

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.



PALM SUNDAY

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Requested by
Tuesday, March 26	7:00 p.m.	+ Ron Milne + Maria Rosa and Joe Afonso	Ruth Ann Milne The Afonso Family
Wednesday, March 27	8:00 a.m.	+ Rosalina Allam	The Allam and Basani Family



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

HOLY WEEK: Today we begin Holy Week, the most solemn time of our liturgical year. This week, we journey with Jesus through his Passion and Death to arrive next Sunday at the glory of His Resurrection from the dead. The liturgies of the Triduum, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night speak to us about the work of God accomplished in Jesus Christ. As the Christian faithful, let us take time to truly participate in these most sacred rituals so as to arrive at an ever-deeper faith in the mystery of Salvation won for us in Jesus Christ, risen from the dead.

MASS OF CHRISM

Monday, March 25 at 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King.

HOLY THURSDAY, March 28

Mass at 7:00 p.m.

(no 8 a.m. Mass)

The church will remain open until 10 p.m. for private prayer

GOOD FRIDAY, March 29

3:00 p.m. - Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday

(no 8 a.m. Mass)

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat.

HOLY SATURDAY, March 30

1:00 p.m. - Blessing of Easter foods

8:00 p.m. - Solemn Easter Vigil

(There is no 5 p.m. Mass or Confessions on this day)

EASTER SUNDAY - March 31

Mass at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

ADORATION CHAPEL AND THE TRIDUUM:

The adoration chapel will close at 6:00 p.m. on Holy Thursday and remain closed until after the 11:00 am Mass Easter Sunday morning.

As we enter Holy Week we invite you to spend time with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration. Please call Frank or Sheila for more information (519) 658-9414.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: A reminder that the Children's Liturgy program will *not* run on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. The program will resume on April 7th.

CONFESSION THIS WEEK: Tues., March 26:

7:30 - 8:30 p.m., **Wed., March 27:** 8:30 - 9:30 a.m., **Friday, March 29:** 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



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" **this 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 non-perishable food items for St. Vincent de Paul.** We hope you are able to join us.

MISSION MATS: Join us on Wednesday, March 27th at 6:30 p.m.

in the parish centre. Did you know it takes about 400 milk bags to make one mat? Come out and see the process. Drop in anytime...you don't need to stay for the whole two hours. A great way for high schoolers to earn volunteer hours. Milk bags are not needed at this time. All are welcome!



NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN THE HOLY LAND:

The Good Friday Collection, on March 29, is requested by the Holy See to help maintain the Christian sites of the Holy Land and to support the Church in the pastoral, educational, and social works that contribute to a sustained Christian presence in the land where Jesus the Christ once walked.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED: A reminder that the parish office is closed on Good Friday, March 29th.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:

A special thank you to all of our volunteers that signed up for Holy Week and Easter Masses.



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.

PARISH OFFERINGS

March 16/17, 2024

Sunday Envelopes (123):	\$2,401.20
Loose Offerings	\$575.05
Share Lent (52):	\$1,310.00

Your continued financial support is greatly appreciated.

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT: Last weekend the 2023 financial reports for both the parish and the Saint Vincent de Paul society were inserted in the bulletin. If you missed getting copies they can be found on the tables by the entrances to the church or on our parish website. Make sure to take one so you are up to date on our financial situation.

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, April 20, 2024

Our CWL will be hosting a Ladies Retreat with guest speaker Teresa Harnett. *Topic: Bloom Where You Are Planted.* Watch the bulletin for further information.



CONFIRMATION 2024

The following Confirmation Liturgies will take place on **Saturday, April 6, 2024** with Auxiliary Bishop Wayne Lobsinger.

- *St. Elizabeth:* 11:00 a.m.
- *St. Gabriel:* 1:00 p.m.
- *Our Lady of Fatima:* 3:00 p.m.

Please continue to pray for these students as they prepare for this Sacrament of Initiation.

SHARE LENT 2024: Thank you for giving from the heart to Share Lent 2024! Development and Peace — Caritas Canada thanks you for supporting the Reaping our Rights campaign with your Share Lent donation. **Thanks to your generosity, our parish has collected \$1,790.00 to date.** This sum will help support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East. If you have not yet had a chance to give, you can still place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory or donate online at devp.org/give. Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.



BIBLE CAMP 2024: Plans are in the works for a Summer Bible Camp scheduled for July 15-19, 2024. If you are interested in assisting with 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. The first meeting will be after Easter. Details to follow.

MARIAN RESIDENCE: Are you looking to retire in a Catholic environment this Spring? Then come and visit the Marian Residence Retirement Home in Cambridge, owned and operated by the Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate. For more information please email info@marianresidence.ca and also watch our new video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KORCnSkIEIq>

WALKING THE WAY: A Holy Week Journal for Young People created by the Office of Youth Ministry. It is a helpful support for young people to pray during the upcoming Holy Week. The journal bridges the Gospel readings for each day of Holy Week and offers practical ways young people can live out the message. The Journal has reflections from Pope Francis' letter to young people, Christus Vivit. <https://hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/youth-ministry/resources-for-young-people/>

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to celebrate the Easter Season by attending 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, April 6th at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate** (28 Norfolk Street, Guelph). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

ReSTART - MOVING FORWARD: Our 10-week program offers education and support to anyone seeking to heal and move forward after divorce or separation. The sessions will run on **Mondays from April 7th to June 17th** from 7-9 pm at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in person, or you are welcome to join our zoom classroom. Cost is \$35 for materials, but no one is turned away. Registration is required so please call Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, e-mail familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com or register on line: hamiltondiocese.com under Upcoming Events.

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