

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish



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St Mary of the Visitation Parish exists to be a light on the hill and offer every person in our community a life-changing encounter with Jesus



SCHEDULE OF LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Children's Ministry: Programs are suspended until further notice.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday 8:00 a.m.

Thursday 8:00 a.m.

Friday 8:00 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

(Located in the lower level of the church)

Monday to Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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 ADORATION CHAPEL

Our Chapel is closed until further notice.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

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

Current restrictions do not allow our Ministers of Communion to enter nursing homes or hospitals at this time.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY

Please call 519-658-6511 for assistance.



Tuesday, March 30 at 7 p.m.

+ David Amaral Piques

Wednesday, March 31 at 8 a.m.

+ Joan & Alfred Crichton

Holy Thursday, April 1 *(no 8 a.m. Mass)*

Mass at 7 p.m.

(Adoration and washing of the feet omitted)

Good Friday, April 2 *(no 8 a.m. Mass)*

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

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

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

Holy Saturday, April 3

7:00 p.m. - Solemn Easter Vigil

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

EASTER SUNDAY - April 4

9:00 a.m. Mass

11:00 a.m. Mass

Registration is required for all Masses.

Maximum seating capacity has been reached for Good Friday and Easter Sunday. Space is available on Holy Thursday and Holy Saturday.

Please only attend the Masses in which you have registered.



The Church celebrates today as both Palm Sunday and Passion Sunday. It is on Palm Sunday that we enter Holy Week, and welcome Jesus into our lives, asking him to allow us a share in his suffering,

death and Resurrection. This is also the time we remember and relive the events which brought about our redemption and salvation. That is why the Holy Week liturgy presents us with the actual events of the dying and rising of Jesus. The liturgy also enables us to experience vicariously, here and now, what Jesus went through then. In other words, we commemorate and relive during this week our own dying to sin and selfishness and rising in Jesus, which result in our healing, reconciliation, and redemption. This is also the week when we should lighten the burden of Christ's passion as experienced by the hungry, the poor, the sick, the homeless, the lonely and the outcast through our corporal and spiritual works of mercy. The Palm/Passion Sunday liturgy combines contrasting moments, one of glory, the other of suffering: the welcome of Jesus into Jerusalem and the drama of his unjust trial and suffering, culminating in his crucifixion and death. *(Excerpt from vaticannews.ca)*

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

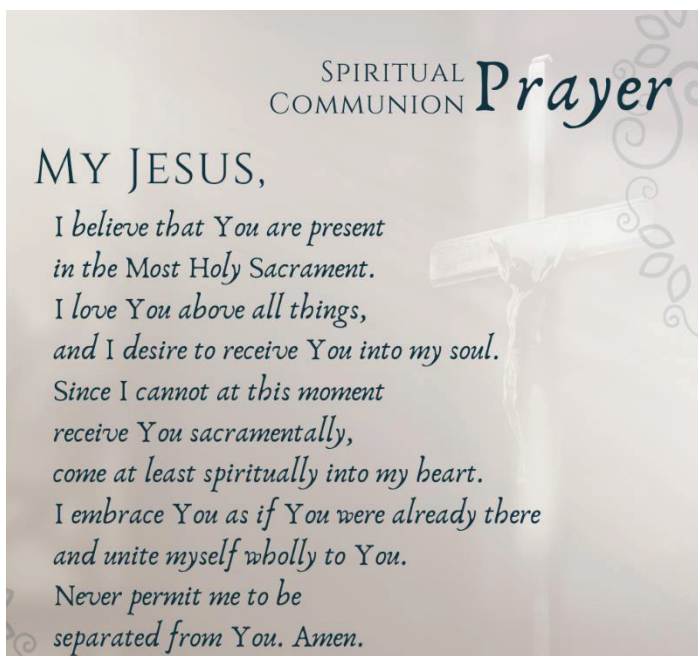
takes place in the church **every Tuesday** from **9:00 a.m. until 6:30 p.m.** As we continue our Lenten Journey into Holy Week, let us consider spending some time with Jesus in silent adoration. For more information call Sheila @ 519-685-9414

EASTER FLORAL TRIBUTES: Please contact the parish office by Thursday, April 1st, if you would like to dedicate a floral tribute. Easter 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 Easter season.

CONFESSION TIMES: By appointment or
-Saturday, March 27th, from 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.
-Tuesday, March 30th, from 6:30 p.m. to 6:55 p.m.
-Wed., March 31st from 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED: A reminder that the parish office is closed on Good Friday, April 2nd.

THE CATHOLIC FAITH & FAMILY BIBLE: Limited paperback copies are available in the parish office. Cost: \$20. A thoughtful gift for a family member or friend celebrating Confirmation, Marriage or a special birthday.





IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR THOSE ATTENDING MASS:

Face masks are mandatory inside the church. We ask that you arrive at church with your own face mask.

- Please make use of the hand sanitizers provided at the entrance.
- Please maintain physical distancing and refrain from socializing in the church.
- Washrooms should only be used for emergency purposes.
- Parishioners are reminded that singing during Mass is not currently permitted.
- Following the dismissal, parishioners are to leave the church, row by row, following the directions of the ushers.

Thank you for your continued cooperation!

PARISH OFFERINGS – March 20/21

Sunday Envelopes & Loose Offerings:	\$1,809.75
Building Fund:	\$70.00
Share Lent	\$755.00
Good Friday (Holy Land Collection)	\$20.00

Thank you for your continued support.

NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN THE HOLY LAND:

This collection was originally organized to assist with the support of the Christian holy places and facilities for pilgrims in the Holy Land. Over the years, the needs have expanded to include projects with other Christian Churches, those in cooperation with Jews and Muslims, and to provide support for the local Christian communities. Your support is greatly appreciated.



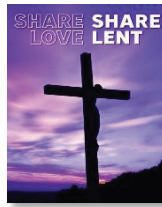
CAMPAIGN UPDATE: Thank you for your generous pledges to date!

As of Friday, March 19th, St. Mary

of the Visitation Parish has received 90 gifts and \$146,813! (40% of our baseline goal)

We ask you to continue to pray for the success of the campaign, and we will be grateful for any gift you can make! Please mail in your gift or make an online pledge at www.oneheartonesoul.ca/give. For more information about the campaign, visit www.oneheartonesoul.ca

PRAYER VIGIL - Thursday, April 1st, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in front of 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: kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com
Note: We will all observe 2 meters distancing.



SHARE LOVE, SHARE LENT: Paschal progression.

Did you know that Development and Peace has organized a Lenten campaign every year since 1968? Keeping up with the tradition, this year's campaign, *Share Love, Share*

Lent, invites you to a final week of family fun, communal reflection, global solidarity and prayer.

Don't miss our special campaign Way of the Cross! Catch the details and contribute at

www.devp.org/lent

THANK YOU for sharing love this Lenten

season! The *Share Love, Share Lent* campaign called you to share love, and you opened your hearts. To date, St. Mary of the Visitation Parish has raised **\$880.00** for Development and Peace! This money will help sustain programs and projects that serve some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers in the Global South! Thank you for your generosity. If you have not already done so, please consider making a donation with the envelope in your offertory box until April 11th, or online at www.devp.org/lent

VOCATIONS: Blessed are those who come in the Name of the Lord! Blessed are they who live their lives in the Name of the Lord! If you feel God is giving you the blessing of a call to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call the Vocations Office, Diocese of Hamilton, 905-528-7988 ext. 2246 or Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

March 29 – April 3

Monday	Rev. Ranjan D'Sa, O.C.D.
Tuesday	Rev. Maria Joseph Ahilan Alphonse, C.R.S.P.
Wednesday	Sisters of St. Joseph of Canada (C.S.J.)
Thursday	Holy Thursday
Friday	Good Friday
Saturday	Holy Saturday



CHARITY DRAW! Don't forget to purchase your tickets on the Ontario Knights of Columbus draw site:

www.kofcontario5050.com. Tickets sell 100 for \$40, 40 for \$20 and 15 for \$10. Confirmation of sale and ticket numbers will follow in an email. *In the billing info section select "Cambridge 4916" from the drop-down menu, this credits our Council for the sale.* Please help us reach our charitable goals by inviting your families and friends to buy tickets. Ticket sales close March 31st. **Grand prize draw: April 1, 2021.**

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