



# 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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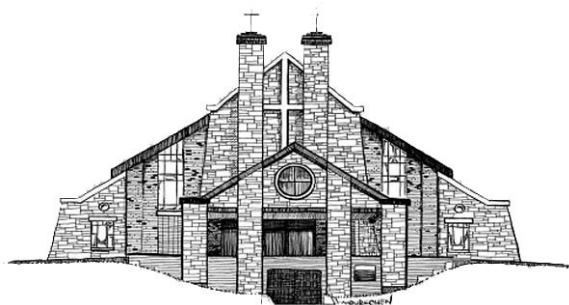
**Organist:** Mrs. April Philpotts aaphilpotts@gmail.com  
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### OFFICE HOURS

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.



### CONTACT US

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NOV 26 to DEC 1

Only those chosen, those who have the eyes of faith, are able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we also struggle at times to recognize Jesus as king. Today's Gospel invites us to see with eyes of faith that we might recognize that Jesus, through his crucifixion and death, is indeed king and Savior of all. (*Loyola Press*).

**CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN - DOLL AND STUFFY PROJECT:** Supplies that are needed are stuffed animals (nothing smaller than 12"), baby dolls (nothing smaller than 12" and no Barbies), thread (all-purpose/cotton only), fabric (cotton and flannel only) Please do not donate anything else to this cause. Donations must be clean/washed. Contact Maryke Mior at (519) 885-0109 please, before donating. Thank you.



The last Sunday of the Liturgical Year always ends with the Solemnity of Christ the King. In the Church, there are 3 main orders of celebrations, with the highest being a solemnity. Some solemnities include Christmas, Corpus Christi, Sacred Heart, Trinity Sunday, Pentecost, St. Peter and St. Paul; and there are three to Mother Mary, (Mother of God, Assumption and Immaculate Conception). Next are Feast days such as for the Apostles and then Memorial days in that order that normally commemorate the saints or some Feasts of Our Lord, such as the Triumph of the Cross. Today's Solemnity of Christ the King is a relatively recent addition to the Western liturgical calendar, having been instituted in 1925 by Pope Pius XI for the Roman Catholic Church.

In 1970 its Roman Catholic observance was moved to the final Sunday of Ordinary Time from the last Sunday in October. Pope Pius XI instituted the Feast of Christ the King in his encyclical letter *Quas primas* of 1925, in response to growing secularism. According to Cyril of Alexandria, "Christ has dominion over all creatures, ...by essence and by nature." His kingship is founded upon the hypostatic union. "...[T]he Word of God, as consubstantial with the Father, has all things in common with him, and therefore has necessarily supreme and absolute dominion over all things created."

The feast has an eschatological dimension pointing to the end of time when the kingdom of Jesus will be established in all its fullness to the ends of the earth. It also leads into Advent, when the Church commemorates the arrival of the newborn king.

*"Domini Nostri Jesu Christi Regis" (Our Lord Jesus Christ the King)*

**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. 25	Nov. 26	Nov. 27	Nov. 28	Nov. 29	Nov. 30
Rev. Pawel Stankiewicz	Rev. Joseph Gregory Michel	Fraternity of the Poor of Jesus Christ	Rev. Wilson Andrade, C.S.C.	Rev. Emmanuel Ralte, C.S.C.	Very Rev. David Walter

**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

<b>TUESDAY – NOV 26</b> Ferial – Ordinary Time	7:00 p.m.	+Angela Ianni & Gaetano Garasto – Carmela Garasto
<b>WEDNESDAY – NOV 27</b> Ferial – Ordinary Time	8:30 a.m.	+Frieda & Bill Cole – Family
<b>THURSDAY – NOV 28</b> Ferial – Ordinary Time	7:00 p.m.	+Marilyn Goodyear – Waterloo Catholic Administrative Association
<b>FRIDAY – NOV 29</b> Ferial – Ordinary Time	8:30 a.m.	+Stefania Imbrogno – Gabriel & Francesca Niccoli
<b>SATURDAY – NOV 30</b>	7:00 p.m.	+George Urbaniak – Mary & Len Friesen
<b>SUNDAY – DEC 1</b>	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+Ida Rosa Fogal – Shelagh Kirvan 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
	<u>TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION</u>	<u>\$ 7,980.00</u>	<u>\$ 6,435.50</u>
	Budgeted	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00
	Net Income /Loss	\$ 1,480.00	-\$ 64.50



This Sunday is the last Sunday of the Church's liturgical year, and every year on this Sunday, we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King to reflect upon the title assigned to Jesus. Each year we set aside this Sunday to reflect upon this title that we have given to Jesus. In today's gospel, we read a portion of the passion from the Gospel of John, which is also part of the Gospel reading proclaimed each year on Good Friday.

In John's Gospel, Pilate is shown in a more favorable light than in the other Gospels. In today's reading, we hear one of two dialogues between Jesus and Pilate that are reported in John's Gospel. Pilate questions Jesus about the charges brought against him. Caiaphas and the high priests have charged Jesus with a political crime, one that would require a punishment of death. Pilate distances himself from the Jewish leaders who accuse Jesus; he is not a Jew, and he seems to want little to do with this Jewish affair. In his responses to Pilate's questions, Jesus distinguishes his kingdom from the political powers of this world. King and kingdom may be appropriate terms for Jesus' mission and promise, but only by analogy. Jesus is king, but not the kind of king we imagine or expect. He was certainly not the kind of king Pilate feared he might be.

Jesus refers to a kingdom that does not belong to this world. This has been mentioned earlier in John's Gospel. Recall that in his prayer during the Last Supper discourse Jesus prayed for his disciples who are in the world but do not belong to the world. Yet like Jesus, they are sent into the world for the world's salvation. In today's reading, we see Jesus identify the final proof that his kingdom is not of this world: If his kingdom were of this world, then there would be people fighting to save him. Again, we hear echoes of John's theme—salvation is worked out through a cosmic battle. It is helpful to return to the first chapter of John's Gospel to understand the context for Jesus' words to Pilate. Jesus came into the world, but the world did not know him. In John's language, the world prefers the darkness, and yet the light will not be overcome by the darkness. Truth has been another important theme in John's Gospel. We see it emphasized in the conclusion of the dialogue between Jesus and Pilate. Those who know the truth will recognize Jesus as king and will know how to interpret this insight. Yet Jesus' kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries.

## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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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.*

#### **OFFERTORY ENVELOPES/PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT:**

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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 the back of the church under the table.**

**TRANSPORTATION TEAM:** The Tree of Life "Tree Cutters" need some volunteers to help lift the tree onto the truck on Saturday, December 21 at 10:00 a.m. Come experience this parish tradition! The more volunteers we have, the easier it is to handle this task, so if you can spare a couple of hours followed by lunch, please contact Patrycja at 519-886-0342 or email at: [lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com](mailto:lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com).

We also need some help cleaning up the church, after the Tree of Life is placed in the sanctuary, sweeping and mopping will be required. 485 Heatherhill Place, Waterloo

#### **SERRA CLUB VOCATION SEEDS** Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - November 24, 2024

Today we hail Christ as our King. He is the Victor over the power of death Who loves us and freed us from our sins by His own blood, and Who by Baptism has made us a royal nation of priests in the service of His Father and our God. He Who is King continues to choose men and women to serve as priests, sisters, brothers or deacons, so that the faithful may know Him, love Him and serve Him as well. If you feel God is calling you to a Church vocation, then call Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

[vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)  
[hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://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 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024, from 9:30 AM to 11 AM. For more information and free registration, see <http://whyatbreakfast.com>.

**ST. LOUIS ADVENT/CHRISTMAS CONCERT** - Please join us at St. Louis Church ([53 Allen St. E, Waterloo](#)) on Friday December 13th at 7 PM for an hour of music, featuring members of the 11:30 music group. There will be a freewill offering collected, with all proceeds going to the St. Louis CWL and St. Vincent de Paul. Following the concert, the reception in the Large Hall will be hosted by CWL and SVDP.

**Heartache to Healing – Grief Support Group - Coping with Christmas**

**GRIEVING THE LOSS** of a loved one at any time is difficult but it can seem all the worse as we approach the Christmas season. This time of year, often reminds us of our loved ones who are no longer with us along with feelings of loss and sadness. We may begin to worry about our sense of belonging and how we are going to cope without our loved one.

Join us as we watch a video and discuss ways to cope while still being able to find joy in each moment trusting that there will be brighter days ahead. **Date: Wednesday, December 4th, 2024, Time: 7 – 8:30 pm (doors open at 6:30 pm) Location: St. Michael Parish (Parish Centre – basement) – 80 University Ave. W., Waterloo, ON**

For more information and to register, please phone or email our Parish office (519-884-9311 / [parish@stmichaelw.ca](mailto:parish@stmichaelw.ca)).

**ANNUAL ADVENT CAROL SERVICE** is just around the corner, and we welcome all to join in this time to prepare our hearts for Christ's coming. The service will take place on Sunday, December 1, 2024, at 7 pm. The featured music this year will include Soprano Siyuan Carter-Patkau singing Schumann's "Adventlied" with choir and organ. This seasonal meditation on peace and light coming into the world is one of Schumann's first spiritual oratorios in 1848 and was inspired by works of Bach and Handel. A freewill offering will be collected. Please contact St. Matthews Lutheran Church located at 54 Benton St, Kitchener for more information. [deaconscoff@stmattskw.com](mailto:deaconscoff@stmattskw.com)

### UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Dec 1	Christmas shoe boxes	12:00 p.m.
Dec 6	Prepare cookie tins	9:00 a.m. after Mass
Dec 7	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday Mass	9:00 a.m.
Dec 8	OLOL Café	10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Dec 10	Cookie drop off / parish office	9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.
Dec 11	Cookie drop off / parish office	7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Dec 12	Arranging cookie tins	9:00 a.m.
Dec 13	Deliver cookies	2:00 p.m.
Dec 14/15	2024 Parish envelope pick-up	Before or after Mass
Dec 20	Deliver white poinsettias	12:00 p.m.
Dec 21	Cutting Tree of Life & Set up	10:00 a.m.
Dec 22	Christmas decoration setup	12:00 p.m.
Dec 24	Pageant	4:30 p.m.





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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