



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 & Thursday: 7:00 pm

Holy Rosary: Wednesday & Friday: 8:10 am

Confession Times

Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.,
20 minutes before weekday Masses.

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. 2.

Church door collections - last Sunday of each month.

Food donation bin - back of the Church.



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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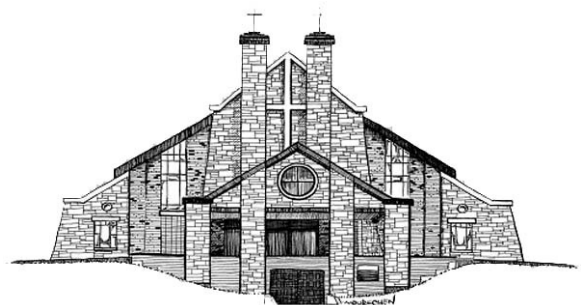
Organist: Mrs. April Philpotts aaphilpotts@gmail.com
Organist: Ms. Carolyn Snyder Milke csnydermilke@gmail.com

OFFICE HOURS

Monday 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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OCT 22 to OCT 27

TUESDAY – OCT 22 Memorial – St. John Paul II	7:00 p.m.	+Marilyn Goodyear – Jim Goodyear
WEDNESDAY– OCT 23 Ferial – Ordinary Time	8:30 a.m.	+Wanda Szczepaniak – Miriam Jayasundera
THURSDAY– OCT 24 Ferial – Ordinary Time	7:00 p.m.	+Manuel Sousa – Ralph & Venilia Sperling
FRIDAY– OCT 25 Ferial – Ordinary Time	8:30 a.m.	+Gaetano Garasto – Carmela Garasto
SATURDAY– OCT 26	7:00 p.m.	+Croce Alonio & Ida Radocchia – Josie Radocchia
SUNDAY– OCT 27	9:00 a.m.	+Sallyann Ouilette- Bowman – Joanne Quirion
	11:00 a.m.	Living & deceased members of our parish

In this Sunday’s Gospel, we continue to read from the section of Mark’s Gospel that reports Jesus’ journey to Jerusalem. Last Sunday we heard Jesus lament the particular challenges those with many possessions face in order to enter the Kingdom of God. Jesus then predicts his passion to the Twelve, who are amazed and afraid. In this part of Mark’s Gospel, Jesus’ words to his closest disciples seem to be intended to prepare them for the events that will occur in Jerusalem.

In today’s Gospel, James and John ask to be given seats of honor when Jesus enters into his glory. Once again, the disciples seem to be selective in what they hear Jesus say. They want to share Jesus’ glory, but do not appear to understand that his glory will be preceded by his suffering. Jesus notes their lack of understanding and predicts the suffering they will endure for the sake of the Gospel. Jesus says that the honor they seek is not his to give. When the other ten hear what James and John have asked, Mark reports that they are indignant. Jesus takes the opportunity to teach them.

Jesus explains the importance of service and sacrifice in the life of a disciple. In particular, he seems to be preparing the Twelve for their leadership roles in the emerging Christian community. Echoing the Gospel, we heard several weeks ago, Jesus acknowledges that his teaching is countercultural. In today’s Gospel, Jesus contrasts the dynamics within the community of disciples with those shown by the rulers of the Gentiles.

Following Jesus’ example of sacrificial love continues to be countercultural in our day as well. We might take this opportunity to consider our models of authority and examine our own exercise of authority. On whose example do we model our leadership?

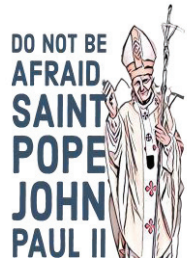
Monthly Budget Review as of Oct 13, 2024

Weekly contributions year to date	\$130,954.84
E-transfer	\$6,706.00
Pre-authorized giving (year to date)	\$108,815.00
	\$246,475.84
Building fund	\$8,124.00



If you would like the candle at Our Lady’s Altar or St. Joseph to burn for a special intention you can do so by either contacting the parish office or by placing an envelope in the collection basket with the intention (public or private) along with \$5 in the envelope to cover the cost of the candle.

St. John Paul II ...“Open wide the doors to Christ,” urged John Paul II during the homily at the Mass where he was installed as pope in 1978. As a bishop Wojtyla attended all four sessions of Vatican II and contributed especially to its *Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World*. Appointed as archbishop of Kraków in 1964, he was named a cardinal three years later. Born in Poland, he was the first non-Italian pope in 455 years and in his time, he made pastoral visits to 124 countries, including several with small Christian populations. “Christ is the center of the universe and of human history” was the opening line of John Paul II’s 1979 encyclical, *Redeemer of the Human Race* and he saw himself as a “witness to hope.” He was instrumental in the collapse of Communism and established world youth day. In his 27 years of papal ministry, John Paul II wrote 14 encyclicals and five books, canonized 482 saints and beatified 1,338 people. He was canonized by Pope Francis in 2014.



Our Lady of Lourdes Café

When: Sun. Nov 10, 2024
Where: Parish Hall
Time: 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.
MENU: Coffee, tea \$1 and Cake & desserts \$2
BAKERS AND VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED



Oct 13, 2024, funds \$171.00
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 open 2nd Sunday of the Month.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL DURING MASS. If you are currently sick and would like to be included by name in the Prayers of the Faithful during Sunday Mass when we pray for the sick, you may call the parish office and request to have your name included in the prayers.

THE POPE’S OCTOBER INTENTIONS FOR 2024

For a shared mission
We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.



29th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Diocesan Prayer Calendar – This week let us pray for...

Oct. 21	Oct. 22	Oct. 23	Oct. 24	Oct. 25	Oct. 26
Very Rev. Joseph Okoko, i.v.Dei	Rev. Emmanuel Azike, O.P.	Congregation of the Holy Cross (C.S.C)	Rev. Livinus Okamgba	Rev. Paul Mathew Vellimoozhayil	Rev. Romelito Guillen

Prayer for Vocations... God, the source of creation and love, you invite each of us to serve you through the life which is your gift. May your grace encourage men and women to heights through service to the Church as priests, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen

DIOCESAN CHOIR – ADVENT HYMN FESTIVAL The Diocesan Choir will present an Advent Hymn Festival on **Sunday, December 1, 2024**. If you enjoy singing, consider joining the choir for this event. Auditions will occur during the first rehearsal on Monday, October 7th, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. For further information, please get in touch with Sharon Fazari at sfazari@hamiltondiocese.com.

E-TRANSFER If you would like to send your donation via E-Transfer, please use the following email:

lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com

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

You must include your mailing address, if not registered in the parish, to receive an income tax receipt.



PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH Parenting Tip #162

Children are born helpless, so instinctively know how to cry to have their needs met. As they grow older, parents have to help them learn not to use crying as a way to get what they want, especially when what they want may not be essential! Gently helping them learn that “no” is an option for parents, makes the times you can say yes much more exciting. It also helps them understand that they cannot always have their way or what they want at any given moment. This makes their life, and yours, much calmer and happier. (From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH Marriage Tip #142

Marriage in the Catholic Church has love as its foundation, but it also comes with the responsibility of an essential vocation. Married couples are meant to be the visible sign of the invisible love of God. It is good to take time now and then to ask yourselves how your marriage is fulfilling this role. Do you spend time together connecting and continuing to learn about each other, do you show mercy to your spouse by not expecting perfection, do you work together to build your marriage up, instead of letting issues slip by and cause discontent? When we live our marriages with love and an eye to its vocation, our relationships are stronger and happier! (From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

WHEN LIFE CHANGES Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person’s presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? You are not alone! The Hamilton Diocese is offering our six-week grief program from **November 6th to December 11th, 2024**. The program runs from 7:00-8:30 pm at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in Hamilton to register go to hamiltondiocese.com and look for the start date under upcoming events on the home page.

RESTART: REFRESH, RENEW, REVIVE FRIDAY NIGHT SUPPORT GROUP Struggling after divorce or separation? Join us for learning, support and fun on Friday evenings. Held the 2nd & 3rd Fridays of each month, these get-togethers offer continual support and insights for people as they journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. Join in-person (700 King St. West, Hamilton), or by ZOOM. Register before each session: <https://sites.google.com/view/hamilton-restart/home>, or contact Sarah at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com, or call her at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249. We look forward to seeing you!

ACT II (SEPARATED & DIVORCED SUPPORT GROUP) WATERLOO 3rd Tuesday of every month - 7:30pm at St. Michael Parish, Waterloo - Our Act II monthly informal support group will continue to meet on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. With the support of others, you can begin to heal the emotional, social and spiritual devastation of divorce. Join us when you can. Visit the website (www.stmichaelw.ca/separated-and-divorced), or contact the Parish office 519-884-9311, or email parish@stmichaelw.ca for more information.

STRUGGLING IN YOUR MARRIAGE? FIND HOPE WITH RETROUVAILLE Does your marriage feel like it is more trouble than joy? Does it feel stagnant or disconnected? Is it causing you constant stress? The solution is Retrouvaille – a program designed to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, is designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It has proven positive results for struggling couples, including those who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend is Oct. 18-20, 2024. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email 1013r@helpourmarriage.org.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD Children's Liturgy of the Word is a rite celebrated during Mass designed specifically for children. The Diocese offers the following workshop for leaders: **Saturday, November 2, 2024, St. Luke Parish, Hamilton, ON, 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** The cost is \$30.00, and lunch and snacks will be provided. Participants register through the Diocese of Hamilton website under Upcoming Events/Workshops. <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2024/02/minister-of-the-word-formation-workshop-2/>

Welcome to

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

WELCOME: to new parishioners or those joining us for the first time. We are happy to have you here with us. Please take some time to fill out a registration form available at the entrances of the church so we might know who you are.



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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