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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.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Requested by
No Weekday Mass			
Saturday, January 31	5:00 PM	+ Jose Figueiredo Sousa and Family + Bernadette DiCarlo Intentions of the Galera Family Intentions of Jose & Beatriz Monteiro	Carmen and Tony Chaves Fred DiCarlo and Family The Quinless Family Carmen and Tony Chaves
Sunday, February 1	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	

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 are available at the parish entrances.** Visit website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks/> for more information.

MISSION MATS: Join us in making sleeping mats on **Monday, January 26th from 6:30 – 8:30 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 28th 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.

SPANISH PRAYER GROUP: The Spanish prayer group will meet on **Wednesday, January 28th at 8:00 p.m.** at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, all are welcome. For more information contact Carmen: (905) 483-9481 or Erika: (519) 222-6333.

THE KIDS BULLETIN: Visit <https://thekidsbulletin.com/> for a fun way for Catholic kids to learn about the Faith every week.

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

BIRTHDAY WISHES: We wish *Seminarian Jangho* a very happy birthday on January 25th! We are happy that he is here to celebrate with us at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish!

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 this **Sunday, January 25th.** All are welcome.



FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD: Monday, February 2nd 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 2nd at 7:00 a.m.** by candlelight. All are encouraged to bring candles to Mass. Candles will also be available for a \$5 offering.

MEN'S DAY OF RECOLLECTION: All men over 18 are invited to St. Mary of the Visitation Parish on **Saturday, February 7th, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.** for a day of recollection. The day will consist of Mass, confession, and talks given by Fr. Paul Pearson of the Toronto Oratory. Lunch and snacks will be provided. Please visit the parish website or scan the QR code on the posters to register. A \$15 fee will be collected at the door.



MONTHLY COLLECTION: Members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be collecting donations after all Masses this weekend. Envelopes are available for those who would like a tax receipt. Thank you for your continued support!



ALL-AGES FAMILY POTLUCK & GAME NIGHT! Saturday, February 21, 2026

After 5:00 PM Mass – 10:00 PM in the Parish Centre. 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 begin next weekend to help us plan for "tons of fun" and ensure we have enough space for everyone.

PARISH OFFERINGS for Jan. 17/18, 2026

Sunday Envelopes: \$3,089.15

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.

SEMINARY OFFERING – FEBRUARY 1, 2026:

This special collection supports the educational needs of seminarians within the Hamilton Diocese. Your support is greatly appreciated.



YOUTH GROUP MEETING: Calling all creators in Grade 6, 7, and 8! Are you ready to spread some kindness? Come out to create a handmade

Valentine craft. Whether it's for you, a friend or a family member - we'll have the glue, glitter and paper you need! When: **Wednesday, February 11th** in the parish hall from 6 - 8 PM. Please register through the parish website:

<https://stmaryhespeler.ca/youth-group>



THOMAS TOAST: The Communio Circle of the Diocese of Hamilton invites you to our annual Thomas Toast event on **Saturday, January 31st** 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:

<https://communiohamiltondiocese.org/> or Fr. Mark Morley: 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. 7th** at **St. Michael's Church** (80 University Ave. West, Waterloo). Sponsored by the Vocations Office:

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

WHEN LIFE CHANGES GRIEF PROGRAM PART ONE:

Using Dr. Bill Webster's grief material, these programs are intended to help you to understand your grief and provide practical tips and support for helping you through. The program will be offered Feb. 18th – March 25th from 1:30 to 3:00 PM at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West. All are welcome. To register, look for the program start date under Upcoming Events on the Diocesan home page at hamiltondiocese.com, or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

Upcoming Events at the Parish

- January 25----- Sunday Vespers at 5:00pm
- January 26----- Mission Mats at 6:30pm in the Parish Centre
- January 28----- Family Rosary Night at 6:30pm in the Church
- January 28----- Spanish Prayer Group at 8:00pm in the Hearth Room
- February 2----- Candlelight Mass at 7:00am
- February 2----- Social Committee Meeting at 5:00pm – *new members welcome*
- February 7 ----- Men's One Day Recollection in the Church & Parish Centre, 10am-3pm
- February 8----- Baptisms at 12:15pm in the Church
- February 10----- CWL Meeting at 7:30pm in the Parish Centre
- February 11----- Youth Group Meeting at 6:00pm in the Parish Centre
- February 12----- Knights of Columbus Meeting at 7:00pm in the Hearth Room
- February 14/15----- Coffee Sunday in the Parish Centre following all Masses

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