



# 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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#### Organist: Mrs. April Philpotts

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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 20 to JAN 25

TUESDAY – JAN 20 Ferial	7:00 p.m.	+Phonsine & Vincent Morrison – Morrison Family
WEDNESDAY – JAN 21 St. Agnes - Memorial	9:00 a.m.	+Alison O'Farrel – Margaret Bayer
THURSDAY – JAN 22 Ferial	12:00 p.m.	Special Intention of Danielle Hoffmann – Geraldine Mahood
FRIDAY – JAN 23 Ferial	9:00 a.m.	+Teresa Anselmo – Gabriel & Francesca Niccoli
SATURDAY – JAN 24 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	5:00 p.m.	+Rudy & Elsa Sperling – Ralph & Venilia Sperling
SUNDAY – JAN 25 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+Froese Family – Betty Froese Living & deceased members of our parish

Parish Finance Report Week of		Jan 4, 2026	Jan 11, 2026
	Sunday Envelope Collection	<b>\$ 2956.00</b>	<b>\$ 2157.00</b>
	Sunday Loose Collection	<b>\$653.55</b>	<b>\$419.70</b>
	E-transfer	<b>\$ 275.00</b>	<b>\$ 187.00</b>
	PAG/ Direct Deposit	<b>\$ 2,755.64</b>	<b>\$ 2,755.64</b>
	Other (Building fund, funerals, flowers missals, Votives...)	<b>\$1727.67</b>	<b>\$1727.67</b>
	<u><b>TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 8,367.86</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 7,247.01</b></u>
	<u><b>Budgeted</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 6,500.00</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 6,500.00</b></u>
	<u><b>Net Income /Loss</b></u>	<u><b>\$1,867.86</b></u>	<u><b>\$747.01</b></u>

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



Thank you for your generosity and continued financial support to the Parish.

Christmas collection \$17,077



Christmas Floral collection \$ 1,890



We heard Matthew's account of Jesus' baptism last Sunday, on the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Today, we hear John the Baptist's testimony about Jesus as found in John's Gospel. John's Gospel differs from the other Gospels because John does not describe Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist. Instead, John the Baptist announces that he knows that Jesus is the Son of God.

In today's reading, John the Baptist sees Jesus approaching and cries out, giving witness about who Jesus is, and, in his testimony, he says that he saw the Spirit descend upon Jesus. By this sign, John the Baptist knew that Jesus was the one who is to come after him; and he uses two titles for Jesus that are familiar to us.

John calls Jesus the "Lamb of God" and the "Son of God." By using these titles, John the Baptist identifies Jesus' ultimate purpose: to redeem sinful humanity.

John the Baptist's testimony about Jesus clearly distinguishes John's baptism from the Baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John baptizes with water; Jesus will baptize with the Holy Spirit. John also puts his practice of baptism in the context of Jesus' ministry. The purpose of John's baptism was to make Jesus known to Israel.

John the Baptist's sense of purpose is clearly identified in this reading: he baptized in order to prepare for and make known the ministry of the One who was to follow. John's witness is an excellent example of what it means to be a disciple. By our Baptism, we are called to make Jesus known to all the world by our words and by the witness of our lives. (Loyola Press).

**ST. AGNES** died a virgin-martyr at the age of 12 or 13 on January 21st in the year 304. Her bones are currently conserved beneath the high altar in a church in Rome, which was built over the catacomb that held her tomb. Rejecting the advances of men and killed for that reason and her faith, she is often represented with a lamb, the symbol of her virgin innocence, and a palm branch, like other martyrs. She is shown as a young girl in robes holding a palm branch with the lamb either at her feet or in her arms. On her feast day, it is customary for two lambs to be brought in to be blessed by the pope. On Holy Thursday the lambs' wool is removed and woven into the pallium the pope gives to

This Sunday we break from our reading of Matthew's Gospel (the primary Gospel for our current liturgical cycle, Cycle A) to read from John's Gospel.

a newly consecrated archbishop as a sign of his power and union with the pope.

**Month of January is dedication to the Most Holy Name of Jesus.**

**HIS**

“The name ‘Jesus’ comes from the Latin form of the Greek ‘Iesous’ (Ιησοῦς), which in turn is the transliteration of the Hebrew ‘Yeshua’ (Yehošua) or ‘Yehoshua’ (Yehošua) or, in its contracted form, ‘Joshua,’ which means ‘Yahweh’ is salvation.

The beginnings of the veneration of the Most Holy Name of Jesus date back to the liturgical celebrations of the 14th century. Saint Bernardine of Siena in the 15th century, along with his disciples, spread the veneration of the Name of Jesus and a century later, around 1530, Pope Clement VII granted the Franciscan order authorization for the celebration of the Office of the Holy Name of Jesus.”

**Saint Bernardine of Siena’s Prayer to the Holy Name**

Jesus, Name full of glory, grace, love, and strength! You are the refuge of those who repent, our banner of warfare in this life, the medicine of souls, the comfort of those who mourn, the delight of those who believe, the light of those who preach the true faith, the wages of those who toil, the healing of the sick.

To You our devotion aspires; by You our prayers are received; we delight in contemplating You. O Name of Jesus, You are the glory of all the saints for eternity. Amen.

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 wishes 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 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.



**OLOL CAFE:** Are you looking for a way to get involved at our parish this New Year? Volunteers are needed to help set up, serve at our parish Café (Every third Sunday of the month), and clean up afterward. If you can help, please email our parish office to be added to the list. We are looking for 5 –10 volunteers to join the team.



**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.

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