

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

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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, September 24 at 7 p.m.

+ Gerald Dokis

Wednesday, September 25 at 8 a.m.

Intentions of Dieter Hofgartner

Thursday, September 26 at 8 a.m.

+ Phyllis O'Neill

Friday, September 27 at 8 a.m.

Intentions of the Pickering Family

Saturday, September 28 at 5 p.m.

+ Kyle Parthe

MORNING ROSARY: The Rosary is prayed at 7:30 a.m. before morning Mass on weekdays (Wed - Fri). All are welcome.

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	Rev. Jiri Macenauer
Tuesday	Rev. Arthur Scidmore
Wednesday	Sisters of St. Joseph of Cluny
Thursday	Rev. Vincent Kim Van Toan
Friday	Most Rev. Douglas Crosby (O.M.I)
Saturday	Rev. Msgr. Ted Slaman

PARISH OFFERINGS

September 14/15, 2019

Envelope Offerings:	\$3,191.00
Loose Offerings:	\$525.05
Building Fund:	\$125.00

Pre-Authorized Giving for Month of September

Monthly Offerings:	\$3,935.00
Building Fund:	\$1,180.00

Liturgical Ministries Schedule September 28/29 - TEAM D

Please check your inbox for the new schedule or pick up a printed copy in the sacristy

PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY 2020

It's that time again! We are looking for committee volunteers to oversee this wonderful parish project! Thank you to our parishioners who have already signed up to help. **We still need a few more volunteers to make this project possible.** If you are interested in helping out, or if you assisted with the last directory, please speak with Fr. Love or contact Rosanne at the parish office. Thank you!!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY UNDERWAY

We are blessed in our parish with an excellent Children's Ministry at our 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Mass. It includes: **Kids Zone** (Ages 2 & 3, 9 a.m. Mass Only), **Children's Liturgy** (JK-Grade 1) and **Visitation Kids** (Grade 2-4). Please fill out the registration forms found at the doors of the Church, or provided by a program leader.

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 for Altar Servers at the 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. Masses.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PARENT INFORMATION MEETINGS

Parents who have children who are preparing for First Holy Communion, First Reconciliation or Confirmation are invited to attend our **Parent Information Evenings:**

Holy Communion Meeting:

Wednesday, October 2, 2019

Confirmation Meeting:

Wednesday, October 9, 2019

Both meetings begin **promptly at 7:00 p.m.** in our Church. Please bring your child's registration form (received at school) and Baptismal Certificate. These meetings are for parents only.



Is for children/youth from Grades 2-8 seeking the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation, First

Communion or Confirmation who fall under one or more of these circumstances: Attending public school, private school, or homeschooled OR Not receiving/received religious education OR Are past the usual age to receive a given Sacrament OR Have never been baptized OR Are not Catholic but would like to become Catholic. This program is offered on Sundays at 10:00am (on a scheduled basis). An information meeting will take place in early October.

THANK YOU: A special thank you to the Knights of Columbus Council #4916 for their generous donation of \$5000 to our parish building fund.



UPCOMING MEETINGS: The October meeting of Monsignor Paul J Meyer Knights of Columbus Council 4916 will be on **Wednesday, October 9** at 7:00 pm

at *St Gregory Church* - note change of date.

The November Council Meeting will be on **Thursday, Nov. 14** at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary Parish Centre.

E-WASTE COLLECTION: The Knights will be holding an e-waste collection the weekend of **October 19-20** in the back parking lot of St. Clement's Church from 9:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. both days.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: The next collection will be September 28/29 after all Masses. A reminder that SSVP envelopes are available at the church entrances for those who would like tax receipts.



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.

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, weddings, pastoral references, etc. Registration forms are available at the parish entrances, at the Welcome desk or on our website: www.stmaryhespeler.ca

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We depend a great deal on volunteers to assist in providing ministry to people within our parish and community. Some of the most urgent areas of need are: *Minister of Hospitality (an Usher), Parking Lot Attendant, Welcome Desk Attendant, Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Da Crew Leader or Catholic Café Host/Hostess.* Please contact Father Love if you can help out! Thank you!

NEEDS OF THE CANADIAN CHURCH COLLECTION: SEPTEMBER 29

This collection helps each diocese contribute financially to the national Episcopal Conference and to the respective regional episcopal assembly (in the Atlantic, Quebec, Ontario, and Western Regions) The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is the national assembly of Catholic Bishops. Contributing to this collection is an act of collaboration with the Bishops in their ministry of teaching, sanctifying and pastoral governance.



FALL 2019 CAMPAIGN

From **September 25 to November 3** we invite you to join together with over 100,000 people across North America who will simultaneously participate in 40 consecutive days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. It is vital to

spread the message that human life is sacred. Daily hours in front of Freeport Hospital are 7am to 7pm. You are encouraged to attend a Peaceful Vigil outside of Freeport Hospital, for an allocated hour. Sign up at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or call Patrick at 519-748-5548 or Eweline at 519-589-2919. You are also invited to join an **Opening Rally** which will be held on **Wednesday, October 1st** at St. Anthony Daniel Parish. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Douglas Crosby at 7pm. Refreshments and sign-ups will follow.

CAMBRIDGE RIGHT TO LIFE – "40TH" ANNUAL WALK FOR LIFE

Come walk with us *or* sponsor a walker. Help serve as a witness to our community that life deserves respect from fertilization to natural death.

Saturday, September 28th, 2019. The Galt Legion (4 Veterans Way) Registration: 9:30 am and Walk: 10 am – 12 Noon. Refreshments to follow. Students Earn Volunteer Hours. Poem/Essay Contest. Get your sponsor sheets by calling 519.623.1850 or email: info@cambridgerighttolife.ca *Chris O'Neill will be walking on behalf of our parish. Contact Chris at 519-400-3657 if you would like to sponsor her or join her in the walk.*

WCDSB "Called to Belong" Twilight Retreat Opportunity for Parents/Guardian

The experience will be facilitated by Fr. Joseph de Viveiros, C.R., the Spiritual Animator for the Board. Come and discover more about the spiritual journey upon which our staff and students have embarked. All are welcome to come and learn and pray around the awesome mystery of God's universal love!

Wednesday, September 25th at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Cambridge, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

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