



# 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:

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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

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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 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.



### CONTACT US

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SEPT 23 to SEPT 28

<b>TUESDAY – SEPT 23</b> St. Pius (Padre Pio) Memorial	7:00 p.m.	in Thanksgiving – Sharon Melle
<b>WEDNESDAY– SEPT 24</b> Ferial	8:30 a.m.	+Mary & Bill Squires – Joan Cassidy
<b>THURSDAY– SEPT 25</b> St. Comos & Damina, Memorial	12:00 p.m.	+Paul Schaus – Maureen Schaus & Family
<b>FRIDAY– SEPT 26</b> St. Jean de Brebeuf & St. Isaac Jogues, Feast	8:30 a.m.	+ Phonsine & Vincent Morrison – Morrison Family
<b>SATURDAY– SEPT 27</b> St. Vincent de Paul	7:00 p.m.	+Bill Stankiewicz – Joyce Stankiewicz
<b>SUNDAY– SEPT 28</b>  <b>26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9:00 a.m.  11:00 a.m.	+ Anne & Tunney Moriarty – Shelly & Peter Cheeseman Living & deceased members of our parish

<i>Parish Finance Report Week of</i>		<i>Aug 31, 2025</i>	<i>Sept 7, 2025</i>
<i>Sunday Envelope Collection</i>		<i>\$ 3,460.00</i>	<i>\$ 2,032.00</i>
<i>Sunday Loose Collection</i>		<i>\$ 414.05</i>	<i>\$544.75</i>
<i>E-transfer</i>		<i>\$ 347.00</i>	<i>\$ 607.00</i>
<i>PAG/ Direct Deposit</i>		<i>\$ 2,755.64</i>	<i>\$ 2,755.64</i>
<i>Other (Building fund, funerals, flowers missals, Votives...)</i>		<i>\$412.60</i>	<i>\$412.60</i>
<i><u>TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION</u></i>		<i><u>\$ 7,389.29</u></i>	<i><u>\$ 6,351.99</u></i>
<i><u>Budgeted</u></i>		<i><u>\$ 6,500.00</u></i>	<i><u>\$ 6,500.00</u></i>
<i><u>Net Income /Loss</u></i>		<i><u>\$889.29</u></i>	<i><u>-\$148.01</u></i>

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



In response the steward, in an attempt to ensure favor for himself among the rich man's debtors, brokers repayment of the rich man's loans by foregoing the interest and fees that had been levied to line the steward's pockets. It is this action, in which the steward puts aside his greed and takes the longer perspective in order to enhance his security, which is commended by the rich man.

However, if we read the steward as a prudent manager, the passage concludes with three morals for the listeners. The first exhorts the listener to be prudent about the use of wealth. Like the steward in the parable, those who would follow Jesus must put transitory affairs in proper perspective. Christians should handle the affairs of temporal life with an eye toward eternal life.

The second concerns trustworthiness. Those who can be trusted in small things can also be trusted in great things. If Christians handle money and other passing things responsibly, then they can also be trusted with the affairs of the Kingdom of God. Finally, Jesus tells his listeners that no one can serve two master's simultaneously. God must be put ahead of money.

**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 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.

**STS. JOHN DE BREBEUF, ISAAC JOGUES AND COMPANIONS.** This feast honours the eight martyrs of North America: six Jesuit priests and two lay assistants who died between 1642 and 1649. They all came from Europe as missionaries to preach the Gospel. These men were aware of the dangers involved and of the fate of captives but persisted in their efforts. The shrine in Midland was erected in their memory, and they are the secondary Patrons of Canada.

Today's Gospel sounds puzzling to contemporary readers, but it can be made less so by considering the economic system which stands behind the parable. The story is either called the Parable of the Dishonest Steward or Prudent Manager, depending on which way we read it.

A steward is dismissed because he is squandering his master's property. He is called dishonest because he is not serving the interests of the rich man, his employer.

## 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.



### 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.

### TIME CHANGE FOR MORNING MASS

Beginning this week on Wednesday, September 24th, the time of morning Mass on Wednesdays and Fridays will change from 8:30 am to 9:00 am. This will allow children from Our Lady of Lourdes School the opportunity to attend daily Mass.



*please  
join us*

### Our Lady of Lourdes Café

When: Sun. Sept 28, 2025

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**

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.

### 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.



### PARISH MENS GROUP

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 in the parish boardroom. 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) or JM ([jm.gamble@ualberta.ca](mailto:jm.gamble@ualberta.ca)).

**SENIORS EUCHRE GROUP** The card group has resumed on Sept 16 at 1:30 p.m. in the parish hall. All seniors and new members are welcomed.



### PARISH VISIT BY BISHOP CROSBY Sunday, October 5th at 11:00 am. Mass

As many of you may be aware, Bishop Crosby is at retirement age and once a new Bishop for the Diocese of Hamilton is announced, he will officially retire. To commemorate his many years of faithful service as a priest and bishop, and his service to the Diocese of Hamilton, he welcomed my invitation for a parish visit. I know that many people prefer a particular Sunday Mass to attend, but it would be nice if you could change that preference so that we can all come together at 11am. Mass on that Sunday to have a full church and greet him.

There will be a reception following that Mass, which I hope many to attend. Thank you. Fr. Steve

### BISHOP CROSBY'S

#### 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Priestly Ordination

His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the Eucharist on **Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.** in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. Refreshments and an opportunity to greet the Bishop in McNally Hall following Mass. All are welcome.

**WHY@Breakfast ONLINE PRESENTATION** – You are invited to a special online presentation, **The Augustinian heritage of Pope Leo XIV: A divine love story**, with **Fr. Alex Yeung, LC, STL, PhD, on October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025.** Fr. Alex Yeung is a professor at Regina Apostolorum Pontifical Athanaeum in Rome. If you are interested in knowing how Providence has prepared the new Vicar of Christ with the spiritual heritage of St. Augustine, this is a presentation not to be missed. The online presentation will be held on October 4th, 2025, from 9:30 AM to 11 AM. For more information and free registration, see <http://whyatbreakfast.com>.

### THE POPE'S SEPTEMBER INTENTIONS FOR 2025

For our relationship with all of creation  
Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we  
might experience our interdependence with all  
creatures who are loved by God and worthy of  
love and respect.







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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