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Catholic Parish, Waterloo

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A Thanksgiving Prayer

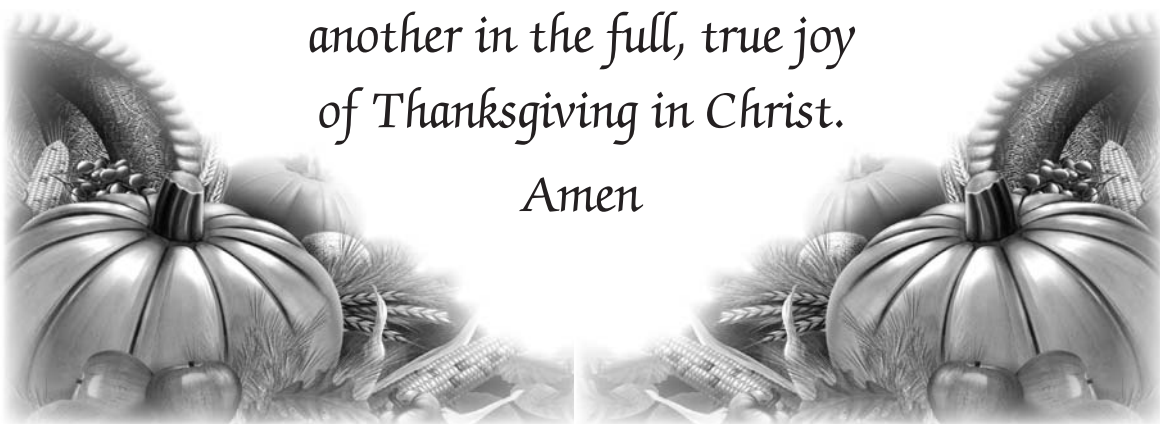
Heavenly Creator,

In this season of gratitude and abundance,
we give You thanks for our many blessings
as we pray for all who struggle
with hunger and want.

Be with them in the dark of night,
when all hope seems lost.

Keep their faith strong as they await relief.
And let Your goodness flow through our
hearts and hands as we reach out to one
another in the full, true joy
of Thanksgiving in Christ.

Amen



32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Nov 8 to Nov 13



THANK YOU for your support to our **THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE** in October, many thanks, in assisting those in need in our community.

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| Tuesday | 7:00 p.m. | Special Intention of Len & Joan O'Donnell – Patrick & Alanna O'Donnell |
| Wednesday Luther Village | 8:30 a.m. | + Genevieve Corteling – Miriam Jayasundera |
| Thursday | 7:00 p.m. | + Ed Ruppe – Family |
| Friday | 8:30 a.m. | + Margaret Donison – Mary Jane & Bruce Gowans |
| Saturday | 7:00 p.m. | + Fr. Ted Hughes – Ada Harris |
| Sunday | 9:00 a.m. | Living & deceased members of our parish |
| Sunday | 11:00 a.m. | Special intention |

Offertory Collection for Sunday, Oct 23 & Oct 30, 2022: \$5,188.60
(Note: This amount does not include donations received through pre-authorized giving.)

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| Monthly Budget Review as of Oct 30, 2022 | |
| Cumulative financial objective – 44 weeks @ \$7,500 | \$330,000.00 |
| Weekly contributions year to date | \$123,308.93 |
| Pre-authorized giving (year to date) | \$240,453.73 |
| Over (under) objective | -\$89,546.27 |

Gospel Reading

Luke 20:27-38

Jesus answers a question from some Sadducees about the resurrection of the dead. (short form Luke 20:27, 34-38)

Background on the Gospel Reading

In today's Gospel, we hear about an encounter between Jesus and some Sadducees. The Sadducees were a party of Judaism active in Jesus' time, descended from the priestly family of Zadok. They were literal interpreters of the written Law of Moses, which means that they were in disagreement with the position of the Pharisees, who offered an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses.

The Sadducees are described in this Gospel as opponents to the belief in resurrection. In the dialogue presented here, we see an example of the means of disputation that was common in first century Judaism. The Sadducees use the example of Levirate marriage, found in the Law of Moses, to disprove belief in the resurrection. According to *Deuteronomy 25:5-10*, if a man died without producing an heir, the man's brother should marry his wife and the offspring of this union would inherit the property and carry on the name of the man who had died. The Sadducees use this as an example to challenge belief in the resurrection.

Jesus argues from the same written Law of Moses to show that there is resurrection. Using the texts from the Book of Exodus (*Chapter 3*) that describe Moses' encounter with God in the burning bush, Jesus shows that God is the God of the living, not the dead. Here Jesus uses the same method and texts of the Sadducees to counter them. As the Gospel text suggests, he beat them at their own game!

More importantly, in this discourse Jesus shows the limits of our imaginations when it comes to eternal life. The Sadducees argued against resurrection because of the limits of earthly existence. They did not imagine another possibility for existence and relationship with God. Jesus proposes that the possibilities of resurrected life are beyond our imaginations. Jesus' conclusion suggests something else as well: To spend time worrying about resurrected life is to miss the point. The point is eternal relationship with God is possible, for God is the God of the living, "... for to him all are alive."

REMEMBRANCE DAY – NOVEMBER 11

Let us pray... Lord, many persons we know, and love have served in our Armed Forces to help make the world a more peaceful place. We lift them up to you – those who have died and those still with us. May our prayer today help bring them and their loved ones comfort, peace, and hope. We make this prayer to You in the name of Jesus, the Lord. Amen.



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 calling the office to request a box, Debit plan enrollment forms are available in the church lobby.

please join us

Our Lady of Lourdes Café

Open Next
on Sunday, Nov 13, 2022
after 9:00 am & 11:00 am
Mass in the parish hall.

MENU: Coffee, tea \$1
Cake & desserts \$2

BAKERS ARE NEEDED AND VOLUNTEERS

Sales from Oct 9, 2022, were \$219.00
All proceeds from OLOL Café will go to support parish committees.
Please call the parish office if you can help as we hope to have the Café
open 2nd Sunday of the Month.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

This week let us pray for...

- Nov 7 Rev. Melvin Pinto, O.C. D
- Nov 8 Rev. Vivek Trindade
- Nov 9 Deceased Priests of the Diocese of Hamilton
- Nov 10 Rev. Raphael Ma, C.R.
- Nov 11 Rev. Murray McDermott, C.R.
- Nov 12 Rev. Stanley Zaryczny, C.R.

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.



November 6, 2022



TIME TO CLEAN OUT YOUR CLOSETS AND HOUSEHOLD CLUTTER!!! The spring FUNdrive at our parish raised \$3,100.00 for

Big Brothers Big Sisters
Thank you for your support.

We are now having our second pick-up.

Be part of our team by contributing items that you no longer need.

Date: Saturday November 12, 2022

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Drop off Sites:

1. Our Lady of Lourdes Church - 173 Lourdes St, Waterloo (back parking lot)
2. Lackner Woods Public School - 151 Zeller Dr, Kitchener

Items Being Collected:

- Clothing and soft household items, shoes etc. (placed in green in garbage bags)
- Household Items (in medium sized manageable boxes with breakables wrapped in paper)
- Items of value that can be sold on Marketplace (as identified by donors)

If you have any questions,

please contact Maureen Innes at maureeninnes@hotmail.com



PLEASE SIGN UP - IN PREPARATION FOR BISHOP CROSBY'S 25TH Anniversary of Ordination

as a Bishop we are invited to participate in a "spiritual bouquet" for the bishop's anniversary. We are asked to participate by offering rosaries, morning offerings, acts of charity, acts of mercy, and Holy Communion, please contact the parish office with your information or **sign-up sheets** are available at the back of the church.



OUR LADY OF LOURDES 2ND PARISH CHRISTMAS DINNER:

LOL Social club is hosting by popular demand our second ever parish dinner. Mark your calendars. **Sunday, November 27, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.** in our parish hall. Cost per ticket is \$40. Included a gourmet dinner, wine & dessert. Please contact Patrycja at the parish office to purchase your tickets at 519-886-0342 or email at lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com or stop by the parish office to reserve your table of 8. Everyone's welcome. Tickets are limited.

Tickets will be sold in the parish hall on Sunday Nov 6 and Nov 13 after the 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Masses. Cash or cheques made out to OLOL parish.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STUDENT COUNCIL is hosting a Pro-Life charity dinner from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Saturday November 26th. The night will feature guest speaker Alex Schadenberg of the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition. The event is hosted at the St. Michael's parish hall located at 80 University Ave, Waterloo. All are welcome but seating is limited so get your tickets soon! You can find more information and how to purchase tickets on the parish Facebook page, or on the flyers at the back of the church. All proceeds go directly towards student pro-life initiatives.

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES FOR CHILDREN IN NEED

We would like to send Christmas shoe boxes to poor children with Canadian Food for Children. If you have empty shoeboxes, leftover Halloween candy, small toys (no batteries please), paper, crayons, markers, rosaries, soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, socks. Please bring your filled shoe boxes to Mary's altar from **Nov 1 – Nov 21** to send in time for Christmas. Many thanks for anything you can donate.

Catholic Women's League Membership Form



(For women of the parish ages 16+)

It's time to JOIN or RENEW your Catholic Women's League (CWL) Membership.

Our Next event Christmas Potluck Nov 29, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.

Catholic women today possess immense potential to serve church, community, and the world. The unique strength of Catholic women is the faith that binds us together. We pray for each other, care for the less fortunate, and support our parish and community. Our monthly events are informative, prayerful, and fun-loving.

Please PRINT the information required below, and along with the membership fee of \$35.00, place it in an envelope marked "CWL" and place it in the collection basket by December 30th.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

(if you wish to receive notifications of upcoming events)

Payment (please check one): cash cheque (payable to the Our Lady of Lourdes CWL)

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH - Parenting Tip 144 -

Parents hold two important roles in their family, they lead and model. Healthy families come from parents who take both roles seriously. As leaders you set the household tone by staying on the same page (even if parenting from a different household), setting rules to be followed and by ensuring children know you are in charge. Even more important is your role as a model since children watch more than listen! Modelling happens when you spend time with your children, really listen to them, encourage them and have deep and important conversations. When you take on these two roles you will become the primary influencers of your children and they will feel loved and secure. From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH - Marriage Tip 124 -

The culture often pushes us to pursue work, activities, and socializing, without keeping us grounded in the fact that there are only 24 hours in a day. When we look at our lives through the lens of both a daily and weekly schedule, we can begin to see where our priorities are focused. Do you spend both quality and quantity time with the one you love? Do you ensure that as a couple you engage in meaningful moments through texts, calls, face to face discussions and sharing meals, social time and other activities with your spouse? Many people feel lonely in their marriages but loving someone means we spend enough time together to ward off loneliness and in so doing, bond and deepen our love. From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.



THE POPE'S NOVEMBER INTENTIONS FOR 2022

Children Who Suffer We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.



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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