



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.



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 or if you would like to know more, contact Bruce Cameron at (519) 578-3483 or brucecameron57@gmail.com

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: Our Fall education and action workshop is entitled “Share the Journey”. The campaign was initiated by Pope Francis and Caritas Internationalis, a confederation of 160 Catholic development and aid organizations that includes Development and Peace, to respond to the growing crisis of forced migration in the world today. Every minute, 31 people are displaced by conflict, persecution, extreme poverty, climate change, the exploitation of natural resources and large-scale development projects. Our workshop will be held on Tuesday, October 2 at St. Michael’s Church, 240 Hemlock, Waterloo. Note the time: 7:30 pm. Please plan to attend.



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 N0B 2L0

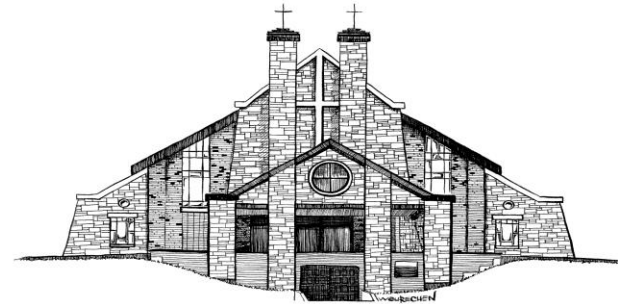
40 DAYS FOR LIFE: Begins September 26th – November 4th with the opening Rally on Wed. October 3rd, 2018 at 7 pm. St. Agnes Parish 75 Bluevale St. N. Waterloo. Look for the KW RTL display with Christmas cards for sale.

LIFE CHAIN MEMORIAL: Sunday September 30, 2018 2-3 pm. Kitchener City Hall 200 King St. W. Kitchener. Bring your family, friends, and hold a sign along King St. in Silent Prayer. A memorial service will be held at 2:50 pm at the memorial site for babies lost to abortion with speaker Stephen Woodworth. Table display with beautiful Christmas cards, T-Shirts for sale and more. |



FANTASTIC FAITH FINDERS YOUTH GROUP: Attention students in grade 5-8... The Fantastic Faith Finders youth group starts Friday, September 28th from 630-830 pm in the church hall. We meet monthly on a Friday evening; each meeting includes fun, games, faith discussion, and social time. If you are a returning member, we can’t wait to see you! If you are a new, interested member, please contact me for more information. Tiffany Scott tscott1201@rogers.com

ALICE'S CARD PARTY October 11, 2018 Prizes, Draws, Fun, Columbus Conference Centre, 145 Dearborn Place, Waterloo, Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Oktoberfest Sausage on a bun, Sauerkraut, and more \$15.00, in support of our Columbus Conference Centre Building Fund.



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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 24 to September 30, 2018

Monday 8:30 a.m.....Mary Ann Schnarr – Family
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.Gaetano Garasto – Carmela Garasto
Wednesday 8:30 a.m.....Tom Dietrich – Mary Dorscht
Thursday 7:00 p.m.Ted Lis – Andrzej & Tina Caruk
Friday 8:30 a.m.....Bernard Isaacksz – Miriam Jayasundera
Saturday 7:00 p.m.Clayt Reidel – Dan & Peggy Dietrich
Sunday..... 9:00 a.m.....Living & deceased members of our parish
11:00 a.m.....Special intention

Offertory collection for Sunday, September 16, 2018: \$4,291.15

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



HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP MEETING: The first meeting for our High School Youth Group will be on Tuesday September 25th, 2018 at 7:00pm. For the 2018/19 School Year, we will meet every fourth Tuesday of the month from 7pm to 9pm. All high school age students are invited to attend. Please contact Deacon Phong for additional information at phoang@hamiltondiocese.com

WHO WE ARE

The High School Youth Group is a Catholic youth program where young people can get together to pray, deepen our faith and have fun together through social events.

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to help the youth who are called to holiness to discover and put into practice all the dimensions of the Christian spirituality, in fidelity to the teachings of the Catholic Church, having Mary's "yes" as a model.

MARYHILL PARK FUNDRAISER – fish fry on Saturday, September 22nd at the Maryhill heritage park community centre – 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.. Haddock, fresh cut fries, coleslaw, etc. No reservations first come first served. Take out available.

HERITAGE SUNDAY – September 23rd. Mass at 10 a.m. followed by procession to honour wayside shrines in our parish. Community centre will be open for those not taking part in the procession. Dinner of ham, scalloped potatoes, vegetables and pie etc. at 12 noon. tickets required in advance. Cost \$20 per person. Meal prepared by CWL. Door prizes, silent auction and ticket draws. Proceeds to support the historical society of St. Boniface and Maryhill community. For more information or tickets please contact Fran (519) 648-3952, Diane (519) 648-2432 or Ken (519) 828-3569.



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.



THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE: Our St. Vincent de Paul Society depends on the support of the Waterloo Region Food Bank and the generosity of the parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish for their grocery needs to help the needy of our area. On Thanksgiving weekend (Oct. 6-7), you are invited to bring non-perishable food items to the church and place them in the sanctuary. Our food supply is very low at this time, and your generosity will be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your kindness to those in need.

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).

Mark your calendar!



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.*

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

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.