



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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6th SUNDAY OF EASTER



May 16 to May 21

TUESDAY	7:00 p.m.	+ Yvonne Masur – Sheri & Paul Smith & Family
WEDNESDAY	8:30 a.m.	+ Ron & Rita Hickey – Joan Cassidy
THURSDAY	7:00 p.m.	+ Juan Gerardo Ponciano – Fernandez & Ponciano Family
FRIDAY	8:30 a.m.	+ Lorraine Gleiser – Brenda Cliche
SATURDAY	7:00 p.m.	+ Deceased Hickey Family – Joan Cassidy
SUNDAY	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Living & deceased members of our parish Special Intention

Monthly Budget Review as of April 30, 2023

Cumulative financial objective – 18 weeks @ \$7,500	\$135,000.00
Weekly contributions year to date	\$64,846.70
E-transfer	\$950.00
Pre-authorized giving (year to date)	\$47,670.96
Over (under) objective	(\$21,532.34)
Easter Collection	\$20,115.00
Easter Dinners.....	\$1,755.00
Easter Floral Tribute	\$673.00
Turkey & Syria Earthquake.....	\$8,010.00

DURING THE MONTH OF MAY, we honour you O Mary, our dear Mother, how much I love thee! And yet in reality how little! Teach me what I ought to know, for what Jesus is to me and what I ought to be for Jesus. Dearly beloved Mother, how close to God you are, and how utterly filled with Him! We invite you to pray the rosary daily, with the lityany to Our Lady of Loreto.



JOIN US FOR PARISH BBQ on Sunday June 4, 2023, at 12:00 p.m. BBQ Menu:

Hamburgers & hotdogs (with all the fixin's), juice, pop, water and potluck salads & desserts. Please pick up your tickets: free of charge at the entrance of the church or at the parish office. Donations are welcomed. Each family member will require a ticket, this will help us determine food requirements. **Each family is asked to bring a salad or dessert.** (There is no refrigeration on site. To keep your salad or dessert fresh, be sure to keep it on ice in a cooler.) Don't forget your lawn chairs!



SPRING CHURCH PROPERTY CLEAN UP:

We would like to have 6 to 10 parish volunteers to help with our church spring clean up on **Friday, May 26 at 9:00 a.m.** If you have a garden claw, gloves, or other garden tool to help turn the beds, pick out weeds, please bring them with you. With 6

or 10 people the time commitment will only be about 2 hours. Lunch will be served at 12:00 p.m. in the parish office. Please email our parish office if you are available, at lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com

please join us

Our Lady of Lourdes Café

Open Next
on Sunday, **June 11, 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 May 7, 2023, were \$219.00
(Big thank you to the Finance Council, Mrs. Gisele & Mrs. Cecilia for helping with May 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 2nd Sunday of the Month.

WELCOME TO OUR SEMINARIAN

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Ton Hoan Nguyen (Peter Hoan), and I am 24 years old. I have come to Canada from Vietnam in 2017 and have grown up in Catholic family. I have lived in Canada for past five years. I am a seminarian of Hamilton diocese. I finished the three-year Philosophy degree at King's University College in London. Now, I am studying Theology degree at St. Peter's Seminary in London, and I just finished my first -year Theology. Please keep me in your prayers as I continue my studies.



The Baby Bottle Campaign is Marillac Place's most important fundraiser: Mother's Day is here and

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish is proud to participate in the Baby Bottle Campaign, in support of Marillac Place. Marillac Place relies heavily on the donations from our community to help mothers and mothers-to-be who are facing homelessness. The Baby Bottle Campaign will be primarily virtual once again this year. Please provide your support for the campaign by donating online or sending a cheque directly to Marillac Place. The Baby Bottle Campaign is Marillac Place's most important fundraiser. Thank you so much for your support. All proceeds from the campaign will directly support the operations of Marillac Place to help make an immediate impact. To donate now, scan this QR code with your smartphone camera and it will take you directly to our donate page. 109 Young Street Kitchener, Ontario N2H 4Z2



EVENINGS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY – Bishop Wayne

Lobsinger invites everyone to join him for "Evenings with His Excellency". This is an opportunity to learn more about our Catholic Faith based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Class is the second Friday of each month, at 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at St. Ann Church, Ancaster. This month we will continue our look at *The 10 Commandments*. It is also available by livestream on St. Ann's YouTube channel. No cost, no homework, just an opportunity to learn about our faith, all are welcome.

Gospel Reading

John 14:15-21

Jesus promises his disciples that he will send them another advocate, the Spirit of truth.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel is a continuation of last week's Gospel: Jesus is speaking to his disciples at the Last Supper. In today's reading Jesus offers encouragement to his disciples, who will soon see him crucified. He reassures them that even though he will leave them, he will not abandon them. Instead he will send them the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, through whom the disciples will continue to live in union with Jesus.

Jesus uses the term *Advocate* to describe the Holy Spirit, whom the disciples will receive. Another word used to describe the Holy Spirit is *Paraclete*, a legal term meaning "one who offers defense for another." Note that Jesus says that he will send "another Advocate." Jesus himself is the first advocate, interceding for his disciples with the Father.

In today's reading Jesus contrasts his impending departure with the permanence of the gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus will leave to return to the Father, but the Holy Spirit will remain with the disciples.

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, the disciples will come to know and appreciate the unity of the Son and the Father. They will also understand that they too participate in the communion between the Father and the Son: "On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you" (John 14:20).

Today's reading is one example of the contrast that John's Gospel presents between the community of disciples, to whom God will reveal himself, and the unbelieving world, which will remain in darkness. The unbelieving world cannot accept the "Spirit of truth," whom the disciples will receive. Only through the Spirit will God's revelation and love be known.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

This week let us pray for...

May 15	Rev. Michael McHugh
May 16	Rev. Msgr. Raymond Modeski
May 17	Seminarians
May 18	Rev. Robert Sims
May 19	Rev. Arthur Scidmore
May 20	Rev. James Curtin



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

**When at night you cannot sleep,
talk to the Shepherd and stop counting sheep.**

(Anonymous)

FORMED' PROGRAM FOR

OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISHIONERS:

'FORMED' is a Catholic Online Resource that is presented by Augustine Institute. It is like a **Catholic Netflix** and yet it is much more than that.



It is a collection of materials for study, entertainment, spiritual growth, and nourishment. It contains material for study, watching, listening, or reading.

OUR PARISH HAS PURCHASED A PARISH WIDE SUBSCRIPTION.

This means each family, everyone in the parish has access to all these resources. To sign up you go to <https://formed.org/> and sign up. Remember to enter our parish postal code N2L 1N5. If you need assistance figuring out how to access or are uncertain about resources, the link: <https://help.formed.org> has all you need. Once you are registered you use the app or web browser to access the resources.

In 2015 Lighthouse Catholic Media merged with the Augustinian Institute, so many of the lighthouse resources are available through 'FORMED'. EACH WEEK there is a video available with a brief teaching for the upcoming Sunday Mass Readings. There are sections for Sacramental preparation, Bible Study, current topics and youth resources. Under the movies there are sub-sections for movies, documentaries, apologetics, and youth. The audio section contains talks, audio dramas and audio books. The book section contains nonfiction, fiction, and youth resources.

As our parish has purchased a parish wide subscription, that means each family and individual in the parish has access to all of these resources.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES LIVING ROSARY -Members of the Small Faith Group invite you to pray a decade of the rosary daily for the needs of the parish and the community this month. It is a simple way to build a habit of prayer! Our Living Rosary prayer intentions for May are as follows:

1. **We ask God to walk with us as we defend the sanctity of all by treating all life with dignity and respect.**
2. **Pope Francis' prayer intention for Church movements and groups: We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.**
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/GH5bgv6XDgrinYrh9>.



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 MAY INTENTIONS FOR 2023

For church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.





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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