St. Mary Immaculate Church

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St. Martin of Tours

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Mass Schedule Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

October 9th to 15th

| <u>Saturday</u> | 5:00 p.m. | +Deanna McKenna | |
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| | | (Her Brothers & Sisters-in-law) | |
| Sunday | | | |
| St. Martin of Tours | 9:00 a.m. | For the Living & Deceased | |
| | | Members of the Parish | |
| St. Mary Immaculate | 11:00 a.m. | For the Living & Deceased | |
| | | Members of the Parish | |
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| <u>Tuesday</u> | 7:00 p.m. | +Betty Frayne | |
| | | (Jean Kraemer & Family) | |
| Wednesday | 9:00 a.m. | For the Intentions of Jim & | |
| | | Pamela McDaniel | |
| Thursday | 6:30 p.m. | Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration | |
| St. Calistus (OM) | 7:00 p.m. | For the Intentions of Louise | |
| | • | Lussier | |
| <u>Friday</u> | 9:00 a.m. | Mass of Thanksgiving for | |
| <u>St. Teresa of Jesus (M)</u> | | Joseph Deganuto | |

"O God, grant that whatever good things I have, I may share generously with those who have not, and whatever good things I do not have, I may request humbly from those who do." -St. Thomas Aquinas



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

This weekend, we are again celebrating Thanksgiving as a nation. Giving thanks is said to be a virtue which brings more blessings. The bible tells us to "Rejoice always, pray continually and give thanks in all circumstances" (1 Thess. 5:16-17). The Holy Mass is a sacrifice in which we give thanks to God. During the liturgy of the Eucharist, the priest raises the bread and the chalice and gives thanks saying, "Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread/wine ...". As we give thanks to God for the little blessings we receive every day, let us also be thankful for the gift that we are to one another. When was the last time we said the grace before meal? When last did we say thank you to our spouses, parents, friends, siblings, etc. for favours received? In the spirit of thanksgiving, I wish to sincerely thank our parishioners for supporting our Church in various ways. I also thank all those who helped to make the Confirmation of young persons of our parish last Sunday a success. Sincere thanks to the teachers who prepared them, we thank those who helped prepare the Church for the celebration and the CWL who provided dinner for the bishop, priest, and deacons. God bless you all.

OFFERINGS

| St. Mary's – October 2^{nd} & 3^{rd} : | | |
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| 33 Weekly Offerings | | \$ 1,163.00 |
| Weekly Loose | | 50.00 |
| 3 Building Maintenance | | 230.00 |
| 1 World Mission Sunday | | 20.00 |
| 1 Needs of the Cdn. Church | | 25.00 |
| | Total: | \$1,488.00 |
| St. Martin's – October 3 rd : | | |
| 13 Weekly Offerings | | \$ 620.00 |
| 5 Building Maintenance | | 215.00 |
| | | \$ 835.00 |

YOUR GENEROSITY IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!

RESTART: A SEPARATION AND DIVORCE RECOVERY PROGRAM

Feeling the need for support, healing and/or hope after a separation or divorce? The Diocesan ReStart Programs support your journey, providing you with tools to remain healthy. For more information contact Teresa at the Family Ministry Office - (905) 528-7988, ext. 2250.

EX CORDE FOUNDATION GRANT

Sincere thanks to the Diocese of Hamilton Ex Corde Foundation for the grant of \$50,000 for renovations in the parish rectory and the church

COVID VACCINES

The official position of the Catholic Church is that all available COVID vaccines are ethical and all Catholics who are able are encouraged to receive the vaccine. All employees serving in the Diocese of Hamilton are encouraged to be fully vaccinated or to submit to a COVID rapid test every Monday and Thursday in order to carry out their responsibilities. Volunteer liturgical ministers are required to be fully vaccinated. Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, encourages every member of the Catholic Church within our Diocese of Hamilton to be fully vaccinated.

CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

Do your children attend public or private school or do you home-school? If you are wondering how to support their ongoing formation in religious education, the Diocese of Hamilton offers Catechetical Correspondence Programs for every age and stage from Kindergarten through to High School including programs specially designed to assist children preparing for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation. Click here for more information or contact Sybil at 905-528-7988 x2339 or email: catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com.

FOOD BANK COLLECTION

Most needed items: rice & pasta side dishes, cold cereal, canned kidney beans, canned six bean blend, canned green beans/carrots etc., crackers, peanut butter, carrots/onions, instant coffee. Please leave any donations in the bin in the vestibule. Your generosity is so greatly appreciated.

BAPTISMS

Please welcome and keep in your prayers those who will be baptized into our Catholic faith this weekend: Tristan Goytisolo and Summer Voisin-Stienstra

| UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH | | |
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| Oct 17/24 | Sacrament of First Holy Communion. 2:00 p.m. | |
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