

# 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.

#### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Requested by
Tuesday, April 30	7:00 p.m.	<ul><li>+ Salvatore &amp; Margherita Natalizio</li><li>+ Rod Hilker</li><li>+ Yvonne Currie</li><li>Intentions of Gary Foran</li></ul>	The Natalizio Family Doug and Cathy Hilker Rosanne Nusca Ken and Linda Heffernan
Wednesday, May 1	8:00 a.m.	+ Joseph and Catherine Yust	The Yust Family
Thursday, May 2	8:00 a.m.	+ Ron Milne	Ruth Ann Milne
Friday, May 3	8:00 a.m.	Intentions of Agnes Doyle	Judy Doyle
Saturday, May 4	5:00 p.m.	+ Lena Bendus + Stanislav Kubala + John Ramage	Nancy Bendus Sidonia Kubala The Soul Sisters



**CHALICE**: At all Masses this weekend, Canada's largest Catholic Child Sponsorship organization will provide you the opportunity to begin a relationship with a child in the

developing world through the benefits of Child Sponsorship. It is a powerful way to reveal God's love for those most in need. Please visit chalice.ca for more information about Chalice and its mission.

**SAVE THE DATE!** May 31<sup>st</sup> is the **Feast Day of the** Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which is the patronal feast of our parish. The parish Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, May 30 at 7:00 p.m. and will be followed by a **volunteer appreciation reception** in the parish centre. All volunteers of the parish are invited to attend. A sign-up sheet will be available starting May 4<sup>th</sup>



#### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024**

Congratulations to the 80 young students who celebrated their First Holy Communion this month. 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 of our volunteers that participated in these Masses.

#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

"The Church and the world have a great need of Eucharistic Adoration. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Him in Adoration... May our Adoration never cease." - Saint John Paul II. If you would like to spend time with Jesus in the Adoration Chapel please call: Frank or Sheila (519) 658-9414.



CWL SPRING FUNDRAISER: May 4th and 5<sup>th</sup> following each of the weekend masses. We would appreciate your help with donations for the bake sale.

Volunteers will be at the church on Friday evening, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 6:30pm until 9pm and Saturday morning from 9am-11am to receive your baked goods. Come and try your luck at a 50/50 draw or you can purchase something from our jewelry table. How about winning a raffle prize just in time for Mother's Day? We look forward to seeing you there!

**BIBLE CAMP 2024:** Plans are in the works for a Summer Bible Camp scheduled for July 15-19, 2024. If you would like to volunteer at our Summer Bible Camp please contact the office by phone or email. High school students are invited to participate and will receive community involvement hours. Registration will begin on May 18, 2024.



THANK YOU: We wish to thank the Knights of Columbus Council #4916 for their generous donation of \$1,000 in support of our parish.

**INDIGENOUS RECONCILIATION FUND:** Thank you for generous donations. To date our parish has collected \$715.00. Donations can be made through the parish until May 12. (Cheques payable to St. Mary of the Visitation Parish). For information please visit: <a href="https://irfund.ca/en/welcome/">https://irfund.ca/en/welcome/</a>



**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.

LOST AND FOUND: Please check our lost and found table in the hallway to the parking lot. There are many items to be claimed!

#### **PARISH OFFERINGS**

April 20 - 21, 2024

Sunday Envelopes (109): \$2,416.00 Loose Offerings \$476.40 Indigenous Reconciliation (8) \$305.00

Your continued financial support is greatly appreciated.



# CAMBRIDGE RIGHT TO LIFE: COFFEE & DESSERT EVENING

The historic overturning of Roe v. Wade in the United States has emboldened the pro-life movement the world over. Life

seems to be winning. But could it ever "win" in a country like Canada? Please join us for a screening of the *must-see* feature length documentary *ROE* Canada: The True North in a Post-Roe World on Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at St. Ambrose Parish Hall, 210 South Street 7:00–9:00 pm. Followed by a Q&A with Josie Luetke & Ruth Robert, the two principal investigators of the film. Admission: Free-will offering. Call CRTL at 519-623-1850 or email cambridgerighttolife@gmail.com to reserve your seat. Please encourage your friends to attend!



#### **TORONTO MARCH FOR LIFE:**

**Saturday, May 11, 2024**. This event is an opportunity to join with hundreds of other pro-lifers to stand up for the rights

of our youngest neighbours in the womb. We will gather at Queen's Park at 10:00 AM for a rally, and then march through downtown Toronto. Workshops will follow at 2:00pm (registration required). Sign up for workshops and lunch by April 30. For information visit torontomarchforlife.ca/

#### WALKING PILGRIMAGE: August 3-10, 2024

Walk from Guelph to Midland and nourish your spirituality, enjoy the great outdoors, get great exercise, and have fun and enjoy good company! Those who walk this 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 duffle bag. To register or for more information go to www.ignatiusguelph.ca (under programs - Guelph Walking Pilgrimage) Registration deadline: June 20.



#### **CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 2024**

begins on **Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>** 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. Since 1841, Catholic schools and their 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. This year's Catholic Education Week theme is, "We are called to love", and is grounded in our Holy Scriptures: "If we love one another, God lives in us." (1 John 4:12)

With joyful anticipation of the Jubilee Year of 2025, we are inspired by Pope Francis announcing the theme of "*Pilgrims of Hope*." With open hearts of love, we can continue to "fan the flame of hope" for a bright future.

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT: Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of Adoration, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at Holy Rosary Church (287 Plains Road East, Burlington). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: <a href="mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com">vocations/</a> or visit <a href="mailtontiocese.com/vocations/">https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/</a>

#### THE FINE ART OF BEING HAPPILY MARRIED -

In his poem, The Art of Marriage, Wilfred A. Peterson writes, "A good marriage must be created" and creating something requires time and attention. We invite you to take the time, with your spouse, to find new and creative ways to increase your connection with each other, to discover fresh techniques for being in relationship and to deepen the love you already share. Join us on **Saturday**, **June 1**<sup>st</sup> from 9:30 – 3:00 pm at Catherine of Siena Parish, Hamilton. *Cost*: \$50 per couple and includes lunch. To register: hamiltondiocese.com or contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

**PRAYER VIGIL: Thursday, May 2**, 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:cmlamers@rogers.com">cmlamers@rogers.com</a>

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