

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish

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SCHEDULE OF LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Children's Liturgy runs during the 11:00 a.m. Mass for children in Kindergarten to Grade 2

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Wednesday 8:00 a.m. Thursday 8:00 a.m. Friday 8:00 a.m.

PRAYING THE ROSARY

Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. and 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. All are welcome.

PARISH ADORATION CHAPEL

Our Chapel is available seven days a week starting Sunday at 12 noon through Saturday at 5:00 p.m. For more information please call Sheila at 519-658-9414.

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 OFFICE HOURS

(Located in the lower level of the church) Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please register through our parish website or by completing a form located at the parish entrances.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. or by appointment.

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

Please contact the office and Father Ed and Deacon Michael would be most willing to visit.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY

Please call 519-658-6511 for assistance.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Requested by
Tuesday, August 29	7:00 p.m.	+ Walter Power	Paul and Marilyn O'Neill
Wednesday, August 30	8:00 a.m.	+ Helen Nault	Sharon Beard
Thursday, August 31	8:00 a.m.	Intentions of the Labuda Family	Bozena Labuda
Friday, September 1	8:00 a.m.	+ Stanislav Kubala	Sidonia Kubala
Saturday, September 2	5:00 p.m.	+ Brian Ramsay + Alice Gomes	Jocelyn Dominas Maria and Mauricio Gomes

PRIEST SEMINAR: Every year the bishops and priests of the Diocese gather for a seminar. This year we will be meeting right after Labour Day, September 5 - September 7. In light of these days we will be adjusting the weekday Mass schedule. Mass will be celebrated at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday September 5th, there will be no Mass on Wednesday, September 6th and on Thursday, September 7th Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m. in the evening.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Are you or anyone you know interested in becoming Catholic? We would like to start the process of preparation come the Fall. If you have thought about being baptized or being received into the Church please make an appointment with Father Ed.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY: The Children's Liturgy program will resume on Sunday, September 10th New team members are needed! Please contact the office or speak with Father

Ed if you are interested in participating in this wonderful ministry.

OFFICE HOURS: The parish office will be <u>closed</u> on **Friday, September 1st and Monday, September 4th.** The office will re-open on Tuesday, September 5th at 9:00 a.m.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! We are looking for additional Altar Servers (grade 4 and up) and Ushers to begin in the fall. Please speak with Father Ed or contact the parish office if you are interested in joining. Training will be provided in the fall.

NEW VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE: The new schedule begins Saturday, September 9. The schedule will be posted on August 31st (through Ministry Scheduler). Please contact the office if you need access to our online scheduling program.

ADORATION CHAPEL UPDATE: Now that there is no longer a lift for the purpose of accessing the tower of the church the chapel can safely re-open. We will re-open the chapel at 12 noon this Sunday. As always, we are in need of volunteers to commit to an hour (or more) of prayer during the week. If you can take on this commitment please call our chapel volunteer coordinator, Sheila Mauser at 519-658-9414.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE: Most of the work on the tower has now been completed, including the securing of the steeple cross. The large oval windows will have to be replaced and they are in the process of being manufactured and will be installed once completed. Inside the main entrance there is some work to be done in replacing some damaged drywall and to do some touch up painting. We are waiting on drywallers at this time. The work should be completed in the next couple of weeks.

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 or calling the parish office during office hours OR on our parish website:

https://www.stmaryhespeler.ca/massintentions



COFFEE SUNDAY: Join your fellow parishioners for coffee and cookies on **Sunday, September 10, 2023** following the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses.

PARISH OFFERINGS

August 12/13, 2023

Sunday Offerings (103): \$2,819.00 Loose Offerings: \$481.00

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING for AUGUST 2023

Sunday Offerings (82): \$ 5,328.00 Building Fund (50): \$1,005.00

August 19/20, 2023

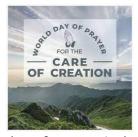
Sunday Offerings (106): \$2,485.20 Loose Offerings: \$429.05

Your financial support is greatly appreciated.

If you are looking for ways to support the parish, please visit www.stmaryhespeler.ca/donate.



MONTHLY COLLECTION: Members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be collecting donations after all Masses this weekend.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION -In

2015, Pope Francis declared **September 1** as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. Coinciding with a celebration instituted by the Orthodox Church, it is also a

day of ecumenical prayer and unity. For 2023 Pope Francis chose the theme "Let Justice and Peace Flow," inspired by the words of the prophet Amos: "Let justice flow on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream." The Pope begins by noting that, "God wants justice to reign; it is as essential to our life as God's children made in his likeness as water is essential for our physical survival." Visit vatican.va for the full message from Pope Francis.

DIOCESAN MARIAN DAYS – The Diocesan Marian Days continue on the first Saturday of the month (September 2 and October 7, 2023), at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph. The day starts with Confessions at 9:00 a.m. followed by Holy Mass at 10:00 and a Rosary Procession at 11:00 a.m. Guided Tours of the Basilica are available during lunch from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Holy Hour and Marian Catechesis start at 1:00 p.m. followed by the closing Benediction at 2:00 p.m. All are invited to join! Please bring a lunch. Contact the Basilica for more information: (519) 824-3951.



CALLING ALL MOMS! St. John the Baptist Catholic Moms Group, 45 Victoria Rd. N, Guelph. Wednesday, September 6 from 4:30pm-6:00pm. Kids Are Always Welcome at the Catholic

Craft Table. Special Guest Speaker, Therese Wright, will present from Catechesis of the Good Shepherd children's faith formation program. This is a great opportunity to go deeper in your faith life, and connect with other incredible Catholic Moms. If you have any questions please contact st.johnbaptistmg@catholicmomsgroup.com

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR August 28 - September 2

Monday Rev. Jeffery Oehring
Tuesday Rev. Patras Samuel Masih
Wednesday Our Parish Community
Thursday Rev. Andrew Quarshie

Friday St. Giles / World Day of Prayer for

the Care of Creation

Saturday Rev. Charles Jordan

ReSTART: Moving Forward – Our 10-week program offers support to anyone seeking to heal and move forward after divorce or separation. The sessions will run from **Sept. 19-Nov. 28** and take place from 7-9 pm at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in person, or you are welcome to join our zoom classroom. Cost is \$35 for materials, but no one is turned away. Registration is required so please call Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, e-mail familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com or register at https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2023/08/restar t-moving-forward/

SEPARATED / DIVORCED SUPPORT GROUP

WATERLOO: Life changes are never easy. After a separation or divorce, you may be feeling isolated or need of support and healing to adjust to your new life? Come together with others to realize there is a 'second act'. Join us on the 3rd Tuesday of every month - 7:30-8:30 pm - **September 19, October 17, November 21,** and **December 19, 2023.** Feel free to come early and join our Parish in prayer - 7:00pm Mass. We will meet in the Parish Centre (basement) at 7:30pm. To register: Phone 519-884-9311, or Email: parish@stmichaelw.ca

STRUGGLING AFTER AN ABORTION? Either your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, to find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

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