



# St. Mary Immaculate Church

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## Mass Schedule 4<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time

### January 29<sup>th</sup> to February 4<sup>th</sup>

<u>Saturday</u>	5:00 p.m.	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
<u>Sunday</u> St. Martin of Tours	9:00 a.m.	+Anthony Pavan (Silvia Camp)
St. Mary Immaculate	11:00 a.m.	+Peter Peloso (St. Mary's CWL)
<u>Tuesday</u>	7:00 p.m.	+Audrey Tegler (Eleanor & John Morris)
<u>Wednesday</u> <i>The Presentation of the Lord (Feast)</i>	9:00 a.m.	For the Intentions of Sandra Ruller & Family (Dorothy Ruller & Family)
<u>Thursday</u> <i>St. Blaise (OM)</i>	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration +Fr. Matthew Madathikunnel (Alf, Colette & Family)
<u>Friday</u>	9:00 a.m.	+Deanna McKenna (Her Brothers & Sisters in Law)

*"Trust the past to the mercy of God, the present to His love and the future to His providence."* Saint Augustine

### **FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK - Synodal Church**

In October 2021 the Holy Father, Pope Francis inaugurated a synod on the theme - For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission. The word Synod comes from the Greek word "Syn-hodos" which means the same way. Through this effort the Church has in many times in the past charted new paths for God's people to walk together on their faith journey. After periods of consultation on many levels, the final report of the synod is presented in the pope's Apostolic exhortation. The present synod is important since for the first time, a 2-year process (2021-2023) is embarked upon by the entire Church. We are called to share, reflect, and listen to one another since the spirit of God which is alive and active speaks through each and every one of us. Different challenges confront the church at different epochs of human existence. This synodal journey is an effort at addressing the present challenges facing the Church in our time and how we as members of the same family can find enduring solutions to these challenges. To do this, we are called to be actively involved in the synodal process from the parish, diocesan, national and global levels. The diocese of Hamilton has ample resources for us on the diocesan website. Let us all be involved in this process of mutual listening to God's spirit speaking in and through each of us. May God continue to guide his Church and bless each and every one of us.

### **FROM THE VOCATIONS OFFICE**

No prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. Do not be discouraged by jeers when considering priesthood, diaconate, or religious life. If God is calling you, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988).

[vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com),

### **OFFERINGS January 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>**

	<b>St. Mary's</b>	<b>St. Martin's</b>
Weekly Offerings	\$ 1,138.00	\$ 370.00
Loose	30.00	10.00
Building Maintenance	100.00	40.00
Christmas Offerings	20.00	
New Year's Day	25.00	
Initial Offerings	<u>55.00</u>	<u>20.00</u>
Total:	\$ 1,158.00	\$ 440.00

### **EFT for month of January, St. Mary Immaculate:**

Sunday Offerings	\$ 3,837.50
Building Maintenance	<u>550.50</u>
TOTAL	\$ 4,388.00

## PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

If you would prefer to donate through monthly pre-authorized electronic funds transfer, St. Mary's parishioners, please pick up a pamphlet from the table at the back of the church and drop the completely form into the collection basket at any time. St. Martin's parishioners, please contact Mary at [stmelbadmin@wightman.ca](mailto:stmelbadmin@wightman.ca) to make arrangements.

## DONATION ENVELOPES

Please be reminded that some weekly donation envelopes for 2022 are still at the back of the church ready to be picked up.

## YOUTH MINISTRY ONLINE LEARNING

There are spaces open for new learners in the upcoming cycles of the Youth Ministry Certification program. If you are interested in participating in Vision for Catholic Youth Ministry – A Canadian Perspective or Relational Ministry with Youth - A Canadian Perspective, please email: [nmccowell@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:nmccowell@hamiltondiocese.com)

## PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

**Parenting Tip 136.** Our children are, in many ways, like sponges absorbing all we say and do. Even when we think they aren't watching or listening, they are often taking in our comments, actions and attitudes. In fact, our influence lasts their entire lives and impacts them throughout their lifetime. Equally important is what we don't say about something they are seeing or hearing or doing, since silence is considered consent. Parenting takes constant work, which is why it is considered a vitally important vocation. The rewards, however, of seeing your children grow into healthy, strong adults is worth the effort.

## REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL

Engaging films spotlighting issues of social, political, and economic injustice. **Join us January 27, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. for "There's Something in the Water"**. The film documents environmental racism in Nova Scotia, revealing a portrait of ecological and social disaster, where rural areas are plagued by toxic fallout from industrial development and your postal code determines your health. The **Reel Justice Film Festival** is a partnership between Development & Peace and the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives. Visit us online at <https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/> to view our 2022 schedule or to secure your spot at any of our virtual screenings!

## UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

**Feb 23**

Sacrament of First Reconciliation 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.