

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 Church door collections - last

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.

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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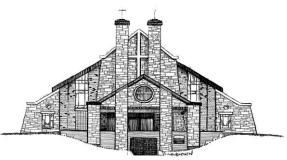
OFFICE HOURS

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.



CONTACT US

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MAY 28 to JUNE 2

TUESDAY	7:00 p.m.	Special Intention of Melaine Stern– Vivian Rickert	
WEDNESDAY	8:30 a.m.	+Henry Hess – Family	
THURSDAY	7:00 p.m.	+Louise Kirvan – Marie Kirvan & Family	
FRIDAY	8:30 a.m.	+John Platnar – Miriam Jayasundera	
SATURDAY	7:00 p.m.	In Thanksgiving of Sonnenberg Wedding Anniversary– Family	
SUNDAY	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Living & deceased members of our parish Special Intention	

Monthly Budget Review as of May 12, 2024

Weekly contributions year to date \$63,647.55 E-transfer \$2,436.00

Pre-authorized giving (year to date) \$48,570.00 \$<u>114,653.55</u> Building fund \$4,415.00





Our Lady of Lourdes Café

When: Sun. June 9, 2024 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

May 5, 2024, funds \$174

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 ${\bf open}~2^{nd}~{\bf Sunday}$ of the Month.

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

THE FINE ART OF BEING HAPPILY MARRIED - In his poem, The Art of Marriage, Wilfred A. Peterson writes, "A good marriage must be created" and creating something requires time and attention. We invite you to take the time, with your spouse, to find new and creative ways to increase your connection with each other, to discover fresh techniques for being in relationship and to depen the love you already share. Join us on Saturday, June 1st from 9:30 – 3:00 pm at St. Catherine of Siena Parish in Hamilton. Cost is \$50 per couple and includes lunch. To register on the website, go to https://hamiltondiocese.com/ and look under Upcoming Events, or contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

NEW TO YOUTH MINISTRY NETWORKING EVENT The Office of Youth Ministry is hosting a networking evening for those adult leaders who are new to parish youth ministry. Join us on June 6th at St. Benedict Parish in Milton for an evening of conversation and fellowship. Registration and additional information is available on the Diocesan website: https://tinyurl.com/ymnetwork

THE POPE'S MAY INTENTIONS FOR 2024

For the formation of religious and seminarians

We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own

vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading

them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

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

May. 27	May. 28	May. 29	May. 30	May. 31	June. 1
Rev. Mark Gatto	Rev. Peter Robinson	Seminarians	Rev. Saju Oreethapara mbil, C. Ss. R.	Consecrated Life Candidates	Rev. Kevin Upendran

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.



We ask for God's blessing on these children and their families.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH LIVING ROSARY will continue in JUNE. Each person who joins us will be assigned a specific decade and mystery of the rosary. He/she will pray the same decade and mystery each day for the entire month (Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, Glory

be to the Father . . .). There are no meetings — you pray individually anytime of the day at your own convenience.

Remember: If you are praying the first decade of each mystery of the rosary, you will also have to say the prayers that begin it: the Apostles' Creed, Our Father, three Hail Marys, the Glory Be to the Father. If you are praying the fifth decade of each mystery of the rosary, you will have to say the ending prayer: Hail, Holy Queen. At the end of each decade the following prayer is said: "O my Jesus, forgive us our sins."



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



MOST HOLY TRINITY

Gospel Reading

Matthew 28:16-20

Jesus sends his disciples to make disciples of all nations.

Background on the Gospel Reading

This week we return to the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. This Sunday and next Sunday, however, are designated as solemnities, special days that call our attention to the central mysteries of our faith. Today, on the first Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. This feast invites us to consider what we believe about God, who has revealed himself to us in the Trinity, one God in three Persons. The Gospel for this Solemnity is taken from the Gospel of Matthew. In its conclusion, Matthew's Gospel quickly moves from the disciples' discovery of Jesus' empty tomb and Jesus' appearance to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to the commission that Jesus gives to his disciples in today's Gospel.

The final commission, as this part of Matthew's Gospel is sometimes called, is given on the mountaintop. Throughout Scripture, many of the most important events happen on a mountaintop, and Matthew used this motif often. Peter, James, and John saw Jesus transfigured on the mountaintop, and Jesus taught the crowds from the mountaintop in the Sermon on the Mount. In today's Gospel, the eleven disciples go the mountaintop in Galilee, as Jesus had instructed them through Mary Magdalene and the other Mary. They see Jesus, and they worship and doubt at the same time. Jesus approaches them and commissions them to baptize and teach. It is a task for which Jesus had previously prepared his disciples; recall that Jesus had already sent the twelve apostles to preach the Kingdom of God and to heal. Yet earlier, the Twelve were sent only to the House of Israel; in this final commission, the eleven are told to go to all nations. The mission of Jesus is now to be taken to all people, and the task is to baptize and to teach.

Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in the name of the Trinity; this is one of the clearest attestations for Baptism in the name of the Holy Trinity found in Scripture. Other New Testament references to Baptism describe it as being celebrated in the name of Jesus. As we read this Gospel on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we are reminded that this central mystery of faith is meant to be lived. As baptized Christians, we share in the life of the blessed Trinity and seek to invite others to share in God's love.

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT - SATURDAY, JUNE 1ST - STONEY CREEK Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, June 1st at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (934 Highway #8, Stoney Creek, Ontario). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/ For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH The data continues to grow on the dangers the internet can pose to children and on the benefit of time spent in play, both indoors and outdoors. For younger children this means play that uses their imaginations and does not include the internet. For older children, it may include such things as playing board games, doing puzzles and hiking. Whatever the age of your children, time without the internet supports good growth. So, spend time playing as a family and you will see the positive benefits for your children! Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 (ext. 2250)

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH The statement 'Families that pray together stay together' is not just a cliché, but also a fact that has research data to prove its impact. To those of us with faith it makes sense, but we sometimes neglect to undertake what we know will be helpful to us. So, take the time to pray as a couple: first thing in the morning, before meals, before going to bed, at Mass and/or any other time you can. It is an easy way to connect and strengthen your relationship. Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 (ext. 2250)

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.

RESTART: REFRESH, RENEW, REVIVE FRIDAY NIGHT SUPPORT GROUP – Struggling after divorce or separation? Join us for learning, support and fun on Friday evenings. Held the 2nd & 3rd Fridays of each month, these get-togethers offer continual support and insights for people as they journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. Join in-person (700 King St. West, Hamilton), or by ZOOM. Register before each session here: https://sites.google.com/view/hamilton-restart/home or contact Sarah at <a href="mailton-fami



Education Foundation of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish



Calling NEW or in need students attending University and College this September 2024.

Please contact our parish office at

<u>lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com</u> to APPLY for Education Foundation of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish assistance program.

- Attends and is registered member Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
- 2. Are enrolled in University or College program in September 2024
- 3. Has assisted our parish in a ministry in the past, present, and future.

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