

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.

PARISH AND OFFICE CLOSURE - The following restrictions remain in effect:

- No public Masses, No Communion services.
- No Eucharistic Adoration.
- Baptisms are postponed.
- Weddings and funerals allowed with a maximum of 10 people but no mass, all guidelines must be adhered to.
- Confession is permitted by appointment only. Please call or email the parish to make an appointment.
- Offices remain closed to the public.
- All meetings must be done virtually.

Please continue to check the parish website: www.stmaryhеспeler.ca for updates.

You can still reach us by phone: 519-658-4443 or by email: stmarycambridge@hamiltondiocese.com

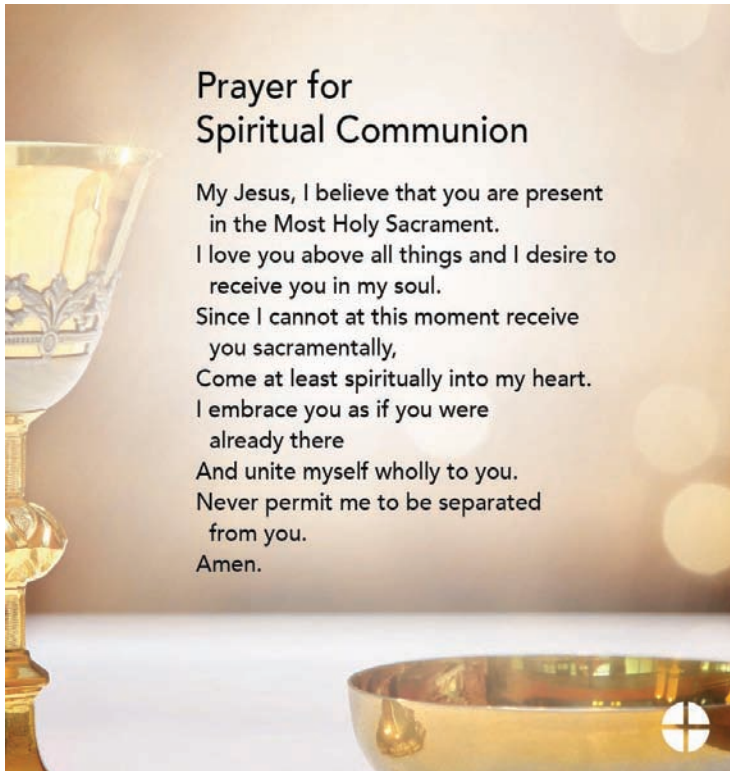


LIVESTREAMED AND PRERECORDED MASSES IN THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON:

As we cannot gather in person, parishes throughout the Diocese are providing the opportunity to watch

both livestreams and prerecorded Masses. Please see the list on the Diocesan website:

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/onlinemasses/>



**Prayer for
Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,
Come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you were already there
And unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS: All Mass Intentions scheduled during the shutdown will be rescheduled to a new date when public Masses resume. Please contact the office at stmarycambridge@hamiltondiocese.com if you would like to keep your scheduled date as a private intention or if you would like to request a specific date when Masses are rescheduled.

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2021 UPDATE: Due to the current restrictions, First Communion Masses and Confirmation liturgies will be rescheduled. Updates will be provided as soon as possible.

PARISH OFFERINGS

To be reported in the next bulletin

Thank you for your continued support during the parish closure.

If you are looking for ways to support the parish during the closure, please visit <https://www.stmaryhеспeler.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: <https://www.stmaryhеспeler.ca/donate>. Please contact the parish office for more information.



A Campaign for the Diocese of Hamilton

The One Heart, One Soul Campaign continues to generate funds across the diocese, having so far raised nearly \$32 million of its \$35 million goal. At St.

Mary's, we've received nearly 100 gifts totaling more than \$150,000. Thank you! Please continue to consider a gift to the campaign. The more we raise over the three-year pledge period, the more of a difference we can make. Recall that our parish projects include efforts such as reducing the parish debt, enhancing our music ministry, adding a youth minister and renovating the Hearth Room. You can give online at www.oneheartonesoul.ca/give

R.C.I.A. SPONSORS: We are in need of sponsors for two couples preparing to become Catholic this year. If you are interested, please contact Deacon Mike at mfoulger@hamiltondiocese.com for more information.

SUNDAY MISSALS AND MISSALETTES are available. Please contact the office to arrange for a pick-up or drop-off.

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

May 3 – May 8

Monday	Rev. David Reilander
Tuesday	Rev. David Weise
Wednesday	Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate (S.S.M. I.)
Thursday	Rev. Tom Moisan
Friday	Rev. Leszek Szczygiel
Saturday	Rev. Pablito Labado



CATHOLIC EDUCATION

WEEK is being celebrated across Ontario starting Sunday, May 2, 2021. The theme this year is Catholic

Education: **Nurturing Hope**. The Ontario Catholic School Trustees Association (OCSTA) will be offering a livestreamed Provincial Mass on **Wednesday, May 5, 2021**, presided by His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins. Catholic schools across the Province will be participating in this online Mass (<https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live>).

Publicly funded Catholic Education in the Province of Ontario is a rich blessing for our young people. We celebrate and give thanks!

Bishop Crosby has prepared a letter and two video resources in support of Catholic Education Week, 2021; a video message highlighting our seven Catholic District School Boards and a pre-taped Liturgy of the Word in lieu of an in-person Catholic Education Week Mass. Both videos can be found here: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/catholic-education-week/>

If you are interested in learning more about this year's celebration of Catholic Education Week please see the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association Website:

<https://www.ocsta.on.ca/project/nurturing-hope-cultiver-lesperance/> for a wide variety of resources in both French and English.

THE KIDS BULLETIN: Visit thekidsbulletin.com for a fun way for Catholic kids to learn about the Faith every week.



THE MONTH OF MARY: The month of May has traditionally been devoted to Mary. This month highlights the special sharing of our Blessed Mother in the paschal mystery of Christ, her Son. We are called to imitate Mary in her openness to God's will, in her prayerfulness of spirit and in her quiet dedication to the purpose and mission of her Son's life. Let us pray to God through Mary that every person may model her discipleship and her devotion to Christ, her Son.

ROSARY PAMPHLETS – *How to Pray the Rosary* pamphlets are available for pickup or mailing. Please contact the office.

VOCATIONS: Our second Scripture reading reminds us that we are to love, not in word and speech only, but in truth and action. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon contact the Vocations Office, Diocese of Hamilton, 905-528-7988 x 2246 or vocations@hamiltondiocese.com



50-50 K. OF C. CHARITY DRAW

Get your tickets for the next 50/50 draw! Early Bird draws on: May 14, June 4. The Main Draw will be on June 30, 2021.

To purchase tickets, visit the Ontario Knights of Columbus draw site at www.kofcontario5050.com Unfortunately, at this time, credit card is the only option for payment. The tickets are 100 for \$40, 40 for \$20.00 and 15 for \$10.00. Confirmation of sale and ticket numbers will follow in an email. In the billing section (Step 2) select "Cambridge 4916" from the Drop-down menu. This credits our Council for the sale. Thank you for supporting Knights of Columbus Charities.

NATIONAL HOSPICE PALLIATIVE CARE WEEK

The first full week of May marks National Hospice Palliative Care Week in Canada. National Hospice Palliative Care Week is a time to celebrate and share achievements of hospice palliative care throughout the nation, but it also provides a platform to look at shortcomings and create bridges for these gaps. This year, CHPCA will be taking a moment to memorialize those who have passed, as well as appreciate those who have made this hard year a little brighter by shining a light on those who matter to us most with the Light of My Life campaign. Visit [https://www.chpca.ca/](http://www.chpca.ca/)

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