

Our Lady of Lourdes

Catholic Parish, Waterloo

MASS TIMES Lord's Day

Saturday: 7:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Divine Mercy Chaplet: Saturday: 6:40 pm Food donation bin - back

Weekday Mass

Wednesday & Friday: 8:30 am

Tuesday: 7:00 pm Thursday: 12:00 pm

Holy Rosary: Wednesday & Friday: 8:10 am Welcome New Members

Confession Times

Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Sacraments

For baptisms, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, marriages, please contact parish office.

Anointing of the Sick / **Hospital Visitation**

If you or someone you know is in need and requesting anointing or pastoral visit, please contact our parish office or see Father after Mass. If the person is in the Hospital and it's an emergency, please have the hospital contact the priest on call.

St. Vincent de Paul

For assistance with groceries and other needs, please call 519-886-0342 ext. 610. Church door collections - last

Sunday of each month.

of the Church.

Donations by E-transfer can be sent to:

ssvp.olol.conference@gmail.com. To receive a tax receipt, please put your address in the Notes section.

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: Fr. Stephen Murrin smurrin@hamiltondiocese.com

Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Patrycja Wiecek

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OFFICE HOURS

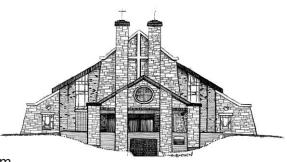
Monday: Closed

Tuesday to Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; 1:00 p.m. 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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APR 8 to APR 13

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TUESDAY – APR 8 Ferial		7:00 p.m.		Special Intention of Harriet Reitzel – Burns		
				Family		
WEDNESDAY- APR 9		8:30 a.m.		+ Holy Souls – Joan		
Ferial				Cassidy		
THURSDAY- APR 10		12:00 p.m.		+ Nick Lariccia – Mary		
Ferial				Fama & Family		
FRIDAY- APR 11		8:30 a.m.		+ Campa Family – Olga		
Ferial				Perko		
SATURDAY- APR 12		7:00 p.m.		+ Jack Ellig - Anne Ellig		
Vigil						
SUNDAY- APR 13		9:00 a.m.		+ Bill Smit – Maria Smit		
Palm Sunday				& Family		
		11:00 a.m.		Living & deceased		
				members of our parish		
Parish Finance			March 16, 2025		March 23, 2025	
Report Week of	Sunday Envelope Collection		\$ 6,312.25		\$ 2,585.05	
INANCIAL HEALTH	Sunday Loose Collection		\$ 453.55		\$ 460.85	
	E-transfer		\$ 262.00		\$ 212.00	
	PAG/ Direct Deposit		\$ 2,823.46		\$ 2,823.46	
	Other (Building fund, funerals, missals, Votives)		\$ 524.85		\$ 524.85	
	TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION		\$ 10,376.11		\$ 6,606.16	
	Budgeted		\$ 6,500.00		\$ 6,500.00	
	Net Income /Loss		\$ 3,876.11		\$ 106.16	

E-TRANSFER

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

Diocesan Prayer Calendar - This week let us pray for...

Apr. 7	Apr. 8	Apr. 9	Apr. 10	Apr. 11	Apr. 12
Rev. Deaha (John) Kim	Rev. Marian Gil, O.M.I.	Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada	Rev. Jan Wadolowski, O.M.I.	Rev. Lajos Angyal	Rev. Joseph Durkacz

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 Gospel for the fifth Sunday of Lent continues to offer lessons about God's mercy and forgiveness. Last Sunday was the Prodigal Son and this week the woman caught in adultery.

In John's Gospel, the conflict between Jesus and the scribes and Pharisees occurs much earlier than in the Synoptic Gospels. In Chapter 5, Jesus cures a man on the Sabbath, and from this point forward the authorities are ready to arrest and seek his death.

Today's Gospel begins by reporting that Jesus is again teaching the crowds in the vicinity of the Temple. The scribes and the Pharisees approach Jesus, bringing a woman who has been caught in the act of adultery. They put to Jesus the question of what ought to be done in this case. The Pharisees state clearly that according to the Law of Moses, those caught in the act of adultery were to be stoned to death. Under Roman occupation, however, the Jewish people did not have the authority to execute people. To answer the Pharisees' question, Jesus must propose an action that will be either contrary to the Law of Moses or contrary to Roman law against Jesus.

Jesus avoids the trap, however, by offering an answer that was not anticipated by those who posed the question. Jesus, after writing on the ground with his finger, addresses those who stand before him and suggests that the one without sin cast the first stone. Jesus then returns to his writing. We can easily imagine the scene as the Pharisees and the elders disperse, one by one. Jesus has eluded the trap they had prepared. Left alone with the woman sends the woman on her way, refusing to pass judgment on her and exhorting her to avoid future sin. It is a profound lesson in divine mercy and forgiveness: we are sent to sin no more and to live in God's love and peace. (Loyola Press).

PASSIONTIDE

Traditionally in the Church, the fifth Sunday of Lent, the Sunday preceding Palm Sunday was known as Passion Sunday. And, the last two weeks of Lent known as Passiontide. It is a reminder that we are nearing the celebration of the Passion of our Lord and this is symbolized by the veiling of the crucifix and statues in the church. Although the exact meaning and origin of this practice is unknown, various interpretations over the years have been given. A sign of mourning or penitence; scriptural verse that before being arrested Jesus hid himself or another reason that the glory of the church being veiled to show its full splendor at Easter.



The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Thursday. June 12th at 7pm. and enrollment

for the Sacrament will take place during the 11 a.m. Sunday Mass on April 27th. The enrollment at this Mass will be your child's registration for the Sacrament. If your child is attending one of the two parish schools, Our Lady of Lourdes or Holy Rosary, a letter was sent through the schools last week giving the details of the sacramental preparation program that will begin on Sunday, April 27th, following the 11am. Mass. There will be a total of four sessions and one practice that your child will be expected to attend. If you have a child not attending one of the parish schools, you may contact the parish office to receive the information, stop by the sacristy after Mass to pick up the registration form.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in June 2025 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.



Our Lady of Lourdes

When: Sun. April 13, 2025

Where: Parish Hall Time: 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

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

BAKERS AND VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

Mar 9, 2025, funds \$247.00

All proceeds from OLOL Café support our parish ministries 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.

> Mass of Chrism Monday, April 14th, at 2:00 pm.

All are welcome to join the Diocesan Mass of Chrism, during which His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will bless the Oils of the sick and catechumens, and consecrate the Sacred Chrism.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

EASTER FLORAL TRIBUTE: During the Holy Time of Easter, it is a fitting gesture to dedicate floral tributes to be placed in the church in memory of deceased relatives and friends. These tributes are a sign of remembrance and an expression of faith in Christ's promise of eternal life. Forms are available at the church entrances if you wish to make such a tribute. The floral tribute sheets will be placed in the sanctuary in a gift-wrapped box. Those loved ones named will be remembered at all the Masses during the Easter season.

RETREAT AT THE CARMEL: The Carmel of St. Joseph Guild is hosting their annual retreat at the Carmelite Monastery on Saturday, May 24. The theme of the Retreat is "Hope". The retreat will give you an opportunity to experience the graces and blessings of the Jubilee Year. The day will begin with the Rosary, Holy Mass, two short conferences, and a time for prayer and reflection. The retreat will begin at 10:00 a.m. and will end at 2:30 p.m. A light lunch and refreshments will be provided. If you wish to attend, please see the poster for more details and register on the Carmel of St. Joseph website: www.thecarmel.ca

GOOD FRIDAY -FISH FRY \mathbf{AT} WATERLOO KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, 145

Dearborn Place in waterloo, on eat in booking times, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. 6 pm 1pc dinner \$17.50, 2pc dinner \$22.50 taxes incl call Martin at 519-884-2060 to reserve your table take out will be available from 1:00 pm to 6 pm

MOTHER'S DAY LUNCH: we are in need of volunteers to sell the tickets for Mother's Day lunch. after Mass starting in April, if you can help please contact the parish office.



The Celebration of the Sacrament of First Eucharist will take place on Sunday, May 4th.

For those enrolled in the Sacrament, preparation sessions will take place on the following dates, downstairs in the parish hall, immediately following Sunday 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Session 3 – Sunday, April 6th Session 4 – Sunday, April 27th 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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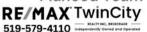
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