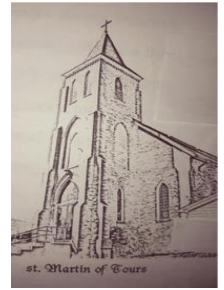


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Mass Schedule Baptism of the Lord

January 8th to January 14th

<u>Saturday</u>	5:00 p.m.	+Malcolm Harrison (Carol Farrelly)
<u>Sunday</u> St. Martin of Tours	9:00 a.m.	<i>Baptism of the Lord</i> For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
St. Mary Immaculate	11:00 a.m.	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
<u>Tuesday</u>	7:00 p.m.	+Edward Berlot (Maria Berlot)
<u>Wednesday</u>	9:00 a.m.	A.I.D.
<u>Thursday</u> St. Hilary (OM)	6:30 p.m.	Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration +Peter Peloso
	7:00 p.m.	(Mike & Louise Bilodeau)
<u>Friday</u>	9:00 a.m.	+Sr Doreen Lackenbauer (School Sisters of Notre Dame) (Watchorn Family)



Jesus is Baptized in the Jordan River by John, Artist: Davezelenka

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK
At His Baptism, Christ Identifies with Us

The Church celebrates the baptism of the Lord which concludes Christmas festivities today. With his baptism Christ launches himself into his public ministry. The heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove descended on him and the Father's voice was heard proclaiming him to be His beloved Son. It is good to note that Jesus did not need baptism from John, which was meant to forgive sins and prepare the way for Christ. He joined the line of sinners to be baptized by John for our sake. If Christ, the second person of the Holy Trinity, identifies with us and did what he was not meant to do just because of us, can we not also do the same for our brothers and sisters? The current climate in our world invites us to put others into consideration in all we do. That might just be a practical way of showing that we belong to Christ who identifies with us in all things. Today, let us also rekindle our baptism promises of renouncing evil and doing God's will. As we conclude the Christmastide, may the lessons of this holy season guide our thoughts and actions throughout this new year.

OFFERINGS

St. Mary's – December 31st, Jan. 1st & 2nd

20 Weekly Offerings	\$ 953.00
27 New Year's Day Offerings	645.00
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Total:	\$ 1,858.00

St. Martin's – January 1st & 2nd

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FROM THE VOCATIONS OFFICE

As John the Baptist introduced the people of his time to Jesus a voice from heaven said, "You are my Son, the Beloved, with you I am well pleased." Perhaps God is calling you to do the same in our time as a priest, deacon or religious. If He is, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988). vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

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Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? Interested in learning something new? See our website at loyolahouse.com (under "Events") for more information on these upcoming retreats & programs:

- **Ignatius Spirituality Retreat** - January 17-22
- **Let us Dream Weekend Retreat** - NEW! - January 28-30
- **Praying the Parables Through Middle Eastern Eyes** - NEW! - February 4-6
- **8-Day Directed Retreat** - Feb. 6-14 - *Please note that you can take a shorter retreat within these dates (i.e. 2-day, 3-day, 4-day, etc.) - contact registration@ignatiusguelph.ca*
- **Ignatius & Teilhard 5-Day Retreat** - February 17-22
- **Finding Your Way: Weekend of Discernment** - February 25-27

These **virtual retreats** may include video links and/or Zoom (or telephone) gatherings, and optional individual meetings with your spiritual director where indicated. Register online at loyolahouse.com or contact registration@ignatiusguelph.ca or by calling 519 824 1250 ext 266.

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SHINE A LIGHT- REMEMBRANCE & PRAYER

Come join Guelph & Area Right to Life and gather for a peaceful time of remembrance for the over 4 million lives lost through abortion since 1969. Friday, January 28th from 7-8pm on the sidewalk in front of Guelph City Hall, 1 Carden St. Guelph.

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