

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, October 29 at 7 p.m.
+ Zulmira Gouveia

Wednesday, October 30 at 8 a.m.
+ Helmut Hofgartner

Thursday, October 31 at 8 a.m.
Intentions of Patrick Allen

Friday, November 1 at 8 a.m.
+ Joe Doyle

Saturday, November 2
10 a.m. Parish Memorial Mass
5 p.m. + Huguette Corriveau

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	Rev. Joseph de Viveiros, C.R.
Tuesday	Rev. Francisco Kwak
Wednesday	Discalced Carmelite Sisters (O.C.D.)
Thursday	Rev. Marian Gil, O.M.I.
Friday	<i>All Saints</i>
Saturday	<i>Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed</i>

PARISH OFFERINGS

October 19/20, 2019

Envelope Offerings:	\$3,604.00
Loose Offerings:	\$548.95
Building Fund:	\$ 55.00
World Mission Sunday:	\$630.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED: The office will be closed Monday morning and re-open at 1:00 p.m.

**Liturgical Ministries Schedule
November 2/3 – TEAM A**

PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY 2020

All photography is taking place at our church from **Mon., October 28 – Sat., November 2 and Mon., November 11 – Sat., November 16.**

Volunteers will be calling to remind you of your upcoming photo session! Appointment times for the first week of photography are still available. Call the office or go to our parish website and sign up online!

Sign-up after Masses will continue for photo sessions taking place Mon., November 11 – Sat., November 16.

Did you know? Everyone will receive a free copy of the photo directory and one free 8x10 for participating! Be a part of our new parish photo directory! We invite *everyone* to participate!

ALL SOULS DAY MASS



A Mass of Remembrance will take place on **Saturday, November 2 at 10 a.m.** We remember those in our parish that died this past year and all our beloved deceased family and friends. All are invited to attend.

ALL SAINTS DAY: On November 1st the Church celebrates all the saints: canonized or beatified, and the multitude of those who are in heaven enjoying the beatific vision that are only known to God. The feast of All Saints should inspire us with tremendous hope. Among the saints in heaven are some whom we have known. All lived on earth lives like our own. They were baptized, marked with the sign of faith, they were faithful to Christ's teaching and they have gone before us to the heavenly home whence they call on us to follow them. (catholicculture.org)
On this day, Fr. Love will have a number of relics on display following morning Mass.

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.

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.

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.

FIRST RECONCILIATION: A reminder to all parents that you are required to register online for a Reconciliation time on March 7, 2020. Please visit the parish website and select a time on the First Communion page. If you missed registration for First Communion, please contact the parish office.



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Thanks for your participation!
Thank you for answering your baptismal call to witness for mission

on World Mission Sunday! Our parish offered, to date, \$820.00 to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith for the missionary work of the Church—a real blessing for the Missions! Please continue to pray for missionaries, and for the people to whom they bring the "Good News" of Jesus. May God bless you for your generous missionary spirit!

Pope's October Prayer Intention: In his prayer intention for the month of October, Pope Francis calls us to pray "that the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary spring in the Church."

"Today, a new impulse to the Church's missionary activity is needed to face the challenge of proclaiming Jesus and his death and resurrection. Reaching the peripheries—the human, cultural, and religious settings still foreign to the Gospel: this is what we call the missio ad gentes. We must also remember that the soul of the Church's mission is prayer. In this extraordinary missionary month, let us pray that the Holy Spirit may engender a new missionary spring for all those baptized and sent by Christ's Church." - Pope Francis

<https://thepopevideo.org>

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!

MEMORIAL MASS: A Memorial Mass for deceased members of the Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League will be held on **Tuesday October 29 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Gregory Church**. All are invited to attend.

THANK YOU: The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all parishioners for supporting their e-waste collection last weekend.

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.

A CONVERSATION ON DEATH AND DYING: Sunday, November 3rd, 1:00 to 2:30 p.m., St. Mary's Parish, 56 Duke St. West, Kitchener. This event is free. Four significant topics will be addressed by four speakers: *Making Tough Decisions, Estate Planning 101, Strategic Exit Plan, The Value of Catholic Funerals*. See poster on bulletin board for more details. Please RSVP to 519-576-3860 or stmarys@rogers.com.



FALL 2019 CAMPAIGN: The 40 Days for Life campaign begun on September 25 and ends on November 3. Daily hours in front of Freeport Hospital are from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. You can sign up for prayer hours at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or call Patrick: 519-748-5548 or Eweline: 519-589-2919.

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 information contact: 905-528-7988 ext. 2250 or 905-528-7988 ext. 2241. Healing is possible – join us!

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