

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 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

A Children's Ministry for those aged 2 until Grade 4 is offered at the 9:30am and 11:30am Mass.

WEEKDAY MASSES

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 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

Welcome, we are really glad you're here! Whether exploring, struggling or looking for a new Church Home - we extend a warm welcome to our parish and pray that you feel at

home. Please introduce yourself and consider becoming a member of our Family of Faith. For details on our parish life, offering envelopes, pre-authorized or on-line giving, as well as to find out about ways of connecting, check out our website: www.stmaryhespeler.ca or see anyone at our Welcome Desk.

PARISH MASSES THIS WEEK: Father Chris will be away beginning June 10 and returning June 21. Therefore, there will be **no weekday Masses from June 10 – June 21.** A priest remains on call for emergencies and the parish office is open for regular hours. Fr. Michael Isabelle and Fr. Tim Higgins will be here for Confessions and Masses on June 15 and 16.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 15 at 5 p.m.

+ Gilbert Dokis

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	Rev. Francis Trzupsek
Tuesday	Rev. Mike Myroniuk
Wednesday	Sisters of Social Services (S.S.S.)
Thursday	Rev. Robert Dunn
Friday	Rev. Msgr. Paul Boucher
Saturday	Rev. Msgr. Victor McNamara

BANNS OF ORDINATION: *Mr. Robin Mendonca* is scheduled to be ordained to the Transitional Diaconate at 7:00 p.m. on **Thursday, June 20, 2019** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton, Ontario. If anyone knows of a serious cause why this ordination should not take place, please notify your parish priest. Let us all pray that Mr. Robin Mendonca will be a good and faithful servant to the Lord and His Church.

Everyone is welcome to attend the Ordination Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, 714 King St. West, Hamilton, on Thursday, June 20th, at 7:00 p.m.

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

June 15/16 – Team C



CWL BAKE SALE AND RAFFLE: The CWL will be hosting a Bake Sale and Raffle on Father's Day weekend - **June 15 & 16** after all Masses. Donations of baked goods and new items for raffle prizes are needed. New raffle items can be dropped off at the

church or office before June 12. Nut-free, labelled baked goods can be dropped off in the Parish Centre on June 15 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. *Thank you!*

NEXT CATHOLIC CAFÉ: Save the date for our next gathering after Masses on **June 22 & 23.** Join us for a special farewell celebration for Fr. Chris who is leaving for St. Joseph Parish in Port Elgin on June 26. Farewell celebrations will take place following the 5 p.m. and 11:30 a.m. Masses.

KRISPY KREME FUNDRAISER: Our high schoolers will be selling Krispy Kreme donuts on **July 6/7,** following all Masses. Donuts will be available individually and, in a box, to take home. All proceeds go toward their cost to attend the Steubenville Conference in July. Please stop by and support our youth!

KIDS KLUB YEAR-END TRIP: *It's trip time!* Join the fun at "The Factory" in London, Ontario on **Friday, June 21.** Bus departure at 5:30 p.m. and 10:15 p.m. return. (St. Mary's Parish Centre Parking lot) Please return your permission forms and money by June 14. Remember to bring water bottles and snacks for the bus ride, or spending money for a snack at The Factory.

SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE

Beginning June 29/30, 2019, we will be moving to the following summer schedule:
 Saturday - 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday - 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

SUMMER MINISTRY SCHEDULE: Thank you to all who have provided the office with their summer availability. We are currently working on the summer schedule for all Ministries. If you will be away in July and August, please email the Parish Office to inform us no later than June 14th. Thanks!

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Our parish is blessed with several Ministers of the Eucharist who regularly take communion to our sick and homebound members. We are in need of new members to visit parishioners in their home or at St. Luke's Place. If this is something you feel called to do, please contact the parish office to meet with Father Chris.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY – HELP NEEDED

Our Children's Ministry continues to be a source of blessing for our community. We are in need of a few extra teachers to aide in our program. You do not need to be a certified teacher to help out. You just need to have a love for children and the desire to bring them closer to Christ. Please see Sr. Marie Therese if you are able to invest once a month in making a positive impact in the life of a child.



Council 4916 Knights of Columbus final meeting of this Fraternal year will be **Thursday, June 13** at 7:30 p.m. at St. Clement Church.

C.W.L. SOCIAL: Join us for our year-end social on **Tuesday, June 18th** beginning at 6:00p.m.- Potluck Supper at Ruth Fach's house. All ladies of the parish are welcome - Bring a friend!

NEW WEBSITE: A new parish website is coming soon! Stay tuned for more information!

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Marian Residence, A retirement home in Cambridge, is looking for volunteers. Please contact the Volunteer Coordinator, Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate/Marian Residence, 640 Hillview Rd. Cambridge, 519-653-0363 or marianresidence.com

HEARTS SET ABLAZE RETREAT: The Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate are hosting their annual Hearts Set Ablaze Retreat for **young girls aged 10 - 15**. The retreat will be from **June 21- 23** at Camp de Brebeuf. There will be games, conferences, time for prayer, talks and lots more. To register or find out more information about the retreat please contact Sister Viola at retreats@solisisters.ca or visit solisisters.weebly.com

JOIN THE NEXT CHALICE MISSION TO TANZANIA! From October 2-22 Chalice will be visiting our Mbinga and Neema Sponsor Sites in the communities of Morogoro, Mkongo and Mjimwema. (We will also visit Ruaha National Park for safari at the end!) Together with our partners, the Vincentian Fathers and the Sisters of Visitation, we are changing lives in these communities through Chalice's Family Funding model, complimented by Capital Projects and Human Development Programs. Our goal is educated children in healthy families and self-sustaining communities. Come and see it all firsthand! Applications due June 24. Contact 1-800-776-6855, joannealbrecht@chalice.ca



CAMPAIGN STARTS STRONG

The early returns to the "One Heart, One Soul" Campaign are promising! Through mid-May, 14 Pilot Wave parishes had raised a total of more than \$2.5 million, and an additional \$1.6 million had been pledged by other diocesan supporters and organizations. That total is about 12 percent of the campaign's \$35 million goal. The Pilot Wave will run through June, and three larger, additional waves will follow as the campaign gathers steam and continues through early 2021. More than 30 parishes and a number of mission churches are taking part in the next wave, and preparations at those parishes are under way. Kickoff Weekend is tentatively set for September. Pastors at those parishes gathered on May 15 for a lunch at which Pilot Wave pastors shared their experiences. The campaign is aimed at strengthening parishes and several diocesan-wide ministries.

NOVENA: The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during the **Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel**, July 8th to July 16th. Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to: Carmel of Saint Joseph, 1127 Carmel-Koch Road, R.R. #1, St. Agatha, ON N0B2L0

RETREATS AT LOYOLA HOUSE (Guelph, ON) Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? See www.loyolahouse.com for more information on upcoming retreats & programs: *8-Day Retreats* - August 1-9, 11-19, 21-29 *Getting Back to the Garden:* Contemplative Work on the Land - August 11-19 Register online at loyolahouse.com or contact registration@ignatiusguelph.ca or by calling 519.824.1250 ext 266.

Father's Day Weekend: This is your opportunity to give back to Camp Brébeuf, spend some time with your dad and have some fun! We are planning a volunteer work day - we need help with some heavy lifting and hard work and we are calling all staff and camper alumni and their dads to come and help. **Saturday, June 15th, 9am – 3pm.** Painting doors, spreading wood chips, moving around some firewood – these are just a few of the duties that you are needed for. *You provide the labor, we'll provide lunch!* Reminder: it is important to wear appropriate safety equipment (steel toed boots/shoes). Please email our director if you plan to attend: jason.gould@campbrebeuf.ca

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