Midland – Jubilee of Hope – Sep. 27th. Chance to connect with others,

deepen your faith, and walk in the footsteps of the Canadian martyrs. All young adults (20's & 30's) are welcome.

Depart. at 8 AM from Chancery Office, Diocese of Hamilton (700 King St. W.)

Cost: \$40 per person (Incl.: transportation, entry to the Shrine, time for prayer, reflection, fellowship, celebration of Mass, BBQ Dinner.) To register contact Christina Mines, Dir. of Evangelization & Catechesis catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com, www.hamiltondiocese.com/events.

(If you wish to drive directly from KW and meet up at Midland, that is also an option. Please contact Christina Mines to discuss details.)



2025 Marian Days at the Basilica of Our Lady in Guelph – on the first Saturdays from June to October. The Day begins with a Holy Hour at 9

AM with confessions, Mass at 10:30 AM, followed by the Rosary Procession. Last date: Oct. 4 with Bp. Crosby. In October, the annual *Regina Caeli Tea* will follow the Rosary Procession. Admission is by ticket only (\$25.00) purchased in advance from the Basilica.

Workshops for Ministers of the Word – Oct. 4 at St. Michael Parish in Waterloo, or Nov. 1 at St. Paul the Apostle Parish in Burlington.

Workshops for Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – Oct. 18 at St. Joseph Parish in Guelph, or Nov. 22 at St Raphael Parish in Burlington. For both register under hamiltondiocese.com/events

Resurrectionist Vocation Minute - “Whoever does not carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple”, Jesus reminds us in today's Gospel. We cannot escape suffering in our daily lives, but we can choose to unite our crosses with His, knowing they lead us to the joy of the Resurrection. This Christian hope, proclaimed by the Congregation of the Resurrection, transforms our suffering world one person at a time. Bringing new life to others requires dedicated workers. Is the Risen Lord calling you to join this mission? Fr. Michal Kruszewski, CR; resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com



The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary – (Sep. 8). The Church has celebrated Mary's birth since at least the sixth century. A September birth was chosen because the Eastern Church begins its Church year with

September. The September 8 date helped determine the date for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8.

Scripture does not give an account of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. However, the apocryphal *Protoevangelium of James* fills in the gap. This work has no historical value, but it does reflect the development of Christian piety. According to this account, Anna and Joachim are infertile but pray for a child. They receive the promise of a child who will advance God's plan of salvation for the world. Such a story, like many biblical counterparts, stresses the special presence of God in Mary's life from the beginning.

Saint Augustine connects Mary's birth with Jesus' saving work. He tells the earth to rejoice and shine forth in the light of her birth. “She is the flower of the field from whom bloomed the precious lily of the valley. Through her birth the nature inherited from our first parents is changed.” The opening prayer at Mass speaks of the birth of Mary's Son as the dawn of our salvation, and asks for an increase of peace.

Reflection - We can see every human birth as a call for new hope in the world. The love of man and a woman has joined with God in His creative work. The loving parents have shown hope in a world filled with travail. The new child has the potential to be a channel of God's love and peace to the world. This is all true in a magnificent way in Mary. If Jesus is the perfect expression of God's love, Mary is the foreshadowing of that love. If Jesus has brought the fullness of salvation, Mary is its dawning.

Birthday celebrations bring happiness to the celebrant as well as to family and friends. Next to the birth of Jesus, Mary's birth offers the greatest possible happiness to the world. Each time we celebrate her birth, we can confidently hope for an increase of peace in our hearts and in the world at large. (From Franciscanmedia.org)

The Most Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary – (September 12)

The feast of the Most Holy Name of Mary began in Spain in 1513 and in 1671 was extended to all of Spain and the Kingdom of Naples. In 1683, John Sobieski, king of Poland, brought an army to the outskirts of Vienna to stop the advance of Muslim armies loyal to Mohammed IV of Constantinople. After Sobieski entrusted himself to the Blessed Virgin Mary, he and his soldiers thoroughly defeated the Muslims on September 12th 1683. Pope Innocent XI extended this feast to the entire Church.

Reflection - Mary always points us to God, reminding us of God's infinite goodness. She helps us to open our hearts to God's ways, wherever those may lead us. Honored under the title “Queen of Peace,” Mary encourages us to cooperate with Jesus in building a peace based on justice, a peace that respects the fundamental human rights of all peoples. (From Franciscanmedia.org)

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