

## THE POPE'S SEPTEMBER INTENTIONS FOR 2019

The Protection of the Oceans That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN collects dolls and doll clothes to be sent abroad. I take care of ensuring they are clean, dressed and presentable, as well as making a carry bag for each one. Currently I have more clothes, and fabric to make bags, than I have dolls. While I would welcome donations of more doll clothes, thread and fabric (flannel and cotton ONLY please), there's more need for dolls at this time. Please consider donating any of these unused/unwanted items. Gratefully, Maryke Mior (519) 885-0109.



FASHION SHOW – SEPT 29, 2019: our CWL is hosting a FASHION SHOW at 5:30 p.m. with clothing by UNIQUE BOUTIQUE: Tickets: \$25.00. Please invite your friends and family. Proceeds will be donated to charities that the CWL sponsors. Tickets are now on sale; please see Patrycja at the parish office. For more information please contact via email ourladyoflourdescwl@gmail.com



'Kickoff Weekend is here for 'One Heart, One Soul' Campaign! This is Kickoff Weekend for our parish! The Diocese of Hamilton is conducting the One Heart, One Soul Campaign to raise money for every parish in the Diocese and for shared ministries. Our parish is in the current wave of parishes participating in the

campaign, and you'll soon be receiving a packet of information in the mail. Once you have read over the information, we ask you to prayerfully consider making a gift to the effort. In the meantime, here are a few Frequently Asked Questions. A compilation of all the FAQs is available throughout the campaign at oneheartonesoul.ca.

Are cash pledges the only kind of gifts? Because many of the needs of the campaign will require immediate funding, gifts of cash and appreciated securities are generally sought. But trust and estate gifts are welcomed. Donors considering a planned gift should contact the diocesan development director, Francis Doyle, at 905-528-7988 to discuss the options available.

How can I make a gift or pledge to the campaign? There will be a number of ways to make a gift or make payments on your pledge to the campaign, including:

- Setting up a pre-authorized gift (automatic withdrawal) from a chequing account
- Setting up a recurring credit card payment
- Paying by cash or cheque through the mail
- Making a stock or securities transfer

## Can I give online?

Yes! After you receive your campaign packet in late September, you can go to the campaign website, oneheartonesoul.ca, click on the "GIVE" button at the top and be guided through the process.

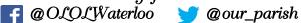


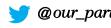
# Our Lady of Lourdes Church

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**PASTOR:** Fr. Rafal Tomon

Rev. Mr. Phong Hoang **DEACON: ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:** Mrs. Patrvcja Wiecek

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.

Saturday 7:00 p.m. **SUNDAY MASSES:** 

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

**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

By appointment – please phone the parish office **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: 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 Sept 23 to Sept 29, 2019

Tuesday.....+George & Mary Stec - George & Margaret Stec 

Sunday............ 9:00 a.m......Living & deceased members of our parish

11:00 a.m....Special intention

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**SEPTEMBER 22, 2019** 

## Offertory collection for Sunday, September 15, 2019: \$11,706.85

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



A BUS TRIP TO BUFFALO – <u>ALMOST SOLD OUT- ONLY 3 SEATS LEFT:</u> St. Joseph Cathedral and Walden Galleria Shopping Mall; St. Joseph Cathedral was established by Buffalo's first bishop, John Timon, in 1847 and dedicated in 1855. Today, it is the spiritual center for the Catholic community of the Diocese of

Buffalo in Western New York. Because of its downtown location, St. Joseph is playing an important role in the current revival of the City of Buffalo. Walden

Galleria is more than a mall: it's Buffalo-Niagara region's premier shopping, dining, and entertainment center. Walden Galleria offers two levels of premium retail brands. Mass at the Cathedral at 4:30 p.m., followed by time in the afternoon to enjoy the grounds. The bus trip will take place on **Saturday**, **Oct 19**. Cost of \$55 includes deluxe motor coach transportation. A stop will be made on the way home for supper on your own. To book a seat or for additional information, contact Patrycja Wiecek at 519-886-0342 by September 20.



THE 2019 ANNUAL RECEPTION FOR THE CARMELITE SISTERS will be held Monday, October 28, 2019, 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at Conestoga Place, 110 Manitou Dr., Kitchener. Dinner ticket is \$250 for two people and donations are graciously appreciated even if you are unable to attend. Cheques payable to Carmel of St. Joseph can be mailed to 1127 Carmel-Koch Rd. RR1 St. Agatha, ON NOB 2L0. For further information, please

contact Jane Malleck at 519-748-1225. You are also welcome to join the Sisters in prayer at daily Mass at the Carmel, 7:30 a.m. Monday - Friday and 8:00 a.m. Saturday & Sunday.



#### PARENTS FOR COMMUNITY LIVING CELEBRATE 30 YEARS:

Parents for community living provide family-like homes and respite for adults and children with special needs. May God continue to bless parents for Community Living in their endeavors. We are very proud to have a founding member, Gisele Denomme, in our parish.

**VOCATION SEEDS** - We cannot serve two masters. Which one are you willing to follow? Could it be you are being called to serve the Master as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, **contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 email: vocations@hamiltondiocese** 

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP: Starting this fall, Deacon Phong and Jocelyn Hoang will be leading a High School Youth Group for students in grades 9 to 12 on the last Friday evening of each month. Would you like to gather with other high school students from the parish to share snacks and fellowship, to explore your faith, and to discuss the questions you may have? You are invited to the first meeting on Friday, October 25th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the church office meeting room. The video and icebreakers will focus on the topic of "Who is Jesus?" Please sign up on Coffee Week-End or contact maryjanedavison@hotmail.com if you have questions or would like to be added to the email list for group updates and reminders.

## 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 29 at 9:00 a.m. Meeting will begin after Mass with parents & students.
- For Confirmation: Sunday, September 29 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.



**FANTASTIC FAITH FINDERS:** Attention returning members and any interested students in grade 5-8 from our parish community. Our first Youth group meeting will take place on Friday, September 27th from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. in the church hall. We will kick off the new year with some ice breakers and fun, and time of faith and

fellowship. If you have any questions, please contact Tiffany Scott at tscott1201@ rogers.com

**Parenting:** September brings cooler weather, shorter days and a reestablishment of order as school and fall programs begin. It's a perfect time to examine the busy schedule(s) and discern if you are spending enough quality time as a family. Are you eating together, praying together, spending time playing together and yes, even cleaning together? Nothing will have a greater impact on a young developing mind and body than spending time with the people they depend on and love the most, their family. Make it priority number one and fill the schedule in around established family time, not vice versa!

Marriage: September brings with it the joy of gathering the harvest from plants we have nurtured from the time of their planting. Well looked after plants provide us with food and/or beauty because of the time we have spent watering, feeding, weeding and protecting them. Marriage is like a garden in this respect – the more we nurture our marriage the stronger our love for each other grows. Like a garden we have to feed and water our marriages by spending couple time together, by talking about small and big moments and feelings, by complimenting, helping and protecting our relationship. The harvest of this nurturing is beautiful love that lasts.