

# 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-THIRD 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 10 at 7 p.m.**

Intentions of Fr. Chris Tracey

**Wednesday, September 11 at 8 a.m.**

+ Mary Hilker

**Thursday, September 12 at 8 a.m.**

Intentions of Ed Texeira

**Friday, September 13 at 8 a.m.**

+ Eileen McKinney

**Saturday, September 14 at 5 p.m.**

+ Kyle Parthe

Intentions of Angela Tellez-Lance and Family

**MORNING ROSARY:** The Rosary is prayed at 7:30 a.m. before morning Mass on weekdays (Wednesday – Friday). All are welcome to join.

### DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	Rev. Piotr Jurzyk
Tuesday	Rev. Jerry Punnassery, C.M.I.
Wednesday	Lay Parish Ministers
Thursday	Rev. Jeffery Oehring
Friday	Rev. Heitor Antunes
Saturday	Rev. Young Hoon Kim

**NOTICE OF UPCOMING MARRIAGE:** There is a promise of Marriage between *Monika Pickering* and *Jacob Singleton* on Saturday, September 28, 2019.

### Liturgical Ministries Schedule September 14/15– TEAM B

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

### PARISH OFFERINGS

August 31/September 1, 2019

Sunday Offerings: \$3,426.70

Building Fund: \$750.00

*Thank you for your generosity.*

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

St. Mary's is blessed to have several vibrant and comprehensive Children's Ministry programs for Sunday Mass. In order to facilitate Children's Ministry with a sustainable volunteer base and continuing to offer programming from age 2 to grade 4, we have reorganized to the following model:

- **Kids Zone** (age 2-3): Only at the 9 a.m. Mass
- **Children's Liturgy** (J.K.- Gr 1): At the 9 a.m. and 11 am Mass
- **Visitation Kids** (Gr 2-4): At the 9 a.m. and 11a.m. Mass

**MOVE UP DAY:** September 8th is Move Up Day! All children will begin transitioning into their new grade level and we will start off fresh for the new year. Be sure to register anew!

### 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.

### THE ATRIUM OF THE VISITATION

The Atrium of the Visitation is a program for children 3-6 years old inspired by the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) and rooted in the educational principles of Maria Montessori. We are currently seeking those who have a CGS, ECE or Montessori background who, with training from an experienced catechist, would be interested in helping run the program in our parish. Please see Sr. Marie Therese for details or email [srmarieherese@solisisters.ca](mailto:srmarieherese@solisisters.ca)



### CATHOLIC CAFÉ

*Welcome Back Weekend*

**September 21/22, 2019.**

Save the Date!

**HEY HIGH SCHOOLERS!:** Do you have questions about your faith? Do you want to meet other youth with similar values? Come to Da Crew! Each week we learn more about our faith, eat snacks, play games and have fun. We also go on regular social outings like laser tag, bowling, etc. The setup is an open forum where we discuss topics you want to hear about and answer your questions. We meet every Wednesday evening from 6:30-8:30pm! Bring your friends, all are welcome!



**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:** All of the ladies of the parish are invited to our General Meeting, **Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>** at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Centre.

## 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 below; please contact Father Love if you can help as a:

- Minister of Hospitality (an Usher)
- Parking Lot Attendant
- Welcome Desk Attendant
- Lector
- Eucharistic Minister
- Da Crew Leader
- Catholic Café Host/Hostess

**MASS INTENTIONS:** The tradition of Masses offered for the intentions of living or deceased loved ones originated in the very early Church and continues to be an important Catholic practice. For us who believe that the Mass is the perfect prayer, no greater gift can be offered for our loved ones, living and deceased, who may still need the help of our prayers. Masses are often requested for a loved one who has recently died or on the anniversary of a death.

However, the gift of a Mass intention is also a wonderful way to offer prayers on the event of a wedding anniversary, a birthday, an anniversary of ordination or entrance into religious life. Masses may also be offered for the intentions of a person about to undergo surgery, who is recuperating from an illness, or who has some other special need. Masses may also be offered in thanksgiving for blessings, family, health and answer to prayers.

***Those wishing to arrange for a Mass intention at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish can do so by visiting the parish office during office hours OR the Welcome Desk before or after Mass on the weekends.***

**ADULT BOWLING STARTS SOON!** The Strike Squad is excited about starting up their new season and eagerly invites new members. Contact Susan at (519) 658-6939 for details.



**Knights of Columbus Council 4916** meets the second Thursday of each Month at St. Clement Church Hall. Our first meeting of 2019-20 is on **Thursday September 12** at 7:30 p.m.

**MASS AT ST. LUKE'S:** Celebrations of Mass for the Catholic residents of St. Luke's Place resume on Tuesday, **September 17<sup>th</sup>** at 1:30p.m. We are always in need of volunteers to help bring residents to the chapel - call the parish office to be part of this rewarding ministry.



## 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.

**PARENTING TIP:** September brings cooler weather, shorter days and a reestablishment of order as school and fall programs begin. It's a perfect time to examine the busy schedule(s) and discern if you are spending enough quality time as a family. Are you eating together, praying together, spending time playing together and yes, even cleaning together? Nothing will have a greater impact on a young developing mind and body than spending time with the people they depend on and love the most, their family. Make it priority number one and fill the schedule in around established family time, not vice versa!

## AROUND THE DIOCESE

### 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. New for a 2nd year: Students - Poem/Essay Contest. Get your sponsor sheets by calling 519.623.1850 or email: [info@cambridgerighttolife.ca](mailto:info@cambridgerighttolife.ca)

**Healthy Relationships Share Common Skills –** "Keys to Loving Relationships" is a ten week video-based program that all people (married, dating, or single) can use to develop the skills needed to have a truly meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better "me" in all your relationships! Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 P.M. Sept. 24 – Nov. 26, 2019. St. Mark's Parish, Kitchener. Cost is \$45.00. For information or to register call (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249 or visit [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

**MARIAN RESIDENCE,** A retirement home in Cambridge, is looking for volunteers. Please contact the Volunteer Coordinator, Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate/Marian Residence, 640 Hillview Rd. Cambridge, 519-653-0363 or [marianresidence.com](http://marianresidence.com)

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