



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

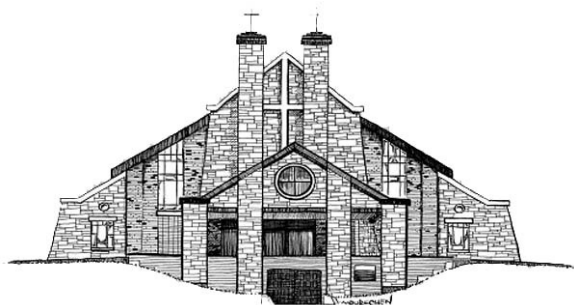
Administrative Assistant:
Mrs. Patrycja Wiecek
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OFFICE HOURS

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 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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ASCENSION OF THE LORD



May 23 to May 28

TUESDAY	7:00 p.m.	+ Jack & Mary Anne Meagher – Family
WEDNESDAY	8:30 a.m.	Special Intention – Wiecek Family
THURSDAY	7:00 p.m.	+ Helen Stumpf – Stumpf Family
FRIDAY	8:30 a.m.	+ Vincent Morrison – Family
SATURDAY	7:00 p.m.	+ Jack & Mary Anne Meagher – Family
SUNDAY	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Living & deceased members of our parish Special Intention

Monthly Budget Review as of May 14, 2023

Cumulative financial objective – 20 weeks @ \$7,500	\$150,000.00
Weekly contributions year to date	\$71,487.50
E-transfer	\$950.00
Pre-authorized giving (year to date)	\$47,470.96
Over (under) objective	\$119,908.46 (\$30,091.54)

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 litya 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!



WE NEED YOUR HELP - 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.

MINI EMMAUS - CALLING ALL ALTAR SERVERS, YOUTH GROUPS, AND YOUNG PEOPLE FROM GRADE 2 TO 12!

Join us on Saturday June 17th from 12:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. on the grounds of Holy Family Croatian Catholic Church (180 Schweitzer St., Kitchener) for the first ever "Mini Emmaus" - a Waterloo Deanery-wide afternoon of faith and fun! Represent your parish, compete against groups from other parishes, and discover what it means to be disciples! There is no cost for participants, and lunch and snacks will be provided. **Please contact our parish office to register by June 2nd**, and we hope to see you at this great event!



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



SAVE THE DATE: July 16, 2023

The Carmel of St. Joseph Guild invites all members, families and friends to attend the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel mass to be held at the Carmel of St. Joseph Monastery, St. Agatha

Gospel Reading

Matthew 28:16-20

Jesus charges his disciples to make disciples of all nations and promises to be with them forever.

Background on the Gospel Reading

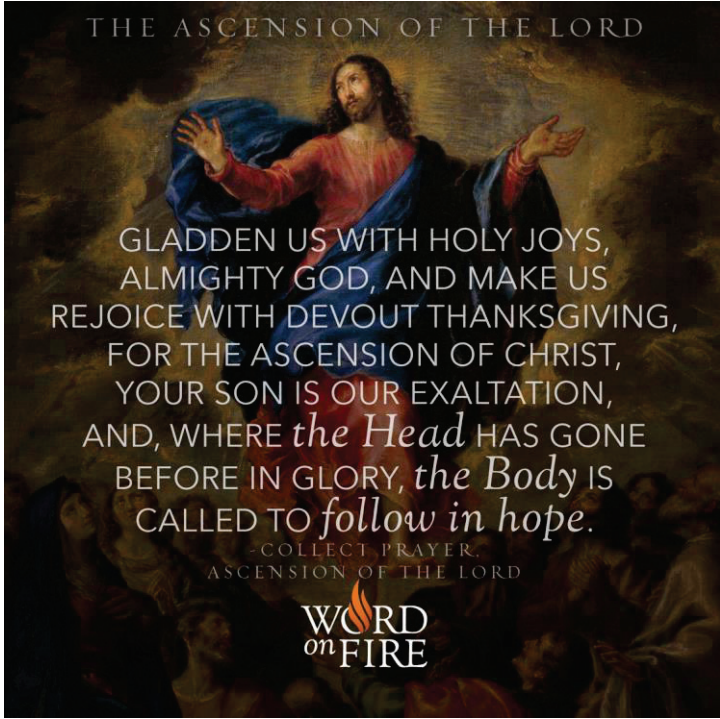
Today's Gospel is taken from the conclusion of the Gospel of Matthew. Matthew's Gospel quickly moves from the disciples' discovery of Jesus' empty tomb, to Jesus' appearance to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary, to the commission that Jesus gives his disciples in today's Gospel.

The Final Commission, as this Gospel is sometimes called, is given on the mountaintop. Throughout Scripture, the most important events happen on the mountaintop, and Matthew has used this motif throughout his Gospel. Earlier in Matthew's Gospel, Peter, James, and John had seen Jesus transfigured on the mountaintop (Matthew 17:1-8). Also in the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus taught the crowds from the mountaintop in what we now call the Sermon on the Mount.

Here we are told that the eleven disciples go the mountaintop in Galilee, as Jesus had instructed through Mary Magdalene and the other Mary (cf. Matthew 28:9-10). They see Jesus, and both worship and doubt at the same time. Jesus approaches them and commissions them to baptize and teach, "to make disciples of all nations." It is a task which Jesus had previously prepared his disciples for; recall that Jesus had sent the twelve apostles to preach the Kingdom of God and to heal (cf. Matthew 10:1-15). However, earlier the Twelve were sent only to the House of Israel; in this Final Commission, the eleven are told to go to "all nations." The mission of Jesus is now to be taken to all people; the task now is to baptize and to teach.

Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in the name of the Trinity, one of the clearest attestations found in Scripture for baptism in the name of the Trinity. In the Acts of the Apostles and in the Letters of Paul, baptism is more frequently offered "in the name of Jesus."

The ending of Matthew's Gospel can be understood as the beginning of the Church. Jesus commissions his disciples to continue to teach in his name and to bring others into the community of disciples through baptism. The Gospel ends, as it had begun, with the promise that Jesus will continue to be Emmanuel, "God with us" (cf. Matthew 1:23), for all eternity.



Alliance of Life Ontario Conference 2023 -
“Speaking Life into our Culture”

Alliance for Life Ontario and Hamilton Right to Life, with the support of the Diocesan Family Ministry Office, cordially invite you to register for our dinner and conference which will be held Friday June 16th at Michelangelo Banquet Centre Hamilton and at the Nicholas Mancini Centre (behind the Chancery Office) on Saturday June 17th, 2023. Speakers Dr. William Lile, Teresa Hartnett, Alex Schadenberg and Jakki Jeffs. Urgent life issues which require our attention and our prayers will be discussed. We hope to see you there! Contact aflo@mgl.ca Text or call 519 820 3399 www.allianceforlifeontario.ca/event/2023-conference



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

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

This week let us pray for...

- May 22 Rev. Peter Meyer
- May 23 Rev. Emmanuel Olusola
- May 24 Barnabite Fathers (C.R.S.P)
- May 25 Rev. Gordian Okpuruka
- May 26 St. Philip Neri, Patron Saint of Canadian Home Mission Work
- May 27 Rev. Robert Hetu



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

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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