

# THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH – DECEMBER 29, 2019

## WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

**Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>**

**Wednesday, Jan 1<sup>st</sup> *Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God***

<b>St. Martin's</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b>	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
<b>St. Mary's</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b>	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

**Thursday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, *Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen (Obl Mem)***

**Friday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, *Holy Name of Jesus (Opt Mem)***

**Saturday, January 4<sup>th</sup>**

<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	+Nancy Kennedy (Rosemary & Darcy Saunders)
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**Sunday January 5<sup>th</sup> *Epiphany of the Lord***

<b>St. Martin's</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b>	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
<b>St. Mary's</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b>	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### YOUR OFFERINGS:

#### St. Mary's, December 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>:

77 Weekly Offerings	\$ 2,863.00
Loose	72.90
19 Building Maintenance	530.00
Flower Offering	20.00
Religious Articles	55.00
Religious Literature & Tapes	20.00
Sale of Missals	20.00
7 Christmas Offering	315.00
Total:	\$ 3,895.90

#### St. Martin's December 22<sup>nd</sup>:

14 Weekly Offerings	\$ 535.00
Total:	\$ 535.00

#### St. Mary's, December 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>:

14 Weekly Offerings	\$ 350.00
Loose	757.41
72 Christmas Offering	4,356.00
2 Flower Offering	50.00
2 Building Maintenance	20.00
Total:	\$ 5,533.41

**Your continual support and generosity are much appreciated!**

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### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

As we approach the end of the calendar year to begin a new year 2020, may I use this wonderful opportunity to thank God for His many blessings and protection all through the year and wish everyone a happy and blessed New Year, 2020.

I want to believe it's been a year of many blessings and favours in our individual lives and in our life as a faith and parish community despite all our daily life challenges and struggles.

To those who may have lost someone during the year or are caring for a sick family member or relative, be assured of our prayers and please know you are always in our thoughts.

May I thank all members of staff at the parish office, the staff and students of St. Mary's school, all our volunteers who offer their time and talents in making sure things go well in our parish. We are most grateful to the main choir for their wonderful efforts, the folk choir, the music ministry in Drayton, our Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, the Altar Servers, the decorators and all those who offer their time and talents in our parish in one way or another, please know we appreciate all you do and pray the good Lord to bless and reward your efforts.

May I also remind our parishioners that our parish wave of the Capital Campaign currently going on in the diocese will begin in our parish in January and come mid-February, we shall have an in-pew survey for both churches to further help the two churches and as a parish to identify possible projects for the parish Campaign.

Again, I wish everyone a very blessed Christmas season and a new year filled with God's abundant love, peace and blessings! Happy New Year to everyone and God's peace always!

**Father Gordian**



**2020 OFFERTORY COLLECTION ENVELOPES:**

2020 envelope packets are ready. Please find your packet on the table at the back of the church. Please only take the one with your name and number labelled on it. If you are new to the parish or wish to begin donating, you can pick up a blank packet from the table at the back of the church and write your name beside the corresponding number on the sheet.

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**ST. MARY'S CWL 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY YEAR-LONG DRIVE TO BENEFIT THE WELLINGTON FOOD BANK:**

**January's Food Bank Item Request:**

**DISH DETERGENT**

Thank you to all parishioners for their ongoing generosity. In consultation with the Food Bank we would humbly ask for donations of dish soap/detergent. Any donations can be left in the collection bin in the front foyer of the church throughout the month of January, to be delivered to the food bank by our volunteers at the end of the month.

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**HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS SHARE COMMON SKILLS – COME AND LEARN MORE!**

“Keys to Loving Relationships” is a ten-week video-based program that all people (married, dating, or single) can use to develop the skills needed to have a truly meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better “me” in all your relationships! The program is offered in both Kitchener and Hamilton as follows:

In Kitchener: At St. Mark's Parish, 55 Driftwood Drive, Kitchener (519-571-9200)

**Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 P.M. January 28 - March 24, 2020**

The cost is \$45.00. For more information or to register, call the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249 or register at:

[www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS JANUARY BREAKFAST**

Please join us Sunday January 5th for the Knights of Columbus Charity Breakfast. Breakfast will be served from 10:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at St. Joseph's Parish Hall. The cost is \$7.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 12. Families can take advantage of a special rate of \$17.00 for 2 adults and all children under 12. All are welcome and encouraged to come to enjoy breakfast and fellowship – coffee and toast are free if you're not up for a full breakfast. The proceeds will be going to local youth-oriented charities.

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**FROM THE VOCATIONS OFFICE:**

By Baptism we are God's holy family today. Pray for the grace to live faithfully your vocation. If God is calling you to be a priest, **contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.**

Email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)  
[www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com)

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**DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR:**

**MONDAY:** Rev. Mark Morley

**TUESDAY:** Rev. Jason Kuntz

**WEDNESDAY:** Diocesan Priests

**THURSDAY:** Rev. Mark Sullivan.

**FRIDAY:** Very Rev. Wayne Lobsinger

**SATURDAY:** Rev. Gregory Merkley

**Please Keep Our Recently Baptized Loved Ones In Your Prayers:** Coleson Mascola

**UPCOMING EVENTS  
IN THE PARISH**

<b>Dec 23 &amp; 30</b>	No scripture study group. Will resume Monday January 6 <sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.
<b>Jan 5</b>	K of C January Breakfast – 10:00 a.m. till 12:30 p.m. – St. Joseph's Parish Hall