



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
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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.



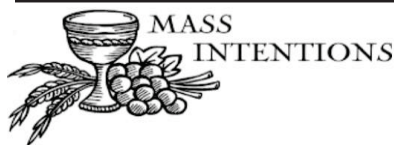
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5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Feb 6 to Feb 12

Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	+ Frieda Cole – Bob & Terri Kalbfleisch
Wednesday Luther Village	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	+ Jim Gorloff – Joan Cassidy
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	+ Doreen Gagnon – Family
Friday	8:30 a.m.	In Thanksgiving – Naomi & Nevelle de'Rozario
Saturday OUR LADY OF LOURDES FEAST DAY	8:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Our Lady of Lourdes Feast Day Special Intention of Wilhelmine Walraven – CWL
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Living & deceased members of our parish
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	Special Intention

ORNAMENTS FROM THE TREE OF LIFE Those who had a child baptized or a loved one called to Eternal Life (and buried from Lourdes) in 2022 may pick up their angel or cross after any weekend Mass beginning January 28/29 in the parish hall.

please join us

Our Lady of Lourdes Café

Open Next
on Sunday, **March 12, 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 Jan 8, 2023, were \$203.05
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.

Monthly Budget Review as of Jan 22, 2023	
Cumulative financial objective – 4 weeks @ \$7,500	\$30,000.00
Weekly contributions year to date	\$12,654.00
Pre-authorized giving (year to date)	\$11,931.99
Over (under) objective	\$24,585.99 -\$5,045.69
New Year's Day – \$1,722.00 total	

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE EXECUTIVE ELECTIONS: It's time to bring some new blood to our parish CWL executive. It has been many years since we had an official executive. It's time that we return and bring back spirituality and some exciting events. The new executive is scheduled to be introduced in May at which time our current executive will step down, with the exception of our president, Patrycja Wiecek, who will become past president willing to guide the new president when asked. There will be training for each position along with documentation, so all new executive members will feel comfortable by the first meeting in September (we promise).

This is where we really need your help!! We have several positions to fill for our new executive and we would appreciate your input. We have created a nomination form (below) on which you can nominate someone whom you know (or know their skills) and would be committed to a position they would hold. Anyone nominated will be called by the elections committee after the nomination deadline of May 7. Please place your completed nomination form in the collection basket at any weekend Mass. We certainly want to keep the faith and friendship blooming in our CWL at Lourdes.

Catholic Women's League Nomination to Executive Positions

I, _____, nominate

for the position of _____.

Deadline for nominations is May 7.

Open positions on Our Lady of Lourdes CWL executive are:
 President Corresponding Secretary
 Spiritual director Communications
 Treasurer Christian family life

Celebrate Our Lady of Lourdes!
The message of Our Lady to St. Bernadette is just as relevant today as it was in 1858. Come and be reminded of the healing power of prayer and to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary on **Saturday, February 11** at Our Lady of Lourdes, Parish in Waterloo with



Celebrant His Excellency Bishop Wayne Lobsinger
6:00 p.m. - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession
7:00 p.m. - Holy Mass with Anointing of the Sick and veneration of St. Bernadette relics
First 24 families will be asked to join in a procession of roses to Our Lady followed by a reception in the parish hall. Please contact our parish office if you are able to help with the reception.



Starting Feb 2nd until Feb 11th please join us in a novena to Our Lady of Lourdes.

Please deposit this nomination form into the collection basket no later than Sunday, May 7

E-TRANSFER

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

For E-Transfers, please use the following email account: lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com



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

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:13-16

Jesus teaches that his disciples are to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Following upon the teaching of the Beatitudes, Jesus uses the now familiar metaphors of salt and light to describe the life of discipleship. We take salt and light for granted in our society, but these commodities were more precious in ancient cultures. Just as now, salt was used in Jesus' time for flavoring, as a preservative, and as a healing agent. Similarly, the widespread use of electricity in the modern world makes us less aware of the value and importance of light in our lives.

Still, our familiarity with this passage from Matthew's Gospel speaks well to the abiding power of the imagery that Jesus presented. Jesus' call to be salt for the earth and light for the world powerfully states our mission as Church and as Christians. Our commitment to social justice flows from the exhortation that Jesus gives us in today's Gospel. Some of the activities that this commitment leads us to are given more concrete expression as the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. When we feed the hungry, clothe the naked, console those who mourn, and so on, we show ourselves to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. When we do these things with the community of faith, the Church, we are indeed acting as "a city set on a mountain" that cannot be hidden!

SPAGHETTI SUPPER at St. Teresa Church, Elmira Friday, **February 10th** from 5:00 – 7:30 p.m. Cost: Adult - \$15 / Children 6-12 - \$8. / Family of Four \$30. / 5 & Under – FREE Takeout is also available.

2023 ENVELOPES Please pick up your new envelopes, located at the back of the church. Please note any envelopes **not** picked up and used for 2023 will have their envelope number reassigned.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

This week let us pray for...

- Feb 6 Rev. Matthew Durham
- Feb 7 Rev. Kevin Upendran
- Feb 8 Missionaries
- Feb 9 Rev. Leszek Szczygiel
- Feb 10 Rev. Tom Moisan
- Feb 11 Rev. David Weise



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

ACT II (SEPARATED & DIVORCED SUPPORT GROUP) 3rd Tuesday of every month following 7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Michael Parish, Waterloo. Our Act II monthly informal support group will continue to meet on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. With the support of others, you can begin to heal the emotional, social and spiritual devastation of divorce. Join us when you can. Visit our website (www.stmichaelw.ca/separated-and-divorced), or contact our Parish office for more information.



THE POPE'S FEBRUARY INTENTIONS FOR 2023

FOR PARISHES

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

ST. MARY'S GENERAL HOSPITAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES OPPORTUNITIES Are you interested in being involved in an organization committed to compassionate, high quality and equitable care? The St. Mary's hospital board is looking to fill two positions for the coming term. More information is available on the hospital website: <https://www.smgh.ca/about-us/board-of-trustees/join-our-board-of-trustees>

2022 TAX RECEIPTS have been mailed. Please note St. Vincent de Paul will provide you with their own tax receipts as they are a separate charity. Please also consider using our Automatic Giving program in which your weekly donations are combined into one transaction, once per month on the 20th. This saves us a lot of time and paper while giving you the flexibility to make changes as needed. For more information, contact our parish office, or pick up a PAG form at the lobby of the church.

SUNDAY MISSAL Don't forget to purchase your new Sunday missal for 2023 at a cost of \$5.00 each available to purchase in the church lobby or at our parish office.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES LIVING ROSARY Members of the Small Faith Group invite you to join our living rosary and pray a decade of the rosary daily for the needs of the parish and the community in February 2023. We acknowledge the challenges in loving difficult people. However, as God abides in us, we need first to make the decision to love and then put love into action. This month, we invite you to pray for the following intentions:

1. **Let us ask for God's grace in our willingness to display God's presence dwelling within us. May we be instruments of God's love!**
2. **Pope Francis' prayer intention for parishes- We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.**
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.**

By volunteering, you will be responsible to say one decade of the mysteries of the Rosary every day for the coming month. If you are interested or would like more information, please sign up online <https://forms.gle/bVsQkztFsR2NKprZA>.



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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