



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:

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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lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com

Music Director: Mr. Bruce Cameron

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Organist: Mrs. April Philpotts aaphilpotts@gmail.com

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.



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NOV 18 to NOV 23

TUESDAY – NOV 18 Ferial	7:00 p.m.	+ Phonsine & Vincent Morrison – Morrison Family
WEDNESDAY– NOV 19 Ferial	9:00 a.m.	+ Dolores Brandon – Brandon Family
THURSDAY– NOV 20 Ferial	12:00 p.m.	+ Adela Schudek – Renta Zalewska
FRIDAY– NOV 21 Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Memorial	9:00 a.m.	+ Jack Cassidy – Joan Cassidy
SATURDAY– NOV 22 St. Cecilia - Memorial	7:00 p.m.	+Antonio Orlando – Gabriel & Francesa Niccoli
SUNDAY– NOV 23 Our Lord Jesus Christ the King of the Universe	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+ Angela Ianni – Carmela Garasto Living & deceased members of our parish

<i>Parish Finance Report Week of</i>		Oct 26, 2025	Nov 2, 2025
	Sunday Envelope Collection	\$ 3,857.00	\$ 2,382.00
	Sunday Loose Collection	\$ 482.95	\$369.00
	E-transfer	\$ 407.00	\$ 672.00
	PAG/ Direct Deposit	\$ 2,755.64	\$ 2,755.64
	Other (Building fund, funerals, flowers missals, Votives...)	\$491.75	\$491.75
	<u>TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION</u>	<u>\$ 7,994.34</u>	<u>\$ 6,670.39</u>
	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>\$ 6,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 6,500.00</u>
	<u>Net Income /Loss</u>	<u>\$1494.34</u>	<u>\$170.39</u>

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.



SATURDAY MASS TIME CHANGE

The response has been very favorable, therefore beginning on the first weekend of Advent,

Saturday, November 29th, Mass will be celebrated at 5:00 pm

In the context of Luke, today's Gospel appears near the end of Jesus' teaching in Jerusalem, just prior to the events that will lead to his crucifixion. His warnings and predictions are ominous but can be read in many ways.

To those who first heard Luke's Gospel, those may have been words of encouragement. The destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem by the Romans is an historical fact that took place in the year 70.; and Luke's Gospel, Catholic scholars propose, was written between 80 and 90 A.D.

His audience was probably Gentile Christians, so Luke here tries to interpret the fall of Jerusalem for them and to locate it in God's plans for humankind or salvation history. At the same time, Luke is suggesting to his audience that there will be a considerable elapse of time before Jesus' final coming. Luke's listeners have likely seen much upheaval and are anxious to know if these are the signs of Jesus' coming. Luke is urging greater patience.

In the second part of today's Gospel, Jesus warns that his followers will face persecution for their beliefs. Luke presents persecution as an opportunity for the followers of Jesus for “It will lead to your giving testimony” (Luke 21:13). In persecution God's wisdom and power will be shown in the example of followers of Jesus. Perseverance in the face of persecution will lead to their salvation.

Here Jesus is assuring his followers that God is present to all believers, even in times of trouble. Ultimately, Jesus will witness to this with his own death. As disciples of Jesus, we try to follow his example, trusting in God's mercy and protection, even when we are facing difficulties. (Loyola Press).

PRESENTATION OF MARY. Mary's presentation in the temple was celebrated in Jerusalem in the sixth century, but it was not until the 16th century that it became a feast of the universal Church. Although it cannot be proven historically, it celebrates Mary's parents, Anna and Joachim, offering Mary to the temple.

This was to carry out a promise made to God when they were still childless. Mary's presentation has an important theological purpose. It continues the impact of the feasts of the Immaculate Conception and of the birth of Mary and it emphasizes that the holiness conferred on Mary from the beginning of her life on earth continued through her early childhood and beyond.

THE SISTERS ADORERS OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD, a community of Contemplative Sisters, have been present in the Diocese of Hamilton since 1946. In addition to their ministry of prayer, they produce altar breads for many of our Parishes. You are welcome to contact them if you are interested in exploring a vocation to the Contemplative way of life. www.pbsisters.ca

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY – Thank you to parishioners for your amazing support of our ministry by choosing shawls from the basket in the vestibule. The shawl basket will return during Advent. Meanwhile, if you'd like one, a selection is available in the parish office lobby. We also create baptism shawls for children and adults. We appreciate your generous support through Cafe Sundays, donations, and especially your prayers. For more info: Marg P. 519-886-8258 or Shelly C. 519-500-1531.

BLESSED THERESA GERHARDINGER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – We are excited to announce that Sister Oyin-ozu Asishana, Provincial Leader of the SSND Province of Africa, is returning to Waterloo for one week only. She will visit Our Lady of Lourdes parish during her time here - the 7 pm mass on November 15th and the 9am mass on November 16. She will also be visiting St. Michael parish for its 5 pm mass on November 15th and the 11 am and 7 pm masses on November 16th. During her visit, craft items created by the students of St. Nicholas Catholic Elementary School will be available for purchase.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CORNER During the month of October, we helped 49 families and 7 singles with emergency food support in our cupboard. In October, we received \$1,558 in donations from parishioners. Thank you for your generosity! These funds are vital in helping us continue supporting those in need in our community. We're collecting children's winter coats, boots and snowpants for any of our neighbours in need of these items. If you have any of these items that your children have outgrown and you would like to donate them, please leave them in the St. Vincent de Paul box in the church vestibule. November 16th is World Day of the Poor and our "Two Toonies and a Loonie" envelopes will be in the bulletins. Donations will be used to purchase hygiene items for our cupboard.



POT LUCK CHRISTMAS PARTY Sunday, December 14th

This year we are planning to have a Potluck Christmas party for the parish during the afternoon on Sunday, December 14th, the 3rd week of Advent between 2-4:30pm. There will be some activities for the children, a sing along and hopefully a visit from Santa Clause. Everyone is invited for a fun afternoon. If you would like to help out with the planning of the party, please contact Patrycja at the parish office.

*please
join us*

Our Lady of Lourdes Café

When: Sun. Nov 30, 2025

Where: Parish Hall

Time: 10:00 a.m. & 12:00

p.m.

MENU: Coffee or 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

Last Sunday of the Month.



OLOL 5th PARISH CHRISTMAS DINNER:



OLOL Social Committee is hosting by popular demand our fifth parish dinner. Mark your calendars. **Sunday, November 23, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.** in our parish hall. Cost per ticket is \$40. Included a roast beef dinner, wine & dessert, and raffle prizes, 50/50, beautifully decorated hall. Please contact Patrycja at the parish office to purchase your tickets at 519-886-0342 or email at lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com or stop by the parish office to reserve your table of 8. Everyone's welcome. Tickets are limited. **We are also looking for donations for our raffle table. If you have something you would be able to donate to, we would greatly appreciate your support, please get in touch with our parish office for further details. Tickets will go on sale at the back of the church starting Nov 8, 2025, after all weekend Masses.**

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES FOR CHILDREN IN NEED We would like to send Christmas shoe boxes to poor children with Canadian Food for Children. If you have empty shoeboxes, leftover Halloween candy, small toys (no batteries please), paper, crayons, markers, rosaries, soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, socks, please bring your filled shoeboxes to back of the church on a table or the parish office from **Nov 3 – Nov 30** to send in time for Christmas. Many thanks for anything you can donate. **Empty shoe boxes are available to pick up at our parish office soon.**

WHY@Breakfast at Our Lady of Lourdes parish – You are invited to WHY@Breakfast Advent presentation, **Keeping Watch**, with Msgr. Con O'Mahony as our speaker, on Saturday, **December 6th, 2025, at 10 AM**. Join us and learn what St. John Henry Newman and Pope Leo XIV have to say about keeping watch in Advent! Parish mass at 9 AM. Light Breakfast is available starting at 9:30 AM. For more information and free registration, see whyatbreakfast.com or leave a note at whyatbreakfast@gmail.com.



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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