



**MANDATORY FACE MASKS:** Face coverings are now mandatory in enclosed public spaces. We ask that you arrive at church with your own face mask. Thank you for your cooperation.



### Mass Intentions

**Tuesday, August 11 at 7 p.m.**  
Souls in Purgatory

**Wednesday, August 12 at 8 a.m.**  
+ Marie Clark

**Thursday, August 13 at 8 a.m.**  
+ Martin Donohue

**Friday, August 14 at 8 a.m.**  
+ Helmut Hofgartner

**Saturday, August 15 at 5 p.m.**  
+ Nada Juricic, Hrvoj Peric &  
Deceased Members of the Peric Family  
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**Tuesday, August 18 at 7 p.m.**  
+ Mary Heiman

**Wednesday, August 19 at 8 a.m.**  
Intentions of Brad Woods

**Thursday, August 20 at 8 a.m.**  
+ Joseph and Catherine Yust

**Friday, August 21 at 8 a.m.**  
+ Maria Joana

**Saturday, August 22 at 5 p.m.**  
+ John Dominas

**ADORATION CHAPEL:** The Adoration Chapel will remain closed until further notice.

**CONFESSION:** Due to the pandemic we can no longer use our traditional Reconciliation room. The children's liturgy room (across from the sacristy) has been adapted for reconciliation. When you enter the room there will be two chairs to choose from, one private behind a screen and another chair that allows you to talk to Father face to face. If the door is open you may enter. If it is closed, please wait until the room is empty. After each reconciliation, Father will clean the room before the next person may enter. **Confession times will be on Saturdays from 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm, starting Saturday, August 15.**

**BLESSINGS IN THE MIDST OF TRIAL:** The pandemic hasn't halted the good work of the Church. The Stewardship and Development Office of the Diocese of Hamilton asked for examples, and parishes provided a wealth of them! See the fliers at <http://hamiltondiocese.com>



**FIRST COMMUNION 2020:** The Hamilton Diocese recently issued guidelines that will assist us in our planning of First Holy Communion for students that missed their celebration due to the church closure. The expectation is that these children **will receive their First Eucharist during October and November 2020.** (Children entering grade 2 this September will celebrate First Eucharist during the spring of 2021) The celebration of the Sacrament will take place at a regular Sunday Mass in which families will register in advance for a particular weekend. Further details will be coming at the start of the school year. Thank you for your patience.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We depend a great deal on volunteers to assist at our Sunday Masses. We are currently short volunteers in a number of ministries. Some of the most urgent areas of need are:

- Health and Safety Coordinators
- Cleaning Committee Members
- Ushers
- Lectors

**Please speak with Fr. Love or call/email the parish if you are able to help out.** No previous experience is required. *Thank you in advance for your much-needed assistance!*

### PARISH OFFERINGS for July 26, 2020:

Sunday Offerings:	\$2,101.00
Building Fund:	\$ 80.00

### Online donations for July 2020

(<https://www.stmaryhespeler.ca/donate>)

Sunday Offerings:	\$ 800.00
Building Fund:	\$ 175.00

### PARISH OFFERINGS for August 2, 2020:

Sunday Offerings:	\$2,403.60
Building Fund:	\$ 320.00

**Thank you for your continued support!**

**2019 PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT:** Please contact the office if you would like a copy of our annual financial report. Due to the church closure, we were unable to distribute the report in the spring.

**FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND MASS:**

**Missals and missalettes** are available for parishioners to pick up in the entrance to the parish office. **Televised Mass** is available on Salt and Light Television and Vision TV. **Online Mass** is also available on a number of Catholic sites such as [saltandlighttv.org/mass](http://saltandlighttv.org/mass) and [www.dailytvmass.com](http://www.dailytvmass.com).



**SUMMER SPEAKER SERIES:** Join members from across Canada as the League presents the Summer Speaker Series, **Aug 10-14, 2020**—a focus on Care for Our Common Home, Women in the Church and the League of the Future. Please note each webinar requires a separate registration. The presentations are free of charge; however, members are encouraged to donate to the League's National Bursary Fund if they find the presentations valuable. For registration please visit the National website: <https://cwl.ca/summer-speakers-series/>

**MASS INTENTIONS:** The tradition of Masses offered for the intentions of living or deceased loved ones originated in the very early Church and continues to be an important Catholic practice. For us who believe that the Mass is the perfect prayer, no greater gift can be offered for our loved ones, living and deceased, who may still need the help of our prayers. Masses are often requested for a loved one who has recently died or on the anniversary of a death.

However, the gift of a Mass intention is also a wonderful way to offer prayers on the event of a wedding anniversary, a birthday, an anniversary of ordination or entrance into religious life. Masses may also be offered for the intentions of a person about to undergo surgery, who is recuperating from an illness, or who has some other special need. Masses may also be offered in thanksgiving for blessings, family, health and answer to prayers.

**Those wishing to arrange for a Mass intention at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish can do so by visiting or calling the parish office during office hours.**

**RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES DURING THE**

**COVID-19 CRISIS:** The Diocese of Hamilton Family Ministry Office has provided an updated resource document for all families. Please visit [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com) to view or download.



**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:** Food donations can be dropped off in the entrance to the office during office hours. Thank you for your help in replenishing the food pantry throughout the summer.



**Summer Office hours:** Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. and Friday, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Please call to make an appointment with Fr. Love or to make arrangements for Mass cards and other requests. **Face masks are required when entering the office.**

**SUMMER BULLETIN:** Please note that bulletins will be published bi-weekly for the remainder of the summer.

**THE KIDS BULLETIN:** The Kids Bulletin is a fun way for children to reinforce Sunday Mass and learn more about their Faith. For your own copy, go to [www.thekidsbulletin.wordpress.com](http://www.thekidsbulletin.wordpress.com) and either sign up to receive "The Kids Bulletin" via your email or print each week's bulletin directly from the website.

**DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR**

*August 10 – 15*

Monday	Rev. Ronald Voisin
Tuesday	Rev. Duy Van Nguyen
Wednesday	Pallottine Fathers (S.A.C.)
Thursday	Rev. Vivek Trindade
Friday	Very Rev. John Van Hees
Saturday	Rev. James Petrie

*August 17 – 22*

Monday	Rev. Joe Selvanayagam
Tuesday	Rev. Gerald Mulhall
Wednesday	Institute of Kkottongnae Sisters of Jesus
Thursday	Rev. Msgr. Raymond Modeski
Friday	Rev. Stephen Gilbert
Saturday	Rev. Marko Puljic, O.F.M.

**POPE'S AUGUST PRAYER INTENTION: THE MARITIME WORLD**

In his prayer intention for the month of August, Pope Francis calls us to "pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families."

*The life of sailors or fishermen and their families is very difficult.*

*Sometimes they are victims of forced labor or are left behind in distant ports.*

*The competition of industrial fishing and the problem of pollution make their work even more complicated.*

*Without the people of the sea, many parts of the world would starve.*

*Let us pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.*

- Pope Francis, August 2020

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