



## 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 .

**YOU'VE COME A LONG WAY, BABY! OR HAVE YOU?** On Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, the St. Jerome's Lectures in Catholic Experience presents "You've Come a Long Way, Baby! Or have you?" by Dr. Sheila Ager, the Dean of Arts at the University of Waterloo. In a lecture that promises to be thought-provoking, engaging and even funny, Dr. Ager demonstrates that the prejudices and discriminatory practices of the ancient world persist in the world's societies and religions. A professor of Classical Studies, Dr. Ager is the first woman to serve as Dean of the University of Waterloo's Faculty of Arts. Location: Vanstone Lecture Hall, Academic Centre, St. Jerome's University  
Time: 7:30 p.m. | Doors open at 6:45 p.m. Admission is free. Free parking. Refreshments served prior to the lecture. Please register at: [www.sju.ca/lce](http://www.sju.ca/lce), but tickets are not required at the door.

**CALLING ALL CURSILLISTAS** - "Have you attended a Cursillo Weekend? Do you remember the informative talks, and the wonderful support and friendship with other like-minded individuals? Do you remember the joyful feeling, enthusiasm, and fresh start you felt to life after the weekend was over?" Well if you have lost touch with the Cursillo movement, but would like to meet for a coffee, a chat, and to find out how the Cursillo movement is doing in your area, then feel free to call RAY ST. CARTIER: 519-622-5928 or Fr. GARY SCHLACK: 519-364-1973 or MARY ANN KIRKONNELL: 519-379-9858. Rekindle that flame in your heart! De Colores!



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Fr. 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.

**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 20 to Jan 26, 2020

Monday .....	8:30 a.m. ....	+ John Brzozowski – Barbara Dunn
Tuesday .....	7:00 p.m. ....	+Frank Ciccarelli – Charmaine & Frank Volpini & Family
Wednesday .....	8:30 a.m. ....	+Anthony Nazareth – Miriam Jayasundera & Family
Thursday .....	7:00 p.m. ....	+ Clayt Reidel – Joyce Reidel & family
Friday .....	8:30 a.m. ....	+Anthony Nazareth – Dilani & Chanatha Dhanapala
Saturday .....	5:00 p.m. ....	Confirmation
Saturday .....	7:00 p.m. ....	+Bill Ross – Ross Family
Sunday .....	9:00 a.m. ....	Living & deceased members of our parish
	11:00 a.m. ....	Special intention

**Offertory collection for Sunday, January 12, 2020: \$3,169.85**

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



Fellow parishioners we are close to our final report on the tremendous campaign we experienced at Our Lady of Lourdes. We received our first report in 3 weeks due to the Christmas season. We have attained pledges in the amount of \$541,604.48. On behalf of the committee, we would like to extend our sincere thanks to all the parishioners of our Lady of Lourdes for your generosity towards our Diocese and our Parish and the goals that were set out. We hopefully will give our final report in the next few weeks. We would ask for your prayers for those parishes now starting the next wave of the campaign in the Diocese. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Luke McAuley 519-746-7861, email: mmcauc012@rogers.com or Karin Voisin email:karinvoisin@gmail.com



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

Seth Harold Gamble    Haley Grace Gingrich    Jagger Roy Brian Healy  
Nixon Martin Healy    Emmett James Kipfer

**BIBLE SUNDAY - POPE FRANCIS** has established the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time as Bible Sunday. This year it will be observed on Sunday, January 26, 2020. Prayer Cards will be distributed after each Mass on the weekend of January 25-26th. Parishioners are invited to offer this prayer together in thanksgiving for the gift of God’s Word. We pray that our observance of Bible Sunday will deepen our gratitude for the Word of God and inspire us to root our lives more firmly in the Word of God.

**DEFENDING THE FAITH CONFERENCE** on July 24-26, 2020 at Franciscan University, Steubenville, Ohio, for a second time from Blessed Sacrament Parish, Kitchener, and a trip is being organized for this conference. Come and be empowered and equipped to fulfill your desires to lead others in faith. For more information on presentations about trip, conference details and associated costs including travel, contact Mary Anne Kearns at (519) 578-6218 or [mackearns@hotmail.com](mailto:mackearns@hotmail.com)

**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	_____	

**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](mailto:jane@kwrtl.ca)



**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](mailto:jm.gamble@ualberta.ca)). The launch date is Ash Wednesday (February 26, 2020).

**DON’T MISS OUT ON THE 2020 CATHOLIC CHARITIES LOTTERY!** 40 draws for \$40,000 in prizes!!!

- Since its inception, the Foundation has provided over \$3 Million dollars to Catholic Schools, Catholic Parishes and Community Organizations in Waterloo Region.
- The Catholic Charities Lottery began in the 1970’s and continues today as the sole fundraiser of the CCFOWR.

Purchase a ticket today! Go to [www.ccfowr.org/lottery](http://www.ccfowr.org/lottery) OR call (519) 747-5661 to purchase over the phone!

**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://regnumchristionario.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.*

