

SEPTEMBER 10/11 – COFFEE WEEKEND PLUS!

On the weekend of September 10/11, you are invited to our first regular coffee weekend of the year. Plan to come – there will be a lot going on!

- If you haven't already done so you will be able to sign up to have your photo taken for our parish anniversary photo directory - the final days for photography are Thursday, September 29 and Saturday, October 1. Or visit ipephoto.ca to book the appointment now. Just for participating you will receive a free 8x10 portrait and a free directory!
- For the ladies, you will be able to speak with members of the new Catholic Women's League executive to learn about the CWL's mission and membership advantages.
- Our Lady of Lourdes Church has been selected as one of the historical buildings for this year's Waterloo Region Open Doors. On Saturday, September 17, the church will be open to the public from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. There will be tours, organ music, display boards, refreshments. Come and see a preview.
- On the weekend of September 10/11 you will also have an opportunity to meet the volunteers who made this coffee weekend possible as well as receive information about all the various ministries in our parish (liturgical ministries, music ministry, children's ministries, parish outreach, hospitality group plus much more) for which additional volunteers are needed.

"Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless!" It cannot be emphasized enough how vital volunteers are to the life of a parish. Scripture makes it clear that all should be involved in serving: "... we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love." (Eph 4.15-16)

Over the next few weeks you are asked to prayerfully consider how you can share your time and talents with the parish. There really is something for everyone! Then on September 10/11 enjoy some refreshments on us and be open to the Spirit and the possibility of volunteering.

"Like good shepherds of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received." (1 Peter 4.10)

THE CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD: Are you interested in working with young children? This Montessori approach to forming young children in the faith offers a unique method of experiential and tactile learning. "The Atrium" is a beautiful, peaceful space filled with child-sized materials which aid the child's reflection on scripture, the sacraments and the rich symbols of our Catholic tradition. A concise overview of this approach to faith formation of children can be found on Youtube; search Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Introduction. A course to form adults in this method will be offered in Guelph over 5 weekends between late September to June: Level 1 for 3-6 year olds and Level 2 for 6-9 year old children. For more information contact Paula Rush at lourdescatechist@rogers.com

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS: Please note that the parish office will be closed the weeks of August 7 and 14 as Bette, our administrative assistant, will be on holidays. Phone messages and emails will be checked regularly.





Our Lady of Lourdes Church

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Rev. Edward (Ted) Hughes **PASTOR:**

Rev. Rafal Toman **ADMINISTRATOR:**

Rev. Mr. Phong Hoang **DEACON:**

Christopher Tracey SEMINARIAN:

PARISH YOUTH CATECHIST: Paula Rush

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Bette Honsinger

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.

Sunday 3:00 p.m. Vietnamese Martyrs Community

Rev. Hanh Van Tran, O.M.I.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: By appointment – please phone the parish office

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to noon

Wednesday, 7:45 to 8:15 a.m.

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

A Summer Prayer

Long warm days, the pace of life slows. A time for picnics and rest in the shade. Lord, help me to rest awhile in the cooling shade of your presence. Slow down my restless heart and fill me with gentle compassion for all your people.

Amen

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 31, 2016

Offertory collection for Sunday, July 24, 2016: \$3,792.00

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

Announced Mass intentions for the week of July 31 to August 6, 2016

Monday	8:30 a.mTerry Bruce - Birthright
Tuesday	7:00 p.m Beata Borisenko – Frank & Charmaine Volpini & Family
Wednesday	8:30 a.mMaria Bobta – Angela & Peter Granic
Thursday	7:00 p.m Special intention – Dorothy Rola
Friday	8:30 a.mSpecial intention of Fr. Ted – Jack & Joan Cassidy
Saturday	7:00 p.m Vera McNamara; Pat Neuert

Announced Mass intentions for the week of August 7 to 13, 2016

Monday	8:30 a.m	. Deceased of the Perko & Campa Families – Olga Perko
Tuesday	7:00 p.m	. Steven Ralph – Frank & Charmaine Volpini & Family
Wednesday	8:30 a.m	. Roland Austrup – Amelia Sennick
Thursday	7:00 p.m	. Claire LeBlanc – Barbara & Paul Foerster
Friday	8:30 a.m	. Edward Cerant – Bernie & Wanda Logel
Saturday	7:00 p.m	. Agnes & Sydney Horton; Emily Wenz

Announced Mass intentions for the week of August 14 to 20, 2016

Monday	8:30 a.m	Deceased of the Rola & Ryndak Families – Dorothy Rola
Tuesday	7:00 p.m	Joe & Cecilia Weiss – Strub Family
Wednesday	8:30 a.m	Pearl Belleth – Miriam Jayasundera
Thursday	7:00 p.m	. Joseph de'Rozario – Nevelle & Naomi de'Rozario
Friday	8:30 a.m	Jack Patterson – Marg & Joe Bayer
Saturday	7:00 p.m	Emily Ruane; Alec O'Doherty

Announced Mass intentions for the week of August 21 to August 27, 2016

Monday	8:30 a.m Wolfgang Ebi – Christa & Jerry Fischer
Tuesday	7:00 p.m Eleanor & Edmund Lackenbauer – Marilyn Melloul
Wednesday	8:30 a.mStephanie & Annette Reinhardt – Family
Thursday	7:00 p.m Barbara McEvoy – Jean, John, Becky, Michael & Heather Jarvis
Friday	8:30 a.mFlorencio Duevas & Carmen Frey – Carmen Cuevas-Frey & Family
Saturday	7:00 p.m Dale Melchin; Agnes Ellert

Announced Mass intentions for the week of August 28 to September 3, 2016

Monday	8:30 a.m	. Philip Martin – Nevelle & Naomi de'Rozario
Tuesday	7:00 p.m	John Bayer Sr. – Mike Bayer
Wednesday	8:30 a.m	Nancy Paul Fisher & Adam Paul – Brian Fisher & Megan Barabas
Thursday	7:00 p.m	Arnold & Armenia Plazzota
		 Lourdes Paleczny & Carmen Hammoud
Friday	8:30 a.m	David Rodrigues – Fernandes & Rodrigues Families
Saturday	7:00 p.m	Helen Stumpf; Patricia Neuert

<u>SUNDAY BULLETIN</u>: Please keep this bulletin for future reference. Our next Sunday bulletin will not be published until the weekend of September 3/4.

We mourn those who have gone before us in death and continue with us in the Communion of Saints.

Claire LeBlanc..... July 8, 2016

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

Sawyer Gray Beckman Lucila Kaur Ana Cartagena-Jolly

Dea Maria Gonçalves Jacob William Orzo

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH: The marriage of Chad Lorentz and Kayla McKinnon will be celebrated on Saturday, August 6, 2016 at 3:00 p.m.

"GOOD NEWS" FROM OUR EWP – ECUMENICAL WELCOMING PARTNERSHIP! Our refugee family is arriving this coming Wednesday, August 3! By September, our family of seven from the Congo will be living next door to us, settling into their new home just a few blocks from us, no longer refugees, but our friends and neighbours. However, now, more than ever, they will need our financial, emotional, and spiritual support. While we are deeply grateful to all who are contributing their time and donations, we still have a long way to go to meet our commitment to the family. Very soon, the EWP key contacts at our parish will be setting a financial goal to work towards. This will be announced shortly. Just as we have been generous in the past toward those in need, we encourage everyone to consider donating whatever funds they can and/or joining our volunteers. Simply place your gift in an envelope clearly marked "refugee support". A charitable donation receipt will be issued from Our Lady of Lourdes. For further information, contact your EWP representatives: Marta Fukasawa at 519-954-0339 or mbfukasawa@gmail.com, or Maria Nelly Carvajal Grajales at 519-954-3051 or mncarvajal676@hotmail.com.

THE "FOUNDATIONS FOR MINISTRY" PROGRAM is a course designed to offer lay Catholics the opportunity to learn more about the foundations of our Catholic faith: Church history, scripture, morality, sacraments and prayer. This foundation is useful to parishioners who serve in a variety of ministries. The course will be offered in Hamilton starting September 8. Contact Monica at the Discipleship & Parish Life Office at 905-528-7988 x2238 or check out our website at www.hamiltondiocese.com for more information and for registration forms.

VOCATION SEEDS: "Be on your guard against all kinds of greed." Grow rich in the sight of the Lord. Pray to know God's will, especially if you think he is calling you to a Church vocation. If you feel God's call to the priesthood or consecrated life, visit www.HamiltonVocations.com.



CHRIS TRACEY'S pastoral internship year with us is quickly drawing to a close. We appreciate the many contributions that Chris has made to our parish and we hope he has some fond memories to take with him. He will be taking some well-deserved holidays before returning to St. Peter's Seminary in London to continue his studies. He will be here on the weekend of August 27/28 at which time a special coffee weekend will be held so that everyone will have an opportunity to say goodbye and to wish him well. Hope to see you all there!