



THE POPE'S JANUARY INTENTIONS FOR 2020

Young People and the Example of Mary That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

SOLEMN BLESSING OF ENGAGEMENTS & PARISH COFFEE SOCIALS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2020

BLESSING OF ENGAGEMENTS: At the 11:00 a.m. Mass on February 9, couples who will celebrate their marriage in Our Lady of Lourdes Church in 2020 will have their engagement solemnly blessed. As these men and women prepare to speak words that will change their lives, it is our joy and responsibility to pray for them that once they have exchanged their marriage vows, they will be living signs of God's faithful love.



COFFEE SOCIALS: Everyone is invited to enjoy refreshments in the church hall after all Masses on Sunday, February 9. Take advantage of this opportunity to renew old acquaintances, meet new parishioners.



Looking for volunteers who would like to get together and join our social club at Our Lady of Lourdes parish. This club will organize church BBQ, Christmas dinner, card parties, movie nights and dances and much more. All interested please email our parish office or call 519-886-0342.

ORNAMENTS FROM THE TREE OF LIFE: Those who had a child baptized or a loved one called to Eternal Life (and buried from Lourdes) in 2019 may pick up their angel or cross after any weekend Mass beginning January 18/19 in the work sacristy behind Our Lady of Lourdes' altar.



EXODUS 90 is a spiritual exercise for MEN that focuses on PRAYER, ASCETICISM, and FRATERNITY. In 90 days you will get rid of habits that enslave you, find true freedom in Christ, and strengthen your spiritual life and relationships. Yes, Exodus 90 is all about freedom. Why? Because without freedom, we cannot love as we ought. It's about our wives, children, parishes and friends who suffer when we're not at our best. The goal is to achieve the freedom necessary to fully engage the love of God and the love of neighbor. Exodus 90 is based on a challenging 90-day period of purification, a dying to self, which is supported by a fraternity of like-minded men for greater interior freedom and, eventually, a more purified and selfless love. The commitment includes 90 days of at least 20-minutes daily contemplative prayer, consistent asceticism to purify desire, and weekly participation in your small group fraternity at the parish. If you are interested in more information or participating please contact our parish fraternity leader JM Gamble (jm.gamble@ualberta.ca). The launch date is Ash Wednesday (February 26, 2020).



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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.

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 Jan 13 to Jan 19, 2020


Monday	8:30 a.m.	Special intention Mary Pat O'Neill – Mary & Gerry Mulhern
Tuesday... Luther Village	10:00 a.m.	Special intention – Isobel Ferrera
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	+Irene Lodato – Family
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	+Adele Gahlinger – Olga Perko
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Special intention Claire Laflamme – Vivian Rickert
Friday	8:30 a.m.	+Mary McCrohan – Regina Maloney
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	Special intention Marilyn Scott – Sister Ann Rektor
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Living & deceased members of our parish
	11:00 a.m.	Special intention

Offertory collection for Sunday, January 5, 2020: \$5,101.55
[Note: This amount does not include donations received through pre-authorized giving.]



**We mourn those who have gone before us in death
 and continue with us in the Communion of Saints.**
 + Paul Haller.....January 1, 2020





BAPTISM: During the month of December, the following children became members of God’s family in the sacrament of baptism:

Etornam Amoakoah Ameh	Sefakor Adoma Ameh
Elise Anne Quirion	Hope Agnes Rivers
Chace Matthew Rottar	Jack Malcolm Rottar

THE 2020 LABYRINTH PROJECT: Our Lady of Lourdes Church will be hosting an indoor labyrinth on Saturday, January 18th from 9:30 AM to Noon. Is nurturing your spiritual life on your New Year’s Resolution list? Come and give the spiritual practice of praying with a labyrinth a try! The single path to the centre of the labyrinth reflects our Christian understanding of the single path to salvation via Christ. The 2020 Labyrinth Project, a collaborative project between WHY@Breakfast and five Waterloo churches, aims to provide Christians in KW the opportunities to pray with a labyrinth on the second last Saturday of each month. An introduction to praying with the labyrinth will be provided at 9:30 AM. Those who are experienced with this spiritual practice may come anytime during the morning and pray. Instruction/Reflection booklets are available. Please note that no outdoor shoes are allowed on the labyrinth. For more information and the full schedule of this project, please see <https://whyatbreakfast.com/2020-labyrinth-project/>

KW RIGHT TO LIFE CANDLE-LIGHT PRAYER VIGIL Tues. January 28th 6:00 p.m., in front of Kitchener City Hall (skating rink) 200 King St. W. Kit. One hour of silent prayer for Preborn Human Rights to protect babies in the womb. Their lives are the most vulnerable of all. Thanks for supporting this important human rights issue. Jane Richard KW RTL President 215 Lancaster St. W. Kitchener ON N2H 4T9 519.746.5433 jane@kwrtl.ca

IF YOU ARE NOT CURRENTLY USING OFFERTORY ENVELOPES but would like to begin, or would like information about the **PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING** program, then please complete the following form and place it in the collection basket next weekend.

I would like offering envelopes: ☐
 I would like information on pre-authorized giving: ☐

First Name		Surname	
Address			
Apt. No	No. & Street	Postal Code	
Phone No.	Email		



Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him
 John tried to prevent him, saying,
 “I need to be baptized by you, and yet you are coming to me?”
 Jesus said to him in reply,
 “Allow it now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.”
 Then he allowed him.
 After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened for him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon him.
 And a voice came from the heavens, saying,
 “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.” Matthew 3:13-17

FULL DAY CONFERENCE: HEALING IS POSSIBLE: We are all in need of healing from wounds caused by past experiences, relationships or wounds caused by our own sinfulness. Join us for a day filled with hope as we look at a holistic approach to healing. Save the date: **February 1, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** at Holy Rosary Parish in Milton. The conference includes Mass, Lunch, and speakers such as: Tima Borges, Author of “Leaving Bitterness Behind: A Catholic Approach to Healing Past Hurts; Dr. Wendy H. Hofman, PhD, Director of Veritas Counselling Centre Inc., Clinical Counsellor and Coordinator for the Hamilton Diocese Family Ministry Office; William Stanus, Psychotherapist with a focus on EMDR and Fr. Louis de Vaugelas, LC. To register visit: <http://regnumchristiontario.org/event/healing-is-possible/> or contact Ester at 416-990-3136.

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.

