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Catholic Parish, Waterloo

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A Thanksgiving Prayer

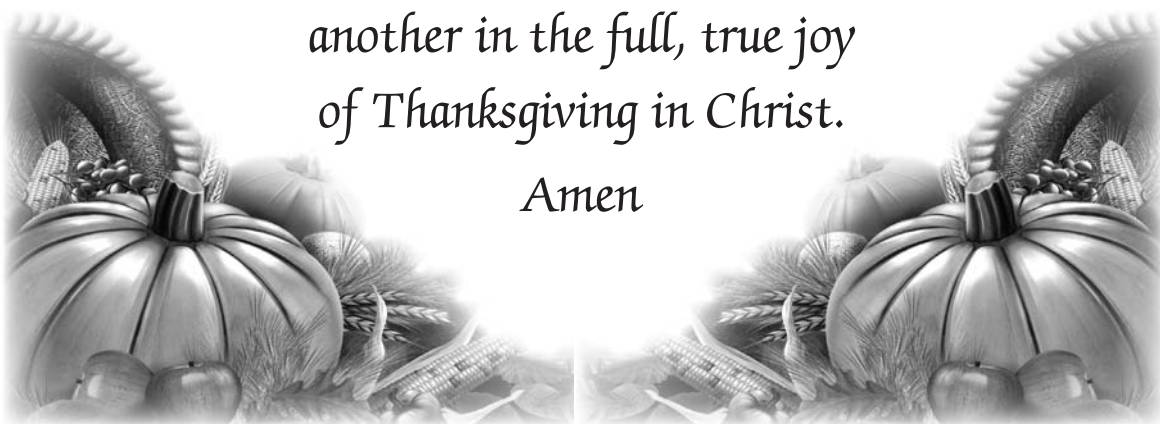
Heavenly Creator,

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



28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Oct 10 to Oct 16

Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	+ Henry Sunga – Belle Macario
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	+ Thomas Schmuck – Kathie Mulhall
	Luther Village 10:00 a.m.	+ Albert Kuntz – Genty Kuntz
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	+ Rita Cardow Special Intention of Sandra & Jim Beingessner 60 th Wedding
Friday	8:30 a.m.	+ Peral Misersky & Rita Banerjee – Miriam Jayasundera Special Intention
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	+ Elizabeth Chaves – Regina Maloney
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Living & deceased members of our parish
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	Special intention

Gospel Reading

Luke 17:11-19

Jesus heals 10 lepers, and one, the Samaritan, returns to give thanks.

Background on the Gospel Reading

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.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE: 519 Community Collective and Waterloo Region Food Bank depends on the support and the generosity of the parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish for their grocery needs to help the needy of our area. Will start on **Thanksgiving weekend (Oct. 8-9), and will continue until END of October**, you are invited to bring non-perishable food items to the church and place them in the sanctuary. Food banks supply low at this time, and your generosity will be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your kindness to those in need.



'FORMED' PROGRAM FOR OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISHIONERS:



'FORMED' is a Catholic Online Resource that is presented by Augustine Institute. It is like a **Catholic Netflix** and yet it is much more than that. It is a collection of materials for study, entertainment, spiritual growth, and nourishment. It contains material for study, watching, listening, or reading.

OUR PARISH HAS PURCHASED A PARISH WIDE SUBSCRIPTION. This means each family, everyone in the parish has access to all these resources. To sign up you go to <https://formed.org/> and sign up. Remember to enter our parish postal code N2L 1N5. If you need assistance figuring out how to access or are uncertain about resources, the link: <https://help.formed.org> has all you need. Once you are registered you use the app or web browser to access the resources.

In 2015 Lighthouse Catholic Media merged with the Augustinian Institute, so many of the lighthouse resources are available through 'FORMED'. EACH WEEK there is a video available with a brief teaching for the upcoming Sunday Mass Readings. There are sections for Sacramental preparation, Bible Study, current topics and youth resources. Under the movies there are sub-sections for movies, documentaries, apologetics, and youth. The audio section contains talks, audio dramas and audio books. The book section contains nonfiction, fiction, and youth resources.

As our parish has purchased a parish wide subscription, that means each family and individual in the parish has access to all of these resources.

THANKSGIVING DINNERS: Big thank you to all those we were able to sponsor our shut-in parishioners with a thanksgiving dinner and all the driver volunteers, your support is always so greatly appreciated.

please join us



Our Lady of Lourdes Café

Open Next
on Sunday, Nov 13, 2022
after 9:00 am & 11:00 am
Mass in the parish hall.

MENU: Coffee, tea \$1
Cake & desserts \$2

BAKERS ARE NEEDED AND VOLUNTEERS

Grand opening success sale of \$205.00
All proceeds from OLOL Café will go to support parish committees.
Please be a part of something extraordinary.
Please call the parish office if you can help as we hope to have the Café open every second Sunday of the Month.

SENIORS SOCIAL GROUP will meet in the church hall every Tuesday from 1:30 p.m.- 3:30 p.m. for progressive Euchre followed by refreshments. Doors open at 1:15 p.m. All Lourdes seniors are welcome. Enter through the tunnel door.

THE BISHOP FARRELL LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES is excited to announce that in-person programming with The Saint John's Bible is back! If you are interested in having The Saint John's Bible visit your parish or school, visit our website for programming information and booking details. Virtual and hybrid programming available, too!

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/stjohnsbible/>.

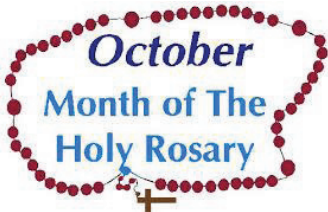
DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

This week let us pray for...

- Oct 10 Rev. Michal Kruszewski, C.R.
- Oct 11 +Rev. Lech Wycichowski, C.R.
- Oct 12 Chaplains
- Oct 13 Rev. Lajos Angyal
- Oct 14 Rev. Joseph Durkacz
- Oct 15 Rev. Charles Galea



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.



OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH LIVING ROSARY

will begin on October 1 & 2 and continue to the last day of October. Each person who joins us will be assigned a specific decade and mystery of the rosary. He/she will pray the same decade and mystery

each day for the entire month (Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory be to the Father . . .). There are no meetings – you pray individually anytime of the day at your own convenience.

Remember: If you are praying the first decade of each mystery of the rosary, you will also have to say the prayers that begin it: the Apostles' Creed, Our Father, three Hail Mary's, the Glory Be to the Father. If you are praying the fifth decade of each mystery of the rosary, you will have to say the ending prayer: Hail, Holy Queen. At the end of each decade the following prayer is said: "O my Jesus, forgive us our sins . . ."

On Our Lady of Lourdes altar, you will find slips of paper with little tear-off pieces. Please take the next one available on the sheet. This is your mystery and decade for the month. Also on the altar will be a notebook in which you can write your prayer intentions. Everyone who is praying the rosary is praying with all those intentions in mind. At the Votive Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary at 8:30 a.m. on the First Saturday of each month until June, the Mass will be offered for those intentions as well.

CAREER OPPORTUNITY: St Francis of Assisi Parish is now accepting resumes for the position of Administrative Assistant / Bookkeeper at St. Francis Parish, Kitchener. To request job description, or to send your resume please email stfanciskitchener@hamiltondiocese.com

ST. AGNES PARISH will be praying the 2000 Hail Mary's Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary on **Saturday October 15, 2022**. The day begins at 7:30 a.m., we anticipate the Devotion will finish by 7:30 p.m. Bring your own lunch. Everyone is welcome to join us in prayer throughout the day, if even for a short time. For more information contact 519-569-1761 or st.agnespravernetwork@gmail.com

WYD 2023 - There are *limited* spots available to any young people aged 18-35 who wish to participate in the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lisbon, Portugal for World Youth Day 2023. World Youth Day is a life-changing opportunity that gathers young Catholics from all around the world together with the Holy Father, Pope Francis, for days of prayer and celebration. More information about this pilgrimage opportunity and registration can be found at <https://wyd.hamiltondiocese.com/>



OUR LADY OF LOURDES SMALL FAITH GROUP

– invites you to join our living rosary to pray for the needs of the parish and the community in **October**. This month, we draw our attention to the formation of Catholic faith within the family. For October,

let us keep the following prayer intentions in mind:

1. May God protect and guide families, be it nuclear families, extended families, or community families. May the Spirit draw families to the Holy Family, to empower family members to model their faith to others in close relationships. Let us celebrate with our family and boldly express our gratitude to God this Thanksgiving!
2. Pope Francis' October intention –A Church Open to Everyone
3. The sick and their caregivers.
4. The living and deceased members of our parish.
5. The special intentions of the members of our parish.

By volunteering, you will be responsible to say one decade of the mysteries of the Rosary every day for the coming month. If you are interested or would like more information, please sign up here <https://forms.gle/dwkVrVLaDtqY4KNF7>.

COME AND SEE THE EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD EXHIBIT

at St. John the Baptist Parish, Victoria Road North, Guelph, until October 24, 2022 - Please join us as we host the Vatican approved Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit. The exhibit, which was designed and created by Blessed Carlo Acutis, features panels that each tell the story of a Eucharistic miracle and allow you to "virtually visit" the places where the miracles took place. PHONE: 519-824-7311. WEB: <http://www.saintjohnsguelph.ca/p/bull.html>.

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH - Marriage Tip 123

- In October we celebrate Thanksgiving, a time to reflect on and be grateful for the bountiful harvest that provides us food for our journey and for the many other blessings in our lives. It is a perfect time to sit down as a couple and reflect on the "harvest" of your own marriage. What has fed you and helped you grow? What relationships have enriched your lives together? How have you grown as a couple? Are there things you need to do so that next year the "harvest" will be even more plentiful? When we are thankful for something we treat it with love and care and so it flourishes – try it and see! From: Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH - Parenting Tip 143

- When faith is important to parents, they sometimes worry that their children may drift away from the faith, as they get older. But there is important research that tells us there are ways to help our children to stay connected: 1. Demonstrate a strong faith yourself; 2. Live out the Gospel values in all you do; 3. Read the Bible as a family (and adding discussions about what you read helps too!). It may seem too simplistic, but it can and does work. The reward for your children will be the confidence they feel in knowing that they have a God who is always with them, guiding all they do. From: Family Ministry Office: 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

THE POPE'S OCTOBER INTENTIONS FOR 2022

A Church Open to Everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.





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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