

#### SCHEDULE OF LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

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

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
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> Rev. David Reitzel, Pastor dreitzel@hamiltondiocese.com

Rev. Mr. Michael Foulger, Permanent Deacon Mrs. Catherine Quinto Garcia, Pastoral Minister Mrs. Rosanne Nusca, Administrative Assistant

#### 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 David and Deacon Michael would be most willing to visit.

#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY

Please call 519-658-6511 for assistance.

#### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Requested by
Tuesday, May 27	7:00 PM	Intentions of Fr. David Reitzel Intentions of Fr. Ed Henhoeffer Intentions of Angela Tellez-Lance Intentions of Rene Eferakeya	Parishioners Susie Koenderink Angela Tellez-Lance The Eferakeya Family
Wednesday, May 28	8:00 AM	+ Mary and Jim Haney	The Haney Family
Thursday, May 29	8:00 AM	Intentions of Chris O'Neill	Barb Hagey
Friday, May 30	8:00 AM	+ Paul Quinless	Andrea Szrejber
Saturday, May 31	10:00 AM 5:00 PM	<ul> <li>+ Stephanie Blackwell</li> <li>+ Mauricio Gomes</li> <li>+ Ed Proud</li> <li>+ Barb Arsenault</li> <li>+ Manuel and Albertina Soares</li> <li>+ Maria de Freitas and Family</li> <li>+ Kevin Langlade</li> </ul>	Helga Blackwell  Maria Gomes Judy Proud Beatrice Costello The Takacs Family Carmen and Tony Chaves Bruce and Marie Langlade
Sunday, June 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	

#### **DEACON MICHAEL FOULGER:**

The Bishop has given us news that Deacon Mike is taking on a new assignment. Starting at the end of June, he will be serving at St. John the Baptist parish in Guelph. We thank Deacon Mike for his many years of service to St. Mary of the Visitation parish! However, we will not say goodbye just yet. Please join us for a farewell celebration for Deacon Michael following all Masses on June 21 & 22. Until then, please pray for Deacon Mike that God may bless him in his new assignment.



BIBLE CAMP 2025: July 14-18
The Great Journey with Jesus
Participant registration for members
of the parish is now open. Spaces
are limited. Please pick up a form at
the parish or print from our parish

website. Cost: \$55/camper. Completed forms with payment must be returned to the parish office. We are still in need of adult and teen volunteers. If you are interested, please complete a volunteer form found at the parish entrances and return to the office. High school students are invited to participate and will receive community involvement hours.



**COFFEE SUNDAY:** All are invited for coffee, juice and treats <u>following all</u> <u>Masses</u> this weekend. *Join us for cake in celebration of Father David's birthday on May 27<sup>th</sup>!* 



# FEAST OF THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The Visitation is the encounter of the Virgin Mary and Elizabeth as recorded in the Gospel of Luke 1:39-56. Mary, having heard of the Annunciation through the angel, Gabriel, that Elizabeth was six months pregnant, left her

home to visit her. Elizabeth and John the Baptist were inspired by the Holy Spirit at her arrival; and Elizabeth, seeing Mary's faithfulness, cared for her giving her the opportunity to nourish the gift of life, Jesus, within her. Mary, surrounded by Elizabeth's love, pronounced the "Magnificat." It is the second Joyful Mystery of the Rosary, with the Spiritual Fruit of a Love of Neighbour.

Our Parish Feast Day is celebrated on May 31. Thus, as a parish community dedicated to Mary, under the title of St. Mary of the Visitation, we will celebrate Mass on **Saturday, May 31**<sup>st</sup> at 10:00a.m. Following Mass we will crown Mary and place flowers at her feet. We will then gather in the parish centre for a potluck brunch. All are welcome! You are invited to bring flowers for Mary and a brunch item to share. Dishes can be dropped off in the parish centre prior to Mass.

**MISSION MATS:** Join us on **Monday, May 26**<sup>th</sup> **at 6:30 p.m.** in the parish centre. Come out and see the process. Drop in anytime...you don't need to stay for the whole two hours. All are welcome!

#### **PARISH OFFERINGS**

May 17/18, 2025

Sunday Envelopes (131): \$2,501.45 Loose Offerings: \$305.45 Pope's Pastoral Works (4): \$55.00

Your continued financial support is greatly appreciated.

#### THE POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS COLLECTION:

This special collection this weekend provides an opportunity for Catholics to make a financial offering to assist the Holy Father. One-third of the funds collected is used by the Pope for his charitable contributions to those most in need throughout the world, as well as for the support of the Holy See and its activities. Two-thirds of the collection is to support the Holy Father in administering the Holy See and serving the Universal Church. *Thank you for your donations.* 

**OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL AWARD:** Once again our CWL is offering an award of \$250 to a graduating student from St. Benedict's Secondary School. This student must be an active member of St. Mary of the Visitation Parish who has demonstrated strong Christian volunteerism and leadership, and who is pursuing a post-secondary education. You will find applications at the entrance of the church. *Deadline for submission is June 1st.* If you qualify, you will be notified by June 6<sup>th</sup>.

**CWL FATHER'S DAY FUNDRAISER: June 7**<sup>th</sup> **and 8**<sup>th</sup> following each weekend Mass. We are thankful to our sponsors who have provided the following raffle items: Toronto Blue Jay tickets for June 17<sup>th</sup> / Set of 18 hole golf passes from Merry-Hill Golf Club / 4-person Tour and Taste at Four Fathers, as well as many other items in each raffle basket! There will also be a 50/50 Draw. Save the date, save some cash and support our great cause. We hope to see you there!

ST. AGATHA PARISH HOMECOMING: We warmly invite you to join us on June 8<sup>th</sup> at St. Agatha Parish (St. Agatha) for this special event. It will be a joyful opportunity to reconnect with old friends and celebrate the rich history of St. Agatha Parish. Were you baptized or married here? Did your children attend St. Agatha School? The celebration will begin with Mass at 11:00am, followed by lunch and a reception in the parish hall until 3:00pm. Enjoy reminiscing with friends, looking through old photos, and viewing the display showcasing the history of our parish. Please join us for this celebration of faith, friendship, and community.

PRO-LIFE PRAYER VIGIL: Thursday, June 5, 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 is across the road, Schneider Park. Any queries, please contact Cathy at: <a href="mailto:cmlamers@rogers.com">cmlamers@rogers.com</a>

**CAMBRIDGE RIGHT TO LIFE: COFFEE & DESSERT EVENING** – Come join us on **Monday**, May 26th at St. Ambrose Parish Hall, 210 South Street from 7:00-9:00pm for the screening of Life on Film: Featuring Chapter 3 of "MAiD in Canada -Ethics & Euthanasia" with the Kooman Bros. You'll hear compelling viewpoints from doctors, psychiatrists, bioethicists, legal counsel and more about the medical ethics of euthanasia plus the harrowing true story of Jean Swenson, an inspiring survivor of an accident that paralyzed her from the neck down. Doors open at 6:45. Free will offering. Please call 519-623-1850 to reserve your seat! Please encourage others to attend. Thank You. Also consider joining us on Friday, May 30th for our mini Life Chain from 7-8:00 pm on Hespeler Road @ Dunbar, to witness for the unborn.

THE KIDS BULLETIN: Visit

https://thekidsbulletin.com/ for a fun way for Catholic kids to learn about the Faith every week.

#### Upcoming Events at the Parish

- May 24/25 ----- Coffee Sunday following all Masses
- May 26 ----- Mission Mats at 6:30PM in the Parish Centre
- May 27 ----- Fr. David's birthday
- May 29 ----- Family Rosary Night at 6:30PM Please bring a shareable snack
- May 31 ----- Feast of the Visitation Mass at 10AM followed by Potluck Brunch
- June 7/8 ------ CWL Father's Day Fundraiser following all Masses
- June 10 ----- CWL Meeting and Potluck Dinner at 6:30PM in the Parish Centre
- June 12 ----- Knights of Columbus meeting at 7:00PM in the Parish Centre
- June 14/15 ----- Presentation by Chalice during all Masses

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