

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, November 5 at 7 p.m.

+ Daniel Mendonca

Wednesday, November 6 at 8 a.m.

+ Joey Woods

Thursday, November 7 at 8 a.m.

+ Evelina and Joao Cabral

Friday, November 8 at 8 a.m.

+ Ying Yuen Soo

Saturday, November 9 at 5 p.m.

+ Celia Stott

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	Rev. Zygmunt Baranowski
Tuesday	Rev. Robert Bulbrook
Wednesday	Deceased Priests of the Diocese of Hamilton
Thursday	Rev. Timothy Higgins
Friday	Rev. David Perrin
Saturday	Rev. Brendan McGrath

PARISH OFFERINGS

October 26/27, 2019

Envelope Offerings:	\$3,296.00
Loose Offerings:	\$615.65
Building Fund:	\$299.00
World Mission Sunday:	\$115.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.

**Liturgical Ministries Schedule
November 9/10 – TEAM B**

CALLING ALL YOUTH GRADE 4 AND UP:

Altar Servers are needed for all Masses. If you are interested, please talk to Fr. Love. There is a great need at the 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. Masses

*Save the date - November 23/24, 2019
CWL Christmas Bazaar and Bake Sale*

PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY 2020

Thank you to everyone who signed up to participate in our Parish Photo Directory! We are off to a great start! Photography sessions will continue from

Mon., November 11 thru Sat., November 16. Appointment times are still available. Please sign up after Mass or go to our parish website and sign up online! We invite *everyone* to participate!

Did you know? You will receive a *free* copy of the photo directory and one *free* 8x10 for participating! Be a part of our new parish photo directory!



BOOK OF LIFE

During the month of November, our parish "Book of Life" will be placed near the altar. You are invited to add the names of those you have known and loved in life and who are now with the

Lord. They will be remembered in a special way in our parish Masses.

RITE OF ENROLMENT: A reminder to all students preparing for Confirmation that there will be a Rite of Enrolment at all Masses on **November 2/3** and **November 9/10**. Please bring your signed "Confirmation Commitment" to the Mass you are attending. If you missed registration for Confirmation, please contact the parish office.

SUNDAY MISSALS FOR 2019-2020

Sunday Missals for the new Liturgical Year (beginning Dec. 1) are available for purchase at the Welcome Desk throughout November. Missals are \$5.00 each. A limited number have been ordered.



NEXT CATHOLIC CAFÉ: Save the date for our next gathering after Masses on **November 16 & 17**. We hope to see you there!

HEY HIGH SCHOOLERS! Do you have questions about your faith? Do you want to meet other youth with similar values? Come to our monthly Da Crew meetup! Each month we'll learn more about our faith, eat snacks, play games, and have fun. The setup is an open forum where we discuss topics that are relevant to you and answer any questions you may have. We meet on the first Thursday of every month from 6:30-8pm! Dates for 2019 are **Thursday, November 7** and Thursday, December 5. Bring your friends!

HEY YOUNG ADULTS! *Crossroads has returned!*

This is a monthly gathering for young adults and the young at heart where you can meet other like-minded individuals. The setup will be a board game social with an element of prayer and discussion. We'll meet on the third Thursday of every month from 6:30-8pm! Dates for 2019 are **Thurs., November 21** and Thurs., December 19. Bring your friends, your young children are also welcome!



NEW USHERS NEEDED:

The Usher Ministry needs more male and female volunteers for our **11a.m. Sunday Mass**. The primary duties and responsibilities

include welcoming parishioners, finding seating at select masses, taking up the collection and distributing bulletins at the conclusion of Mass. Please speak to Fr. Love or contact the office if you are interested. Thank you!



THANK YOU: The St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank you for your donations to the Thanksgiving Food Drive.

The pantry is fully restocked again thanks to your generosity! A special thank you also for your financial support. The total collection in October was \$844.00. Your continued support is greatly appreciated!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

Please note change of location and date. Council 4916 meeting for November will be on **Wednesday, November 13** at

7:00 p.m. at St. Mary of Visitation Church. Note change of day due to a special presentation at St. Clement Church on our regular meeting night.

BOWLING: Monday night bowling is underway. Pay as you go. Does not have to be a weekly commitment. Join us for fun and fellowship. Contact Susan 519-658-6939 for details.

VOLLEYBALL: Join adults on Friday nights beginning at 7:00pm in the gym at St Elizabeth School - new members welcome! The new season has just started! Questions? Contact Paul: 226-749-1074

AROUND THE DIOCESE

St. Clement Parish is hosting an evening of lively discussion with: Dr. Moira McQueen, LL.B, M.Div., Ph.D. on **Thursday, November 14th**, at 7 p.m., St. Clement Church – Parish Hall, 745 Duke Street. TOPICS: "Gender Issues" and "Dying & Death in Christian Life". Free-will offerings will be accepted.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: The Marian Residence retirement home would like to invite you to our Christmas bazaar **Tuesday, November 12** from 1 pm to 6 pm. Come and join us for a wonderful shopping time together. Donations are welcome!

Pathways to Growth: *Focusing on Healing After Separation and Divorce.* Difficult times can be challenging to everyone, but they can also provide us with opportunities to grow and find new supports. Are you separated or divorced? Has life thrown a curve ball at you that you never expected? Join us on **Tuesday, November 5** from 7 -9 p.m. at St. Michael Parish, Waterloo to learn pathways to growth during this time. All are welcome. For info contact: 905-528-7988 ext. 2250 or 905-528-7988 ext. 2241. Healing is possible – join us!

WHY@Breakfast presents "Exploring Spiritual Practices". Fr. Bernie Carroll, SJ, a spiritual director at Loyola House Retreat and Training Centre in Guelph, will present several traditional and contemporary Christian spiritual practices to help us seek God in today's busy, confused and complex world. You are invited to attend this presentation on **Saturday, November 23rd**, at Our Lady of Lourdes RC Church, Waterloo, at 9:30 AM. After the talk, there is a preview of a new project brought to you by a few Catholic & Lutheran churches in Waterloo. Free presentation with refreshments. Interested? Please call the church office at 519-886-0342 or leave a note at whyatbreakfast@gmail.com. For more info, see <https://whyatbreakfast.com>

A PERMANENT DIACONATE INFORMATION NIGHT will be offered on **Monday, November 4th**, at the Chancery Office in Hamilton, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Interested in serving the Church as a Permanent Deacon? All the information you need will be provided at the session. Please RSVP to Deacon Joseph DiLoreto at 905-528-7988 (x 2258) or at diaconateformation@hamiltondiocese.com

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH: The Bible has so many wonderful messages for us, but an excellent example for families is in the Creation Story where we hear that on the seventh day God rested. When do we rest in the family? Do our children see the family as a priority because we make it one, or is family time squeezed in between work, school, sports and/or other activities? These are all wonderful portions of our lives, but when we don't take time to rest and just "be" family, the toll can impact all of us. Teach your children the value of family by making it a priority. God talks to us through the Bible -perhaps he wants you to have the seventh day for rest too?!

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