

The Ascension of the Lord – May 16, 2021

Tuesday May 18th, <i>St. John I (Opt Mem)</i>	
	Private Intention
Wednesday May 19th	
	+Christiana Ibekwe (Anon.)
Thursday May 20th, <i>St. Bernardine of Sienna (Opt Mem)</i>	
	+Norm Bergin (St. Mary's CWL)
Friday May 21st, <i>St. Christopher Megallanes (Opt Mem)</i>	
	+Sofia Kuscer (Maria Berlot & Family)
Saturday May 22nd, <i>St. Rita of Cascia (Opt Mem)</i>	
Sunday, May 23rd, <i>Pentacost Sunday</i>	
St. Martin's & St. Mary's	For the Intentions of Father Gordian (Steve & Colleen Cudney)

*You can prayerfully join this weekend's Mass broadcast on **Sunday morning at 9 a.m.**, following the link that will be sent via email or, alternatively, you can join by going directly to **St. Mary Immaculate Elora YouTube channel**



VIRTUAL TOUR OF ST MARY'S CHURCH:

Great News! You are now able to have a virtual tour and visit of St Mary's Church from the comfort of your home. By visiting the parish website and by checking under parish life or recent updates, you can now have a visit or tour of St. Mary's Immaculate Church. Hope you will enjoy having a visit or tour of our beautiful Church in the future.

WELLINGTON FOOD BANK:

We continue to collect items for the Wellington Food Bank. Items can be donated directly to the Food Bank at this time. Thank you for your generosity.

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CATHOLIC MOMS' GROUPS: WHERE MOMS CONNECT AND FIND SUPPORT FOR THEIR JOURNEY:

Now, more than ever, moms are feeling isolated and are craving connections. A Catholic moms' group allows women to connect with other moms, topics of interest, topics that impact their personal selves and God; it provides both support and encouragement. Beyond that, moms groups help develop friendships with other moms providing proven mental health benefits and is a way of drawing women together to form a stronger sense of parish community.

As with all ministry, parish groups will have local autonomy, but having a plan and material for getting started can make for a more successful experience. **Join us for a zoom session on Tuesday, June 1st at 7 P.M.** to learn more about the what, where, when and why of starting a moms' group and hear information on the material available to provide support.

We will welcome Mrs. Dorothy Pilarski, who spearheaded this ministry in the Archdiocese of Toronto in 2015, to this gathering and she will share with us the excellent detailed online website she has created to provide support. This is a chance to see the website and hear the overview of all the materials and support available from her Catholic Moms Groups website.

This session will be an information sharing session, so is recommended for pastors, associate pastors, lay ministers and/or interested lay members of your parish who may be

interested in starting a group, or those who would like to know what supports are available for an existing group. A training session for those who are interested will occur later.

This event will be provided using zoom, so registration will be necessary. You can register under upcoming events on the Diocesan home page at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/catholic-moms> .

PROVINCIAL COVID-19 FURTHER RESTRICTIONS:

Please note that following the provincial announcements on April 16, beginning Monday, April 19, 2021, all churches in the Diocese of Hamilton are closed until further notice, with the exception of the following:

Weddings, Individual Baptisms, Funerals with a total of 10 people (Including the priest/deacon). Please see further details on the diocesan and parish websites.

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: **Nancy Azzopardi, Shannon Brinkman, 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 keep our recently deceased and their families in your prayers: +Norm Bergin, +Christina Ibekwe