

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

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY

Please call 519-658-6511 for assistance.

**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**


Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Requested by
September 3 - 5	<b>No Mass</b>		
Friday, September 6	8:00 a.m.	Intentions of Pat Coghlan	Dorothy Gunther
Saturday, September 7	5:00 p.m.	+ Mary and Jim Haney + Maria Rosa and Joe Afonso Intentions of Zenon Labuda Intentions of Kathy Tones Intentions of Kathy Grant	The Haney Family The Afonso Family The Labuda Family Paul and Anita Curtin Suzanne and Gus Maurice

**PRIEST SEMINAR:** Every year the bishops and priests of the Diocese gather for a seminar. This year we will be meeting right after Labour Day, September 3 - September 5. Therefore, there will be no Masses celebrated on these days.


**RCIA 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.

**PARISH OFFICE:** The parish office will be **closed** on **Monday, Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>** for the Labour Day Holiday.

 **COFFEE SUNDAY:** Join your fellow parishioners for coffee and cookies on **Sunday, September 15, 2024** following all Masses.

**NEW VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:** The new schedule begins Saturday, September 7. Please contact the office if you need access to our online scheduling program.

 **CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** The Children's Liturgy program will resume on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Children who are in school but have not made their First Holy Communion are invited to participate.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** We are looking for **additional Altar Servers** (grade 3 and up) and **Ushers** to begin in the fall. Please speak with Father David or contact the parish office if you are interested in joining.

**ALTAR SERVERS:** There will be an altar server training session and meeting for all Altar Servers on **Saturday, September 28** starting at 10:30 a.m. for new servers and 11:00 a.m. for current servers. Pizza lunch will follow!



**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OF ST. MARY'S PARISH:** Consider joining our CWL and grow in faith and witness the love of God through ministry and service. Our new theme is, "*Sparkle God's Way! Be a Beacon of Light and Hope to Everyone You Meet.*" Our first meeting will be **Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 p.m., following Mass at 6:00 p.m. *Guest speaker: Father David Reitzel.* It will be a catered chicken supper. We are asking \$10 per person to cover the cost. Please put your money and name in a marked envelope and drop off in the Sunday offertory or at the parish office. The payment deadline is September 1. All ladies are welcome!



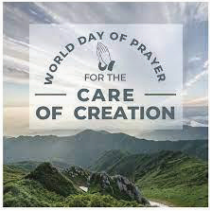
**MONTHLY COLLECTION:** Our monthly collection for August was \$1,170.00. Thank you for your continued support!

<b>PARISH OFFERINGS</b>	
<b>August 17 - 18, 2024</b>	
Sunday Envelopes (120):	\$2,496.00
Loose Offerings:	\$649.10
<b>August 24 - 25, 2024</b>	
Sunday Envelopes (114):	\$3,319.55
Loose Offerings:	\$597.15
<i>Your financial support is greatly appreciated.</i>	



**MEETING NOTICE:** Msgr. Paul J. Meyer Knights of Columbus Council 4916 welcomes all our Brothers back as we start our 2024-25 Fraternal year on **Thursday, September 5<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 pm at St. Clement Church. Join your Brother Knights as we begin the celebration of 125 years of the Knights in Ontario. Enter via the Westminster Drive door.

**FALL KNITTING:** Are you looking for a fall project? Vests and toques help to prevent pneumonia in Third World babies and toddlers, and doctors treating children in poor or war-torn countries ask for teddy bears to cuddle. We have an abundant supply of donated yarn and wool. Please call the office to arrange for a pick up or drop off of yarn.



**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION** –In 2015, Pope Francis declared **September 1** as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. Coinciding with a celebration instituted by the Orthodox Church,

it is also a day of ecumenical prayer and unity. *"Hope and Act with Creation"* is the theme of the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation 2024. The theme is drawn from Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans (8:19-25), where the Apostle explains what it means for us to live according to the Spirit and focuses on the sure hope of salvation that is born of faith, namely, newness of life in Christ. Visit <https://www.stmaryhespeler.ca/news-2> for the full message from Pope Francis.

**DIOCESAN MARIAN DAYS:** The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, the Diocesan Marian Shrine, will be hosting the Diocesan Marian Days on the first Saturdays in September and October. The day begins at 9:00 a.m. and concludes at noon. The presiders for these days: **Bishop Douglas Crosby on September 7<sup>th</sup>** and Bishop Daniel Miehm on October 5. For more info visit the Diocesan website <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2024/05/marian-days/>



**PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH:** As school begins a new, we set up new schedules and set boundaries and guidelines to help our children achieve the best

success they can. It is a great time to incorporate prayer, perhaps before meals and bed, into the family routine. Let your children know that speaking to God at any time is an easy way to ask for support and share their joys. God is always ready to listen and provide help; this is a proven way to help your children succeed! (From: Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250).

### **YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT – FORMOSA**

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The event 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, September 7<sup>th</sup>** at Immaculate Conception Church (212 Concession Rd 12, Formosa). For more information, please contact: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>



**WALK FOR LIFE:** Cambridge Right to Life will be holding their biggest annual "Walk for Life" fundraiser this month to continue their work of defending "Life from conception til natural death". Following in the foot steps of Father Ed, Father David has agreed to walk on behalf of St. Mary's to help raise funds. The 5K walk will take place **September 21<sup>st</sup> at 10 am** from the Grace Bible Church at 2 Grand Ave S. If you would like to help this cause by sponsoring Father David, a sponsor sheet will be posted on the bulletin board in the hall, and placed on tables at entrances along with donation envelopes. Envelopes can be placed in collection baskets. Those wishing to join the walk may do so as well by contacting Chris at 519-400-3657. Thank you for your consideration.

**PRAYER VIGIL - Thursday, September 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 - across the road, Schneider Park. Any queries, please contact Cathy at: [cmlamers@rogers.com](mailto:cmlamers@rogers.com)

**SAFETY AND THE AWARENESS OF FRAUD:** An information session presented by the Waterloo Regional Police Services in response to the concern of the increase of fraud experienced on the Internet **Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m., St Patrick's Parish Church Hall,** 53 Wellington St. Church Hall entrance is located at the back of the building behind the office. Wheelchair accessible. *Sponsored by St Patrick Catholic Women's League.*

**CEMETERY MASS:** All are welcome to attend the newly re-instated Annual Cemetery Memorial Mass at Mount View Cemetery (Blair Road in Cambridge) on **Saturday, September 14 at 10:00 a.m.** This Mass is outdoors - you are welcome to bring a lawn chair and in the case of rain, perhaps an umbrella.



### **MASS & RECEPTION FOR THE CARMELITE NUNS IN ST. AGATHA**

The Committee for the Carmelite Nuns invite you to attend a special Mass celebrated by Most Reverend Wayne Lobsinger at Holy Family Croatian Roman Catholic Church (180 Schweitzer St. Kitchener) on **Monday, October 28, 2024** at 5pm, followed by a sit-down dinner in the reception hall. Meal for 2 is a minimum donation of \$250 (eligible for a full tax receipt) can be mailed to Carmel of St. Joseph 1127 Carmel-Koch Rd., RR1, St. Agatha, ON N0B 2L0 or 'Donate Now' at [www.thecarmel.ca](http://www.thecarmel.ca). RSVP required by Oct. 10. Contact Liz Motz 519-590-4808 with questions.

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