

# 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.

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Requested by
Tuesday, March 5	7:00 p.m.	+ Mary and Jim Haney + Tony and John Pellegrini + Rosemary Hanley	The Haney Family Susie Koenderink Chris O'Neill
Wednesday, March 6	8:00 a.m.	Intentions of Agnes Doyle	Judy Doyle
Thursday, March 7	8:00 a.m.	Intentions of Anna Altomare	Chris O'Neill
Friday, March 8	8:00 a.m.	Intentions of Dave and Erin Henderson	Mildred Scapinello
Saturday, March 9	8:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	<ul><li>+ Luis Fontes</li><li>+ Daniel Chabot</li><li>+ Benedicto Ngo Tran</li><li>+ Dennis O'Donnell</li></ul>	A Parishioner Jocelyn Dominas The Nguyen Family Paul and Cathy Strauss

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** at 7:00 p.m. every Friday, followed by a ½ hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and concluding with Benediction.

"THE CHOSEN" VIDEO SERIES: Join us Saturday mornings during Lent (concluding March 23) for Mass at 8:30 a.m. followed by the video and discussion in the Parish Centre.

#### **CONFESSION DURING LENT:**

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 23: 11:00 a.m. - 12 noon.,

3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 26: 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 27: 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m., March 29 (Good Friday): 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Please note: No Confession on Holy Saturday

#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

As you plan your journey through this holy season of Lent, please consider dedicating a precious hour of your time to draw closer to Our Lord through Eucharistic Adoration. Come and sacrifice one hour a week to Our Lord in this season of repentance and renewal. Jesus is waiting for you in this Sacrament of Love. There are several time slots still available. Please call Frank or Sheila for more information (519) 658-9414

LENT Pray + Fast + Give

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE: Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers and Lectors are invited to sign up to serve at Mass on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday. Please sign up online or contact the parish office. Thank you! **CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** We are looking for additional volunteers to help with our Children's Liturgy program at the 11:00 Mass. There will be a **training session on Thursday, March 21**st at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Centre. Those who are presently volunteering are also asked to join us so that we can overview the procedure in order to better serve the children of our parish as they grow in the love of the Lord.

**EASTER FLORAL TRIBUTES:** Remember your loved ones this Easter with a Floral Tribute. All donations will be put toward our Easter decorations. During the Easter season, the names of your loved ones will be placed by the Altar and remembered at all Masses. Forms are available at the parish entrances and on our parish website.

MASS OF CHRISM: Each year during Holy Week the priests of the Diocese gather to celebrate the Mass of Chrism. At this Mass, the Bishop will bless the oils that will be used in the celebration of the Sacraments for the coming year and the priests will renew the promises they made at their ordination. This Mass will be celebrated on Monday, March 25 at 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton. All are welcome. If you are planning to attend and would like to collect the sacred oils at the end of the Mass on behalf of our parish, please contact Father Ed.

#### **MOTHER TERESA: NO GREATER LOVE**

The Knights of Columbus Council 4916 will be having a Special screening of the Movie "Mother Teresa: No Greater Love" on Sunday, March 24 at 2:00 pm at St Mary of the Visitation Parish, in the parish centre. Produced by the Knights of Columbus, the documentary is an account of the life and legacy of this beloved Saint for our times. We will be accepting Donations of Food Items for SVDP. We hope you are able to join us.



#### **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

**MEETING**: All ladies in the Parish are invited to attend our next CWL meeting on **Tuesday, March 5**<sup>th</sup> immediately

following the 7:00pm Mass. Your input on many of the items on the agenda would be greatly appreciated. Come and join us for an informative evening together.

**FRIENDSHIP and FULFILLMENT**: Joining the CWL helps you find fulfillment. The CWL focuses on Faith, Service, and Social Justice. Come and get involved in what interests you. Along the way you can build enduring friendships. Meetings, socials, projects and conventions create bonds of friendship. Your place is among friends.



#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION:

We are so thankful to report our collection this weekend was \$2,331.45. Thank you so much for your generous support!

#### **PARISH OFFERINGS**

#### February 24/25, 2024

Sunday Envelopes (131): \$3,325.00 Loose Offerings \$635.95 Seminary \$25.00

Your continued financial support is greatly appreciated.



**THANK YOU:** We wish to thank the Knights of Columbus Council #4916 for their generous donation of \$1000 in support of our parish.

**PRAYER VIGIL: Thursday, March 7**th from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., opposite Freeport Hospital, 3570 King St. E., Kitchener, for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! Parking - across the road, Schneider Park. Any queries, please contact Cathy at: <a href="mailto:kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com">kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com</a>

**CAMBRIDGE RIGHT TO LIFE**: "If we had a minute of silence for each of the 4.5 million children killed by abortion in Canada between 1969 and 2020 we would be standing in silence for 8.5 years". Let us pray for an end to abortion.

**CATHOLIC MEN'S RETREAT:** "Surrender: Knowing God's Will." **Saturday, April 27, 2024**, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at St. Pius X Parish in Brantford, Ontario. The retreat leader is Fr. Larry Richards, a renowned speaker and author. Buy tickets online at catholicmen.ca. Tickets: \$30.

#### STEP/BLENDED FAMILY: SMART STEPS

The next session will be held on **Saturday, March 9, 2024**.at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph, 28 Norfolk Street. TIME: 9:15AM - 3:30PM. \$50 per person (includes lunch). Register online at: <a href="https://hamiltondiocese.com">hamiltondiocese.com</a> under Upcoming Events. Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH: Vacations or 'Stay-cations' are a wonderful time to step away from the busy-ness of everyday family living and reconnect with each other. As you laugh and play this March break, do not forget to stay connected to your faith. Be the family that plays and prays together. Take some time to talk about Lent and how it leads us to the great celebration at Easter!



# JOURNEY THROUGH LENT WITH THESE EPISODES:

**The Three Temptations**: Reflect with Dr. Brant Pitre on the

temptations of Jesus in the desert as he gets to the heart of the meaning of Lent.

**The Sorrowful Mysteries**: Travel with Mark Hartfiel and over twenty guest speakers to the Holy Land on a journey to enter into the Mysteries of the Rosary. Mysteries of the Rosary integrates deeply reflective insights into the life of Christ, theological truths, and captivating stories together with breathtaking scenery, illuminating sacred art, and inspiring music.

Where Are You? | Forgiven: Have you ever felt lost and alone, isolated in guilt? Like the Prodigal Son among the pigs, we know that we have sinned. But God won't leave us there—he searches for us and runs to welcome us home in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Visit formed.org



#### **UPCOMING CURSILLO WEEKENDS:**

Are you ready to make new friends to share your faith with? Why not recharge your spiritual batteries and think about

taking 3 days to learn more about your faith through a program of renewal and friendship called **CURSILLO**. Cursillo was started back in the 1940's in Spain and has spread to millions of people around the world. The rewards of the weekend are very worthwhile to your spiritual life. The Men's weekend takes place April 25-28, 2024, at Kkottongnae Retreat Centre, 6069 Second Line, Orton, ON. The application deadline for this weekend is April 14, 2024. The Women's weekend takes place May 30 - June1 at a retreat centre in Deemerton, near Mildmay, ON. Information regarding the deadline for the Women's weekend to be provided closer to event date. Contact Bonnie Frizzell at 519-212-3562 for details.

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