

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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Requested by
Tuesday, May 5	7:00 PM	+ Rita Papp + Hugh Buchanan + Lynda Caron Intentions of Kian and Roslyn Intentions of the Ponce-Zacarias Family	Anna Altomare Cathy Buchanan Saskia Vreeswyk Javier Cristancho Carmen Ponce
Wednesday, May 6	8:00 AM	Intentions of Fr. Bradley Markus	Priscila Soares
Thursday, May 7	8:00 AM	+ Ronald Milne	Ruth Ann Milne
Friday, May 8	8:00 AM	Intentions of Fr. David Reitzel	The Parish
Saturday, May 9	5:00 PM	+ Alois Maier and Ida Maier + Daniel Mendonca + Arturo Villapando Intentions of Javier Cristancho	Barbara Maier Maria Mendonca The Yu Family Javier Cristancho
Sunday, May 10	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	



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

FR. DAVID'S ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION:

Please join us for mass on **Thursday, May 7th at 8:00 a.m.** as we joyfully celebrate the 10th anniversary of Father David's priestly ordination. *Blessings on the Anniversary of Your Ordination Father David! We thank you for your faithful service and commitment to our Lord and His church.*

NEXT YOUTH GROUP MEETING: Grade 6, 7, and 8 students, join us for food, fellowship and fun! This month we will be going for a hike along the Speed River. See you on **Wed., May 6th at 6:00 p.m.**

BIBLE CAMP 2026: Mark your calendars! Plans are in the works for our annual Summer Bible Camp (Ages 4 – 11) scheduled for **July 20 – 24th, 2026.** If you would like to be a volunteer please contact the office. More details to follow soon!



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026

Congratulations to the 75 young students who celebrated their First Holy Communion last weekend. We pray that they will continue to grow in their love

for Jesus who is the Bread of Life, the one who comes to them in a special way in Holy Communion. *A special thank you to all our volunteers who participated in these Masses.*

SEMINARIAN JANGHO: It is with great joy that our parish announces that Seminarian Jangho will be ordained to the **Transitional Diaconate** through the laying on of hands. This sacred milestone marks his final step before the priesthood. The Ordination Mass will take place on **Friday, June 19th, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.** at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish. All parishioners are warmly invited to attend this beautiful liturgy and offer their prayers for Jangho as he commits his life to diaconal service. Once ordained, Deacon Jango will be empowered to preach homilies, read the Gospel at Mass, baptize, and witness marriages.



C.W.L. NEWS: The next Catholic Women's League meeting will be held on **Tuesday, May 5th** in the Parish Centre, following the 7:00 p.m. Mass. The Rosary will be prayed at 6:30 p.m. We invite all ladies of the parish, 16 years and older, to consider joining us! Come share your unique and valuable gifts and join us as we share a sisterhood of faith, fulfillment and friendship!

RETREAT AT THE CARMEL: The Carmel of St. Joseph Guild is hosting their Spiritual Retreat at the Carmelite Monastery on **Saturday, May 30th, 2026.** The theme of our Retreat, given by *Fr. David Reitzel* is "Our Lady-The Visitation". This Retreat welcomes women and men. Registration opens Monday, April 20th, 2026 - spaces are limited. Visit The Carmel website (www.thecarmel.ca) to register. Enjoy a day with quiet reflection, Mass and Adoration.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION:

The collection for the weekend of April 25th/26th was \$1,561.80. Thank you!

PARISH OFFERINGS for April 25/26, 2026:

Sunday Envelopes: \$3,480.15

Your continued financial support is greatly appreciated.

For additional ways to donate, please visit www.stmaryhospeler.ca/donate



ROSES FOR LIFE: Knights of Columbus Council 4916 will be distributing "Roses for Life" at all the Masses on **May 9th & 10th**.

Donations will Support Cambridge Right to Life and Dawn Pregnancy Resource Center.



MEETING NOTICE: A Reminder to Brother Knights of our upcoming meeting on **Thursday May 14th at 7:00 p.m.** at St. Mary of the Visitation Church.

Please join your Brother Knights for fellowship and Faith in Action.

YARD SALE: The Knights of Columbus #4916 will be holding a Yard Sale on **Saturday, May 30th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.** in the St. Mary of the Visitation Church parking lot. All proceeds will be donated to local charities. Please see the flyer on the bulletin board for more information.

PRO-LIFE PRAYER VIGIL: Thursday, May 7th 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 cmlamers@rogers.com

2026 SPRING TOUR OF OUR LADY of the CAPE:

Our Lady of the Cape Pilgrim Statue will visit St. Patrick's Church on **Saturday, May 9th from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m.** The Spring Tour is sponsored by the National Shrine and is accompanied by Father Wedner Bérard. The program includes the Rosary, celebration of Mass, Crowning, Candlelight Procession, and Veneration. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to visit Our National Madonna, venerate Her Pilgrim Statue, and be blessed!



CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 2026 begins on **Sunday, May 3rd, 2026.**

This year's Catholic Education

theme is, "Pilgrims of Hope: On the Path to Holiness." The Catholic schools in our parish will engage in a series of events to celebrate the ongoing gift of publicly funded Catholic education. You are invited to learn about the various celebrations that are happening in your children's school, and are welcome to attend, if possible. Publicly funded Catholic education has existed in Ontario since 1841 and its graduates have served Ontario and Canada very well. The current generation of students in our publicly funded Catholic schools will serve with the same spirit and generosity as their previous generations. Visit <https://www.hamiltondiocesecew.com/> for resources, videos and prayers.

GUELPH WALKING PILGRIMAGE TO MIDLAND: AUGUST 1st – 8th, 2026

WALKING PILGRIMAGE IS ABOUT:

- nourishing your spirituality
- enjoying the great outdoors
- getting great exercise: 20+km per day
- having fun and enjoying good company

Those who walk the Guelph-to-Midland pilgrimage find it to be a unique and grace-filled experience. For eight days pilgrims pray, sing, laugh, and share stories with others as they journey. Join us, as we cast off routine for eight days and acquiesce to a community of higher purpose. Participate for 1 day, a weekend or the full 8 days! Cost \$400 for 8 days or \$75 per day. We carry your gear, provide 3 meals and snacks daily, and cover entry and camping fees. You bring your tent, chair and personal gear/clothing in a duffel bag. To register or for more information go to www.ignatiusguelph.ca (under programs - Guelph Walking Pilgrimage) NOTE: registration deadline is June 30th, 2026.



HAMILTON DIOCESE WEBSITE: Be sure to visit the Diocesan website for important updates, events, and resources: <https://hamiltondiocese.com>

Upcoming Events at the Parish

- May 4----- Social Committee Meeting at 5:00pm
- May 5----- CWL Meeting at 7:30pm in the Parish Centre
- May 6----- Youth Group Meeting at 6:00pm in the Parish Centre
- May 6----- Spanish Prayer Group at 8:00pm in the Hearth Room
- May 7----- Fr. David's 10th Anniversary of Ordination
- May 10----- Baptisms at 12:15pm in the Church
- May 12----- St. Vincent de Paul Meeting at 7:30pm
- May 14----- Knights of Columbus Meeting at 7:00pm

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