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: 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 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 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

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.



WELCOME TO ST. MARY OF THE VISITATION PARISH

A special welcome to all new members and visitors! We encourage all new

members to register with the parish. Please pick up a registration form at the church entrance or complete an online form:

www.stmaryhespeler.ca/new-parishioners



Tuesday, February 22 at 7 p.m.

Intentions of Paul Martinak + Carlos Mario Aviles

Wednesday, February 23 at 8 a.m.

+ Zoila Esperanza Irias Giron Intentions of Jose Maria Irias Giron

Thursday, February 24 at 8 a.m.

+ Ed Teixeira

Friday, February 25 at 8 a.m.

+ Leslie Anne Burns

Saturday, February 26 at 5 p.m.

- + Luis Barcelos
- + Denis Kelly

JOIN IN PRAYING THE ROSARY every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. before Mass, and at 7:30 a.m. before morning Mass on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. All are welcome.

PRAYERS FOR CANADA: All are invited to pray in the church on **Fridays at 3:00 p.m.**



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is available from Sunday at 12:00 p.m. through Saturday at 5:00 p.m. (*The chapel closes at 5 p.m. on Saturday and re-opens at 12:00 p.m. on Sunday*).

ADORERS NEEDED: Please consider committing to one hour of prayer per week or volunteering as a substitute adorer for someone who needs to change their hour. For more information please call Frank & Sheila @ 519 658-9414.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED MONDAY: Our Parish Office will be closed on **Monday, February 21**st for the Family Day Holiday. It will re-open on Tuesday at 9:00 a.m.

THE SEASON OF LENT



ASH WEDNESDAY: Lent begins Ash Wednesday, March 2nd. There will be Mass at 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Join us Fridays of Lent at 7:00 p.m. for Stations of the Cross followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and concluding with Benediction around 8:30 p.m.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY: By the Paschal mystery, the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Christ we are saved. The narrative of each of the Gospels leads us to that moment at which Jesus gives his life for the salvation of the world. On Palm Sunday each year we listen to one of the Passion accounts from one of the synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke, and each year on Good Friday we listen to the Gospel according to John. Join us on the four Saturdays of March as Father Ed will lead us through an examination of the Passion narratives of each of the Gospels. We will begin with Mass at 8:30 a.m. followed by the talk in the parish hall. A special invitation for Mass on Saturday, March 19 which is the Solemnity of St. Joseph, the patron of Canada and the Universal Church.

2021 TAX RECEIPTS: All 2021 receipts have been mailed. Please allow some time for Canada Post to deliver your receipt. Contact the office if you have not yet received your tax receipt by Feb. 28th. A reminder that you will receive a separate tax receipt from the Diocese for contributions to the One Heart, One Soul Campaign.

CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION 2022

Thank you to everyone who attended the parent meetings for First Communion and Confirmation. Recordings of each meeting have been posted on our website for anyone that missed the live meeting.

A reminder to parents of First Communion students: **First Reconciliation** takes place on Wednesday, March 23 and Thursday, March 24. Parents are asked to select a time using the online form on our parish website.

INDIGENOUS RECONCILIATION FUND: Bishop Douglas Crosby has recently provided an update on the participation of the Diocese of Hamilton in the national Indigenous Reconciliation Fund. Please read the pastoral letter found on our parish website or on the Hamilton Diocese website:

https://hamiltondiocese.com/residential-schools/

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING: Have you considered donating to the parish through our pre-authorized giving program? Pre-authorized giving replaces weekly cash or cheque offerings with monthly transfers from your bank account directly to the parish. Not only is this method of giving helpful to the parish, it is also more convenient for you - and, most importantly, it encourages us to give in a way that is intentional, faithful, and sacrificial. You are encouraged to prayerfully reflect on whether this method of giving is right for you. You can find the brochure and authorization form on our website: https://www.stmarvhespeler.ca/donate. Please contact the parish office for more information.

PARISH OFFERINGS

February 12-13, 2022

Sunday Envelopes (68): \$2,693.00 Loose Offerings: \$154.10 Seminary Education (8): \$120.00

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING for FEBRUARY 2022

Sunday Offerings (75): \$ 4,490.00 Building Fund (45): \$ 850.00

Your continued financial support is greatly appreciated.

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

Please note: donation cheques must be payable to 'St. Mary of the Visitation Parish'.

REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL: Join us February **24th,** 7:00 – 9:00 PM for "*After the Storm: Building* the Pope Francis Village". The film documents the transformational journey of 550 families in Tacloban, Philippines following the devastation of Super Typhoon Haiyan in 2013. In the aftermath of this natural disaster, Development and Peace -Caritas Canada, supporting local organizations, transformed a piece of land into new homes, a new community, and new lives. This documentary is a celebration of the fruits of your solidarity with our brothers and sisters in the Global South. The Reel Justice Film Festival is a partnership between Development & Peace and the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives, Visit

https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/ to view our 2022 schedule or to secure your spot at any of our virtual screenings!



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: March 4, 2022 is the World Day of Prayer. This years' service, "I Know the Plans I have for You", WICC was prepared by the women of England, Wales and Northern Ireland. Although Covid-19 has prevented us from hosting this interfaith event again this year, there is a beautiful presentation which can be viewed on the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada website (https://wicc.org/). Hopefully, next year, we will be able to join with the other churches in the area to celebrate in person.

SPEAKER SERIES: The Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region invites you to join in on a virtual event - "Tech Meets Parenting: A Balancing Act" on Thursday February 24th from 7:00pm-8:00pm. This family-focused event will explore our relationship with technology. We will discuss the importance of and tactics around being a good role model and setting boundaries at all ages. Register at https://www.ccfowr.org/speaker-series

VOCATIONS: The Lord Calls us to do God's Will. Pray that you may know God's Will in your life; especially, if you have the inclination that you are being called to the ordained or consecrated life. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton. vocations@hamiltondiocese.com www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR February 21 - February 26

Monday Rev. Jerry Punnassery, C.M.I. Rev. Nishil Varghese, C.M.I. Tuesday Wednesday Society of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Thursday Very Rev. Cornelius O'Mahony, E.V. Friday Rev. Felix Nwatu Rev. Piotr (Peter) Machnacki, S.A.C. Saturday

DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE

2022: Saturday, March 19, 2022, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Make it your live virtual 2022 Lenten retreat! Keynote speaker: Antonia Salzano, Mother of Blessed Carlo Acutis. Register online: https://dynamicwomenfaith.com/



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