



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:

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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

smurrin@hamiltondiocese.com

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

Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Patrycja Wiecek

lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com

Music Director: Mr. Bruce Cameron

brucecameron57@gmail.com

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 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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SEPT 22 to SEPT 27

TUESDAY – SEPT 22 Ferial, Ordinary 25	7:00 p.m.	+Phonsine & Vincent Morrison – Morrison Family
WEDNESDAY– SEPT 23 St. Padre Pio – Memorial	9:00 a.m.	+Freida & Bill Cole – Cole Family
THURSDAY– SEPT 24 Ferial, Ordinary 25	12:00 p.m.	+Mary & Bill Squires – Joan Cassidy
FRIDAY– SEPT 25 St. Cosmas and Damian – Memorial	9:00 a.m.	+Paul Schaus – Maureen Schaus
SATURDAY– SEPT 26 26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	5:00 p.m.	+Cindy May Flynn – Don & Sharon Flynn
SUNDAY– SEPT 27 26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+Jan Dyck – Evelyn Weber Living & deceased members of our parish

<i>Parish Finance Report Week of</i>		<i>Sept 6, 2026</i>	<i>Sept 13, 2026</i>
	<i>Sunday Envelope Collection</i>	<i>\$ 2,526.00</i>	<i>\$ 2,570.00</i>
	<i>Sunday Loose Collection</i>	<i>\$314.95</i>	<i>\$568.50</i>
	<i>E-transfer</i>	<i>\$ 354.00</i>	<i>\$ 182.00</i>
	<i>PAG/ Direct Deposit</i>	<i>\$ 2,469.92</i>	<i>\$ 2,469.92</i>
	<i>Other (Building fund, funerals, flowers missals, Votives...) total donation divided by 2 weeks</i>		
	<i>TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION</i>	<i>\$5,664.87</i>	<i>\$ 5,790.42</i>
	<i>Budgeted</i>	<i>\$ 6,500.00</i>	<i>\$ 6,500.00</i>
	<i>Net Income /Loss</i>	<i>-\$835.13</i>	<i>-\$709.58</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.



On the surface, the parable of the workers in the vineyard appears to be an offense to common sense. Those who work a longer day ought to be paid more than those who work just an hour or two. When viewed in this way, the landowner seems unfair. That is because we are reading into the parable our own preconceived notions of how fairness and equality should be quantified.

A close read shows us that the landowner paid on the terms that were negotiated. The landowner, it seems, has acted completely justly. The parable goes beyond that, however, and we come to see that the landowner is not simply just, he is exceptionally just. He is radically just. He has given those who labored in the field for a full day their due pay. But he has also given a full-day's wage to those who worked only a single hour. No one is cheated, but a few receive abundantly from the landowner just as we receive from God more than what is merely justifiable or due.

God, like the landowner, is radically just and abundantly generous. The workers who complain are made to look foolish as they lament the fact that landowner has made all workers equal. Indeed, what more could one ask for than to be treated as an equal at work or anywhere else?

The parable reminds us that although God owes us nothing, he offers abundantly and equally. We are occasionally tempted to think that our own actions deserve more reward, more of God's abundant mercy, than the actions of others. But God's generosity cannot be quantified or partitioned into different amounts for different people. When we think that way, we are trying to relate to God on our terms rather than to accept God's radically different ways. (*Loyola Press*).

ST. PIO OF PIETRELCINA, more commonly known as “Padre Pio,” is one of the most extraordinary and fascinating saints of modern times. Many miracles, even while he was living, have been attributed to his intercession; he had the ability bi-locate (being at two places at the same time); he was witnessed by many to have levitated while celebrating Mass; and he bore the stigmata of Christ, to the point of having to bandage his hands. Born in 1887, he eventually became a Franciscan priest, and died in 1968. He shared a friendship with Pope John Paul who beatified and canonized Padre Pio, recognizing him as a saint, in 2002.

ST. COSMOS AND DAMIAN were twins born to Christian parents in Arabia, in the 3rd century; and they embraced Christianity and practised medicine without charging a fee. Their selfless dedication to healing, combined with their generosity and compassion, made them beloved figures in their community.

In today's Gospel, Jesus moves from Galilee to teach in Judea where he is sought out by great crowds and tested by the Pharisees on issues such as marriage and divorce. Jesus also encounters a rich young man who is unable to accept Jesus' demand that he leave his possessions to follow him. Jesus' response to the rich young man sounds very much like the conclusion we will find in today's Gospel: the first will be last and the last will be first.

In art, they are often depicted holding medical instruments or ointment jars, as a testament to their role as healers. In 287, they were captured and ordered to deny their faith in Christ. They refused and underwent a series of tortures, including crucifixion, from which, miraculously, they remained unscathed. The torturers, weary of what they realized was the impossible task of forcing apostasy from their mouths, finally beheaded them both.



OCIA - ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

If you are interested in becoming a Roman Catholic, you are asked to please contact the parish office or complete and return a form that can found at the back of the church.

This includes people who have not been baptized and people baptized in another Christian faith and would request to become a member of the Catholic Church and receive the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation.

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.



Education Foundation of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Calling students attending University and College this September 2026.



Please contact our parish office at lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com to APPLY for Education Foundation of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish assistance program. Requirement: registered member Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, enrolled in University or College program in September 2026; has assisted our parish in a ministry in the past, present, and future. **Due Sept 30, 2026**

MEN'S GROUP MEETINGS RESUMING on Sept 15 after Tuesday's Mass

You are invited to join a parish men's group that focuses on FAITH FORMATION, FRATERNITY, and FELLOWSHIP. Meet with other Catholic men and strive to strengthen your spiritual life and relationships to become better husbands, fathers, leaders, and friends. The small group of men meet for approximately one hour every other week at the parish. Meetings include prayer, a video on topic related to our Catholic faith, followed by discussion and a closing prayer. Men who are 19 years of age and older are welcome to join. If you are interested in more information or participating, please contact Mike (mgmateyk@rogers.com)

SENIORS' CARDS will resume on Tuesday, September 22 at 1:30 p.m. in the Church Hall. All senior parishioners are invited to come and play Progressive Euchre.



CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING: Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisement for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in October 2026 & support the bulletin printing service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637. **Our Lady of Lourdes parish is grateful to all who advertise at the back of our parish bulletin, this service allows the parish to receive complimentary printing of our parish bulletin each week.**



Chalice is coming to Our Lady of Lourdes! At the October 17 - 18 Masses, Canada's largest Catholic Child Sponsorship organization will provide you the opportunity to begin a relationship with a child in the developing world through the benefits of Child Sponsorship. These are children in extreme poverty who need your support to excel in their education and fulfill their God-given potential. Please visit chalice.ca for more information about Chalice and its mission.

ATTENTION KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS

Our Lady of Lourdes Prayer Shawl Ministry is resuming our meetings on **Monday, September 28th.**

If you are interested in joining our Ministry, please contact Margaret Perrotta (519-886-8252) for more information.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CORNER – UPDATE

Over the months of June, July and August, the St. Vincent de Paul Society assisted 107 neighbours through the food cupboard. This included 19 singles and 88 families in our community.

We are grateful for the \$4,106 in donations received from our generous parishioners during these months. Your kindness allows us to continue supporting neighbours who are experiencing hardship and need a helping hand.

As a reminder, donation boxes are placed at the back of the church on the last Sunday of each month. Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our community.

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