

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish



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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.

WELCOME BACK! Masses resumed on Wednesday, February 17, at a **30% seating capacity**. We have continued with our regular Mass schedule. (Saturday: 5:00 pm, Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:00 am Tuesday: 7:00 pm, Wednesday - Friday: 8:00 am)



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, February 23 at 7 p.m.
+ Frank Kraemer

Wednesday, February 24 at 8 a.m.
+ Yvonne Jarvis
+ Jim Haney Jr.

Thursday, February 25 at 8 a.m.
Intentions of Agnes Doyle

Friday, February 26 at 8 a.m.
+ Fr. Francis Kocik

Saturday, February 27 at 5 p.m.
+ Joseph Nguyen Thanh Son



IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR THOSE ATTENDING MASS:

Face masks are mandatory inside the church. We ask that you arrive at church with your own face mask.

- Please make use of the hand sanitizers provided at the entrance.
- Washrooms should only be used for emergency purposes.
- Parishioners are reminded that singing during Mass is not currently permitted.
- Following the dismissal, parishioners are to leave the church, row by row, following the directions of the ushers.
- Please maintain physical distancing and refrain from socializing in the church.

Thank you for your continued cooperation!

FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND MASS:

Sunday missals and missalettes are available for parishioners to pick up in the entrance to the parish office.

Televised Mass is available on Salt and Light Television and Vision TV. **Online Mass** is also available on a number of Catholic sites such as saltandlighttv.org/mass and www.dailytvmass.com.

A reminder that all Catholics in the Hamilton Diocese are dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass until further notice.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will resume on Tuesday, February 23rd in the church from 9 a.m. until 6:30p.m. As we begin our Lenten Journey let us consider spending some time with Jesus in silent adoration.

"We know that God and our Redeemer is really present in the Most Blessed Sacrament, and that He speaks to our hearts, and awakens good thoughts and good resolutions within us... We should consider these moments spent before the Blessed Sacrament as the happiest of our lives." St. Jean-Marie Vianney
For information call: Sheila Mauser 519 658 9414.

CONFESSION: Saturdays from 4:00pm to 4:45pm in the church or by appointment. Location: The children's liturgy room (across from the sacristy). If the door is closed, please wait.

FIRST RECONCILIATION: An email update has been sent to all registered families. Due to the extended period of shutdown in the province, we have modified the schedule for First Reconciliation as follows:

- *Our Lady of Fatima:* **Saturday, February 27 at 10 a.m.** (new date)
- *St. Gabriel:* **Saturday, February 27 at 11 a.m.**
- *St. Elizabeth:* **Saturday, March 6 at 10 a.m.**
- St. Isidore students are asked to join their home school. Students of public schools may select a date and notify the office with their choice.

In order to maintain social distancing requirements, we ask that students attend their scheduled date with one parent/guardian only. Thank you for your cooperation.

REMINDER TO CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES:

Please have your sponsor fill out the online form: <https://www.stmaryhespeler.ca/sponsor-form>

2020 TAX RECEIPTS: Annual Tax Receipts for the 2020 year have been mailed. Please contact the parish office if you have not received your tax receipt from the parish.

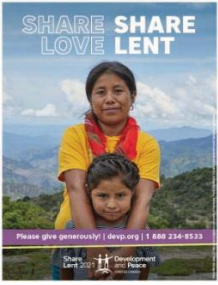
One Heart, One Soul Campaign: Tax receipts for donations made to this campaign will be issued and mailed by the Hamilton Diocese.

PARISH OFFERINGS

To be reported next week.

Thank you for your generous support during the parish closure.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING: All are invited to consider Pre-Authorized Giving as a method to support our parish. Forms are available on our website: www.stmaryhespeler.ca/donate



**SHARE LOVE, SHARE LENT:
(RE)DISCOVER DEVELOPMENT
AND PEACE**

The Share Love, Share Lent campaign is inspired Pope Francis’s encyclical, Fratelli Tutti and its call “for a love that transcends... geography and distance” and “allows us to

acknowledge, appreciate and love each person.” Each week, the campaign explores a different aspect of Development and Peace’s work and offers you ways to become involved. This week, meet one of our partners from the Global South! Discover more activities and join Catholics across Canada on a journey of love and solidarity throughout the Lenten period. **Follow our solidarity calendar at www.devp.org/lent**



THANK YOU MESSAGE: The following message was received from Family and Children’s Services of the Waterloo Region in response to our Christmas gift card drive held in December 2020:

*Dear Father Love & Parishioners,
From the bottom of our hearts, thank you. In a year filled with change, uncertainty, and challenges, your continued support has meant so much. You made it possible for us to increase direct support to children, youth, and families in Waterloo Region by a remarkable 35%. You were there when your community needed you & we are so grateful for your kindness. On Valentine’s Day we want you to know that you are at the heart of what we do and we are honoured to be a charity you care about.*

CHARITY DRAW: The Knights of Columbus 50-50 Early Bird Winner of \$2500 on Feb. 14 was John Rock, a member of Council 4916. Tickets can be purchased at www.ontariokofofc.ca. At the pull down menu select “Council 4916” so that our Council gets credit for the sale. The main draw is on April 1/21.



MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT - Looking for a wonderful opportunity to spend time together as a couple, in the safety of your own home?

Join the Virtual/Online Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience from **March 5-7**. The Marriage Encounter experience is a skill-building enrichment program where together, you, as husband and wife, learn how to be the best couple you can be. No group discussion. Based on Catholic values but open to couples of all faiths. Rediscover the love in your relationship! Contact: Marge & Gerard McCauley at gerard.marge@rogers.com or (905) 792-1925 or visit the website at: www.me.org

MARRIAGE SUPPORT: Is your marriage experiencing more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected? The solution is **Retrouvaille**, a program for married couples facing challenges in their relationship. Its purpose is to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. It is a practical program where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. **The next weekend begins March 12, 2021.** For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com

THE DIOCESAN OFFICE FOR FAMILY MINISTRY

is offering sessions on “Diving Deeper into Fratelli Tutti” (Pope Francis’ most recent Encyclical). The sessions are offered twice on the Mondays of March 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th at 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. AND 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. The sessions will look into the writings of the Pope and his statements conveying how we are created to be relational, to be in communion with God and one another. For more information visit

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/fratelli-tutti>

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

February 22 – February 27

Monday	Rev. Marian Gil, O.M.I.
Tuesday	Rev. Brendan McGrath
Wednesday	Society of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Thursday	Rev. Jason Kuntz
Friday	Rev. Romelito Guillen
Saturday	Rev. Grayson Hope

REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL: The Bishop Farrell Library & Archives is partnering with Development and Peace for another year of the Reel Justice Film Festival! The Reel Justice Film Festival shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and economic injustice. The first virtual screening, **February 25th** from 7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M., features The True Cost, a documentary about the human and environmental costs of the clothing industry. Details and the full schedule can be found online at

<https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/>

DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH: Catholic Women’s Conference on **Saturday March 6, 2021.** Make it your online live virtual 2021 Lenten retreat! Keynote Speakers: Dr. Carrie Gress & Dr. Josephine Lombardi. Hosted by Dorothy Pilarski. Registration fee is \$40. To get more information or to register visit www.dynamicwomenfaith.com

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