

# 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

Tuesday – Friday 15 minutes prior to Mass

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 David would be  
most willing to visit.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY

Please call 519-658-6511 for assistance.

## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Requested by
Tuesday, January 20	7:00 PM	+ John Connors + Antonio Tavares and Family Intentions of Chris O'Neill Intentions of Donna Donnait Intentions of Ken Lavis Intentions of Cathy Hilker	Margaret Kavanaugh Carmen and Tony Chaves Susan Koenderink The Schiedel Family Dennis and Lorraine Harding Dennis and Lorraine Harding
Wednesday, January 21	8:00 AM	Intentions of Teresa Lesuita	Lorraine Harding
Thursday, January 22	8:00 AM	Intentions of Millie Scapinello	SSVP Giving Tree
Friday, January 23	8:00 AM	+ Lynda Caron	Anna Altomare
Saturday, January 24	5:00 PM	+ Eugene Nolan + Dennis Doye + Mary Cryan Intentions of Maria Gomes	Paul and Cathy Strauss Ellen Doye Ann McKelvey and Family SSVP Giving Tree
Sunday, January 25	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	For the people of St. Mary of the Visitation Parish For the people of St. Mary of the Visitation Parish	

**WINTER VACATION:** Father David will be away from **January 26<sup>th</sup> – February 1<sup>st</sup>**. In his absence there will be no weekday masses. On the weekend of January 31/February 1 we will welcome **Father Mark Morley**, the Vocation Director of the Diocese, to celebrate our Sunday Masses.

**MISSION MATS:** Join us in making sleeping mats on **Monday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.** in the Parish Centre. Volunteers are needed to help with the many steps of turning milk bags into sleeping mats. A great way for high schoolers to earn volunteer hours. All are welcome!



**FAMILY ROSARY NIGHT:** You and your family are invited to join us for a Family Rosary Night on **Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.** in the church. Come join us for an evening of faith, love and prayer. Coffee and refreshments to follow. Please bring a shareable snack.



**FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD:** **Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>**, marks 40 days since Christmas. On this day we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation, which commemorates Mary and Joseph bringing Jesus to the Jerusalem Temple so as to present Him to the Lord. Acknowledging that Jesus is the Light of the Nations, we will celebrate Mass on **Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 a.m.** by candlelight. All are encouraged to bring candles to Mass. Candles will also be available for an offering of \$5.



**ENCOUNTERING JESUS:** A wonderful opportunity awaits you in our Adoration Chapel. An opportunity to encounter Jesus - to spend quality time with Him in silent adoration. Please consider becoming part of this devotion. For more information, please call Frank or Sheila Mauser (519) 658-9414.

### SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2026

*"The word of Christ dwells among you" (Col 3:16)*  
The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time marks the celebration of Bible Sunday in the Diocese of Hamilton. At the conclusion of the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis encouraged every Christian community to choose one Sunday a year to renew its efforts to make the Sacred Scriptures better known and widely diffused. Our celebration of Bible Sunday is a call to listen to how *#TheBibleSpeaks* in our hearts and within our communities of faith. This is the seventh annual celebration of this special day in the life of the Catholic Church. The Pastoral Offices of the Diocese of Hamilton have prepared a wide variety of resources for your celebration of Bible Sunday 2026. Prayer cards and bookmarks will be located at the parish entrances. Visit website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks/> for more information.

**SUNDAY VESPERS:** We will continue to pray Sung Vespers (Evening Prayer) at St. Mary's at 5:00 p.m. on the **last Sunday of every month**. Join us for prayers. The winter schedule is: January 25<sup>th</sup>, February 22<sup>nd</sup> and March 29<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome.

## ALL-AGES FAMILY POTLUCK & GAME NIGHT!

Save the date! **Saturday, February 21, 2026**

After 5:00 PM Mass – 10:00 PM in the Parish Hall.

All families and ages are welcome!

What to Bring:

- A Dish to Share: Bring your favourite appetizer, main course, or side dish...to share.
- Your Favourite Games: Whether it's a classic board game, cards, or a group party game, bring the fun to share with others.

Registration will be available early February to help us plan for "tons of fun" and ensure we have enough space for everyone.



**CWL MEETING:** All ladies of the Parish are welcome to attend our next CWL meeting on **Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.** (*rescheduled from Jan. 6*)

The Rosary will be prayed at 6:30 p.m. followed by Mass at 7:00 p.m. Come out, bring a friend and join us for prayer, fellowship, and a joyful celebration of our shared faith. *New members 16+ are welcome!*

### PARISH OFFERINGS for Jan. 10/11, 2026

Sunday Envelopes: \$3,922.00

### PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING for JANUARY 2026

Sunday Offerings: \$ 5,672.00

Building Fund: \$ 1.040.00

***Your continued financial support is greatly appreciated.***

**TAX RECEIPTS:** Annual tax receipts for the 2025 year will be available for pick-up in early February. Envelopes that are not picked up will be mailed. If you moved in 2025, please provide your new mailing address to the office.

**PHISING SCAMS:** We would like to remind all parishioners that Father David would not contact you by text in order to ask for money or gift cards. If you receive a text claiming to be Father David, please block the number and do not respond. Thank you.

**THOMAS TOAST:** The Communio Circle of the Diocese of Hamilton invites you to our annual Thomas Toast event on **Saturday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at St. Anthony Daniel Church**, 29 Midland Drive, Kitchener. Coffee will be available when the doors of the hall open at 9:30am. At 10:00am we will gather for Daytime Prayer and a talk by Dr. Peter Erb entitled: "Newman, Aquinas, and Pryzwara Revisited" followed by a toast to Thomas and a social until 12:00pm. For more information visit: [communiohamiltondiocese.org](http://communiohamiltondiocese.org) or contact Fr. Mark Morley: [mmorley@communiohamiltondiocese.org](mailto:mmorley@communiohamiltondiocese.org) or Deacon Charles Fernandes: 519-923-0454.

**YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT:** Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on **Saturday, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> at St. Michael's Church** (80 University Ave. West, Waterloo). Sponsored by the Vocations Office: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

**LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY: NO GREATER LOVE Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026.** The upcoming Lift Jesus Higher Rally will mark the event's 35th anniversary! The day will feature two simultaneous events—a youth rally (ages 13-18) and an adult rally (younger children can attend). It is a day to deepen and renew your faith, with inspiring talks and testimonies, powerful praise and worship, the rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, fellowship, and so much more! For tickets and details visit <https://www.ljhr.ca/>

**MONTHLY PRO-LIFE PRAYER VIGIL: Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup>** from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. All are welcomed and urged to come out to pray. Please pray to end abortion and pray for the conversion of hearts. Where: Opposite Freeport Hospital - 3570 King St. E., Kitchener. Parking: Schneider Park (across the road). Thank you and God bless you. Contact: [cmlamers@rogers.com](mailto:cmlamers@rogers.com) or 519-742-9025.

## Upcoming Events at the Parish

- January 20----- CWL Meeting at 7:30pm in the Parish Centre
- January 25----- Sunday Vespers at 5:00pm
- January 26 - 30----- Fr. David on vacation - *no weekday masses*
- January 26----- Mission Mats at 6:30pm in the Parish Centre
- January 28----- Family Rosary Night at 6:30pm in the church
- February 2----- Candlelight Mass at 7:00am
- February 2 ----- Social Committee Meeting at 5:00pm - *new members welcome*

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