

Our Lady of Lourdes

Catholic Parish, Waterloo

Mass Times

Saturday: 7:00 p.m.

Divine Mercy Chaplet 20 minutes

before Mass

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

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Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Patrycja Wiecek

lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com Music Director: Mr. Bruce Cameron brucecameron57@gmail.com

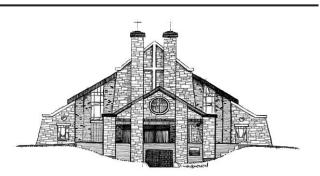
Organist: Mrs. April Philpotts aaphilpotts@gmail.com

OFFICE HOURS

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

Parish Bequests

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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Aug 8 to Aug 13

TUESDAY	7:00 p.m.	+Stevan Ralph
		 Charmaine & Frank Volpini
WEDNESDAY	8:30 a.m.	+ Paul Latchana
		 Maureen Schaus & Family
THURSDAY	7:00 p.m.	+ Vincent Morrison
	•	– Morrision Family
FRIDAY	8:30 a.m.	+ Annemarie & Lucien St. Martin
		– Joan Cassidy
SATURDAY	7:00 p.m.	+ Barbara Harrigan
	_	- Gerald Harrigan & Family
SUNDAY	9:00 a.m.	Living & deceased
		members of our parish
	11:00 a.m.	Special Intention
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Monthly Budget Review as of July 23, 2023

Cumulative financial objective – 30 weeks @ \$7,500 \$225,000.00

Weekly contributions year to date \$102,746.35

E-transfer \$1,155.00

Pre-authorized giving (year to date) \$83,177.93 \$187.079.28 (\$37,920.72)

Over (under) objective



Our Lady of Lourdes Café

Open Next on Sunday, **Sept 10, 2023** after 9:00 am & 11:00 am Mass in the parish hall.



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

Sales from June 11, 2023, were \$235.75

Big thank you to all parishioners and volunteers that supported our Café since the grand opening back in September 2022.

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 2nd Sunday of the Month.

Summer Bulletin: our next parish bulletin will be printed on Sept 3, 2023. Mass intentions will be posted on the bulletin boards.



SAVE THE DATE! Feast of the Assumption on Tuesday, August 15th at 7:00 p.m. Mass followed by gathering outdoors, praying the rosary together at the grotto of Mary after Mass, and enjoying each other's company with ice

cream cones in hand afterwards! All are welcome.

SAVE A DATE: A BUS TRIP TO TORONTO, ON **MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2023**

to St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, downtown followed by a stop at



Eaton Centre and Ripley's Aquarium. At our first stop, we will attend Mass at the Cathedral at 12:15 p.m., followed by time in the afternoon to enjoy the nearby shopping Centre in downtown Toronto. We will end our trip by stopping at Ripley's Aquarium. The bus trip will take place on Monday, October 16th., 2023.

The cost of \$85 for seniors (65+), and \$95 for adults, includes deluxe motor coach transportation, an entrance ticket to the aquarium, and lunch provided. To book a seat or for additional information by September 29, contact Patrycja directly by calling 519-886-0342 ext 3. Or by sending an email to: lourdeswaterloochruch@gmail.com. Don't miss out on this minipilgrimage and adventure. Stop by the parish office to purchase your tickets. ONLY 20 TICKETS LEFT.

An information session will be held in the parish office at Our Lady of Lourdes parish, Waterloo on August 30 at 5:00 pm.



Mary Undoer of Knots Novena starts August 6th - August 15th

We all have some "knots" in our lives... and Mary can untie them! The devotion to Mary, Undoer of Knots has become more popular ever since Pope Francis encouraged the devotion in Argentina, and then spoke about it during his first year as pontiff. The theology of the devotion goes back to the second century. Saint Irenaeus wrote that, "The knot of Eve's disobedience was untied by the obedience of Mary; what the virgin Eve bound by her unbelief, the Virgin Mary loosened by her faith." Mary's faith unties the knot of sin! So, we will pray that the Blessed Virgin Mary will intercede for us all, to untie the knots of sin in our lives – so that we may be purified and ever closer to God.

Read more at: https://www.praymorenovenas.com/maryundoer-knots-novena

THIS SUMMER DON'T FORGET ABOUT **OUR LADY OF LOURDED PARISH:**

Many leave us in the summer and go to cottages or travel. Please remember the church remains open all summer and we rely on your continued support even if you are not here. Pre-Authorized Giving is a great way to take care of your community at Lourdes without worry. Please consider Pre-Authorized Giving. Pamphlets are at the church doors or contact the parish office for more information. Thank you to all our Parishioners, Visitors and Benefactors for your generous support.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS: JULY AUGUST: Parish office will be open Wed & Thurs 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.



Please note our parish office email has changed to lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 17:1–9

Jesus is transfigured on the mountain in the presence of Peter, James, and John.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's liturgy invites us to celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord. This feast calls to our attention the importance of this event in Jesus' life, further affirmed by its report in each of the Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In Cycle A, the reading for this feast is taken from the Gospel of Matthew. The Transfiguration occurs after Peter confesses his belief that Jesus is the Messiah and after Jesus predicts his Passion. In each of these Gospels, a discussion of the cost of discipleship precedes the Transfiguration.

In each Gospel, Jesus takes three of his disciples—Peter, James, and John—to a high mountain. While they are there, Elijah and Moses appear and converse with Jesus. Elijah and Moses are both significant figures in the history of Israel. Moses led the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt and received from Yahweh the Ten Commandments. Moses represents the Law, which guides the lives of the Jewish people. Elijah is one of the most important prophets of Israel who helped the Israelites stay faithful to Yahweh, and some believed that Elijah's return would signal the coming of the Messiah for the Jewish people. The appearance of these two figures from Israel's history indicated Jesus' continuity with the Law and the prophets. They also reveal that Jesus is the fulfillment of all that was promised to the people of Israel.

Upon witnessing Jesus' Transfiguration and seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses, an awestruck Peter offered to construct three tents for them when a voice from Heaven affirms that Jesus is "my beloved Son" and commands the disciples to listen to him. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, Jesus instructed the disciples to keep secret what they had seen until after "the Son of Man has been raised from the dead." Until they witnessed Jesus' Passion and Death, the disciples could not possibly understand what he meant by being "raised from the dead." We, however, have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of the Transfiguration Gospel, we see an anticipation of Jesus' Resurrection, a foreshadowing of Christ's glory in Heaven, and the promise of our own resurrection.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

This week let us pray for...

Aug 7 Rev. Ambroise Tshiaba Ntumba

Aug 8 Rev. Bernard (Mike) Francis

Aug 9 **Legionaries of Christ (L.C.)**

Aug 10 Rev. Lajos Angyal

Aug 11 St. Clare, Virgin

Aug 12 Rev. Stefano Lee

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



These awards will be presented on August 10, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. Mass. Prayer for students

Lord, Our God,

In your wisdom and love and surround us with the mysteries of the universe.

Send your Holy Spirit upon these students and fill them with your wisdom and blessings.

Grant that they may devote themselves to their studies and draw ever closer to you, the source of all knowledge.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

CONGRATULATIONS WITH OUR CONTINUED PRAYERS

BAPTISM: During the month of July & August, the following children became members of God's family in the

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Eleanor Jane David – July 9, 2023 Sofia Ziga – July 9, 2023 Cody James McKee – July 9, 2023 Emery Mariah Michael – August 6, 2023 Polly Kovac – August 13, 2023

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Steven Lacorce & Christine Streeter – July 22, 2023 Matthew Smith & Kendra Caesar – August 19, 2023 Philip Wlodarczyk & Katelyn Hanna – August 26, 2023 Owen McArthur & Julia Jitomirsky – August 26, 2023

OUR LADY OF LOURDES LIVING ROSARY –Members of the Small Faith Group wish you an enjoyable and peaceful summer! We invite you to join our summer Living Rosary and pray a decade of the rosary daily for the needs of the parish and the community with the following prayer intentions:

- 1. May our lives give witness to the majesty and glory of Christ! We pray that the natural miracles and mystery of the season will prompt us to know our own God's saving story well, so that we may share the joy with others.
- 2. Pope Francis' prayer intentions –For a Eucharistic life (July) & For World Youth Day (August).
- 3. The sick and their caregivers.
- 4. The living and deceased members of our parish.
- 5. The special intentions of the members of our parish.

If you are interested or would like more information, please sign up online https://forms.gle/9kH6SK1CWhHjz6Hw9.



Great God of dazzling beauty and overshadowing majesty, in Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, we glimpse the image of your glory. Teach us to listen to him so that we may hear your voice and follow your holy way; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE POPE'S AUGUST INTENTIONS FOR 2023

For World Youth Day

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.



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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