



Our Lady of Lourdes

Catholic Parish, Waterloo

Mass Times

The Lord's Day: Saturday 7:00 p.m.

Divine Mercy Chaplet 20 minutes before Mass

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Weekdays: Wednesday, Friday
8:30 a.m.

Holy Rosary 20 minutes before Mass
Tuesday & Thursday 7:00 p.m.

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.

Blessing of Expectant Parents

Last Sunday of each month after all Masses.

Anointing of the Sick / Hospital Visitation

If you or someone you know is in need of the Sacrament of the Sick, please call the parish office or see Father after Mass. Please advise the office of the hospital admissions to request anointing or pastoral visit.

St. Vincent de Paul

Church door collections - last Sunday of each month. For information on food distribution call 519-886-0342 ext 2.

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: Rev. Rafal Tomon
lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com

Administrative Assistant:
Mrs. Patrycja Wiecek
lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday:
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; 1:00 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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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



MASS INTENTIONS Sept 20 to Sept 25

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. + Don Etue
 – Ralph & Venilia Sperling

Wednesday 8:30 a.m. + Geraldine Benninger
Feast Day of St. Matthew – Keith & Lynn Kuntz

Thursday 7:00 p.m. + Angelo Madappuli
 – Angela Madappuli

Friday 8:30 a.m. + Angela Ianni
Feast Day of Padre Pio – Carmela Garasto

Saturday 7:00 p.m. + Paul Schaus – Maureen Schaus
Sunday 9:00 a.m. Living & deceased members of our parish

Sunday 11:00 a.m. Special intention
Offertory Collection for Sunday, Aug 28 & Sept 4, 2022: \$7,705.75
 (Note: This amount does not include donations received through pre-authorized giving.)

Monthly Budget Review as of Sept 4, 2022

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| Cumulative financial objective – 36 weeks @ \$7,500 | \$270,000.00 |
| Weekly contributions year to date | \$108,158.98 |
| Pre-authorized giving (year to date) | \$202,996.90 |
| Over (under) objective | (\$67,003.10) |

UP COMING WORKSHOPS: including lunch, at no cost to the parish volunteer.

Children's Liturgy of the Word Formation Workshop
 St. Anthony Daniel Parish, Kitchener

Saturday, Sept 24, 2022, 10:00 – 2:30 p.m. Lunch included

Minister of the Word

St. John the Baptist Parish, Cambridge

Saturday, October 22, 2022, 10:00 – 2:30 p.m. Lunch included

Extraordinary Minister of Communion

St. Gregory the Great Parish, Cambridge

Saturday, November 12, 2022, 10:00 – 2:30 p.m. Lunch included

For information or to register:

Deacon John Moss, Co-Ordinator of Liturgy, Diocese of Hamilton
 905-528-7988 ext. 223

Thanksgiving Dinners: September is here and that means fall and Thanksgiving are just around the corner. This year we are excited to again offer Thanksgiving dinners to our shut-in parishioners and those in need. Currently, we are **looking for people willing to sponsor** a single,

couple or family by providing them with a Thanksgiving dinner. Each dinner will cost approx. \$20. We hope to provide a minimum of 50 dinners to families in need during the holidays. Please help us make this possible. Donations can be dropped into the collection basket after Mass. Please indicate on the envelope "Thanksgiving Dinner sponsor" in the subject line. Thank you.

*If you are in need and would like to receive a Thanksgiving dinner, please contact the parish office or speak to Fr. Rafal directly. *

please join us

IT'S Coffee TIME



Our Lady of Lourdes Café

Open NEXT

on Sunday, **October 9, 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.

Gospel Reading

Luke 16:1-13 (shorter form, Luke 16:10-13)

Jesus tells a parable about a dishonest steward who is commended for his prudence; one cannot serve both God and money.

Background on the Gospel Reading

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. 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. 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.

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 masters simultaneously. God must be put ahead of money.

Starting Sept. 13, the 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.



DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

This week let us pray for...

- Sept 12 Rev. Francesco Cucchi
- Sept 13 Rev. Mark Gatto
- Sept 14 Chancery Staff
- Sept 15 Rev. Patras Samuel Masih
- Sept 16 Rev. Saju Oreethaparambil C. Sc
- Sept 17 Rev. Ambroise Tshiaba Ntumba



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 SMALL FAITH GROUP

invites you to join our living rosary to pray for the needs of the parish and the community in **September**. Our prayer intentions are as follows:

1. May God grant Catholics the wisdom to cherish our unique opportunity to encounter Christ in the celebration of the sacraments at church. The Mass is where we may be present at the one sacrifice of the cross that transforms us, heals us, and takes away our sins. The Mass is the source and summit of our faith.
2. Pope Francis' September intention –Abolition of the Death Penalty
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/TdZsmuvnW2VeP5h16>.

MARRIAGE SUPPORT - Your marriage does not have to feel like it is more trouble than joy, that it feels stagnant or disconnected and/or that it is causing you constant stress. The solution is Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. The next Retrouvaille weekend is Oct. 21-23. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.



ARE YOU A YOUTH AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH and looking for an opportunity to connect with others in a fun and meaningful way? If so, consider joining the FFF (Fantastic Faith Finders) Youth Group for youth grades 5-8, or the High School Youth Group. We typically try to gather the last Friday evening of the month. This month, we will meet on Friday September 30th. If you are interested in getting more information, attending the first meeting, or volunteering, please contact:

- Tiffany (FFF Youth Group) tscott1201@rogers.com
- Marta (High School Youth Group) mbfukasawa@gmail.com

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION INFORMATION

FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION:

If Our Lady of Lourdes Church is your regular place of worship and you have a son/daughter in grade 2 or grade 7 in a school **other** than Holy Rosary or Our Lady of Lourdes, and you would like him/her to receive these sacraments at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, then please contact Patrycja Wiecek at the parish office at lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com to register.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE UPCOMING MEETINGS:

For First Reconciliation & First Eucharist: Sunday, October 2 at 9:00 a.m. Meeting will begin after Mass with (parents & students).

For Confirmation: Sunday, October 2 at 11:00 a.m. Meeting will begin after Mass with (parents & students).



CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES:

Programs are available for children from kindergarten through high school for students not currently receiving religious instruction.

Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in Catholic schools is also available. Families work through the programs at home. They are supported by our parish catechists who review the students' assignments. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or check out their website at www.hamiltondiocese.com and click on the Catechesis Office for more information and registration forms. *If your child will be preparing to receive First Holy Communion or Confirmation, please also contact the parish office immediately so that important information regarding the reception of the sacraments at Our Lady of Lourdes can be sent to you. Thank you.*

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR LITURGY OF THE WORD PROGRAM:

At the 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass, the children in grades one, two and three will be invited to their celebration of God's Word. The children will be with their family until after the Opening Prayer of the Mass and then they will leave with the catechist for their Celebration of the Word and return at the Offertory. The experience is a great asset to them in their Christian formation. Any adults or high school students who are interested in working with these children are asked to contact Patrycja at the parish office (519-886-0342 Ext 3 or via email lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com). Volunteer screening through our parish volunteer screening program is required for those parishioners who have not yet been screened.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE who purchased tickets for our Bus trip to Niagara Falls. We are now SOLD OUT. We will meet everyone on Monday, October 3, 2022, at 7:45 a.m. at the parish back parking lot.



DO YOU LIKE TO SING? Please join our choirs. We are looking for new volunteers to sing in one of our 3 choirs – 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and funeral choir. If you are interested if you would like to know more, contact Bruce

Cameron at brucecameron57@gmail.com



THE POPE'S SEPTEMBER INTENTIONS FOR 2022

Abolition of the Death Penalty

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country



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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