



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

Weekday Mass

Wednesday & Friday: 9:00 am

Tuesday: 7:00 pm

Thursday: 12:00 pm

Holy Rosary: Wednesday & Friday: 8:10 am

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.

Food donation bin - back of the Church.

Donations by E-transfer can be sent to:

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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

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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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JAN 13 to JAN 18

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| TUESDAY – JAN 13 Ferial | 7:00 p.m. | +Wilhelmina Walraven – Linda Benedikovic & Rosemary Wilson |
| WEDNESDAY– JAN 14 Ferial | 9:00 a.m. | In Thanksgiving – Naomi & Nevelle de'Rozario |
| THURSDAY– JAN 15 Ferial | 12:00 p.m. | +Val & Jack Cassidy – Joan Cassidy |
| FRIDAY– JAN 16 Ferial | 9:00 a.m. | +Maggie Walmsley – Margaret Barfoot |
| SATURDAY– JAN 17 2 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time | 5:00 p.m. | In Thanksgiving – Renata Zalewski |
| SUNDAY– JAN 18 2 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time | 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. | +Dorlones Mary Brandon – Jerry & Christa Fischer Living & deceased members of our parish |



The baptism of Jesus is attested to in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke. And, the account that appears in today's gospel from St. Matthew is the only one to include the dialogue between Jesus and John. Another difference in Matthew's presentation of this event is the

announcement made by the voice from heaven, which says, "This is my beloved son . . ." In Mark and Luke, this voice addresses itself to Jesus: "You are my beloved son . . ."

The baptisms that John performs prefigure Christian Baptism. John baptizes for repentance from sin. In accepting this baptism, Jesus unites himself with all sinners even though he is sinless. In Matthew's Gospel, John the Baptist distinguishes his practice of baptism from the Baptism that the Messiah brings: "I am baptizing you with water . . . He will baptize you with the holy Spirit and fire" (Matthew 3:11).

The baptism of Jesus is another manifestation of Christ, another epiphany. Christ's baptism inaugurates his mission. In an analogous way, our Baptism inaugurates our mission as Christians.

This Sunday marks a transition from the Christmas season to Ordinary Time. In a way, today's feast is the high point of the Christmas season. Before Jesus' birth, angels announced to Mary and to Joseph who Jesus would be. At his birth, the shepherds and the Magi recognize Jesus as the Messiah. At his baptism, Jesus accepts that he is God's son and inaugurates that mission.

SEASON OF ORDINARY TIME

This Sunday, with the Feast of Our Lord's baptism, the Liturgical Season moves to Ordinary Time. And, there are two Ordinary Time's celebrated: one after Christmas lasting to Ash Wednesday and the other after Easter up to the season of Advent. The word comes from the Latin word meaning to number or

| <i>Parish Finance Report Week of</i> | | Dec 20, 2025 | Dec 28, 2025 |
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| | Sunday Envelope Collection | \$ 8757.00 | \$ 3630.00 |
| | Sunday Loose Collection | \$409.90 | \$2487.65 |
| | E-transfer | \$ 2145.00 | \$ 1085.00 |
| | PAG/ Direct Deposit | \$ 2,755.64 | \$ 2,755.64 |
| | Other (Building fund, funerals, flowers missals, Votives...) | \$3658.60 | \$3658.60 |
| | TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION | \$ 17,726.14 | \$ 13,616.89 |
| | Budgeted | \$ 6,500.00 | \$ 6,500.00 |
| | Net Income /Loss | \$11,226.14 | \$7,116.89 |
| | Christmas | | \$16,572.00 |

E-TRANSFER

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

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



A sincere Thank you om behalf of Canadian Food for Children, Mississauga, for your generous shoe box contributions. 98 boxes were collected and were put on the container for Sierra Leone, West Africa. May God Bless

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

order so it does not mean ordinary in the usual sense that we often use the word.

During Ordinary Time, the Church celebrates the fullness of the mystery of the Lord Jesus. The people of God offer praise by celebrating the Paschal Mystery of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus. On the first day of the week, the Lord's Day, God assembles the beloved people to hear the Word, to reflect upon it, to offer the living sacrifice of praise, and to eat and drink the banquet of the Lord. Then God sends them forth to proclaim this love by their words and actions.

Sunday is the original Christian Feast Day, following the tradition handed down from Apostolic times, for this was the day of the Lord's Resurrection. Today's Christian communities continue this tradition by celebrating every Sunday as the day of the Risen Lord.

The Seniors' Card Group will resume on
Tuesday, January 13th at 1:30 pm in the parish hall.

A Note from Sister Barbara

Fr. Steve and Parishioners: Thank you so much for the beautiful flower arrangement. What a lovely surprise. Thanks also for the many cards and well wished you sent my way. I want you to know that many of my happiest memories are from the years I spent serving at Our Lady of Lourdes parish. Gratefully, Sr. Barbara.



On weekdays during the winter months when either school buses are not running or schools are closed, the office will be also be closed on that day, and there will be no Mass that day.

CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM – Sponsored by COUPLES FOR CHRIST and its Family Ministries. Please join us at St Francis Church Hall, 49 Blueridge Ave., Kitchener on Thursdays, Jan. 29th to Mar.26 inclusive. Be enriched by such talks as..... God's Love, Who is Jesus Christ? and Transformation In Christ..... Opened to Christian married couples, Singles, Widows, Widowers and those separated or divorced. Dinner 6:00 pm Program 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Childcare provided for Children 12 years and

under. THERE IS No fee Contact Ave/ Maricar Bagnes 226 978 9933 or 416 564 2239 Len/Marie Solomon 519 744 5198 Couples For Christ is an international Association of the Faithful linked to the Vatican through the Pontifical Council of the Laity.

Pope's Prayer Intention for January

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.



*please
join us*

Our Lady of Lourdes Café

When: Sun. Jan 18, 2026

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

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
once a month.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CORNER

In November, our cupboard provided emergency food support to 44 families and 9 individuals in need.

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, we received \$2,184 in donations, along with an additional \$207 from the Toonie/Loonie collection, which will be used to purchase essential hygiene items. Your continued support makes a meaningful difference in the lives of those in our community. Thank you for helping us extend care and hope to those who need it most.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST

Sacrament of First Eucharist will be celebrated on Sunday, April 26, 2026, at 2:00 pm and Sunday, May 3, 2026, at 2:00pm.



Preparation for the Sacrament will start on February 22, 2026, and all sessions will take place following the 9:00 am. Mass. Information has been sent to parents of children attending Our Lady of Lourdes and Holy Rosary Schools. If you have not received a letter, or if you have a child not attend one of these schools, you may pick up the information at the parish office or at the back of the Church.

It's my privilege to support fellow parishioners with their real estate needs. Whether you're buying or selling, I'm here to guide you every step of the way

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