

Our Lady of Lourdes

Catholic Parish, Waterloo

MASS TIMES Weekend Mass

Saturday: 7:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Divine Mercy Chaplet: Saturday: 6:40 pm Church door collections - last

Weekday Mass

Wednesday & Friday: 8:30 am Tuesday & Thursday: 7:00 pm

Holy Rosary: Wednesday & Friday: 8:10 am

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 ParentsLast 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

For assistance with groceries and other needs, please call 519-886-0342 ext. 2.

Church door collections - last Sunday of each month. Food donation bin - back of the Church.

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: Fr. Stephen Murrin smurrin@hamiltondiocese.com

Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Patrycja Wiecek

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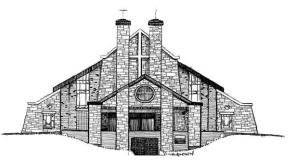
OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; 1:00 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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SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:

AUGUST: Parish office will be open Wed & Thurs 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

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

Aug. 5	Aug. 6	Aug. 7	Aug. 8	Aug. 9	Aug. 10
Rev. Melvin Pinto O.C.D.	Transfiguration of the Lord	School Sister of Notre Dame	Rev. Sunil D'Souza, O.C.D.	St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin	St. Lawrence

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

TUESDAY 7:00 p.m. +Theresa & Madappuli - Angela Madappuli WEDNESDAY 8:30 a.m. +Antonia Patriarchi - Emma Moloney 7:00 p.m. +Stevan Ralph - Charmaine & Frank **THURSDAY** Volpini 8:30 a.m. **FRIDAY** +Val & Jack Cassidy - Joan Cassidy 7:00 p.m. +Barbara Harrigan - Gerald Harrigan **SATURDAY** +Jessie, John & Helen Maley -SUNDAY 9:00 a.m. Raymond Maley 11:00 a.m. Living & deceased

Monthly Budget Review as of July 21, 2024

Weekly contributions year to date \$96,255.85 E-transfer \$3,606.00

Pre-authorized giving (year to date) \$84,890.00 \$184,751.85 **Building fund** \$6,036.00

E-TRANSFER If you would like to send your donation via E-Transfer, please use the following email: lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com

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

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Our Lady of Lourdes Café

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Big Thank you to all our supporters, volunteers, and bakers

Sept 2023 – June 2024, in total we have raised total funds of \$2254.55 All proceeds from OLOL Café support our parish ministries

Café will return Sept 8, 2024

SAVE A DATE: A BUS TRIP TO HAMILTON - MILTON, ON **MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2024** Mass in Hamilton - Milton Outlet Mall - Elements Casino Mohawk To book a seat or for additional



information, please contact Patrycja directly by calling 519-886-0342 ext 3. Or by sending an email to our parish office to: lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com. Don't miss out on this mini-pilgrimage and adventure. Stop by the parish office to purchase your tickets now. ONLY 56 TICKETS available. An information session will be held in the parish office at Our Lady of Lourdes parish, Waterloo on August 30 at 5:00

THE POPE'S AUGUST INTENTIONS FOR 2024

For political leaders

We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs



DIOCESAN MARIAN DAYS The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, the Diocesan Marian Shrine, will be hosting the Diocesan Marian Days on the first Saturdays from June to October. The day begins at 9:00 a.m. and concludes at noon. The presiders for these days will be

Bishop Matthew Ustrzycki (August 3), Bishop Douglas Crosby (September 7) and Bishop Daniel Miehm (October 5). For more information, see the Diocesan website.

TO INFORM, ENCOURAGE AND HEAL - June is Indigenous History Month in Canada. We invite you take time in this season to learn more about the Catholic Church's commitment to ongoing reconciliation efforts with Indigenous communities through a four-week learning opportunity through the VLCFF (Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation). To learn more visit about this study, please us at www.hamiltondioceselearns.com.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION THROUGH VLCFF The Diocese of Hamilton is proud to partner with Dayton University's

Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation (VLCFF) to offer certificate programs for ministry and enrichment for adult faith formation. We are currently taking enrollment for the Youth Ministry Certification Program and the Catechist Formation Program for the Diocese of Hamilton, which begins in September 2024. Three- and five-week e-seminars are also available at a discounted rate for all adults in the Diocese looking to further their learning. For more information about our programs, and how to register, visit us at www.hamiltondioceselearns.com

18th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Gospel Reading John 6:24–35

Jesus teaches the crowds that he is the "bread of life."

Background on the Gospel Reading

This Sunday we continue to read from the sixth chapter of John's Gospel, but not continuously. Our Lectionary omits John's report of Jesus' walking on water. This event is reported much less dramatically in John's Gospel than in the Synoptic Gospels. After the feeding of the multitudes, the disciples leave in a boat and Jesus follows them. The disciples are said to be terrified by what they see. Jesus reassures them and rejoins them. In today's Gospel, we learn that the crowd has noticed the departure of Jesus and his disciples and so seeks them out in Capernaum. In the dialogue that follows between Jesus and the crowds, Jesus unfolds for us the gift of himself that that he gives in the Eucharist.

In today's Gospel, there are four exchanges between Jesus and the crowd. In the first, the crowd, having followed Jesus to Capernaum, asks a very matter of fact question: "Rabbi, when did you get here?" Jesus replies by naming their motivation in pursuing him. They have been fed. Jesus acknowledges this yet challenges them to see beyond the fulfillment of their material needs. The crowds have followed Jesus because they have been fed. They ought to be seeking out Jesus because he can give them eternal life.

As the second dialogue begins, it seems that the crowd might be on their way to accepting Jesus and his mission. They ask: "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?" Jesus replies that they must have faith in the one sent from God. But in the third dialogue, the crowd reveals their inability to see Jesus' true identity. They ask Jesus for a sign so that they might know that Jesus is from God. How strange this sounds since Jesus has just fed more than 5000 people. What is more expected?

But the crowd cannot see beyond the surface of the sign. They show this in their interpretation of the sign that came from Moses. In their description, they identify Jesus with Moses, as if to say, as Moses gave the people manna in the desert, give us a sign so that we will know that you are from God. They are looking to identify a prophet without realizing that God is standing before them. Jesus corrects their misinterpretation, saying that the manna received by their ancestors came from God. As God fulfilled their ancestors' needs in the desert, so God has provided them with food for eternal life. In the bread that they have received from Jesus, they have received physical nourishment and spiritual nourishment. Jesus wants the crowd to see beyond the surface to the One who provides true nourishment.

The conclusion of the dialogue reveals the crowd's blindness. They ask for what Jesus has just told them they have found: "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus answers plainly that he himself is the Bread of Life they seek. Jesus himself is the Bread of Life who will satisfy every hunger and thirst. This is the first of several such statements found in John's Gospel. We understand these better when we remember that God revealed his name to the people of Israel as "I am," as Yahweh. Jesus is now claiming this name for himself. In the weeks ahead, we will see the offense that this gives to the people.

THIS SUMMER DON'T FORGET ABOUT OUR LADY OF LOURDED PARISH: Are you leaving in the summer and go to cottages or travel. Please remember the church remains open all summer and we rely on your continued support even if you are not here. Pre-Authorized Giving is a great way to take care of your community at Lourdes without worry. Please consider Pre-Authorized Giving. Pamphlets are at the church doors or contact the parish office for more information. Thank you to all our Parishioners, Visitors and Benefactors for your generous support.

DOLL/STUFFY PROJECT: I volunteer for Canadian Food for Children. We are in need of used/new dolls, stuffies, cotton or flannel fabric, and thread. Please contact me for important details at 519 885 0109. Thank you. Maryke Mior

EUCHRE AT THE MARYHILL ST. BONIFACE CHURCH RECTORY (the large house between the parking lot and the church). Please access the building from the driveway at the back. For those that aren't familiar with the rectory, please park your cars in the parking lot and just walk up the hill to the back door of the house. If you have any trouble finding the location or the back door, please feel free to give me a call. (519) 590-1516. Date: Mon July 8th to Mon Aug 26th (due to the holiday, no cards on the Civic Holiday, Monday, Aug 5th) Time: 6:30 to 8:30 or 9:00 p.m. (TBD first night of cards). Please be sure to arrive no later than 6:15 p.m. as we will begin playing cards at 6:30 p.m. sharp. Where: St Boniface Church Rectory (looks like a house) located at 1355 Maryhill Rd, Maryhill ON NOB 2BO

Bulletin regular printing of our parish bulletin will begin again on Sept 1, 2024. Mass intention will be posted on the bulletin boards.

Announced Mass intentions for the week of Aug 13 to 17, 2024

Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	+Paul Latchana - Maureen Schaus & Family	
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	+Pereira Family – Naomi & Nevelle de'Rozario	
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	+Gina Laffi – Emma Moloney	
Friday	8:30 a.m.	+Mark Flood – Rick & Maryann Potvin	
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	+Margaret Kassee – Elizabeth Kassee	

Announced Mass intentions for the week of Aug 20 to Aug 24, 2024

Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Special intention of Grace Capa – Family	
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	+Marjorie Brohl – Weber Family	
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	+Vernon & Elizabeth Chaves – Louis De Abreu	
Friday	8:30 a.m.	+Gordon Kightley – Phyllis Johnson & Family	
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	+Vincent Morrison – Phonsine Morrison	

Announced Mass intentions for the week of Aug 27 to August 31, 2024

Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	+Gaetano Garasto – Carmela Garasto	
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	a.m. +Michael McNamara - Mary & Gerry Mulhern	
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	00 p.m. +Jack & Maryann Meagher – Phonsine Morrison	
Friday	8:30 a.m.	+Sheldon & Doris Gross - Nancy Collins & Mary Lou Oakes	
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	+Ann & Hurbert Steffler – Kathy Steffler	

Welcome to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

WELCOME: to new parishioners or those joining us for the first time. We are happy to have you here with us. Please take some time to fill out a registration form available at the entrances of the church so we might know who you are.

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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