

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.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Requested by
Tuesday, November 26	7:00 PM	+ Rosemary Hanley + Peter Boucher Souls in Purgatory	Sharon Hanley Douglas Tiago and Dina Laranjeiro Maria Pock
Wednesday, November 27	8:00 AM	+ Fr. Bob Stainsby + Gary Foran	Gilbert and Judy Howe
Thursday, November 28	8:00 AM	+ Gerry Runstedler	Paul and Marilyn O'Neill
Friday, November 29	8:00 AM	+ Rod and Mary Hilker	Catharine Carter & Jack Hilker
Saturday, November 30	5:00 PM	+ Maria Rosa and Joe Afonso + Artemio Parada + Valentina and Hilario De Los Angeles Intentions of Fr. Tim Higgins	The Afonso Family Jaena Parada Jaena Parada Gerard Schmidt
Sunday, December 1 First Sunday of Advent	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	For the people of St. Mary of the Visitation Parish (<i>pro populo</i>) For the people of St. Mary of the Visitation Parish (<i>pro populo</i>)	



LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH:

You are invited with your family to light the Advent Wreath at one of the weekend Masses during Advent. Please sign up at the back of the church.

ADVENT CANDLES & DEVOTION BOOKLETS:

Available in the church entrance near the Holy Family statue and in the parish office.
Booklets: \$2. Set of candles: \$10



CHRISTMAS FLORAL TRIBUTES:

During the holy season of Christmas, it is a fitting gesture to dedicate floral tributes in memory of deceased relatives and friends. Christmas flowers for the church will be placed in memory of your loved ones and their names will be kept near the altar and remembered at all the Masses during the Christmas season. *Please pick up a floral tribute form at the church entrances or in the office. You may also print a form from our parish website.*

COFFEE SUNDAY: This weekend following all Masses. We hope to see you there!

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: Father David will meet with all Ministers of Communion on **Tuesday, November 26th**, following the 7:00 pm Mass. If you are interested in becoming a Minister of Communion, please attend this meeting.

SUNDAY MISSALS: Missals for the new Liturgical Year (*beginning Dec. 1*) are available for purchase at the entrances of the church and in the parish office. Cost: \$5.00.

FAMILY ROSARY NIGHT: You and your family are invited to join us for a Family Rosary Night on **Thursday, November 28th** at 6:30 p.m. in the church. Come join us for an evening of faith, love and prayer. Coffee and refreshments to follow. Please bring a shareable snack.



CONFIRMATION: Please continue to pray for our youth as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The following Confirmation Liturgies will take place on **Saturday, November 30:**

- *St. Elizabeth students:* 10:00 a.m.
- *St. Gabriel students:* 12:00 p.m.
- *Our Lady of Fatima students:* 2:00 p.m.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE ADORATION CHAPEL:

We will be celebrating the 22nd anniversary of the Adoration Chapel on **Sunday, December 8th** with Vespers (evening prayers, bring your rosary) at 5:00 p.m. and concluding at 6:00 p.m. with Benediction. A reception for all those involved in adoration will follow in the parish centre. You are invited to bring a dessert to share with your fellow adorers. A sign-up sheet is in the chapel and also at the back of the church. For more information, please call Sheila or Frank (519) 658-9414.

BIBLE STUDY: All are invited to join '*Genesis to Jesus*', a 6-week bible study program by Scott Hahn that leads us in reading scripture through basic Catholic principles. The program will begin in the new year on January 29th, 2025. Sign up by **attending a meeting on Wednesday, November 27th** at 7:00 pm in the parish centre where details such as materials, registration fee, and meeting schedule will be discussed.



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR FUNDRAISER

Thank you for your overwhelming support again this year towards our Christmas Bazaar which made

it our best year in very many! Your support and kindness will enable us to continue our outreach to organizations we support and others in need. Congratulations to all the Raffle winners, to Anna Altomare winner of our 50/50 draw and to Joe Sieber winner of Fr. David's sourdough bread!

PARISH OFFERINGS

November 16-17, 2024

Sunday Envelopes (138):	\$3,360.50
Loose Offerings:	\$545.75

Your financial support is greatly appreciated.

2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: Offertory envelopes for the coming year are available in the parish hallway **in alphabetical order**. If you do not presently use envelopes and would like a set, or if you would like to switch to pre-authorized giving, please contact Rosanne in the parish office: 519-658-4443, stmarycambridge@hamiltondiocese.com

CWL MEMBERS: Please submit your annual dues (\$40) using the blue envelope found in your offertory box.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING: Have you considered donating to the parish through our pre-authorized giving program? Pre-authorized giving replaces weekly cash or cheque offerings with monthly transfers from your bank account directly to the parish. Not only is this method of giving helpful to the parish, it is also more convenient for you – and, most importantly, it encourages us to give in a way that is intentional, faithful, and sacrificial. You are encouraged to prayerfully reflect on whether this method of giving is right for you. You can find the brochure and authorization form on our website: <https://www.stmaryhespeler.ca/donate>. Please contact the parish office for more information.

BLESSED IS SHE! ADVENT RETREAT FOR WOMEN: Experience how God calls you personally during this Advent season, to become his sacred presence to others; and how your Advent this year can re-create the Song of the Magnificat in your own heart. **When: Monday, December 2nd at 6:30 pm.** **Where:** St. Mary of the Visitation Parish. **Retreat Leader:** Simone Robinson. Simone is a consecrated Daughter of St. Francis de Sales and an experienced retreat leader. **Suggested donation: \$15.** RSVP via email to s.k.robinson@icloud.com



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL "HELPING OUR NEIGHBOURS" CHRISTMAS PROJECT:

Again this year, the St. Vincent de Paul Society is asking the parish to help provide gifts to the families that they serve. In the foyer and church hall there are two Christmas trees with tags attached. **Take a tag by Dec. 1, record your name in the book provided and return the unwrapped gift(s) no later than December 8th**



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 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.

MISSION MATS: Come out to the next gathering on **Wednesday, December 4 from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.** in the parish centre. Drop in anytime... you don't need to stay for the whole two hours. *A great way for high schoolers to earn volunteer hours.* All are welcome!

MOUNT MARY OPEN HOUSE: All are welcome to the annual *Come Home for Christmas* Festival at Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre on **Sunday December 1st** from 1:00 am – 4:00 pm. There will be activities for children including cookie decorating, face painting, and ornament making. We will also have refreshments and local vendors selling small items. There is no entry fee; however, we are accepting donations of unused socks, gloves, hats, scarves and soap for the DeMazenod Door Outreach Centre. For more information: www.mountmary.ca.



ADVENT HYMN FESTIVAL:

The Diocesan Choir is pleased to announce an Advent Hymn Festival at St. Joseph Parish, 260 Herkimer Street, Hamilton on **Sunday, December 1st** at 7:00 p.m. Registration not required. A goodwill offering will go to St. Joseph's Parish Neighbours in Need Program.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR: Saturday, December 7 and Sunday, December 8 at St. Ambrose Parish. Deepen your relationship with God. Learn to yield to the action and grace of the Holy Spirit. Begin to experience God working in you and through you! Facilitated by Fr. Bill Trusz. Please register by contacting the parish office 519.621.2013 or email stambrose@golden.net Dec. 7th – Mass at 8am. Program from 9:00am to 4:30 pm in the Church hall. Dec. 8th – Mass at 9am. Program from 10am to 3 pm. Cost is \$25/pp. Cash only upon arrival. Lunch, tea, coffee will be provided or you can bring your own lunch.

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