



Our Lady of Lourdes

Catholic Parish, Waterloo

MASS TIMES

Lord's Day

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Divine Mercy Chaplet: Saturday: 4:40 p.m.

Weekday Mass

Wednesday & Friday: 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m.

Thursday: 12:00 p.m.

Holy Rosary: Wednesday & Friday: 8:40 a.m.

Confession Times

Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.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:

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



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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Permanent deacon: Rev Mr. T.J. Han tjhan@hamiltondiocese.com

Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Patrycja Wiecek

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Music Director: Mr. Bruce Cameron

brucecameron57@gmail.com

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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 4:30 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.



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MAY 19 to MAY 24

TUESDAY – MAY 19 Ferial	7:00 p.m.	No Mass
WEDNESDAY– MAY 20 Ferial, Easter VII	9:00 a.m.	+Lorraine Gleiser – Brenda Cliche
THURSDAY– MAY 21 Ferial, Easter VII	12:00 p.m.	+ Hickey Family – Joan Cassidy
FRIDAY– MAY 22 Ferial, Easter VII	9:00 a.m.	+Brian Streeter – Dana Wunder
SATURDAY– MAY 23 Pentecost Sunday	5:00 p.m.	+Stacey Quinn – Jimmy & Jessie Cairney
SUNDAY– MAY 24 Pentecost Sunday	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+Gaetano Garasto & Carmela Garasto Living & deceased members of our parish

<i>Parish Finance Report Week of</i>		<i>Apr 26, 2026</i>	<i>May 3, 2026</i>
	<i>Sunday Envelope Collection</i>	<i>\$ 2,802.00</i>	<i>\$ 2,805.00</i>
	<i>Sunday Loose Collection</i>	<i>\$914.35</i>	<i>\$452.45</i>
	<i>E-transfer</i>	<i>\$ 915.00</i>	<i>\$ 267.00</i>
	<i>PAG/ Direct Deposit</i>	<i>\$ 2,668.15</i>	<i>\$ 2,668.15</i>
	<i>Other (Building fund, funerals, flowers missals, Votives...) total donation divided by 2 weeks</i>	<i>\$467.50</i>	<i>\$467.50</i>
	<i><u>TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION</u></i>	<i><u>\$ 7,764.00</u></i>	<i><u>\$ 6,660.10</u></i>
	<i><u>Budgeted</u></i>	<i><u>\$ 6,500.00</u></i>	<i><u>\$ 6,500.00</u></i>
	<i><u>Net Income /Loss</u></i>	<i><u>\$1267.00</u></i>	<i><u>\$160.10</u></i>

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.



Throughout Scripture, the most important events happen on the mountaintop, and Matthew has used this motif throughout his Gospel. Earlier in Matthew's Gospel, Peter, James, and John had seen Jesus transfigured on the mountaintop (Matthew 17:1-8). Also in the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus taught the crowds from the mountaintop in what we now call the Sermon on

the Mount.

Here we are told that the eleven disciples go the mountaintop in Galilee, as Jesus had instructed through Mary Magdalene and the other Mary (cf. Matthew 28:9-10). They see Jesus, and both worship and doubt at the same time. Jesus approaches them and commissions them to baptize and teach, "to make disciples of all nations." It is a task which Jesus had previously prepared his disciples for; recall that Jesus had sent the twelve apostles to preach the Kingdom of God and to heal (cf. Matthew 10:1-15). However, earlier the Twelve were sent only to the House of Israel; in this Final Commission, the eleven are told to go to "all nations." The mission of Jesus is now to be taken to all people; the task now is to baptize and to teach.

Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in the name of the Trinity, one of the clearest attestations found in Scripture for baptism in the name of the Trinity. In the Acts of the Apostles and in the Letters of Paul, baptism is more frequently offered "in the name of Jesus."

The ending of Matthew's Gospel can be understood as the beginning of the Church. Jesus commissions his disciples to continue to teach in his name and to bring others into the community of disciples through baptism. The Gospel ends, as it had begun, with the promise that Jesus will continue to be Emmanuel, "God with us" (cf. Matthew 1:23), for all eternity. (*Loyola Press*).

Publication of Banns of Ordination Announcement

Mr. Peter Hoan Nguyen is scheduled to be ordained to the Transitional Diaconate at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, June 19, 2026, at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Cambridge, Ontario. If anyone knows of a serious cause why this ordination should not take place, please notify your Parish Priest.

Let us all pray for Mr. Peter Hoan Hguyen will be a good and faithful servant of the Lord and His Church.

Please note that there will be no Mass this week on Tuesday

Today's Gospel is taken from the conclusion of the Gospel of Matthew. Matthew's Gospel quickly moves from the disciples' discovery of Jesus' empty tomb, to Jesus' appearance to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary, to the commission that Jesus gives his disciples in today's Gospel. The Final Commission, as this Gospel is sometimes called, is given on the mountaintop.

ASCENSION OF THE LORD



The **Ascension of Jesus**, occurred 40 days after Jesus' Resurrection and, is critically important as the definitive, bodily entrance of humanity into heaven, finalizing Jesus' earthly mission and crowning his resurrection. It marks the beginning of Christ's eternal priesthood and reign, providing hope for believers that they too may follow him to the

Father.

Key Aspects of the Ascension's Importance:

- **Exaltation of Humanity:** By ascending body and soul, Christ carries his human nature into the divine realm, fulfilling the purpose of the Incarnation and elevating human existence.
- **Eternal Intercession:** Jesus is seated at the right hand of the Father, where he constantly acts as the High Priest interceding for believers.
- **Preparation for the Holy Spirit:** The Ascension makes way for the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, as Christ says that if he does not go, the Advocate will not come (John 16:7).
- **Preparation of a Place:** The Ascension validates the promise of eternal life, where Christ prepares a place for believers in Heaven, serving as the Head who leads his members.
- **Beginning of the Church's Mission:** The event marks the transition from Jesus' physical presence on earth to his presence through the Church's ministry, the Eucharist, and the sacraments.
- **Hope for the Second Coming:** The angels at the Ascension announce that Jesus will return in the same way, fostering hope in the Parousia (the second coming).

CALLING ALL SINGERS! A reminder of our choir registration for our 2026 Christmas Cantata presented by Historic St. Paul's Lutheran Church is open to anyone interested! Registration will close in June, so please get registered now to make sure you do not miss out.

Tell a friend or a neighbour, or anyone you know who may be interested. Register at

<https://www.historicstpauls.ca/choir>



**CHURCH
BBQ**

We need Volunteers to help with the parish BBQ, if you can help set up, clean up, pick up of items that are needed for our BBQ, or would like to help run an

event for the kids during the BBQ, etc. call our parish office to sign up.

THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS - Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2026? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Dabrowski and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 31, 2026 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at hamiltondiocese.com or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

**SAVE A DATE – PARISH
BBQ SUN. JUNE 28 AT
12:00 PM**



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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