THE POPE'S SEPTEMBER INTENTIONS FOR 2018



UNIVERSAL - YOUNG PEOPLE OF AFRICA

That young people of Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

OUR FIRST COFFEE WEEKEND following the summer break is planned for the weekend of October 13/14. Watch future bulletins for more information.



THE CARMEL OF ST. JOSEPH (LUNCHEON & CARD PARTY) will be held at St. Anthony Daniel church hall, 29 Midland Dr. Kitchener, on Wednesday, September 19, 2018 from 12:00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m. Doors open at 11.30 a.m. Admission - \$15.00. Lunch & door prizes. Please note only advanced tickets will be sold for this event. Contact: Angie Bateman 519-569-7493 or e-mail anabateman 307@gmail.com. If possible tickets will be available at the door. For more information, please call Sheila at 519-743-6069 or e-mail:sheilamathews 2006@yahoo.ca



FASHION SHOW – SEPT 26, 2018: our CWL is hosting a fashion show at 6:30 p.m. with clothing by UNIQUE BOUTIQUE: Tickets: \$15.00. Please invite your friends and family. Proceeds will be donated to charities that the CWL sponsors. Tickets can be purchased after all the Masses or at the parish office. For more information please contact via email ourladyoflourdescwl@gmail.com

VOCATION SEEDS: Our second scripture reading reminds us that "Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father ..." God's gifts should prompt a response of gratitude which should be the basis of our daily lives. If you feel God is offering you the gift of priesthood, religious life or deaconate, and you wish to respond generously, trusting in God, contact Fr. Michael King, vocation director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 x2246 email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com



THE SISTERS OF THE CARMEL OF SAINT JOSEPH will pray for you during the Novena to Little St. Therese, September 23rd to October 1st, 2018. Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to St. Therese. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to Carmel of Saint Joseph 1127 Carmel-Koch Road, R.R. #1 St. Agatha, ON NOB 2L0



| THE SENIORS' SOCIAL GROUP will resume activities in the parish hall on September 18 at 1:30 p.m. Come and enjoy an afternoon of Progressive Euchre. All senior parishioners are welcome.

ALPHA: Is a 10 week course that explores questions about life, faith and meaning. Have you ever wondered: Is there more to life than this? Who is Jesus and why did He have to die? How can I pray? Why and how do I read the bible? Please join us as we explore answers to these questions. We will enjoy a weekly home cooked meal, a short talk [DVD] and spend time discussing the topic for that evening. There is no fee for the course. However, we will pass a basket to help pay for the food. Sessions start Monday, September 24th – Monday, December 3rd from 6-9 PM in the Parish Centre. Registration is necessary. Contact Chris at 519-886-7444 or chrismmckenzie@hotmail.com



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PASTOR: Rev. Rafal Tomon

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

Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

SUNDAY MASSES: Saturday 7:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Sunday 2:00 p.m. Vietnamese Martyrs Community

Rev. Hanh Van Tran, O.M.I.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: By appointment – please phone the parish office

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to noon

Twenty minutes before weekday Masses

or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: By appointment – please phone the parish office

BLESSING OF EXPECTANT PARENTS: Last Sunday of each month after all Masses

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: Church door collections – last Sunday of each month

Announced Mass intentions for September 10 to September 16, 2018

Monday8:30 a.m.Rock & Jack Pereira- Nevelle & Naomi de'RozarioTuesday7:00 p.m.George & Mary Stec - George & Margaret StecWednesday8:30 a.m.Doris Groce - Sheldon Groce & FamilyThursday7:00 p.m.Flora Niccoli - Niccoli FamilyFriday8:30 a.m.Donovan Norris-Lue - Veronica & Loren Norris-LueSaturday7:00 p.m.Joe Stumpf - FamilySunday9:00 a.m.Living & deceased members of our parish

11:00 a.m. Special intention

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

Offertory collection for Sunday, September 2, 2018: \$3650.75

[Note: This amount does not include donations received through pre-authorized giving.]

THE MASS: Walk through the Liturgy with Bishop Barron and you'll be transformed through insights on this most privileged and intimate encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ. See how the Mass brings us out of the fallen world and into the heavenly realm, how it resonates with a call from God and a response from his people, the Church, and, most importantly, how we are intimately joined with the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus through the Holy Eucharist. The Mass will help you understand how to fully, consciously, and actively participate in the source and summit of the Christian life. Starting on Monday Sept 17th, 2018 at 7:30 pm at St. Louis Church Large Hall (53 Allen St. E). Call 519-743-4101 for more information or to register. Course is free. Optional workbook is \$25.

BIBLE STUDY: "Matthew, The King and His Kingdom" is a detailed study of the Gospel of Matthew. This study promises to enrich your knowledge of the Gospel of Matthew far beyond what you may currently know and understand. The second half of the study starts on Wednesday, September 12 and will run to Wednesday December 12 with a 2-week break between the 6-week sessions. For those who may have missed the first half we do encourage you to attend the second half as there is always something new to learn. All sessions will be at St. Anne's Church Hall, 268 East Ave. Kitchener, Wednesday evenings 7 PM – 9:30 PM. Register by contacting St. Anne's Church office at 519-745-5302. Remember, one cannot love what one does not know. Learn your Catholic faith and fall deeper in love with Christ and His Gospel!

DO YOU LIKE TO SING? We are looking for new volunteers to sing in one of our 3 choirs – 9:00, 11:00 am and funeral choir. If you are interested of if you would like to know more, contact Bruce Cameron at (519) 578-3483 or brucecameron57@gmail.com

CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM: EVERYONE, married, divorced, widowed or single, is invited to come to our Christian Life Program on Monday nights starting on September 10th at St John's Church Hall (85 Strange St Kitchener). Dinner is at 6 pm and the inspirational talks start at 7 pm. This program will help you grow in your relationship with our Lord. Come live a fuller life in the Holy Spirit through inspiring talks, discussion, food, fellowship and song. A separate children's program is offered at the same time, same place for a family fun event. There is no cost, and all meals will be provided - sponsored by KW Couples for Christ. Please contact Len or Marie Solomon at 519-744-5198 with any questions or to register!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR LITURGY OF THE WORD PROGRAM:

At the 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass, the children in grades one, two and three will be invited to their celebration of God's Word. The children will be with their family

until after the Opening Prayer of the Mass and then they will leave with the catechist for their Celebration of the Word, and return at the Offertory. The experience is a great asset to them in their Christian formation. Any adults or high school students who are interested in working with these children are asked to contact Patrycja at the parish office (519-886-0342 Ext 3 or via email lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com). Volunteer screening through our parish volunteer screening program is required for those parishioners who have not yet been screened.



We mourn those who have gone before us in death and continue with us in the Communion of Saints.

Barbara Dietrich September 2, 2018



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION INFORMATION

FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION: If Our Lady of Lourdes Church is your regular place of worship and you have a son/daughter in grade 2 or grade 7 in a school other than Holy Rosary or Our Lady of Lourdes, and you would like him/her to receive these sacraments at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, then please contact Patrycja Wiecek at the parish office at lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com to register.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- For First Reconciliation & First Eucharist: Sunday, September 30 at 9:00 a.m. Meeting will begin after mass with (parents & students).
- **For Confirmation:** Sunday, September 30 at 11:00 a.m. Meeting will begin after mass with (parents & students).



CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES: Programs are available for children from kindergarten through high school for students not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in Catholic schools is also available. Families work through the programs at home. They

are supported by our parish catechists who review the students' assignments. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or check out their website at www.hamiltondiocese.com and click on the Catechesis Office for more information and registration forms. If your child will be preparing to receive First Holy Communion or Confirmation, please also contact the parish office immediately so that important information regarding the reception of the sacraments at Our Lady of Lourdes can be sent to you. Thank you.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP: St. Michael's is offering a 6-week grief support program to assist people after the death of a loved one, or a significant loss. This program follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster, an experienced leader in grief counselling. The sessions will be held on Wednesday evenings from 7-8:30 pm (Sept 19, 26, Oct 3, 10, 24, Nov 7) at St. Michael's. There is no fee, but you must register by September 11th. To register, or for more information, please contact the parish office 519-884-9311.

Welcome to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

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.