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.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Every Tuesday in the church from 9 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. The period of adoration will conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome to join us. For more information please call Sheila Mauser @ 519-658-9414.



Tuesday, September 14 at 7 p.m.
All Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, September 15 at 8 a.m. + Michelle O'Neill

Thursday, September 16 at 8 a.m. + Tad Fetterly

Friday, September 17 at 8 a.m. + Ronald Doyle

Saturday, September 18 at 5 p.m.

- + Ruth Carter
- + Leokadia Litwa



JOIN IN PRAYING THE ROSARY:

The Rosary is prayed at 6:30 p.m. before Mass on Tuesday and at 7:30 a.m. before morning Mass on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. All are welcome.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR THOSE ATTENDING MASS:

- We will once again be saying the "Body of Christ" to each individual communicant
- Those who wish to receive communion on the tongue may do so, but they are requested to wait until the end of the communion line and are to go only to the priest to receive communion.
- The sanitation of the pews, etc. will not be required after each celebration.
- The hymn books are returned to the pews and can be used for congregational singing.
- Still no choirs or holy water permitted.
- Masks are still required as well as social distancing while present at Mass.

Thank you for your continued cooperation!

ADORATION CHAPEL: We are planning to re-open the Adoration Chapel in the fall. If you are interested in committing to some time in prayer, please call Sheila at 519-658-9414.



LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS:

As the Covid pandemic continues we are still very much restricted in many of our parish activities. That being said, we are looking for volunteers who

would be willing to assist at Sunday Mass. Would you like to be a lector, a minister of communion, or an usher? Children in grade 4 and up are invited to become altar servers. At the doors of the church there are sign-up forms which you can fill out and give to Father Ed in the next couple of weeks. You can also call or email the office. Once we have numbers we will schedule training.

COVID VACCINATIONS AND CHURCH: With the latest directives there is no requirement to be vaccinated to attend worship services. That being said, all other gatherings which would take place in parish meeting rooms and halls do require proof of vaccination according to the new government mandate. For example, all are welcome to attend a funeral mass but only those fully vaccinated could attend a funeral lunch. In light of this the Diocese has asked us to restrict use of parish facilities to a bare minimum for the time being.

SACRAMENTAL PREP: We are working on plans for those children who were not able to celebrate their First Communion and Confirmation last school year because of the Covid lockdowns. We are in the process of contacting those families who have registered. If you or anyone you know is in this situation and are *not* already registered please contact the office. (Please be aware that the schools are not permitted to share contact information with us due to privacy legislation. They can pass info on but families must reach out to the parish on their own initiative.)

PARISH OFFERINGS

September 4-5

Sunday Envelopes (75): \$1,875.00 Loose Offerings: \$150.70

Your continued financial support is greatly appreciated.

If you are looking for ways to support the parish, please visit

https://www.stmaryhespeler.ca/donate

ARE YOU REGISTERED IN THE PARISH? Even though you attend Mass at our parish, you may not be registered if you have not submitted a registration form in the past. Please register your family in preparation for Baptisms, First Communion, Confirmation, etc. Register online at https://www.stmaryhespeler.ca/new-parishioners



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Interested in Becoming Catholic?
Any adults who have not been baptized and are considering

becoming Catholic, or any adults who have already been baptized in other Christian churches and wish to become full members of the Catholic Church, please contact the parish office. A program of formation begins in the Fall.

BACK TO SCHOOL 2021: We pray for all those who are beginning anew – new teachers, Kindergarteners, and graduates as well as those returning to school that Our Lord's spirit will guide them in a safe and welcoming environment. Created in collaboration with the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis, the Liturgy Office and Youth Ministry, are suggestions for prayers, questions and conversations parents can share with their children as well as a brief Liturgy of the Word celebration for use either in homes or at school. https://hamiltondiocese.com/backtoschool2021/

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR September 13 –18

Monday Rev. Roger Yaworski, S.J.
Tuesday Rev. Daniel Syauswa Musondloi, S.J
Wednesday Salesians of St. Don Bosco (S.D.B)
Thursday Rev. William Clarke, S.J.
Friday Rev. Gregory M. Kennedy, S.J.
Saturday Rev. Paul Panaretos, S.J.

Who do you think Jesus is? The depth of our faith is rooted in our answer. Is God calling you to be a priest, religious, or deacon? If you think you are being called to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call the Vocations Office, Diocese of Hamilton, 905-528-7988 x 2246 or vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES:

These programs are interactive parent-child programs, designed to assist families in the Diocese of Hamilton whose children are enrolled in public or private schools, are homeschooled, or for other reasons unable to attend Catholic Schools. There are programs for every age and stage from Kindergarten through to high school including programs specially designed to assist children preparing for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation. For more information, visit https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/evangelization-catechesis/correspondence/

NOVENA FOR THE CARMELITE SISTERS: The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during the Novena to Little St. Therese, September 23rd to October 1st, 2021. Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to St. Therese. 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 NOB 2L0



CAMBRIDGE RIGHT TO LIFE will be holding their biggest annual "Walk for Life" fundraiser this month to continue their work of defending "Life" from

conception till natural death. Since 100% of their funding is through donations, despite Covid 19, their walk will go on. However, again this year, the walk will be held remotely to allow for social distancing! Supporters and participants will walk a 5km route of their choice on or around Saturday September 25th, individually or with friends in their neighborhood. Our parish representative, Chris O'Neill, will walk on Saturday September 25th at 10am, if you are interested in walking or would like to sponsor Chris please call her at 519 400 3657. Thank You.

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER: An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle

It makes me very happy to see that young people have the courage to undertake projects for environmental and social improvement, since the two go together.

We adults can learn much from them, because in all matters related to care for the planet, they are at the forefront.

Let us take advantage of their example and reflect on our lifestyle, especially during these moments of health, social and environmental crisis.

Let us reflect on how the way we eat, consume, travel, or the way we use water, energy, plastics, and many other material goods, is often harmful to the earth.

Let us choose to change! Let us advance with young people towards lifestyles that are simpler and more respectful of the environment.

Let us pray that we all will make courageous choices, the choices necessary for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, taking inspiration from our young people who are resolutely committed to this. And they aren't foolish, because they are committed to their own future. This is why they want to change what they will inherit at a time when we will no longer be here. Pope Francis – September 2021

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