

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – FEBRUARY 11, 2018

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, February 13 th	
9:00 a.m.	+Rosemary Coffey
7:00 p.m.??	(Estate)
Wednesday, February 14 th , <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	
9:00 a.m.	Mass & Distribution of Ashes
St. Mary's	Special Intentions (Anonymous)
10:15 a.m.	St. Mary School Mass & Distribution of Ashes
7:00 p.m.	Mass & Distribution of Ashes
St. Martin's	
Thursday, February 15 th	
6:30 p.m.	Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration
7:00 p.m.	+Deceased Members of Berlot Family (Maria Berlot)
Friday, February 16 th	
9:00 a.m.	+ Jack Downey (Frances Mantler & Family)
7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Saturday, February 17 th	
5:00 p.m.	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
Sunday February 18 th , <i>First Sunday of Lent</i>	
St. Mary's	+Therese Saunders
9:00 a.m.	(St. Mary's Parish)
St. Martin's	+Fr. Pius Gamperli
11:00 a.m.	(Ruest Family)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUR OFFERINGS – February 3 rd & 4 th	
56 Weekly Offerings	\$ 1,112.00
Weekly Loose	114.10
2 Building Maintenance	30.00
1 Altar Supplies & Devotional Materials	10.00
8 Seminary Collection	5.00
Total	\$ 1,541.10

St. Martin's – February 4 th	
Weekly Offerings	\$ 505.00
Building Maintenance	120.00
Total	\$ 625.00

YOUR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED!

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS are ready for pickup at the back of church.

NEW PARISH EMAIL ADDRESSES:

We advise parishioners to kindly note that the old Parish email address is no longer in use, given the fact that it appeared to have been compromised.

Please, disregard any further emails coming from email address stmaryelora@wightman.ca

Kindly note the following new parish email addresses:

Pastor (Father Gordian): stmelpastor@wightman.ca

Parish Office (Catarina Burguete): stmeloffice@wightman.ca

Business Administration (Mary Clark):

stmelbadim@wightman.ca

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER:

The Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on Tuesday February 13th. Pancakes and syrup, sausage, juice, coffee and tea will be served from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at St. Joseph's Parish Hall. There is no charge, however, free will donations for the Parish Building Funds will be accepted. Mark your calendars and plan on joining us for pancakes and fellowship prior to the start of Lent.

FROM THE VOCATIONS OFFICE:

Today's Gospel says that "Jesus was moved with pity when He saw a leper". Are you moved with love and compassion when you see the outcasts of today's society? Today, Jesus continues to call forward men and women to minister as he did. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call **Contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 x2246**

email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

www.HamiltonVocations.com

The Vocation Office's new issue of the *Reflection* series is out! This issue features a message from our Vocation Director, Father Michael King, and a message from 24 of our 25 seminarians. Please visit the Vocation Website, www.HamiltonVocations.com, to view it. We thank you for your support for vocations!

FORTY DAYS FOR LIFE:

All people of faith from Guelph and surrounding areas are invited to join the 40 Days for Life prayer effort. From February 14 to March 25 there will be 40 days of focused prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil to end

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abortion. Join this life-saving campaign by praying at the peaceful vigil outside Guelph General Hospital or at home and with prayer groups. To sign up to pray, contact Guelph & Area Right to Life: (519) 836-6311, info@guelphforlife.com or visit 40daysforlife.com/guelph

PORNOGRAPHY ADDICTION AMONG CHILDREN AND TEENS...IT'S TIME TO TALK:

By the age of 18, 90% of young people have viewed pornography on the internet, many on a daily basis. What they see are violent and degrading images; many are becoming addicted. **By attending this showing of the documentary Over 18 you will learn more about the issue, its impact on our children and how to protect your children, grandchildren, or students.** See the trailer at www.over18doc.com/. **Take the time - this matters to our children. To be shown at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate on Wednesday, Feb. 21st at 7 P.M.** The mature content (be assured there are no graphic visuals) means that only those age 18 or over should attend. For more information contact the CWL from the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate Parish.

JOIN THE "CALL FOR CONSCIENCE" IN THE HAMILTON DIOCESE:

The Government of Canada passed legislation in June 2016, legalizing euthanasia/assisted suicide. The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario is forcing health care workers to participate in ending the lives of their patients. **The Diocese of Hamilton wants to protect the rights of all healthcare workers.** Visit www.canadiansforconscience.ca to learn more, write a letter (samples available at the back of the Church or on their website) to your Provincial Member of Parliament and consider adding your e-mail address to the Conscience Coalitions network to receive future information. We all need to join the "Call for Conscience" taking place between February 6 and March 31st.

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY:

Be inspired, encouraged and healed at the largest single day Catholic event in Canada, the 26th annual. **Lift Jesus Higher Rally!** The theme of this year's rally is "Fire on the Earth" (Luke 12:49). **Saturday, March 3rd, 2018, 9:00 am - 5:30 pm** Metro Toronto Convention Centre, 255 Front St. W. Inspired talks by Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields and keynote guest speaker Patti Mansfield.

- The adult high mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated by Cardinal Thomas Collins
- Bishop Scott McCaig will celebrate with the youth.
- There will be a separate youth event (13-18 years) with great music, dynamic talks and inspirational skits.

Tickets: \$25 for adults and \$15 for the youth. For additional information, please see our website, your church bulletin boards or kindly contact us at (416) 251-4255 or (905) 270-2510. Write: Catholic Renewal Ministries, 84008 Wellandport Road, Wellandport, ON L0R 2J0 Email: info@lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca, visit: www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca

Please Keep our Recently Deceased Loved Ones in your Prayers: Grace Driscoll, Bruce Crewson

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

Feb 12	Scripture Study Group – St. Mary's Rectory Meeting Room – 9:30 a.m.
Feb 12	CWL Meeting – St. Mary's Rectory Meeting Room – 7:00 p.m.
Feb 13	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper – St. Joseph's Fergus Parish Hall – 5pm to 7pm – Free Will Donation to Building Fund
Feb 17	Stations of the Cross – 7:00 p.m. - St. Mary's - Elora
Feb 27	Knights of Columbus Meeting – St. Joseph's Parish Hall, Fergus – 7:30 p.m.
Feb 28	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting – St. Joseph's Parish Hall – After 8:30 a.m. Mass