



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

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.

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. 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: Fr. Stephen Murrin
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Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Patrycja Wiecek
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Music Director: Mr. Bruce Cameron
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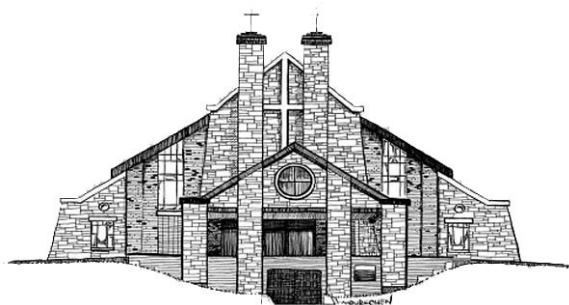
Organist: Mrs. April Philpotts aaphilpotts@gmail.com
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OFFICE HOURS

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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NOV 19 to NOV 24

TUESDAY – NOV 19 Ferial – Ordinary Time	7:00 p.m.	+Nester Biber – Earnest & Suja Biber
WEDNESDAY – NOV 20 Ferial – Ordinary Time	8:30 a.m.	+Margaretta & John Egler – Bill & Kathy Steffler & Family
THURSDAY – NOV 21 Memorial – Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	7:00 p.m.	+Adela Schudek – Renata Zalewska
FRIDAY – NOV 22 Memorial – St. Cecilia	8:30 a.m.	+Jack Cassidy – Joan Cassidy
SATURDAY – NOV 23	7:00 p.m.	+Antonio Orlando – Gabriel & Francesca Niccoli
SUNDAY – NOV 24	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+Cindy May Flynn – Whit & Carol Husk Living & deceased members of our parish

Parish Finance Report Week of 		Nov 3, 2024	Nov 10, 2024
	Sunday Envelope Collection	\$ 3,665.00	\$ 2,352.00
	Sunday Loose Collection	\$ 512.50	\$ 491.00
	E-transfer	\$ 765.00	\$ 555.00
	PAG/ Direct Deposit	\$ 3,037.50	\$ 3,037.50
	TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION	\$ 7,980.00	\$ 6,435.50
	Budgeted	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00
	Net Income /Loss	\$ 1,480.00	-\$ 64.50

however, that no one knows when the end time will come, except the Father. In the verses that follow this reading in Mark's Gospel, Jesus continues to warn his disciples to be on watch for this end time.

Jesus' words are not spoken to frighten his disciples, nor should they frighten us. Rather, they are offered to prepare us for the changes we will experience during our lifetimes and at the end times. Our consolation and hope is found in the lasting nature of Jesus' words and God's never-ending love for us. (*Loyola Press*).

LOL 4th PARISH CHRISTMAS DINNER:



Last chance to buy tickets to our parish Christmas dinner. **Sunday, November 24, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.** in our parish hall. Cost per ticket is \$40. Included a roast beef dinner, wine & dessert, and raffle prizes, 50/50, beautifully decorated hall. Please contact Patrycja at the parish office to purchase your tickets at 519-886-0342 or email at lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com or stop by the parish office to reserve your table of 8. Everyone's welcome. Tickets are limited. **We are also looking for donations for our raffle table. If you have something you would be able to donate to, we would greatly appreciate your support, please get in touch with our parish office for further details. Tickets will go on sale at the back of the church starting Nov 3, 2024, after all weekend Masses.**

New parish office hours Starting Nov 11, 2024 Monday – closed Tuesday – Thursday 9:00 am – 5:00 pm closed for lunch 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm Friday 9:00 am – 12:30 pm	
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This Sunday is the second to last Sunday of our liturgical year. As we approach the end of the Church year, our Gospel invites us to consider Jesus' predictions and teaching about the end of the world. In the context of Mark's Gospel, Jesus' words about this are spoken to his disciples as he prepares them for his passion and death.

Before we consider Jesus' words, it is important to note the political backdrop against which many think Mark's Gospel was written. Most scholars concur that Mark wrote his Gospel for Christians living in or near Rome about 30 to 40 years after the death of Jesus. This was a time of political turmoil in Rome. Some Christians experienced persecution by the Romans during the reign of the emperor Nero (about 64 A.D.). Jewish revolutionaries rebelled against the Romans, which led the Romans to destroy the Temple in Jerusalem in 70 A.D. In this time of political turmoil and persecution, many in Mark's community might have wondered if the end times predicted by Jesus were in fact quite near.

Last Sunday we heard Jesus' observation about the contributions being made to the temple treasury and the example of sacrificial giving that he saw in the poor widow's offering. If we had been reading Mark's Gospel continuously, we would have heard Jesus predict the destruction of the Temple, his teaching about the costs of discipleship, and the woes that will accompany the end times. Finally, we would have heard Jesus instruct his disciples about the need for watchfulness so that they will not be caught unprepared for this final day of judgment.

In today's Gospel, Jesus continues this teaching by offering his disciples signs to look for that will indicate that the coming of the Son of Man is near. His words and images draw upon Old Testament imagery, especially images found in the Book of Daniel. Next, Jesus offers the lesson of the fig tree, a parable that teaches that if one knows how to read the signs, one can be prepared for the end times. Jesus also teaches,

I'm a volunteer for CFFC, asking you to please consider donating used or new baby dolls and stuffed animals. I collect these from their depot, as well as from social media ads. I ensure they're presentable and then make bags from donated fabric and thread for each one, for their new little owners in various developing countries to carry them in. Dolls and stuffies - minimum 12" (no Barbies). Fabric - cotton and flannel only. Thread - cotton/all-purpose only. There will be a drive for this announced in the next couple of weeks. Thank you. Maryke Mior (519) 885-0109.

SENIOR WOMEN LIVING TOGETHER (SLWT) – is a volunteer based, non-profit organization that provides an online program to help single, senior women find other compatible senior women to live with. Their rental costs are lowered significantly, and they are no longer socially isolated or lonely. We also help senior women who own their homes to find other senior women to share their extra space. You can learn more about us on our website: <https://swlt.ca> Here is a link to one of our promotional videos: <https://vimeo.com/971871651>

TWO TOONIES AND A LOONIE Dear Parishioners: In 2023, you generously donated \$1,864 to our *Two Toonies and a Loonie* collection. This year's donations will, once again, be used to make monthly purchases of Hygiene Products for the St. Vincent de Paul Food Cupboard. Envelopes will be included in the November 16/17 bulletin. Please put your donation envelopes in the donation bin in the church vestibule or in the Sunday collection by December 1st. Thank you for your generosity! The Members of St. Vincent de Paul Society.

33rd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

THE POPE'S NOVEMBER INTENTIONS FOR 2024

For anyone who has lost a child

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.



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

Nov. 18	Nov. 19	Nov. 20	Nov. 21	Nov. 22	Nov. 23
Rev. Archange Kebe	Rev. Fernand Pierre	Deceased Consecrated Brothers and Sisters	Catholic Young Adults	Rev. Godwin Pinto, O.C.D.	Rev. John Schnurr

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:

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

You must include your mailing address, if not registered in the parish, to receive an income tax receipt.



If you would like the candle at Our Lady's Altar or St. Joseph to burn for a special intention you can do so by either contacting the parish office or by placing an envelope in the collection basket with the intention (public or private) along with \$5 in the envelope to cover the cost of the candle.

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.

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CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES FOR CHILDREN IN NEED

We would like to send Christmas shoe boxes to poor children with Canadian Food for Children. If you have empty shoeboxes, leftover Halloween candy, small toys (no batteries please), paper, crayons, markers, rosaries, soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, socks, please bring your filled shoeboxes to back of the church on a table or the parish office from **Nov 3 – Dec 1** to send in time for Christmas. Many thanks for anything you can donate. **Empty shoe boxes are available to pick up at our parish office soon.**

PRESENTATION OF MARY. Mary's presentation was celebrated in Jerusalem in the sixth century, but it was not until the 16th century that it became a feast of the universal Church. Although it cannot be proven historically, it celebrates Mary's parents, Anna and Joachim, offering Mary to the temple. This was to carry out a promise made to God when they were still childless. Mary's presentation has an important theological purpose. It continues the impact of the feasts of the Immaculate Conception and of the birth of Mary and it emphasizes that the holiness conferred on Mary from the beginning of her life on earth continued through her early childhood and beyond.

ST. CECILIA is the patron saint of musicians ...According to legend, Cecilia was a young Christian of high rank betrothed to a Roman named Valerian. Through her influence, Valerian was converted and was martyred along with his brother. The legend about Cecilia's death says that after being struck three times on the neck with a sword, she lived for three days, and asked the pope to convert her home into a church. Since the time of the Renaissance, she has usually been portrayed with a viola or a small organ.

GOOD GRIEF – Strategies for supporting children who are grieving. Mon. November 18, 2024, at Chancery Office, 700 King Street West in Hamilton, from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm, no charge, You can register for this workshop at www.hamiltondiocese.com and go to Upcoming Events on the home page. Look for November 18th and follow the link.

WATERLOO KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS invites all Catholic me, 18 and older, to join us! We are a charitable organization that helps our community in many ways. To find out more or to visit us, call our recruitment manger Al Kehn @ 519-778-2083 or email popkehn@gmail.com is Jesus calling you today?

SERRA CLUB VOCATION SEEDS **Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 17, 2024**, If we dare to trust God with our lives, great things happen. Give God your total self for, when the end of times comes, the wise and those who work for justice will shine forever. Dedicate your life to furthering the reign of God. If you feel God may be calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon in His Church, call **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.** vocations@hamiltondiocese.com hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

WHY@Breakfast ONLINE ADVENT PRESENTATION – You are invited to a special presentation, HEALING IN ADVENT DARKNESS AND LIGHT, with Sister Barbara Paleczny, SSND, PhD/SThD, as our speaker. Sister Barbara sees the darkness as profoundly creative, and she will share with us her way of healing during Advent. The online presentation will be held on December 7th, 2024, from 9:30 AM to 11 AM. For more information and free registration, see <http://whyatbreakfast.com> .

NOVENA PRAYER FOR HOLY SOULS "The Lord bless them and keep them. The Lord make his face shine upon them and be gracious to them. The Lord lift up his countenance upon them and give them peace. Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them"



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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