# St. Mary of the Visitation Parish

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Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

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Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Requested by
Tuesday, January 3	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of Bishop Crosby Intentions of Patricia O'Neill Intentions of Melinda Millar	Parishioners Ellen Doye The Henderson Family
Wednesday, January 4	8:00 a.m.	+ Michael Pauze	Kay Woznuk & Family
Thursday, January 5	8:00 a.m.	+ Stanislav Kubala	The Slamka Family
Friday, January 6	8:00 a.m.	+ Dennis Doye	Ellen Doye
Saturday, January 7	5:00 p.m.	<ul><li>+ Ron Milne</li><li>+ Rose Coghlan</li><li>+ Frank Ryan</li><li>+ Siva Anton Pararajasingham</li></ul>	The Milne Family Rose Coghlan Beryl Stortz Ranee Pararajasingham



### WELCOME TO ST. MARY OF THE VISITATION PARISH

A special welcome to all new members and visitors! We encourage all new members to register with the parish. Please

pick up a registration form at the church entrance or complete an online form:

www.stmaryhespeler.ca/new-parishioners

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** The Children's Liturgy program will resume on January 8, 2023.

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD: The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord marks the last day of the Christmas Season and is celebrated on the Sunday after January 6. In countries where the Solemnity of the Epiphany is transferred to the Sunday after New Year's, depending on the year, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord can lose its place in the calendar and is transferred to the following Monday. This year The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord will be celebrated on Monday, January 9. In honour of the Feast, Father Ed will celebrate Mass that morning at 8:00 a.m. Join us for the last day of the Christmas season.



# **COFFEE SUNDAY Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>** following the 9:00a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses. Plan to stay after Mass to wish your fellow parishioners a happy new year!

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>: *Closed* 

Tuesday, Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>: Open 9am – 4:30pm Wednesday, Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>: Open 9am – 12pm

Thursday, Jan. 5th: Closed

Friday, Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>: Open 9am – 4:30pm



#### **HAPPY NEW YEAR**

New Year's Day marks the 8<sup>th</sup> Day of Christmas and is a special Solemnity in honour of Mary the Mother of God. We pray for Mary's intercession for our families and our parish as we

begin the New Year 2023. Happy New Year to all! Father Ed

O COME LET US ADORE HIM: Jesus, who was born in a stable in Bethlehem, is waiting for you in our Chapel of Adoration. Each moment that you spend in His Eucharistic Presence will increase His divine life within you and deepen your relationship with Him. Please visit our Chapel of Eucharistic Adoration located off the lower parking lot. For more information please call: Sheila or Frank (519) 658-9414



#### **WORLD DAY OF PEACE: JANUARY 1**

The World Day of Peace was established by Pope Paul VI in 1968 who asked that "every year, this commemoration be repeated as a hope and as a promise, at the beginning of

the calendar which measures and outlines the path of human life in time, that Peace with its just and beneficent equilibrium may dominate the development of events to come." Each year has a specific theme, chosen by the Holy Father. "No one can be saved alone. Combatting Covid-19 together, embarking together on paths of peace" is the theme for 2023. For Pope Francis' full message on the 56<sup>th</sup> World Day of Peace visit:

https://www.stmaryhespeler.ca/news-2

**WEEKLY BULLETIN**: If you would like to receive the parish bulletin via email each week, please visit our parish website and scroll down the home page to 'subscribe to bulletin'! **RETIREMENT RECEPTION**: After many years of supporting the music ministry, our leader of music for the 5pm Mass, *Paul Curtin*, will soon be retiring at the end of the Christmas season. His last Mass will be at the Feast of the Epiphany on **January 7**. After the 5pm Mass we will have a reception in the parish centre to say thank you. Please join us.

2023 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: Offertory envelopes for the coming year are available in the parish hallway in alphabetical order. If you do not presently use envelopes and would like a set, or if you would like to switch to pre-authorized giving, please contact Rosanne in the parish office: 519-658-4443, <a href="mailto:stmarycambridge@hamiltondiocese.com">stmarycambridge@hamiltondiocese.com</a>

### **PARISH OFFERINGS**

#### December 18-19

Sunday Envelopes (118): \$3,597.00 Loose Offerings: \$320.40 Christmas Offerings (10) \$435.00

#### December 24-25

To be reported in the next bulletin.

### Your continued financial support is greatly appreciated.

If you are looking for ways to support the parish, please visit www.stmaryhespeler.ca/donate

**PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING**: Have you considered donating to the parish through our pre-authorized giving program? Pre-authorized giving replaces weekly cash or cheque offerings with monthly transfers from your bank account directly to the parish. Not only is this method of giving helpful to the parish, it is also more convenient for you – and, most importantly, it encourages us to give in a way that is intentional, faithful, and sacrificial. You are encouraged to prayerfully reflect on whether this method of giving is right for you. You can find the brochure and authorization form on our website: <a href="https://www.stmaryhespeler.ca/donate">https://www.stmaryhespeler.ca/donate</a>. Please contact the parish office for more information.

**TAX RECEIPTS**: Annual Tax Receipts for the 2022 year will be available for pick-up in early February. Envelopes that are not picked up will be mailed by February 13, 2023. If you moved in 2022, please provide your new mailing address to the office.

**THE WORD AMONG US:** Please note that our subscription for these booklets will end as of January 2023. Information on how to have the *Word Among Us* delivered to your home can be found in the booklet or online: <a href="https://wau.org/">https://wau.org/</a>.



**MONTHLY COLLECTION:** Members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be collecting donations after all Masses this weekend.

Please note that donations made this weekend will be receipted for 2023.

**VOCATIONS:** Mary treasured all that God had done for her and pondered these things in her heart. Do you treasure God and ponder what He wants from you? You may have a vocation to a life in the Church serving Christ. If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, email <a href="mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com">vocations@hamiltondiocese.com</a> or visit hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

### DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR January 2 – 7

Monday Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, O.M.I.
Tuesday Rev. Piotr Machnacki, S.A.C.
Wednesday Diocesan Priests
Thursday Rev. Ranjan D'Sa, O.C.D.
Friday Rev. Joseph Ahilan, C.R.S.P.
Saturday Rev. Louis Lenssen, C.R.S.P.

**MASTERING YOUR MONEY**: A Financial Wellness Presentation for the Diocese of Hamilton - Financial worries are the top source of stress for all Canadians, ranking above work concerns, health worries and even relationship struggles. The need for financial literacy has never been more pressing. Join us for this special zoom session on Tuesday, **January 24, 2023** from 7:00-8:30 p.m., presented by Mr. Fred Masters, President & Founder of Masters Money Management Inc., and the author of the critically-acclaimed new book 'Lessons on Mastering Money'. He has delivered dozens of financial literacy presentations and is a sought-after media commentator on financial literacy. This is a free virtual event, but you must register at hamiltondiocese.com under Upcoming events, or call 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, to receive the link.



**THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS IS BACK!** Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2023?

If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, April 16, 2023** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest). Registration will be available in early January at <a href="https://www.hamiltondiocese.com">www.hamiltondiocese.com</a>

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