



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.

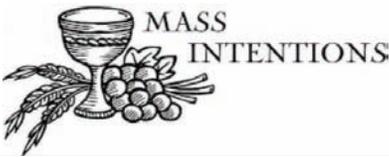


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Oct 4 to Oct 9

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Saint Francis of Assisi	+ Mary Helen Harrigan – Patrick Harrigan
Wednesday 8:30 a.m. St. Faustina Kowalska Beechwood Manor 10:00 a.m.	+ Rita Rittenhouse – Mitzie Eckert Special intention of Pat Walsh – Mary & Gerry Mulhern
Thursday 7:00 p.m.	+ Elizabeth Chaves – Anita & Rene Pickett-Brunott
Friday 8:30 a.m. Our Lady of the Rosary West Hill 10:00 a.m.	+ Albin Perko – Olga Perko Special Intention
Saturday 7:00 p.m.	+ Rita Banerjee – Chris & Bill Belleth
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Living & deceased members of our parish
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Special intention

Gospel Reading

Luke 17:5-10

Jesus teaches the apostles the importance of faith and service to God.

Background on the Gospel Reading

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus teach about faith and service to God. The context is a continuing dialogue between Jesus and his followers about what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. Jesus has just finished an instruction on sin and forgiveness. There are two related teachings that Jesus offers to his disciples when they cry out for an increase in faith. The first is the familiar reminder that faith, even just a little, will enable the followers of Jesus to do wondrous things. But this uplifting and inspiring teaching is quickly followed by the second teaching, a caution about knowing one's place in God's plans. The disciples of Jesus are to understand themselves as servants to God and his plans. Even when God works wonders through us, with our mustard seed-sized faith, we must not seek praise. Our participation in God's plans is God's grace to us—nothing more, nothing less. When we are graced enough to cooperate with God, the work we do is nothing more than our obligation to God as faithful stewards. And yet, our faith enables us to believe that what we have offered in service to God, as his servants, can be made to produce a hundredfold.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE: 519 Community Collective and Waterloo Region Food Bank depends on the support and the generosity of the parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish for their grocery needs to help the needy of our area. On **Thanksgiving weekend (Oct. 8-9)**, you are invited to bring non-perishable food items to the church and place them in the sanctuary. Our food supply is very low at this time, and your generosity will be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your kindness to those in need.



'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.



Thanksgiving Dinners: September is here and that means fall and Thanksgiving are just around the corner. This year we are excited to again offer Thanksgiving dinners to our shut-in parishioners and those in need. Currently, we are **looking for people willing to sponsor** a single, couple or family by providing them with a Thanksgiving dinner. Each dinner will cost **approx. \$20**. We hope to provide a minimum of 50 dinners to families in need during the holidays. Please help us make this possible. Donations can be dropped into the collection basket after Mass. Please indicate on the envelope "Thanksgiving Dinner sponsor" in the subject line. Thank you for your generosity.

*If you are in need and would like to receive a Thanksgiving dinner, please contact the parish office, or speak to Fr. Rafal directly. *

please join us

Our Lady of Lourdes Café

Open **NEXT**

on Sunday, **October 9, 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

Grand opening success sale of \$205.00

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 every second Sunday** of the Month.



SENIORS SOCIAL GROUP will meet in the church hall every Tuesday from 1:30 p.m.- 3:30 p.m. for progressive Euchre followed by refreshments. Doors open at 1:15 p.m. All Lourdes seniors are welcome. Enter through the tunnel door.

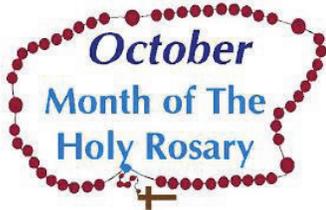
DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

This week let us pray for...

- Oct 3 Rev. Bernard (Mike) Francis
- Oct 4 Rev. Arpee Nicolas Urquico
- Oct 5 Felician Franciscan Sisters (C.S.S.F.)
- Oct 6 Rev. David Avila
- Oct 7 Rev. Tony O'Dell, O.M.I
- Oct 8 Rev. Kiwook Kim



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.



OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH LIVING ROSARY will begin on October 1 & 2 and continue to the last day of October. Each person who joins us will be assigned a specific decade and mystery of the rosary. He/she will pray the same decade and mystery

each day for the entire month (Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory be to the Father . . .). There are no meetings – you pray individually anytime of the day at your own convenience.

Remember: If you are praying the first decade of each mystery of the rosary, you will also have to say the prayers that begin it: the Apostles' Creed, Our Father, three Hail Mary's, the Glory Be to the Father. If you are praying the fifth decade of each mystery of the rosary, you will have to say the ending prayer: Hail, Holy Queen. At the end of each decade the following prayer is said: "O my Jesus, forgive us our sins . . ."

On Our Lady of Lourdes altar, you will find slips of paper with little tear-off pieces. Please take the next one available on the sheet. This is your mystery and decade for the month. Also on the altar will be a notebook in which you can write your prayer intentions. Everyone who is praying the rosary is praying with all those intentions in mind. At the Votive Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary at 8:30 a.m. on the First Saturday of each month until June, the Mass will be offered for those intentions as well.

ANIMAL BLESSING will take place on **Tuesday October 4th at 6:30 p.m.** on the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Please bring your pets to Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto area, located just outside the main church doors where Fr. Rafal will follow St. Francis' example of preaching to all of creation, followed by a blessing.



CAREER OPPORTUNITY: St Francis of Assisi Parish is now accepting resumes for the position of Administrative Assistant / Bookkeeper at St. Francis Parish, Kitchener. To request job description, or to send your resume please email stfanciskitchener@hamiltondiocese.com

ST. AGNES PARISH will be praying the 2000 Hail Mary's Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday October 15, 2022. The day begins at 7:30 a.m., we anticipate the Devotion will finish by 7:30 p.m. Bring your own lunch. Everyone is welcome to join us in prayer throughout the day, if even for a short time. For more information contact 519-569-1761 or st.agnesprayernetwork@gmail.com

OUR LADY OF LOURDES SMALL FAITH GROUP –



invites you to join our living rosary to pray for the needs of the parish and the community in October. This month, we draw our attention to the formation of Catholic faith within the family. For October, let us keep the following prayer intentions in mind:

1. May God protect and guide families, be it nuclear families, extended families, or community families. May the Spirit draw families to the Holy Family, to empower family members to model their faith to others in close relationships. Let us celebrate with our family and boldly express our gratitude to God this Thanksgiving!
2. Pope Francis' October intention –A Church Open to Everyone
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 here <https://forms.gle/dwkVrVLaDtqY4KNF7>.

THAT MAN IS YOU! returns Saturday mornings from Sept 10th, 2022 – April 2023 at St. Mark's Parish, Kitchener. That Man is You! honestly addresses the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to their roles as husbands and fathers. Visit tmiy.org for more info. Breakfast from 7:15 a.m. followed by a video presentation and group discussion. Contact ian.kangaloo@gmail.com with your questions or to sign up.

ACT II SEPARATED & DIVORCED SUPPORT GROUP – Has your marriage ended? Are you in need of support to adjust to your new life? Act II is a new, informal support group for those who are experiencing separation, or divorce. Join us the 3rd Tuesday of every month beginning Sept 20 from 7:30 – 8:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Church (Parish basement). Know you are not alone. No fee. Join when you can. Bring a friend. Check stmichaelw.ca/separated-and-divorced or contact St. Michael Parish office parish@stmichaelw.ca, or 519 -884-9311.



FALL CHURCH PROPERTY CLEAN UP: We would like to have 6 to 10 parish volunteers to help with our church fall clean up on **Friday, October 7 at 10:00 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

THE POPE'S OCTOBER INTENTIONS FOR 2022

A Church Open to Everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.





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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