

Our Lady of Lourdes

Catholic Parish, Waterloo

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A Thanksgiving Prayer

*Heavenly Creator,
In this season of gratitude and abundance,
we give You thanks for our many blessings
as we pray for all who struggle with hunger and want.
Be with them in the dark of night, when all hope seems lost.
Keep their faith strong as they await relief.
And let Your goodness flow through our
hearts and hands as we reach out to one
another in the full, true joy of Thanksgiving in Christ.
Amen*



OCT 14 to OCT 19

TUESDAY – OCT 14 Ferial	7:00 p.m.	+ Phonsine & Vincent Morrison – Family
WEDNESDAY– OCT 15 St. Teresa of Avila - Memorial	9:00 a.m.	+ Nicole Richelt-Benallick – Maria Smit
THURSDAY– OCT 16 St. Marguerite d'Youville - Memorial	12:00 p.m.	Richard & Diane Brenner – Happy 60 th Wedding Anniversary
FRIDAY– OCT 17 St. Ignatius of Antioch - Memorial	9:00 a.m.	+Garrett & Charlotte Hickey – Joan Cassidy
SATURDAY– OCT 18	7:00 p.m.	+ Diane Smith – Goodwin Family
SUNDAY– OCT 19 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+ Saveria Lariccia– Fama Family Living & deceased members of our parish

<i>Parish Finance Report Week of</i>		<i>Sept 28, 2025</i>	<i>Oct 5, 2025</i>
<i>Sunday Envelope Collection</i>		\$ 2,212.00	\$ 2,917.00
<i>Sunday Loose Collection</i>		\$ 349.65	\$469.25
<i>E-transfer</i>		\$ 1025.00	\$ 302.00
<i>PAG/ Direct Deposit</i>		\$ 2,755.64	\$ 2,755.64
<i>Other (Building fund, funerals, flowers missals, Votives...)</i>		\$412.00	\$412.00
<u>TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION</u>		<u>\$ 6,754.29</u>	<u>\$ 6,855.89</u>
<i>Budgeted</i>		\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00
<i>Net Income /Loss</i>		\$254.29	\$355.89

E-TRANSFER

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



Today we hear about how Jesus, continuing on his journey to Jerusalem, heals 10 lepers. This story is a lesson about faith and reminds us that faith is sometimes found in unlikely places. Ten people afflicted with leprosy cry out to Jesus. Struck with pity, Jesus heals all 10. However, only one is described as glorifying God and returning to thank Jesus. The one who returns is a Samaritan, a foreigner. In the Jewish circles in which Jesus lived, Samaritans were looked down upon because of the differences between the two communities in their observance of Judaism. It is significant, therefore, that Jesus commends the Samaritan for his faith, which has been his salvation. Throughout Luke's Gospel, faith is found in surprising places.

Another lesson for us in this Gospel has to do with salvation. All 10 of the lepers were given the gift of healing, but in his gratitude to God for this gift, the Samaritan found salvation. Our salvation is found in recognizing the gifts we have been given and knowing to whom we must offer our thanks. (*Loyola Press*).

ST. TERESA OF JESUS, also known as Teresa of Avila, was a Spanish Carmelite nun, mystic, theologian, and writer known for her significant contributions to Christian spirituality and her reform of the Carmelite Order. She died in 1582 and lived at the time of the Protestant Reformation.

Two of her well-known spiritual writings, *The Way of Perfection* and *The Interior Castle*, offer practical guidance for holiness and a deep understanding of the inner life. She was declared a doctor in the church in 1970 by Pope Paul VI.

ST. MARGUERITE D'YOUVILLE was born in Quebec and the founder of the Sisters of Charity. Also known as the Grey Nuns, in 1737 with three companions, the order was first established when they took vows, with a formal declaration taking place in 1745. She died in Montreal on December 23, and since her death, the Grey Nuns have established schools, hospitals, and orphanages throughout Canada, the United States, Africa, and South America. She was beatified by Pope John XXIII in 1959 and canonized in 1990 by Pope John Paul II.

ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH was the bishop of Antioch, Syria (now in Turkey), known mainly from seven highly regarded letters that he wrote during a trip to Rome, as a prisoner condemned to be executed for his beliefs. His letters passionately stressed the importance of Church unity, the dangers of heresy, and the surpassing importance of the Eucharist as the medicine of immortality. These writings contain the first surviving written description of the Church as "Catholic," from the Greek word indicating both universality and fullness. One of the most striking features of Ignatius' letters, is his enthusiastic embrace of martyrdom as a means to union with God and eternal life. "All the pleasures of the world, and all the kingdoms of this earth, shall profit me nothing," he wrote to the Church of

**ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS.**

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, you are asked to please contact the parish office. This would include people who have not been baptized but would like to become a member of the Catholic Church. It also includes people either baptized as Catholics or from another Christian faith, but who have not received the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation.

Rome. "It is better for me to die in behalf of Jesus Christ, than to reign over all the ends of the earth."



EXPOSITION AND ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

On Thursdays following the 12 noon Mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed, and the church will remain open for private prayer until 2pm. when Benediction will be celebrated.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

The St. Vincent de Paul Society will be having a Thanksgiving Food Drive on Oct. 12th & 13th. Your donations of non-perishable goods and hygiene items such as shampoo, soap and deodorant would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be left in our collection bin in the church vestibule or on the table at the back of the church on Thanksgiving weekend or the weekends prior to Thanksgiving. Thank-you for helping us serve those who are in need.



FEAST OF ALL SOULS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST, 2025.

For the Feast of All Souls, candles will be placed on the sanctuary to burn in memory of our loved ones who have died. Beginning this weekend, forms to request candles will be

available at the main entrance of the church. Each candle is \$5.00.

The Knights of Columbus Council 8192 is hosting a **FISH FRY** on **Friday, October 24, 2025**, at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. There will be continuous seating from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Take-out will be at 4:30 – 5:00 p.m. Please bring your own take-out bag as we are trying to save the environment. Purchase your tickets by calling Rick Weishar at 519-577-5928 or the Parish Office between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. (Tuesday to Thursday) at 519-669-3387. Cost is Adults \$20.00; Children (aged 6 to 12 years) \$12.00; Children (aged 5 and under) Free; and Take-out is \$20.00. Don't miss out on this popular annual dinner. Proceeds go to the Knights of Columbus Charities.



MASS & RECEPTION FOR THE CARMELITE NUNS IN ST. AGATHA

The Committee for the Carmelite Nuns invite you to attend a special Mass celebrated by Rev. Raphael Ma, C.R. at Holy Family Croatian Roman Catholic Church (180

Schweitzer St. Kitchener) on Monday October 27, 2025, at 5pm, followed by a sit-down dinner in the reception hall.

Meal for 2 is a minimum donation of \$250 (eligible for a full tax receipt) can be mailed to Carmel of St. Joseph 1127

Carmel-Koch Rd., RR1, St. Agatha, ON N0B 2L0 or 'Donate Now' at www.thecarmel.ca Please include names of attendees. RSVP required by Oct 10. Please contact Liz Motz 519-590-4808 with questions.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING



Father in Heaven, Creator of all and source of all goodness and love, please look kindly upon us and receive our heartfelt gratitude in this time of giving thanks. Thank you for all the graces and blessings You have bestowed upon us, spiritual and temporal: our faith and religious heritage. Our food and shelter, our health, and the loves we have for one another, our family and friends. Dear Father, in Your infinite generosity, please grant us continued graces and blessing and we ask in the Name of Jesus, Your Son and our brother. Amen.



*please
join us*

Our Lady of Lourdes Café

When: Sun. Oct 26, 2025

Where: Parish Hall

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

MENU: Coffee or tea FREE 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.

THE POPE'S OCTOBER INTENTIONS FOR 2025

For collaboration between different religious traditions

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.



October,
The month of the
**Holy
Rosary**





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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