

THE POPE'S FEBRUARY INTENTIONS FOR 2020

Listen to the Migrants' Cries We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

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 were told.

OFFERING ENVELOPES: For 2020, last opportunity to pick up your Sunday offering envelopes at the back of the church. Spring cleaning will be happening here at Lourdes; envelopes that are not picked up will be reassigned to a new family.





Prayer Shawls for Valentine's our ladies have been busy. We have created 500 beautiful shawls since the onset of this special ministry and have been blessed to be able to provide peace and comfort to many of our parishioners, both young and old. We have also given many shawls to those in need at different organizations, such as Innisfree, the Catholic Missions and, of late, to the Marian Residence and the St. Mary's Spiritual Care Dept. We still have many wonderful shawls from which to choose for someone you

know who can benefit from their warmth and prayers, especially at this Valentine season of love and care. Please call Marg Perrotta at 519-886-8258 if you would like a shawl and many thanks to all who have provided us with yarn and donations.

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. Next session on Tuesday, February 24, 2020 and will continue for every two weeks, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Starting with Mass at 7:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Rob at robkoechl@gmail.com.

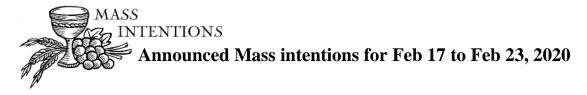
2020 LABYRINTH PROJECT: Second session to be hosted by **St. Agnes RC Church**, 75 Bluevale St N, Waterloo, on **Saturday, February 22nd, from 9:30 a.m. to Noon**. The labyrinth is a great tool for helping us to focus on our prayers. All are welcome to come and try praying with the labyrinth indoors. A short introduction will be presented at 9:30 AM. Those who are experienced with this mode of prayer might wish to come anytime during the morning. The 2020 Labyrinth Project is a collaborative project between WHY@Breakfast and five Waterloo churches, including ours. Please see webpage https://whyatbreakfast.com/2020-labyrinth-project/ for details.

TO OUR FAITHFUL SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER SUPPORTERS After 39 years of The Scouting and St Vincent de Paul youth groups flipping pancakes and cooking ham we have to say that all good things must come to an end. Regretfully the wonderful tradition of hosting the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper event at Our Lady of Lourdes Church has completed a very successful run. Each year the event has brought together an enthusiastic group of youth and adult leaders who have enjoyed putting the event together for you. Your generous contributions have supported many youth oriented activities. Each year we have been grateful to all those who have attended our event and enjoyed our offering. We hope that bringing our community together with this one event each year has also enriched your lives. We look forward to new OLOL community events in the future. On behalf of the Scouting and St Vincent de Paul youth groups we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.



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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



•	8:30 a.m+John Brzozowski – Elaine McNeil 7:00 p.m+Shirley & Paul Smith – Sheri & Paul Smith & Family
Wednesday	8:30 a.m+Gary Dunn – Mitzie Eckert
Thursday	7:00 p.m+Christopher Walraven – Wilhelmina Walraven
Friday	8:30 a.m+Maria Freitas – Miriam Jayasundera
Saturday	
Sunday	9:00 a.mLiving & deceased members of our parish 11:00 a.mSpecial intention

SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Offertory collection for Sunday, February 9, 2020: \$4,034.30

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



Last weekend, February 1 and 2 we ended our active part of the campaign. As we mentioned at the Masses we were pleased to announce that we had raised just short of \$550,000.00 for this campaign. The money raised will be used for upkeep of our parish church and also allow us to plan for future repairs that will be

required in the not too distant future. The other important part of this campaign was for the Diocese to use in their ministries with University students, prison work, migrant workers, hospital, and for parishes in need. We once again would like to thank all of you for your tremendous support for the campaign. May God's blessings be with all of you. 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

MARRIAGE TIP February is often referred to as the month of love, since we celebrate Valentine's Day on Feb. 14. Real love isn't a fairy tale though – it takes time and effort, good communication and spending time together. This Valentine's Day go big: write each other a love letter, write out a list of the 10 things you most love about your spouse, commit to a date night each month on the 14th to keep the love day alive, look through your wedding album together and remember that moment when you united your love into one. Perhaps most importantly, commit to praying together each day because God is always present to give us strength when we need it!

EXTEND- A-FAMILY WATERLOO REGION is currently seeking Family Home Providers (FH). FH providers are people in the community who are interested in sharing their lives and home with an adult with a disability. So who are we looking for and are you the right match? FH providers can be couples, single people, a group of room-mates; they may have children or pets. They may live in town or in the country, an apartment, or a house. Family Home Providers go through a screening process and receive ongoing support from an Extend-A-Family Waterloo Region Family Home Coordinator. They are provided with training, regular respite and a per diem payment. Mostly, they are interested in building a long-term relationship and including another member in their home and family life. If this sounds of interest to you or you have any more questions please direct all inquiries to Michelle Boismier at (519)741-0190 ext 249 or visit our

website https://www.eafwr.on.ca/programs/familyhome/. We look forward to meeting you!

UNPLANNED MOVIE: Hamilton Right to Life and the Diocese of Hamilton are partnering to bring you a complimentary showing of the eye-opening film, UNPLANNED. The film is based on a true story of the youngest Director of Planned Parenthood, Abby Johnson and her journey of transformation. This film viewing will be held at the Nicholas Mancini Centre, 44 Hunt Street, Hamilton, **Wednesday, February 19 at 7:00 p.m.** (Doors open at 6 pm). For further information, call the Hamilton Right to Life office at 905-528-3065 or the Hamilton Diocese Family Ministry office at 905-528-7988 ext 2250. The registration link can be found online at <u>www.hamiltonrighttolife.org</u>. While the movie showing is free, donations to Hamilton Right to Life are accepted and appreciated as we strive to educate people to recognize and affirm the sanctity of human life.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS JUNE 14, 2020 Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2020? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 14, 2020 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Please refer to the poster in the back of the church for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

FINDING STRENGTH AFTER SEPARATION OR DIVORCE Has a separation or divorce caused you to feel upset, or like you are on a roller coaster? Would you like to minimize the impact on yourself and feel stronger? LEARNING TO COPE (Level 1) is a ten-week support program offered in Hamilton starting **Tuesday, March 24 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** at the Diocesan Chancery Office, 700 King St. W, Hamilton. **A newly written level 2 program** will be offered for the first time on the same evening (past participants welcome!) and level 3 and 4 will run at the same time and location on Wednesday evenings. Contact the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988, ext. 2249 or find out more on line at: <u>www.hamiltondiocese.com</u> (look under Upcoming Events). Come on your own or bring a friend and find your strength again!

ACT 2 (SEPARATED & DIVORCED): Wine and Cheese Social Are you separated or divorced? Would you like to have a relaxed evening out? Join us Tuesday, February 18 at 7:30 p.m. at St Michael Parish (80 University Ave. West, Waterloo) in the Parish Centre. Life change is never easy, but after a separation or divorce, it's particularly isolating. Come together with others to realize there is a "second act". Join us for our opening Wine and Cheese social – you belong! Register on line on our website – http://www.stmichaelw.ca, Email - parish@stmichaelw.ca, or call 519-884-9311. See you there!

OVERLAND TOURS is organizing another pilgrimage to the Shrines of Quebec. Monday, August 3, 2020 to Friday, August 7, 2020. Think about joining us for 5 days of Masses, Stations of the Cross, recitation of the rosary and the Divine Mercies, tours of the shrines, and much more. Watch for our flyer advertising all the details. Please consider sharing a room with a friend. For more information, contact Rose Gunn 519-744-5923 or Angie Hunt 519-766-5262. Looking forward to seeing you in August.

PARISHIONER: LOOKING TO RENT OUT A BACHELOR APARTMENT IN WATERLOO. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP OUT PLEASE CALL (519) 496-3142.

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.