



# 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: 8:30 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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MAY 13 to MAY 18

<b>TUESDAY – MAY 13</b> Our Lady of Fatima, Memorial	7:00 p.m.	+Tiffany & Beverly de'Rozario – Naomi & Nevelle de'Rozario
<b>WEDNESDAY– MAY 14</b> Feast - St. Matthias	8:30 a.m.	+Bernard Nazareth – Miriam Jayasundera
<b>THURSDAY– MAY 15</b> Ferial	12:00 p.m.	+ Ron & Rita Hickey – Joan Cassidy
<b>FRIDAY– MAY 16</b> Ferial	8:30 a.m.	+ Lorraine Gleiser – Brenda Cliche
<b>SATURDAY– MAY 17</b> Vigil	7:00 p.m.	+ Ida Albo – Gabriel & Francesca Niccoli
<b>SUNDAY– MAY 18</b> <b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	9:00 a.m.  11:00 a.m.	+ Morris & Lily Lee – Naomi & Nevelle de'Rozario Living & deceased members of our parish

<i>Parish Finance Report Week of</i>		<i>April 13, 2025</i>	<i>April 20, 2025</i>
	<i>Sunday Envelope Collection</i>	<i>\$ 4,325.00</i>	<i>\$ 2130.00</i>
	<i>Sunday Loose Collection</i>	<i>\$ 360.10</i>	<i>\$ 2036.45</i>
	<i>E-transfer</i>	<i>\$ 892.00</i>	<i>\$ 1254.00</i>
	<i>PAG/ Direct Deposit</i>	<i>\$ 2,823.46</i>	<i>\$ 2,823.46</i>
	<i>Other (Building fund, funerals, flowers missals, Votives...)</i>	<i>\$1,030.00</i>	<i>\$ 1,030.00</i>
	<i>Easter</i>	<i>\$5,217.50</i>	<i>\$5,217.50</i>
	<i>TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION</i>	<i>\$ 14,648.06</i>	<i>\$ 14,491.41</i>
	<i>Budgeted</i>	<i>\$ 6,500.00</i>	<i>\$ 6,500.00</i>
	<i>Net Income /Loss</i>	<i>\$ 8,148.06</i>	<i>\$ 7,991.41</i>

**E-TRANSFER**

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

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



**Education Foundation of  
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish**  
Calling students attending  
University and College this  
September 2025.



Please contact our parish office at [lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com](mailto:lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com) to APPLY for Education Foundation of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish assistance program. Requirement: registered member Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, enrolled in University or College program in September 2025; has assisted our parish in a ministry in the past, present, and future.



The fourth Sunday of Easter is also called Good Shepherd Sunday. In each of the three lectionary cycles, and the Gospel is taken from the tenth chapter of the

Gospel of John. This chapter of John's Gospel follows Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the rejection of this miracle by Jewish leaders who question Jesus' authority to heal. Jesus responds to this challenge to his authority by calling himself the Good Shepherd. He is criticizing the Pharisees and other Jewish leaders. Already, the Pharisees and other Jewish leaders are so angered that they attempt to stone and arrest Jesus and this controversy will continue until his death.

Set in a moment of tension and conflict in John's Gospel, today's Gospel reading is Jesus' answer to the question, "Are you the Messiah?" Jesus responds by saying, in essence, "If you have to ask, then you are not one of my sheep." Then Jesus asserts his unity with the Father. At the conclusion of these words, John reports that the Jews intend to stone Jesus for blasphemy, but he escapes arrest.

We may be less familiar with the metaphors of sheep and shepherd than those to whom Jesus spoke. The image of Jesus as Good Shepherd and the community of followers as his sheep has endured over the centuries as a primary image in our faith tradition. Its power to describe the relationship between Jesus and his followers transcends direct experience with sheep. The image speaks to us about the protection, security, and care that shepherds represent for their sheep.

Today's Gospel speaks powerfully about the familiarity and intimacy between Jesus and his disciples, expressed as recognizing and knowing another's voice. Today's Gospel also speaks to the relationship between Jesus and the Father. In the Gospel of John, Jesus identifies so closely with the Father that he tells us that they are one—not just close, but actually one. To know Jesus is to know the Father. Jesus doesn't just bring us closer to the Father, Jesus puts us directly into contact with God the Father, removing all distance between us. Our relationship with Jesus is an invitation to share in the life of God. (Loyola Press).

**SAVE THE DATE SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 2025**  
**2:00 p.m. OLOL Fundraising Concert featuring**  
**Waterloo Regional Police Chorus Tickets: \$25.00**

**Garden Committee**

To all current gardeners who help out with the church grounds over the summer ... and to any new gardeners who would like to join ... Please leave your name with Patrycja at the parish office or sign your name to the sign-up sheet at the entrance of the church. In a few weeks, we can get together as a group to discuss the church grounds.



## Prayer for Mothers

Holy God,  
you compare your own love for your people  
to the love of a mother for her children.  
Look with kindness on all mothers,  
give them comfort in moments of sorrow,  
and joy in their work for their families.

Listen to their prayers,  
and bless them in all they do for you.  
Let them share with Jesus your Son  
and Mary our mother  
in the everlasting happiness of heaven.

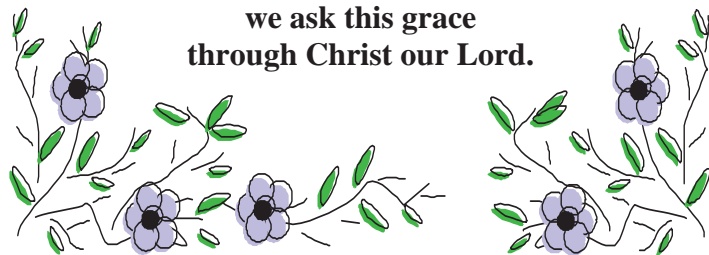
Father,  
we ask this grace  
through Christ our Lord.



The month of May is the "month which the piety of the faithful has especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady," and it is the occasion for a "moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world offer to the Queen of Heaven. During this

month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance" (Paul VI: *Encyclical on the Month of May*, no. 1)

Happy Mother's Day to all mother's and expectant mothers. May this be a special day of blessing for all that you do.



Congratulations to all the children from our parish who received their First Communion last weekend. May you all grow in the grace and love of God. Also, sincerely thank you to Joanna, Erin, Janine, Krystyna & Mary Frances, for taking the time and interest in helping the children in their preparation to receive the Sacrament.



## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on **Thursday, June 12th at 7pm**. For those enrolled in the Sacrament, preparation sessions will take place on the following dates, downstairs in the parish hall, immediately following Sunday 11:00 a.m. Mass.

**Session 2 – Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Session 3 – Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Session 4 – Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>**

**ST. MATTHIAS**, whose name means "gift of God", was the disciple chosen to replace Judas as one of the twelve Apostles. The Acts of the Apostles state that he was also one of the 72 disciples that the Lord Jesus sent out to preach the good news. Matthias was with the Lord since His Baptism, and was "a witness to Christ's Resurrection," according to St. Peter in Acts. He remained with Jesus until His Ascension. According to various traditions, Matthias preached in Cappadocia, Jerusalem, the shores of the Caspian Sea (in modern day Turkey) and Ethiopia. He is said to have met his death by crucifixion in Colchis or by stoning in Jerusalem.



**The Baby Bottle Campaign is Marillac Place's most important fundraiser:** Mother's Day is here and *Our Lady of Lourdes Parish* is proud to participate in the Baby Bottle Campaign, in support of Marillac Place. Marillac Place relies heavily on the donations from our community to help mothers and mothers-to-be who are facing homelessness. The Baby Bottle Campaign will be primarily virtual once again this year. Please provide your support for the campaign by donating online or sending a cheque directly to Marillac Place. The Baby Bottle Campaign is Marillac Place's most important fundraiser. Thank you so much for your support. All proceeds from the campaign will directly support the operations of Marillac Place to help make an immediate impact. To donate now, scan this QR code with your smartphone camera and it will take you directly to our donate page. 109 Young Street Kitchener, Ontario N2H 4Z2







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