St. Mary of the Visitation Parish



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Rev. Ed Henhoeffer, Pastor

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St Mary of the Visitation Parish exists to be a light on the hill and offer every person in our community a life-changing encounter with Jesus



SCHEDULE OF LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Children's Ministry: Programs are suspended until further notice.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Wednesday 8:00 a.m. Thursday 8:00 a.m. Friday 8:00 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

(Located in the lower level of the church) Monday to Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady of Fatima School 519-658-4041 St. Elizabeth School 519-651-0400 St Gabriel School 519-658-2008 St. Benedict Secondary School 519-621-4050

PARISH ADORATION CHAPEL

Our Chapel is closed until further notice.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish Office to begin the process of preparing your child and family for this Sacrament.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact the parish office before setting a date of marriage in order to begin preparations.

PASTORAL CARE TO SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Current restrictions do not allow our Ministers of Communion to enter nursing homes or hospitals at this time.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY

Please call 519-658-6511 for assistance.



This weekend we welcome **Father Don Sanvido** to offer our Sunday Masses. Father Don is a recently retired priest of our diocese who is

residing in Guelph. Welcome Father Don!

VACATION REMINDER: Father Ed will be away until September 3. <u>Weekday</u> Masses from August 30 -September 3 have been cancelled. The parish office remains open.



August 30 – September 3 No weekday Mass

Saturday, September 4 at 5 p.m.

+ David Earl Schoenhals + Frank Cameron

ADORATION CHAPEL: We are planning to re-open the Adoration Chapel in the fall. If you are interested in committing to some time in prayer, please call Sheila at 519-658-9414.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR THOSE ATTENDING MASS:

- We will once again be saying the "Body of Christ" to each individual communicant
- Those who wish to receive communion on the tongue may do so, but they are requested to wait until the end of the communion line and are to go only to the priest to receive communion.
- The sanitation of the pews, etc. will not be required after each celebration.
- The hymn books are returned to the pews and can be used for congregational singing.
- Still no choirs or holy water permitted.
- Masks are still required as well as social distancing while present at Mass.

Thank you for your continued cooperation!

HOLY WATER: Holy water is available for those who would like it for home use. Please bring your own bottle and ask either Father Ed or Anton to get the water for you.

FLOWERS FOR CHURCH: A special *thank you* to the parishioners that have brought flowers to place next to the tabernacle. If anyone would like to donate flowers from their gardens please give the office a call and we can provide vases.



VOLUNTEERING: As September arrives and we will be getting into a more regular routine, we will be looking to recruit new volunteers. Are you interested in being an Usher, Lector,

Minister of Communion or Altar Server? Please call the office or email us. Training will be provided.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Adoration has been cancelled for Tuesday, August 31. Adoration will resume on Tuesday, September 7th. For more information please call Sheila Mauser @ 519-658-9414.

CHURCH BELLS: We are looking to form a team of volunteers to ring the church bells before each Mass on Saturday and Sunday. If you are interested, please contact the parish office. More details will be provided.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We warmly welcome into our family of faith through Baptism:

Cadence L., Mila W., Sebastian J.,

and Alexander M.

May the Lord bless them as they begin their journey of faith as disciples of Jesus.

Please contact Rosanne in the parish office for baptism inquiries. We are currently celebrating Baptisms on the second and fourth Sunday of each month, and following the current restrictions and health and safety protocols.

PARISH OFFERINGS

August 21-22

Sunday Envelopes (62): \$2,065.00 Loose Offerings: \$146.00

Your continued financial support is greatly appreciated.

If you are looking for ways to support the parish, please visit

https://www.stmaryhespeler.ca/donate

2021 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: Due to our parish closures, a number of parishioners did not have the opportunity to pick up their 2021 Offertory envelopes. Offertory boxes are still available for pickup in the parish narthex (old location of Welcome Desk). Please contact the office if you would like to pick up your envelopes from the office during the week.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Interested in Becoming Catholic? Any adults who have not been baptized and are considering becoming Catholic, or any adults who have already been baptized in other Christian churches and wish to become full members of the Catholic Church, please contact the parish office. A program of formation begins in the Fall.

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR August 30 - September 4

Monday Rev. Terence Sehl Tuesday Rev. Ken Miskiewicz

Wednesday Diaconate Formation Candidates

Thursday Rev. Michael Anderson Friday Rev. Edward J. Mahony Saturday Very Rev. David Walter

VOCATIONS: Our second Scripture reading reminds us that "Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father." God's gifts should prompt a response of gratitude, which should be the basis of our daily lives. If you feel God is offering you the gift of priesthood, religious life or deaconate, and you wish to respond generously, trusting in God, call the Vocations Office, Diocese of Hamilton, 905-528-7988 x 2246 or vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

ARE YOU REGISTERED IN THE PARISH? Even though you attend Mass at our parish, you may not be registered if you have not submitted a registration form in the past. Please register your family in preparation for Baptisms, First Communion, Confirmation, etc. Register online at https://www.stmaryhespeler.ca/new-parishioners You can also use this online form to update your address, email or phone number. Thanks!

SUMMER BOOK SALE! This is the last weekend to pick up a book or two from a selection of religious titles. Tables are located in the parish halls this weekend. Donations are gratefully accepted. *Please maintain physical distancing while browsing.*



FREE FRISBEES! Pick up a St. Mary of the Visitation frisbee on your way out this weekend! Share with your friends and neighbours!

FALL KNITTING: Are you looking for a fall project? Vests and toques help to prevent pneumonia in Third World babies and toddlers. Items are donated through Canadian Food for Children. We have an abundant supply of yarn and wool. Please call the office to arrange for a pick up or drop off of yarn.



BACK TO SCHOOL 2021: RESOURCE AND LITURGY FOR FAMILIES

As children prepare to return to in-person or virtual learning environments, we encourage families to take the opportunity to pray with their children and

their educators in a meaningful way. Before the hectic structure of bells and homework begins, schedule a time together as a family to celebrate a brief Liturgy of the Word and to hear how you can be praying for your children. Visit https://hamiltondiocese.com/backtoschool2021/ for resources.

PRAYER VIGIL - Thursday, September 2, 2021, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in front of Freeport Hospital, 3570 King St. E., Kitchener, for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! Parking - across the road, Schneider Park. Any queries, please contact Cathy at: kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com

EVENINGS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY BISHOP WAYNE LOBSINGER: Interested in learning more about our Catholic Faith? Join Bishop Lobsinger for "Evenings with His Excellency" on the second Friday of each month at 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in Canadian Martyrs Church, (1349 Main Street West, Hamilton). Each month we will methodically go through the "Catechism of the Catholic Church". There is no registration, no fee and no homework. Come ready to learn and ask all the questions you always wanted to ask about our Catholic Faith. The first "Evening with His Excellency" is Friday, **September 10, 2021**. If you are unable to attend in person, you are welcome to go to www.canadianmartyrshamilton.com to watch live. (All COVID-19 protocols will be required, including masks while in the church and proper social distancing.)

FALL FUNDRAISER: Dawn Centre is excited to invite YOU to our IN-PERSON event! We've missed being together, and hope that you will join us as we celebrate God's abundant provision of grace and hope for the Dawn Centre and the city of Cambridge. When: Thurs., Sept. 30, 2021, 6 p.m. Where: Grand Valley Golf and Country Club 1910 Roseville Rd, Cambridge. There will be special speakers, dinner, silent auction, and prize opportunities. Call the centre (519-620-0204) or go to our event page https://www.dawncentre.ca/fallevent for more information and to reserve your ticket.



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