

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 Food donation bin - back

Weekday Mass

Wednesday & Friday: 8:30 am

Tuesday: 7:00 pm Thursday: 12:00 pm

Holy Rosary: Wednesday & Friday: 8:10 am Welcome New Members

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.

of the Church. Donations by E-transfer

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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

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OFFICE HOURS

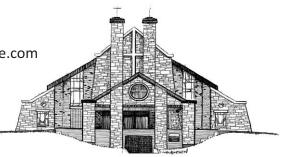
Monday: Closed

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.



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SEPT 8 to SEPT 14

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TUESDAY – SEPT 9 Ferial		7:00 p.m.		Special Intention of Lisa Reitzel – Burns Family	
WEDNESDAY- SEPT 10 Ferial		8:30 a.m.		+Frieda & Bill Cole – The Cole Family	
THURSDAY – SEPT 11 Ferial		12:00 p.m.		+Biatrice Wijesinghe – Nimini Kurera Weerasinghe	
FRIDAY- SEPT 12 Ferial		8:30 a.m.		+ Phonsine & Vincent Morrison – Morrison Family	
SATURDAY – SEPT 13 St. John Chrysostom – Memorial		7:00 p.m.		+Flora Niccoli Sr. – Gabriel & Francesca Niccoli	
SUNDAY- SEPT 14 Exaltation of the Holy Cross			00 a.m.	+ Mary McCargar – Cam McCargar Living & deceased members of our parish	
Parish Finance Report			Aug 17, 2025		Aug 24, 2025
Week of	Sunday Envelope Collection		\$ 1,623.00		\$ 2,367.00
INANCIAL HEALTH	Sunday Loose Collection		\$ 368.75		\$35.00
	E-transfer		\$ 127.00		\$ 457.00
	PAG/ Direct Deposit		\$ 2,755.64		\$ 2,755.64
	Other (Building fund, funerals, flowers missals, Votives)		\$450.00		\$450.00
	TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION		\$ 5,324.39		<u>\$ 6,064.64</u>
	Budgeted		\$ 6,500.00		\$ 6,500.00
	Net Income /Loss		-\$1,175.61		-\$435.36

E-TRANSFER

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email account: lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com

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

In chapter 14 of Luke's Gospel, Jesus is speaking to people gathered at the table about the difficulties of following him. This group of people is suspicious about Jesus, looking to catch him doing something wrong. Jesus speaks to them in parables, emphasizing that although there is a right way to be a disciple and enter into the kingdom of his Father, it is a difficult path to follow.

Many, even some of the guests at the table, reject the invitation. So Jesus turns to the crowds and speaks to them of discipleship. Jesus explains that, when it comes to making a choice for the Kingdom of God, nothing can get in the way. When Jesus describes "hating" one's father and mother, he is not talking about feelings. Rather, he is emphasizing very strongly that choosing to be a disciple means that everything else-family, money, your own life-must come second. In Matthew's version of this story (Matthew 10:37), Jesus refers not to "hating" father or mother, but to loving them more than Jesus. Jesus makes it very clear that being a disciple is not easy. It means to bear one's own cross. These difficult sayings of Jesus are followed by two brief parables (a person constructing a tower and a king marching into battle) that make an obvious point—don't start what you cannot finish. Discipleship is difficult and is something we can commit to only if we are prepared to put the Kingdom of God before everything else. (Loyola Press)

The feast of the Most Holy Name of Mary became a universal celebration in the Church in 1684 when Pope Innocent XI added it to the Roman Calendar to give thanks for the Christian victory over the Turks at the Battle of Vienna in 1683, a victory attributed to Mary's intercession. The feast is a counterpart of the Most Holy Name of Jesus and reminds us that Mary always points us to God, reminding us of His infinite goodness. She helps us to open our hearts to God's ways, wherever those may lead us. Mary is also honored under the title "Queen of Peace," for she encourages us to cooperate with Jesus in building a peace based on justice and peace that respects the fundamental human rights of all peoples.

St. John Chrysostom was an influential figure in early Christianity and perhaps one of the most prominent Church Fathers in history. He lived from 349 to 407 AD. and has had contributed a lasting impact on the Christian way of living as a preacher, theologian, and bishop.

He was especially known for his amazing and powerful preaching style, which earned him the title "Chrysostom," which means "golden mouth"

in Greek. His ability to captivate audiences and communicate profound spiritual truths made him one of the most celebrated preachers of his time. However, his spiritual influence over the people made him the enemy of many emperors and bishops, who had him exiled from their territories. St. John Chrysostom's theological writings also played a significant role in shaping Christian doctrine. He emphasized the importance of scripture, particularly the New Testament, in guiding Christian life and teaching. Chrysostom's commentaries on the Bible, his homilies and commentaries on the Gospel, have been widely studied, admired and preached throughout the centuries.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES FUNDRAISING CONCERT

Featuring: WATERLOO REGIONAL POLICE CHORUS

Sunday September 21, 2025, 2:30 pm
Tickets: \$25.00
tickets available through the

Parish office 519-886-0342 ext. 101 Ticket om sale after Mass at the back of the church, after each Mass on weekend

MASS TIMES

Beginning this week, on Tuesday evening the 7pm. Mass will resume, and a reminder that starting on September 24th, Wednesday and Friday morning Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 am.

PARISH MENS GROUP

Beginning on Monday, September 8th at 7:00pm

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).

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS.

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

SENIORS EUCHRE GROUP The card group will resume 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 50th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination

His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will celebrate the 50th anniversary with the Eucharist on **Saturday**, **September 27th**, **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.

THE POPE'S AUGUST INTENTIONS FOR 2025

For mutual coexistence

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.



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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