

# 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.

A Children's Ministry for those aged 2 until Grade 4 is offered at the 9:00am and 11:00am Mass.

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 7:00 p.m., Wednesday to Friday: 8:00 a.m.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.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 always available for a time of quiet, personal prayer. Please enter by the west side of the church, off the lower parking lot.

## PARISH BOOK OF PRAYER

Our Parish Book of Prayer is located in our Adoration Chapel (lower level of the Church). You are welcome to write your intentions on its pages. These are remembered at Mass.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish Office to make an appointment 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

Ministers of Communion to the Sick bring communion to those who are sick or confined at home, in nursing homes or hospital each Sunday. To ensure a visit when hospitalized, please make sure to indicate at registration that you are a Roman Catholic and a member of St Mary Parish.

## IF GLUTEN FREE HOSTS ARE REQUIRED

About 10 minutes before Mass begins, please visit the Sacristy and ask Sacristan to reserve a gluten-free host for you.

## DON'T GET LOST IN THE CROWD - SMALL GROUPS

We are blessed with a variety of small groups - couples groups, men's groups, ladies groups, mother's groups, faith sharing groups - check our display in the Parish Centre - join us.

## PARISH BEQUESTS

Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember St. Mary of the Visitation Parish in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY

519-658-6511

**WELCOME TO ST. MARY PARISH**

A special welcome to all new members and visitors! We are really glad you're here! Please introduce yourself to our Pastor, Fr. Robert Love, or stop by our

Welcome Desk for details on our parish life and ways of connecting.

*Mass Intentions***Tuesday, February 25 at 7 p.m.**

Intentions of Agnes Doyle

**Wednesday, February 26****Ash Wednesday**

**8 a.m.** Deceased Members of our Parish

**7 p.m.** Intentions of our Parishioners

**Thursday, February 27 at 8 a.m.**

+ Ruth Pinnock

**Friday, February 28 at 8 a.m.**

Intentions of Martha & Eduardo Badaro

**Saturday, February 29 at 5 p.m.**

+ Artemio Parada

**DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR**

Monday	Rev. James Curtin
Tuesday	Rev. Marijan Mihokovic
Wednesday	<i>Ash Wednesday</i>
Thursday	Rev. Msgr. Victor McNamara
Friday	Rev. Michael Bennett
Saturday	Rev. Mike Myroniuk

**CHAPEL OF ADORATION**

Our Adoration Chapel is open for all to make a quiet visit any time. To find out more about Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration please call: Sheila Mauser (519) 658-9414

**PARISH OFFERINGS****February 15/16, 2020**

Sunday Offerings (Envelopes & Loose):	\$3,025.00
Building Fund:	\$ 143.00
Seminary Education:	\$ 30.00

**Pre-Authorized Giving for Month of February**

Monthly Offerings (74):	\$4,360.00
Building Fund (51):	\$1,185.00

*Thank you for your continued support.*

**THE SEASON OF LENT**

**Ash Wednesday** is February 26<sup>th</sup>. There will be Mass at 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. *Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence.*

**Stations of the Cross** will begin on Friday, February 28 at 7 p.m. led by Fr. Love.

**A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR NEW PASTORAL MINISTER**

This weekend we officially welcome Catherine Quinto, our new Pastoral Minister. Catherine will be leading the Children's Ministry Program as well as the preparations for First Communion and First Reconciliation.

A little bit about Catherine: *"I grew up in Cambridge and am currently living in Preston. I was an active member of my Catholic youth group from the age of 12 years old until 22 years old. In 2019, I finished my degree in Music Education, Voice emphasis from the Conservatory of Music of the University of Santo Tomas in the Philippines. I am now a music teacher and have always been active in sacramental life and enthusiastic in continuously learning about my faith. Last December 2019 I got engaged and I am now looking towards my wedding in July 2020."*

**PARENT AND CHILD GATHERING:** A reminder that there will be a gathering for all children and parents that are preparing for First Reconciliation. **Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.** Attendance is mandatory.

**PARISH POTLUCK DINNER THIS WEEKEND!**

Join your fellow parishioners for a *Taste of St. Mary's* - a parish potluck to bring together the diversity of our parish families through cuisine. **Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5 p.m.** Hosted by the CWL. We look forward to seeing you at the first social event of 2020!

**SAVE THE DATE:** The Annual Ladies Morning will be held at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish on **Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>**. Hosted by the Catholic Women's League. Details to follow next month.



**UPCOMING MEETING:** The St. Vincent de Paul Society will be meeting on **Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>** at 7:30 p.m. in the Hearth Room. New members welcome.

**Liturgical Ministries Schedule****February 29/March 1 – TEAM B**

*Please note: A limited number of printed schedules will be made available for volunteers not using the new online scheduling program.*



**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:**  
The World Day of Prayer will be held in our Church on **Friday March 6<sup>th</sup>** at 1:30 p.m. The Prayer Service will be in honour of the people in

Zimbabwe, Africa. Everyone is welcome to come and offer prayers and support for this country. An invitation has been sent to our neighbouring churches to join us and to participate in this World Day of Prayer. A social will be held in our parish centre immediately following the prayer service. Come and pray with us and offer your support for Zimbabwe.

**PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY 2020 UPDATE:**  
LAST CALL for photos that may be used in our directory (we have limited space so we will select a variety of submitted pictures). Please submit photos to the parish office. Digital photos should be a minimum of 1MB. Printed photos should be from 2" x 3" up to 8" x 10" and clear/high quality. Thanks!

### AROUND THE DIOCESE



**DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH**  
Catholic Women's Conference:  
**Saturday March 28, 2020.** Keynote Speakers: *Colleen Carroll Campbell & Kimberly Hahn.* Registration: 8:30am, Conference: 9:00 am Mass: 4:00 pm

LOCATION: Le Tréport Banquet Hall, 1075 Queensway E., Mississauga.  
For more information call 416-907-1042 or visit [www.dynamicwomenfaith.com](http://www.dynamicwomenfaith.com)

**LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY:** Those who wish to attend the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally at the Metro Toronto Convention Center on **Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020** and do not wish to drive, a bus will be leaving from Kitchener and Cambridge. The bus cost will be \$18.00 per person plus the ticket for the event. Please contact Tina @ 519-222-6283 for more information and bus tickets.

**DIOCESAN CHOIR:** The Diocesan Choir provides music for the Chrism Mass and Ordinations of Priests and Deacons. We invite interested music ministers to register and ask new members to audition during the first rehearsal. Rehearsals begin March 2nd and are held every Monday from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. For further information, and to register, contact the Liturgy Office at 905-528-7988 or check online at: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/liturgy/diocesan-choir.php>. Registration will close as sections are filled.

**VOCATIONS:** "Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect." Do you feel called to help people get closer to God? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, or email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

**SERRA CLUB ANNUAL DINNER:** Celebrate the anniversaries of Priests, Consecrated/Religious Brothers and Sisters who have served 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 + years in the Diocese of Hamilton with members of the Serra Club on **Tuesday, April 28, 2020** at Liuna Station, Hamilton. Those called to ordination or to profess final vows will also be present. For more information: contact Margaret Carreiro at [celebrationprl@gmail.com](mailto:celebrationprl@gmail.com) or via <https://celebrationprl.wixsite.com/dinner>



### DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

**MASS:** Are you celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, 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 take a registration form from the poster located at the parking lot entrance or go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com)

**Father Ron Rolheiser Retreat:** March 6-8, 2020  
Theme: Spirituality and the Seasons of Our Lives  
Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, 1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga. To register or for more information call 905-278-5229.

**Stress in Your Marriage? Rediscover Joy in Your Relationship!** *Retrouvaille* is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated or angry in their marriage. This program has helped countless couples experiencing marital difficulty. For confidential information about, or to register for the program being offered on the weekend of March 13, 2020, call 905-664-5212 or [Teamrecine@gmail.com](mailto:Teamrecine@gmail.com) or visit their website at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org)

**SHRINES OF QUEBEC PILGRIMAGE:** Overland Tours is organizing a pilgrimage to the Shrines of Quebec Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> to Friday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 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. For more information, contact Rose Gunn at 519-744-5923 or Angie Hunt at 519-766-5262.

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