The Third Sunday of Advent – December 13, 2020

Tuesday, December 15 th	
	St. John of the Cross (Obl Mem)
Wednesday, December 16th	
9:00 a.m.	A.I.D.
Thursday December 17 th	
6:30 p.m.	Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration
7:00 p.m.	+Ted Klein Gebbink
r	(Vervoort, Gregson & Clark Families)
Friday, December 18th	
9:00 a.m.	+Margaret Morris
	(Jean Kraemer & family)
Saturday, December 19 th	
5:00 p.m.	For the Living & Deceased Members of
•	the Parish
Sun, December 20th, Fourth Sunday of Advent	
St. Martin's	+ Adam Kaminski
9:00 a.m.	(Bernie Kaminski & family)
St. Mary's	For the Intentions of the Park Family
11:00 a.m.	(Orval & Anne Crawford)

"Let us allow ourselves to be guided by Mary this Advent, she who is mother, a mamma and knows how to guide us. Let us allow ourselves to be guided by her during this season of active waiting and watchfulness."

-Pope Francis



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE: December 24, Christmas Eve:

5:00 p.m. – St Mary's, Elora 7: 00 p.m. - St. Martin's, Drayton 10:00 p.m. – St. Mary's, Elora

December 25, Christmas Day: The Nativity of the Lord 9:00 a.m.- St Martin's, Drayton,

11:00 a.m.- St Mary's, Elora.

Parishioners are asked to register for the Christmas Masses to enable us to plan ahead and determine safe numbers for attendance. You can email your name(s) to stmeloffice@wightman.ca or register in the notebook at the back of the Church in the coming weeks.

NOVENA TO INFANT JESUS:

The Sisters of the Carmel of St. Joseph will pray for you during the Novena to Infant Jesus, December 16th to December 25th.

Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to Infant Jesus. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to:

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VOCATION SEEDS:

There was a man named John, sent by God, who came as a witness to testify to the Light, so that through this person all people might believe. Is it possible God could be calling your name to witness to the Light of Christ in our day? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, call Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton, 905-528-7988 ext. 2246. Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

2021 OFFERTORY COLLECTION ENVELOPES:

2021 offertory packets will be ready shortly. If you receive one now, you will continue to do so, unless you have not been actively using it for the past six months. 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 when they are ready. Please write your name beside the corresponding number on the sheet provided.

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS:

In order to receive a tax receipt for 2020 for any donations you wish to make, all money must be received and deposited by December 27th, 2020 after the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses.

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH:

Marriage Tip 105 - At the heart of every person is a desire to be known and loved for who we are. We fall in love with someone and then spend extraordinary energy and time on learning about the person. Once we marry, we can forget to keep on discovering who the person we love is becoming – because each of us is always becoming. Time and circumstance constantly change and as a result, the person changes. When the one we love stays interested in who we are, we feel secure, cared-for and loved. So spend some time asking about likes and dislikes, what bothers your spouse and what brings them joy, what is the one thing they would like to do if there were no limitations, what their favourite food is – the possibilities are endless and so is the benefit to your relationship! Make your Christmas gifts this year time and attention!

PRAYER REQUEST FOR ALL THE SICK:

For all the sick around the world especially those who feel alone in their struggles and those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, all healthcare professionals and frontline workers. For our sick parishioners and those who look after them: **Don Woodham, , Felix Kozak, Argene Pellegrini, Tom Wunder, Kaelynn Heines, and family and friends.** May they experience healing and comfort and may Our Blessed Mother Mary, Health of the sick, pray and intercede for us, Amen!

Please continue to keep our recently baptised and their families in your prayers - Divine Ukah, Patrick Munroe & Jackson Price

Also, please keep our recently deceased and family in your prayers: +Margaret Morris