

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 has paused for the summer and will resume in September.

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.

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Requested by
Tuesday, September 9	7:00 PM	+ Kathy Tones + Jim Ryan Intentions of Pope Leo XIV	Ruth Ann Milne Catholic Women's League Catholic Women's League
Wednesday, September 10	8:00 AM	+ Jim Ryan	Dave and Erin Henderson
Thursday, September 11	8:00 AM	Intentions of Shawn Bennett and Family	Frank and Mary Jane Pizzio
Friday, September 12	8:00 AM	+ Kathy Tones	Anna Altomare
Saturday, September 13	5:00 PM	+ Urban and Anne Schmidt + Paul Quinless	Patricia and Gerard Schmidt The Mina Family
Sunday, September 14	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: <https://www.stmaryhespeler.ca/new-parishioners>

ICE CREAM SUNDAY: Join your fellow parishioners for an ice cream treat before the official end of summer! **Next weekend,** September 13/14, following ALL Masses. We hope to see you there!



BAPTISM: A special congratulations to the nine families that had their baby or young child baptised throughout the summer months. May the Lord bless them always in their faith life. Let us pray for all families as they prepare to celebrate Baptism in the coming months. We are currently booking Baptism dates for October, November and December. Please contact Rosanne in the parish office.

SPANISH PRAYER GROUP: The Spanish prayer group will start on **Wednesday, September 10th at 8 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.



INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Are you or anyone you know interested in becoming Catholic? We would like to start the process of preparation come the Fall. If you have thought about being baptized or being received into the Church, please call the office to make an appointment with Father David.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: The Children's Liturgy program will resume this Sunday, September 7th at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Children who are in school but have not yet made their First Holy Communion are invited to participate.



11AM CHOIR: The 11:00 am Choir has a long history of providing music at mass and special occasions. In the past there has always been replenishment of choir members with younger men and women stepping up to join as members are lost by attrition. Since the Covid epidemic this has not been happening. We have decreased in numbers from 25 to 12. The future of music at the 11:00 am Mass is dependent on gaining new members. All voice ranges are welcome. At this time, we are in dire need of sopranos. **Please consider joining the music ministry to praise God in song.** For more information, please call Bert Walter: 226-988-2554 or 519-658-6547. The first choir practice of the season is **Wednesday, September 17th at 7:00 p.m.** New members 16 years and older are welcome!

MARRIAGE: Congratulations to *Erin* and *Steven* who were married in our parish on August 23, 2025! May God bless them as they begin a wonderful journey of marriage together.



NEW SOCIAL COMMITTEE: Do you enjoy planning social events? We are looking for **two additional volunteers** to form a **Parish Social Committee.** This Committee will work with Father David and parish staff to plan and run social events throughout the year. If you are interested, please contact the parish office. The first meeting will take place on **Tuesday, September 16th** following the 7pm Mass.

PARISH OFFERINGS

August 23 - 24, 2025

Sunday Offerings: \$3,491.50

August 30 - 31, 2025

Sunday Offerings: \$3,471.80

August Building Fund Donations: \$2,025.00

Your financial support is greatly appreciated.

If you are looking for ways to support the parish, please visit www.stmaryhespeler.ca/donate.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: Consider joining our CWL and grow in faith and witness the love of God through ministry and service, and to engage with other

Sisters in Faith! Our theme is, *"Sparkle God's Way! Be a Beacon of Light and Hope to Everyone You Meet."* Our first meeting and Potluck dinner will be

Tuesday, September 9th at 5:00 p.m. Fr. David will speak on the importance of fasting before mass, followed by the rosary at 6:30 p.m. and Mass at 7:00 p.m. Come and bring your favourite dish or dessert and enjoy a nice meal and fellowship. *All ladies 16+ are welcome!*



MEETING NOTICE: Msgr. Paul J. Meyer Knights of Columbus Council 4916 would like to welcome all our Brothers back as we

start our 2025-26 Fraternal year on **Thursday, September 11th at 7:00 p.m.** at St. Mary of the Visitation Church. *New members 18+ are welcome!*



SEPTEMBER MEETING: Members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will meet on **Monday, September 15th at 7:00 p.m.** in

the Parish Centre. *New members are always welcome!*

MONTHLY COLLECTION: The collection for August 30/31st was \$2,016.55. Thank you for your continued support!

JESUS HEALS: Bring your struggles to "Jesus Heals", a Shalom World event healing program, and be transformed in body, mind, and soul. This is a free event, and all are welcome! Led by Fr. Julian Studden, a gifted priest and global speaker. This event includes Holy Mass, Eucharistic adoration, spiritual talk, special prayers for healing and blessing of the sick. You are invited to attend any of the following:

- **Tues. September 23**, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at **St. Mary of the Visitation Parish**, Cambridge
 - **Wed. September 24**, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm St. Ambrose Parish, Cambridge
 - **Thursday, September 25**, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at St. Patrick's Parish, Cambridge
 - **Saturday, September 27** from 8am to 12 noon at St. Ambrose Parish
- Pick up a flyer in the church for how to register, or visit conferences.shalomworld.org



WALK FOR LIFE: Did you know the **Cambridge Right to Life** is funded 100% through donations? This is why the annual "Walk for Life", their biggest fundraiser, on

Saturday, September 27th is so very important. Donations to the "walk" allow them to continue the work of defending "Life from conception til natural death" through advertising on Bus shelter benches, the electronic jumbo screen at the Delta, weekend ads in The Record newspaper and on their website. Let's support this worthwhile cause again this year and help them be a voice for the unborn, those hurting from abortion, the infirm, the aged and those with disabilities. Sponsor sheets and donation envelopes are located at all entrances. Envelopes can be placed in the collection basket. Last year you helped raise \$1760, let's try to match or exceed that amount! Thank you! Any inquires call Chris at 519-400-3657.

RETREAT AT THE CARMEL: The Carmel of St. Joseph Guild is hosting a fall retreat at the Carmelite Monastery on **Saturday, September 27, 2025**. Please see the poster or visit www.thecarmel.ca

Upcoming Events at the Parish

- September 7 ----- Children's Liturgy program resumes
- September 9 ----- CWL Potluck dinner in the Parish Centre at 5pm
- September 11 ----- Knights of Columbus meeting in the Parish Centre at 7pm
- September 13/14 ----- Coffee Sunday in the Parish Centre following all Masses
- September 14 ----- Baptisms at 12:15pm in the Church
- September 15 ----- SVDP meeting in the Parish Centre at 7:00pm
- September 16 ----- Social Committee meeting in the Parish Centre at 7:30pm
- September 25 ----- Family Rosary night at 6:30pm in the Church

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