



Our Lady of Lourdes

Catholic Parish, Waterloo

MASS TIMES

Weekend Mass

Saturday: 7:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Divine Mercy Chaplet: Saturday: 6:40 pm

Weekday Mass

Wednesday & Friday: 8:30 am

Tuesday & Thursday: 7:00 pm

Holy Rosary: Wednesday & Friday: 8:10 am

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

For assistance with groceries and other needs, please call 519-886-0342 ext. 2.

Church door collections - last Sunday of each month.

Food donation bin - back of the Church.



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

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Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Patrycja Wiecek

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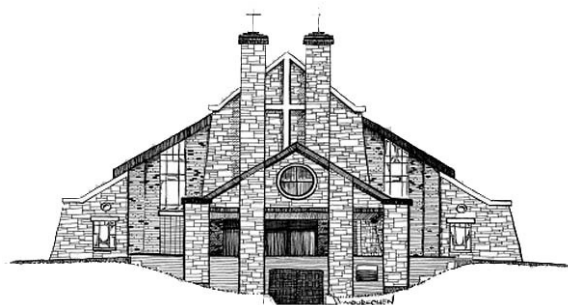
Monday to Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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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MASS
INTENTIONS

JUNE 18 to JUNE 23

TUESDAY	7:00 p.m.	+Ted Walraven – Walraven Family
WEDNESDAY	8:30 a.m.	+Jean Russell – Miriam Jayasundera
THURSDAY	7:00 p.m.	+Vernon & Elizabeth Chaves – Anita & Rene Brunott & Family
FRIDAY	8:30 a.m.	+Jean Russell – Naomi & Nevelle de'Rozario
SATURDAY	7:00 p.m.	+Maria Kopiasz – Jerzy & Roma Kopiasz & Family
SUNDAY	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Living & deceased members of our parish Special Intention

Monthly Budget Review as of June 9, 2024

Weekly contributions year to date	\$76,941.90	
E-transfer	\$3,096.00	
Pre-authorized giving (year to date)	\$60,710.00	\$140,747.90
Building fund		\$5,253.00



Our Lady of Lourdes Café

Big Thank you to all our supporters, volunteers, and bakers Sept 2023 – June 2024, in total we have raised total funds of \$2254.55 All proceeds from OLOL Café support our parish ministries Café will return Sept 8, 2024



JOIN US FOR PARISH BBQ on Sunday June 23, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. BBQ Menu:

Hamburgers & hotdogs (with all the fixin's), juice, pop, water and potluck salads & desserts. Please pick up your tickets: free of charge at the main entrance of the church. Donations are welcomed. Each family member will require a ticket, this will help us determine food requirements. **Each family is asked to bring a salad or dessert.** (There is no refrigeration on site. To keep your salad or dessert fresh, be sure to keep it on ice in a cooler.) Don't forget your lawn chairs! **We need volunteers to help make this event possible. If you can help, please send an email to lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com.**

A huge thank you for your support this past weekend in purchasing candy kebabs to help raise money for the St. Vincent de Paul's food cupboard at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. The Fantastic Faith Finders youth group raised \$275, essentially selling out the kebabs that they worked hard to make!!!! Hopefully this endeavour satisfied both your sweet tooth and your hearts, providing for individuals and families in need in our community. Thanks again!

THE POPE'S JUNE INTENTIONS FOR 2024

For migrants fleeing their homes

We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.



Diocesan Prayer Calendar – This week let us pray for...

June. 17	June. 18	June. 19	June. 20	June. 21	June. 22
Rev. Tony O'Dell, O.M.I.	Rev. Deaha (John) Kim	Disalced Carmelite Fathers (O.C.D.)	Rev. Marian Gill, O.M.I.	Rev. Lajos Angyal	Married Couples

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

E-TRANSFER If you would like to send your donation via E-Transfer, please use the following email: lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com



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

DIOCESAN MARIAN DAYS The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, the Diocesan Marian Shrine, will be hosting the Diocesan Marian Days on the first Saturdays from June to October. The day begins at 9:00 a.m. and concludes at noon. The presiders for these days will be Fr. Ian Duffy (June 1), Bishop Wayne Lobsinger (July 6), Bishop Matthew Ustrzycki (August 3), Bishop Douglas Crosby (September 7) and Bishop Daniel Miehm (October 5). For more information, see the Diocesan website.

MARILLAC PLACE The Baby Bottle Campaign is Marillac Place's most important fundraiser: Mother's Day is here and Our

Lady of Lourdes Parish is proud to participate in the Baby Bottle Campaign, in support of Marillac Place. Marillac Place relies heavily on the donations from our community to help mothers and mothers-to-be who are facing homelessness. The Baby Bottle Campaign will be primarily virtual once again this year.

Please provide your support for the campaign by donating online or sending a cheque directly to Marillac Place. The Baby Bottle Campaign is Marillac Place's most important fundraiser. Thank you so much for your support. All proceeds from the campaign will directly support the operations of Marillac Place to help make an immediate impact.

To donate now, scan this QR code with your smartphone camera and it will take you directly to our donate page. 109 Young Street Kitchener, Ontario N2H 4Z2



TO INFORM, ENCOURAGE AND HEAL June is Indigenous History Month in Canada. We invite you take time in this season to learn more about the Catholic Church's commitment to ongoing reconciliation efforts with Indigenous communities through a four-week learning opportunity through the VLCCF (Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation). To learn more about this study, please visit us at www.hamiltondioceselearns.com.

11th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Gospel Reading

Mark 4:26–34

The reign of God is like a mustard seed.

Background on the Gospel Reading

After Lent, the Easter season, and three Sundays of feast days—Pentecost, Most Holy Trinity, and Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ—the Church returns to Ordinary Time. This Sunday's Gospel from Mark carries a significant message regarding faith and the Kingdom of God.

In Mark's Gospel, Jesus appears reluctant to reveal his identity as the Son of God. After performing miracles of healing, he warns those cured to tell no one (see Mark 1:44, 3:12, 5:43, 7:36, and 8:26). Also, when preaching, Jesus chooses to speak to the crowds in parables, leaving them to discern his message. Only to his disciples does he explain the parable's meaning, and he does this in private at a later time.

Today's Gospel Reading consists of two parables about seeds. In the first, Jesus tells those gathered that this is "how it is with the kingdom of God." A man scatters seed which over time sprouts and develops. Then when the grain is ripe, the man harvests his crop. The emphasis in the parable is on the seed, which seemingly has the power to grow on its own. In this it is like the Kingdom of God. While on earth, Jesus planted the seeds of the kingdom by his life, miracles, teaching, and suffering. However, the kingdom is not yet fully established. Although already present in Jesus and his group of twelve, it has yet to come to fruition; just as the seed in the parable needs time to grow, so does God's kingdom.

The second parable focuses on the tiny mustard seed. Though not the smallest of all seeds, it is most likely the smallest that a first-century farmer in Jesus' part of the world would have sown. Small as the mustard seed is, it develops into a tree. Though the mustard tree generally averages only nine to twelve feet in height, it has a wide expanse and provides a nesting place for birds. Just as the tree welcomes the birds, so is God's kingdom welcoming and open to many. These parables help us discern something about the kingdom of God and our own faith. In God we live and move and have our being, but God is a mystery and his kingdom, though present, has not yet come into its fullness. Today, the Kingdom of God is present in the Church. The mission of proclaiming the Good News of the Kingdom given to the Apostles is now given to us. But just as seeds need time to come to fruition, so does the Kingdom of God. That is why in the Lord's Prayer, we pray, "thy kingdom come." We know that it will come in its fullness at the end of time. All we need is faith.

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL MASS Mark your calendars! All are invited to attend a special Mass in honour of Our Lady of Mt Camel on Sunday July 14, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. at the Carmel Monastery (1127 Carmel-Koch Rd, St. Agatha, ON NOB 2L0) Please watch for further details.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL'S 11TH ANNUAL PENCIL CASE

PROJECT After a long break due to COVID, our receiving countries are once again able to receive cargo containers filled with the very generous donations by our students, schools and Parish families. The collections consist of used and/or new school supplies. We are very fortunate to have the ability to buy our children new supplies each September. Most countries are not as fortunate. The used supplies are very welcomed and appreciated by those living in countries where a child cannot attend school unless they have their own supplies. Despite being used, your items enable these children to go to school. Over the past 10 projects, the SSVP in your community has collected and shipped 20' containers that were filled from top to bottom to countries such as, Haiti, Dominican Republic, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Jamaica, Philippines x2, Peru, Nicaragua, and Rwanda. Our receiving country this year is Grenada. *Items we are collecting are:* used pencil cases, backpacks, sports bags, rulers, erasers, sharpeners, math sets, calculators, scissors, crayons, pens, pencils, markers, pencil crayons, lunch boxes, water bottles, gently used games and toys, craft supplies, sports equipment, blank notebooks. *Some special request items are:* toiletries (toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs, brushes, deodorant, sanitary pads, soap), children's black shoes (various sizes for school uniforms), light blankets, bath towels, fabric and thread for sewing, tools such as measuring tape, screwdrivers, pliers, wood glue, children's clothing.

For a complete list, please see the flyer on the bulletin boards. Collections from schools will take place the last week of June. Parishioner donations can be dropped off at Mary's altar. Collections will be sorted, counted and packed for shipping during the month of July by volunteers. The 20' container will depart the first week of August. We pray for another successful project! Thank you for your continued support of our SSVP initiatives and of our *youth helping youth*. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact, Carmela Addante, at carm199@hotmail.com.

DOLL/STUFFY PROJECT: I volunteer for Canadian Food for Children. We are in need of used/new dolls, stuffies, cotton or flannel fabric, and thread. Please contact me for important details at 519 885 0109. Thank you. Maryke Mior

ADULT FAITH FORMATION THROUGH VLCFF The Diocese of Hamilton is proud to partner with Dayton University's Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation (VLCFF) to offer certificate programs for ministry and enrichment for adult faith formation. We are currently taking enrollment for the Youth Ministry Certification Program and the Catechist Formation Program for the Diocese of Hamilton, which begins in September 2024. Three and five week e-seminars are also available at a discounted rate for all adults in the Diocese looking to further their learning. For more information about our programs, and how to register, visit us at www.hamiltondioceselearns.com

ST. AGNES EDUCATION CAFÉ Sometimes we may struggle to listen to God. What is He calling me to do? Or perhaps it is a challenge speaking with, and listening patiently to one another? Yet, God promises rich blessings to all who listen to him...**and** follow His Son Jesus in all circumstances. **Join us for the next St. Agnes Education Café: "The Art of Listening: to God and the Church, to Others and to Self", with Fr. Paul Voisin C.R. Sunday June 23rd, 2:00 p.m. St. Agnes Parish Waterloo. Details:** www.saintagnescatholicchurch.org/Events



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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