



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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OFFICE HOURS

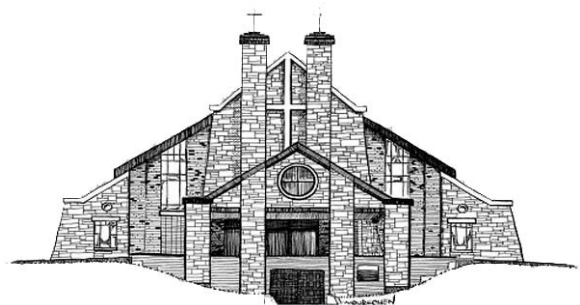
Monday to Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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 25 to JUNE 30

TUESDAY	7:00 p.m.	+Gaetano Garasto – Carmela Garasto
WEDNESDAY	8:30 a.m.	+Deceased Cassiday Family – Joan Cassidy
THURSDAY	7:00 p.m.	+Jack O’Keeffee – Mary & Gerry Mulhern
FRIDAY	8:30 a.m.	+Rosa Hoswitschka – Michael Bayer
SATURDAY	7:00 p.m.	+Paul Schaus – Maureen Schaus & Family
SUNDAY	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Living & deceased members of our parish Special Intention

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

June. 24	June. 25	June. 26	June. 27	June. 28	June. 29
Nativity of Saint John the Baptist	Rev. Joseph Durkacz	Comboni Missionaries	Rev. Tomy Chittinapilly	Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, O.M.I.	Saints Peter & Paul

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.



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

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.

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

SAVE A DATE: A BUS TRIP TO HAMILTON, ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2024

To book a seat or for additional information, please contact Patrycja directly by calling 519-886-0342 ext 3. Or by sending an email to our parish office to: lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com. Don't miss out on this mini-pilgrimage and adventure. Stop by the parish office to purchase your tickets now. **ONLY 56 TICKETS available. An information session will be held in the parish office at Our Lady of Lourdes parish, Waterloo on August 30 at 5:00 pm.**



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 VLCFF (Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation). To learn more about this study, please visit us at www.hamiltondioceselearns.com.

Congratulation to our Graduation students



Heavenly Father,

Surround those who are graduating with your grace. Bless them with hope so that they move into the future with eager and open hearts. Help them to put the knowledge, skills, and insights gained through their education for the good of all mankind. Inspire them to believe in the goodness of life even when faced with challenges and difficulties. As they commence their lives, may they grow even more grateful and wise. Amen.

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.



SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:

JULY & AUGUST: Parish office will be open Wed & Thurs 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

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

12th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Gospel Reading
Mark 4:35-41
Jesus calms the storm.

Background on the Gospel Reading

As we continue in Ordinary Time, our reading today is taken from the Gospel of Mark, the primary Gospel reading in Lectionary Cycle B. Mark's Gospel presents a vivid portrait of Jesus, whose words and deeds show that he is the Son of God. Today's Gospel describes the end of a day of teaching in Jesus' ministry. Jesus taught the crowd in parables and then offered explanations of these parables to his disciples. Jesus then led his disciples away from the crowds and into the boats that they will use to cross the Sea of Galilee. The sea and its surrounding area are the settings for Jesus' teachings and miracles in this part of Mark's Gospel. Today's reading describes how Jesus calmed a storm at sea. It is the first of four miracles that are presented in sequence at this point in Mark's Gospel.

As is typical in Mark's Gospel, Jesus' disciples are frightened by the sudden storm; they do little to inspire confidence in the reader. Mark notes the contrast between the disciples' terror and Jesus' peace. Jesus is sleeping, untroubled by what is going on around him.

The disciples' words to Jesus are telling. They are familiar enough with Jesus to dare to wake him. Their words to him are words of reproach, questioning his care for them. A careful reader might wonder what the disciples expected Jesus to do. Are they more troubled by the storm or by Jesus' inattentiveness to their needs? How many of us have chided a family member or friend for not agreeing with our assessment of the severity of a situation?

Today's Gospel offers evidence of Jesus' power and authority as he calms the storm. In his day, power over nature was believed to be a sign of divinity—only God calms storms. Jesus' rebuke of the storm also echoes the rebuke he uses when he talks to and expels demons. In each situation, Jesus' power and authority is a sign of his divinity. Indeed, the disciples are left wondering about Jesus' identity at the conclusion of today's Gospel. They see before them a human being who acts with the authority and power of God. The disciples' uncertainty about Jesus' identity is a recurring theme in Mark's Gospel. This Gospel is a metaphor for our lives. We are in the boat, the storms of life are raging around us, and like the disciples, we may believe that Jesus is unconcerned, or "sleeping." We hope that we will be as familiar with Jesus as his disciples. If we feel that Jesus is sleeping, are we comfortable enough to wake Jesus and present him with our needs? Jesus does not chide his disciples for waking him. Instead he chides them for their lack of faith, for their lack of perspective. When we bring our worries to God in prayer, we might just begin to learn to see things from God's perspective.

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

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.

Dear parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish,
Thank you for your kindness, gentleness, prayers, gifts, and for getting older together. Thank you to our parish secretary Mrs. Patrycja, our musicians, Mr. Bruce, Mrs. April, Ms. Carolyn with choirs. Custodians and Contractors, all group leaders and members, all volunteers, Finance Council and Property Maintenance committee. Thank you to all. I will keep you in my prayers. Let us be ready to welcome with a loving heart our new Pastor. Fr. Stephen Murrin.
Our Lady of Lourdes pray for us.
With prayers, Fr. Rafal

FAREWELL THANK YOU:

The organizing committee for the farewell coffee weekend in honour of Fr. Rafal would like to sincerely thank everyone who in any way contributed to this huge success. We could not have done it without the dedicated assistance of so many volunteers.

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 in 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.



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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