



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.

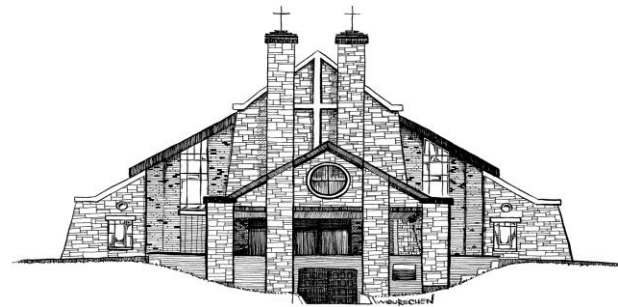


Looking for volunteers who would like to get together and join our social club at Our Lady of Lourdes parish. This club will organize church BBQ, Christmas dinner, card parties, movie nights and dances and much more. All interested please email our parish office or call 519-886-0342.

CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN takes care of collecting dolls and stuffies for donating to children abroad. I take these items, make sure they are presentable, and make a fabric bag for each, so that the new owners have something to carry their new-loved toy, but I need your help. I am running out of fabric to make the bags - cotton and flannel ONLY please. I would also welcome donations of doll clothes, Barbie clothes, thread, as well as the dolls and stuffies. Please ensure all donations are clean and free from pet hair/odours. Thank you! Maryke Mior 519 885 0109.

YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS 19-45 Come and join us with other young adults while we pray, get to know each other, explore our faith, enjoy some snacks, and have fun. Beginning Tuesday, February 11, 2020 for every two weeks, 7:00 -9:00 p.m. Come to the 7:00 p.m. Mass to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes at Our Lady of Lourdes and then head down to the hall for snacks and a speaker about Our Lady and some social time. If you have any questions, please contact Rob at robkoechl@gmail.com.

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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PASTOR:	Fr. Rafal Tomon
DEACON:	Rev. Mr. Phong Hoang
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:	Mrs. Patrycja 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.
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 27 to Feb 2, 2020

Monday	8:30 a.m.	+Anet Granic – Peter & Angela Granic
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	+Ivan Granic – Peter & Angela Granic
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	+John Brzozowski – Frances & Bob Gross
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	+ Paul Latchana – Maureen Schaus
Friday	8:30 a.m.	+Adele Gahlinger – Olga Perko
Saturday	8:30 a.m.	Votive Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	Special Intention of Nick Continislo & Michelle Wang –
		Joey Tomasicchio
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Living & deceased members of our parish
	11:00 a.m.	Special intention

Offertory collection for Sunday, January 19, 2020: \$2,709.70

[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



SAVE A DATE: February 11, 2020. Holy hour & Rosary begins at 6:00 p.m. followed by Mass. Please join us for this Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes. We reflect on how these apparitions of Our Lady, over 150 years ago, remain relevant and can inspire us. We will consider how this memorial can once again remind us about our own poverty and brokenness, the power of prayer, and the importance of Our Lady's Son, Jesus Christ, as our savior. Join Dr. Anne Jamieson, Director of the Catechesis Office of the Diocese of Hamilton for this time of reflection and refreshments in the parish hall.



INVITATION – EXECUTIVE MEMBERS REQUIRED TO JOIN US IN FAITH AND FUN:

Our Catholic Women's League executive invites you to consider joining us as an executive member beginning September, 2020. We share faith, fun and friendship and provide events and speakers that are educational, fascinating and faith-filled for the ladies of our parish. What's the commitment? We have an

executive meeting once per month and an event for ladies of the parish and their friends once per month (excluding summer months). Training and a full description for the following open positions are available. Please prayerfully consider joining us to affirm with others the good news of Jesus Christ through one of these six positions:

President
Spiritual Development

Communications
Legislation/Laws

Membership
Community Life

Please nominate yourself or a friend for one of the above executive positions via the form below and drop it in the collection basket **by Sunday March 29.**

Catholic Women's League Nomination Information:

Nominee's name: _____

Nominee's phone number: _____

Executive position: _____

Nominated by: _____

Each person nominated will be called and invited to accept the nomination. For more information call Patrycja Wiecek at 519-502-6917.

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



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).

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 OR call (519) 747-5661 to purchase over the phone!

EVERY FRIDAY KNIGHT FISH FRY: at the Knights, 145 Dearborn Place, Waterloo, ON Reservations preferred, Call 519-884-2060 to reserve. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Best Fish and Chip bargain in Town, so we're told.

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.

