



# Our Lady of Lourdes

## Catholic Parish, Waterloo

### Mass Times

*The Lord's Day:* Saturday 7:00 p.m.

*Divine Mercy Chaplet* 20 minutes before Mass

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

*Weekdays:* Wednesday, Friday  
8:30 a.m.

*Holy Rosary* 20 minutes before Mass  
Tuesday & Thursday 7:00 p.m.

### Confession Times

Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.,  
20 minutes before weekday Masses.

### Sacraments

For baptisms, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, marriages, please contact parish office.

### Blessing of Expectant Parents

Last Sunday of each month after all Masses.

### Anointing of the Sick / Hospital Visitation

If you or someone you know is in need of the Sacrament of the Sick, please call the parish office or see Father after Mass. Please advise the office of the hospital admissions to request anointing or pastoral visit.

### St. Vincent de Paul

Church door collections - last Sunday of each month. For information on food distribution call 519-886-0342 ext 2.

### Welcome New Members

Welcome! We're glad you want to join our parish! Please fill out a form from the church lobby or website, drop it in the collection basket or at the parish office. Please call if you would like Father to bless your home.

### Offertory Envelopes / Pre-Authorized Debit

To receive an annual tax receipt for your donations you are encouraged to use offertory envelopes and/or to enroll in our monthly debit plan. Offertory envelopes can be requested by filling out a parish registration form, or if you are already registered, simply call the office to request a box. Debit plan enrollment forms are available in the church lobby.

### PARISH TEAM

**Pastor:** Rev. Rafal Tomon  
lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com

**Administrative Assistant:**  
Mrs. Patrycja Wiecek  
lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday:  
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.  
Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

### Parish Requests



Keep your love for your parish alive.  
Remember Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in your will  
and when recommending expressions of sympathy.



### CONTACT US

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**3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**



**Apr 25 to Apr 30**

|                  |                         |  |
|------------------|-------------------------|--|
| <b>TUESDAY</b>   | 7:00 p.m.               | + Paul Latchana<br>– Maureen Schaus & Family                   |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> | 8:30 a.m.               | + Tommy Logan<br>– Terry & Valerie John                        |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>  | 7:00 p.m.               | Special Intention of Harriet Reitzel<br>– Burns Family         |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    | 8:30 a.m.               | + Tiffany & Beverly de'Rozario<br>– Naomi & Nevelle de'Rozario |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | 7:00 p.m.               | + Maria Granic<br>– Granic Family                              |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | 9:00 a.m.<br>11:00 a.m. | Living & deceased<br>members of our parish                     |



Our parish office has been working hard and has secured a grant from the provincial government again for another project, in the amount of \$10,000 to have a new security camera system installed. The installation has already begun and will be completed soon.

*please join us*

**Our Lady of Lourdes Café**

Open Next  
on Sunday, **May 7, 2023**  
after 9:00 am & 11:00 am  
Mass in the parish hall.



**MENU:** Coffee, tea \$1 and Cake & desserts \$2  
**BAKERS ARE NEEDED AND VOLUNTEERS**

Sales from April 16, 2023, were \$232.75  
(Big thank you to the Prayer Shawl group for helping with April Café)

All proceeds from OLOL Café will go to support parish committees.  
Please be a part of something extraordinary.  
Please call the parish office if you can help as we hope to have the Café open 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Month.

**Monthly Budget Review as of April 20, 2023**

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| Cumulative financial objective – 16 weeks @ \$7,500 | \$120,000.00                                |
| Weekly contributions year to date                   | \$58,565.45                                 |
| E-transfer  | \$590.00                                    |
| Pre-authorized giving (year to date)                | \$47,670.96                                 |
| Over (under) objective                              | <b>\$106,826.41</b><br><b>(\$13,173.59)</b> |
| <b>Easter Collection .....</b>                      | <b>\$18,195.00</b>                          |
| <b>Easter Dinners.....</b>                          | <b>\$1,755.00</b>                           |
| <b>Easter Floral Tribute .....</b>                  | <b>\$513.00</b>                             |
| <b>Turkey &amp; Syria Earthquake.....</b>           | <b>\$7,960.00</b>                           |



**Dear Parishioners, on April 23, 2023, our Administrative Assistant Patrycja Wiecek, will be celebrating 5 years working for our Parish. I would like to extend our congratulations, we are blessed to have you here at Lourdes. We are thankful for your great dedication and hard work you offer our parish.**

**Our Lady of Lourdes pray for us.  
With prayer  
Fr. Rafal**



OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL  
April 26th

Please join us for Mass on **Wed. April 26, 2023**, at 8:30 a.m. in honour of Our Lady of Good Counsel, followed by refreshments in the parish hall.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Social Committee is hosting a Lunch in honour of **Mother's Day, on Sunday, May 14 at 12:00 p.m.**

in the parish hall.  
Bring your whole family  
(Tickets are limited)

For more information and to purchase tickets:

please call Patrycja at 519-886-0342 ext.3  
or email [lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com](mailto:lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com)

Ticket price \$20 each  
Includes hot lunch severed buffet style.  
Chicken soup, Chicken schnitzel, scalloped potatoes, veggies, Caesar salad, cake and coffee and tea  
Door prize, 50/50, Raffle tickets will be sold.

**Tickets are on Sale Now !!!!  
at the parish office.**



**"LOVING OUR GROWN CHILDREN WHEN BELIEFS COLLIDE":**  
Sometimes our beliefs about our faith can clash with those of our grown children. We may wonder **"Where did we go wrong?"** When choices clash, divisions run deep & tension exists, how do we trust God's plan, keep communicating .....and **HOW do we love our way through this?**  
**Sunday April 30th** from 2:00 to 3:30pm at St. Agnes Parish with guest Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office, Diocese of Hamilton. For event details visit the Events section at [www.saintagnescatholicchurch.org](http://www.saintagnescatholicchurch.org)

**NEW!!!!!! E-TRANSFER**

Exciting news! We are now able to provide E-Transfer to our parishioners.

For E-Transfers which are automatically deposit (no password needed), please use the following email account: [lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com](mailto:lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com)

**Thank you for your generosity and continued support of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish and our community.**



**Gospel Reading**

*Luke 24:13-35*

Jesus appears to two disciples who are walking to Emmaus.

**Background on the Gospel Reading**

On most Sundays during the Easter season in Cycle A, our Gospel is taken from the Gospel of John. This week's Gospel, however, is taken from the Gospel of Luke. As in last week's Gospel, today's Gospel shows us how the first community of disciples came to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In these stories we gain insight into how the community of the Church came to be formed.

When we read today's Gospel, we may be surprised to learn that these friends of Jesus could walk and converse with him at some length yet not recognize him. Again, we discover that the risen Jesus is not always easily recognized. Cleopas and the other disciple walk with a person whom they believe to be a stranger; only later do they discover that the stranger is Jesus. We learn that the first community met and recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread, just as we meet Jesus in the Eucharist.

We can imagine the feelings of the two disciples in today's reading. They are leaving their community in Jerusalem. Their friend Jesus has been crucified. Their hope is gone. They are trying to make sense of what has occurred, so that they can put the experience behind them.

Jesus himself approaches the two men, but they take him for a stranger. Jesus asks them what they are discussing. He invites them to share their experience and interpretation of the events surrounding his crucifixion and death. When the two disciples have done so, Jesus offers his own interpretation of his crucifixion and resurrection, citing Jewish Scripture. In that encounter we find the model for our Liturgy of the Word—what we do each time we gather as a community for the Eucharist. We reflect upon our life experiences and interpret them in light of Scripture. We gather together to break open the Word of God.

In the next part of the story, we find a model for our Liturgy of the Eucharist. The disciples invite the stranger (Jesus) to stay with them. During the meal in which they share in the breaking of the bread, the disciples' eyes are opened; they recognize the stranger as Jesus. In the Eucharist too we share in the breaking of the bread and discover Jesus in our midst. Just as the disciples returned to Jerusalem to recount their experience to the other disciples, we too are sent from our Eucharistic gathering. Our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist compels us to share the story with others.

**DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR**

This week let us pray for...

- Apr 24 Rev. Alberto Ferreira
- Apr 25 Rev. Khalid Karomi
- Apr 26 Sister of Charity of SVDP
- Apr 27 Rev. Gray Schlack
- Apr 28 Rev. Bradley Markus
- Apr 29 Rev. Edward Henhoeffter



**Prayer for Vocations...** God, the source of creation and love, you invite each of us to serve you through the life which is your gift. May your grace encourage men and women to heights through service to the Church as priests, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen

**FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATIONS:**

our parish celebrations of First Eucharist will take place on:

**Sunday, April 30, 1:00 p.m.**  
Our Lady of Lourdes School

**Sunday, May 7, 1:00 p.m.**  
Holy Rosary School

We ask for God's blessing on these children and their families.



**April 30, 2023,**

**World Day of Prayer for Vocations.**

It is a special day to pray for all forms of vocations (priests, deacons, religious life, secular institutes, consecrated virgins, consecrated laity, lay associates, marriage) and to thank all those who have responded

"Here I am" to the Lord's call.

**May 1, 2023**

**International Worker's Day**

who People in countries all over the world celebrate international Workers' Day in order to respect and highlight the contribution of workers to society. The day arises from activists in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century pushing for better conditions for workers, such as an eight-hour workday.

**USED BOOK SALE:** On April 21 & 22 there was a giant used book sale at First United Church. All proceeds will fund scholarships for local students. We have donated some of the books from the church library for this worthy cause.



*Volunteers are needed to Join our Social Committee for parish hall events*

- to plan and organize parish events - to wash dishes
- to prepare tables for events - to launder tablecloths
- to serve and prepare refreshments in our parish kitchen

*-to sell tickets for our events*

*If you are able to help join our social committee*

*please call Patrycja (519)-886-0342 ext. 3*

**THE POPE'S APRIL INTENTIONS FOR 2023**

**For a culture of peace and non-violence**

We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.







Thinking of buying or selling? I can HELP! I have a team of professionals who will make the process go as smooth as possible. I have been a member of Our Lady of Lourdes church for 25 yrs and would love the opportunity to help my fellow parishioners with their real estate needs.

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