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Mass Schedule Twenty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

September 11th to 17th

<u>Saturday</u>	5:00 p.m.	+Mary Kraehn (St. Mary's Parish)
<u>Sunday</u> St. Mary Immaculate	11:00 a.m.	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
St. Martin of Tours	9:00 a.m.	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
<u>Tuesday</u> <i>The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Feast)</i>	7:00 p.m.	For the Intentions of Diane & Family (Louise & Mike Bilodeau)
<u>Wednesday</u> <i>Our Lady of Sorrows (M)</i>	9:00 a.m.	A.I.D.
<u>Thursday</u> <i>Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian, Martyrs (M)</i>	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration A.I.D.
<u>Friday</u> <i>St. Robert Bellamine (OM)</i>	9:00 a.m.	+Larry Goodyear (Rosemary Downey)

"Let nothing frighten you. Who has God, lacks nothing. God alone is enough."

- St. Teresa of Avila

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

I welcome our parishioners back from the summer break. As we gradually open up during this trying time, I pray God to heal our land.

Permit me to use this medium to further introduce myself to the parish. I come from a family of 7 (my parents, 4 boys and 1 girl). The girl follows me and is in the middle of 4 boys. While the rest of my family are in Nigeria, one of my younger brothers lives in Saskatchewan with his family. I've got 8 adorable nephews and nieces.

I was ordained a priest 20 years ago (July 14, 2000) for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Ibadan, Nigeria. In the last 20 years I've served in various capacities both in Nigeria and Italy. I was also a visiting clergy in the United States and the United Kingdom. Before coming to Elora, I was pastor of 3 Churches and Chaplain to 2 high schools in the diocese of Saskatoon, SK. Among others, I hold a licentiate in Moral Theology from St. Thomas Aquinas University (Angelicum), Rome and Doctorate in Social Communication from the Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome.

I've published a series of articles in academic journals and 4 books. My latest book was published this year to mark the 20th anniversary of my ordination. It discusses how in a digital age, we can foster relationships in the family, Church and workplace through dialogue. I enjoy good music, tennis, basketball and trying to perfect my golf skills. As I minister among you, I humbly ask for your prayers and collaboration so we can work together to strengthen our faith community. God bless you all.

OFFERINGS – September 4th & 5th

20 Weekly Offerings	\$2,018.00
Weekly Loose	40.00
1 Building Maintenance	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total:	\$3,058.00

St. Martin's – September 5th:

Totals to be reported next week.

YOUR GENEROSITY IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!

ST MARY'S & ST JOSEPH'S K of C ANNUAL PIG ROAST

The Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual **PIG ROAST** fundraiser from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at **St. Joseph's Church Fergus** on September 17th. Once again this year, this will be a drive-through pick-up only event with no indoor seating. Meals are \$15.00 each and again, **must be PreOrdered** and paid for in cash at pick-up. Please call the St. Joseph's Office for the number where to order. Orders must be placed by September 13th. All proceeds will be donated to Knights of Columbus sponsored charities in our area.

ST MARTIN'S ANNUAL CHICKEN BARBEQUE

Our annual fundraising event is from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Friday, September 17th. Once again this year, the BBQ will be a take-out only event and all orders must be placed by September 12th. A full chicken dinner is \$16. And a half chicken dinner is \$8. Dinner includes baked potato, veggie, coleslaw, bun and dessert. Please call Daryl Brodhaecker at (519) 575-2656 to place your order. Hope to see you all there!

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES FOR SALE

Our previous grade 7 students will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation Sunday, October 3rd. In addition, our previous grade 2 students will be celebrating First Holy Communion October 17th & 24th. Anne Crawford will have appropriate religious articles on display that make wonderful gifts. All profits go towards the Church. **Come see her at the back of the church the weekends of September 25/26th and October 9th/10th**: books, rosaries, jewellery available from her remaining stock. Covid protocols will be in place.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

Sept 14	St. Mary's CWL Meeting – All welcome. Meet on back lawn at 6:00 p.m. Mass to follow at 7:00 p.m.
Sept. 18	St. Mary's and St. Joseph's Annual Pig Roast Dinner. For tickets call the St. Joseph's church office (519) 843-2006
Sept. 17	St. Martin's 18 th Annual Chicken Barbeque. For tickets call Daryl Brodhaecker (519) 575-2656 by September 13 th

Oct. 3	Sacrament of Confirmation with Bishop Lobsinger 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.
Oct 17/24	Sacrament of First Holy Communion. 2:00 p.m.

