St. Mary Immaculate Church

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Mass Schedule 1st Week of Lent March 5th to March 11th

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<u>Saturday</u>	5:00 p.m.	+Charles Wilson
		(Terry & Jerry Wilson)
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 Parishh
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	A.I.D.
St. John of God (OM)		
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	+Joseph Mayne
St. Frances of Rome (OM)		(Jean Kraemer & Family)
<u>Thursday</u>	6:30 p.m.	Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration
	7:00 p.m.	+Justine Stres
	·	(Maria Berlot)
Friday	9:00 a.m.	+Deanna McKenna
St. Casimir (OM)		(Her Brothers & Sisters in Law)
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross

"Nothing great is ever achieved without much enduring" – St. Catherine of Siena



A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP CROSBY

Dear Parishioners:

Pope Francis has called a Synod of Bishops which will take place in Rome in 2023 on the theme of *Synodality: Communion, Participation and Mission.* Synodality is all about how we walk together in faith and live as the People of Bod at this moment on our faith journey.

As preparation for the Synod, Pope Francis has invited all members of the Church and, in fact, the whole world, to share their experience of listening to God's voice. Everyone is invited to share their experience of faith and thoughts on how we can move forward together to carry out the Mission of Christ, entrusted to us in Baptism.

I invite everyone in the Diocese of Hamilton to participate in this preparation process. It is important that all voices b e heard. Therefore, I am asking pastors and parishioners to gather, to the extent possible given the current Covid protocols, to discuss and respond to a series of proposed questions. These questions are found in the leaflet which is in today's bulletin (or at the entrance of the church). If you are not able to gather, you may respond individually to the questions by completing the printed form and return it to your Parish by March 28, 2022. You may also respond to the questions electronically by going on-line to <u>http://hamiltondiocese.com/synod/</u>.

This invitation of Pope Francis to "let your voice be heard" is an extraordinary opportunity for all of us to discover how the Holy Spirit is speaking in the Church today. I pray that all of us will experience personally the blessings of this Synod process.

Sincerely in Christ and Mary Immaculate

+Douglas Crosby, омг

(Most Rev) Douglas Crosby, OMI Bishop of Hamilton

FROM THE VOCATIONS OFFICE

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the lifecommitment God has prepared for you? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger,

vocations@hamiltondiocese.com www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

ST MARTIN'S HALL RENTAL

St. Martin's hall and kitchen are available for rent to anyone wishing to hold a large family gathering or special occasion. The fee for the rental is \$150 for the day, plus a \$50 refundable cleaning charge. The hall must be left as found and includes use of the fully equipped kitchen. Insurance through the Diocese must also be obtained for a modest fee for any events on the property. Please call the church office to book or speak to Darryl and Janet Brodhaecker for details.

OFFERINGS				
February 27th & 28th	St. Mary's	St. Martin's		
Weekly Offerings	\$ 1,678.00	\$ 310.00		
Weekly Loose	244.65			
Building Maintenance	470.00	120.00		
1 Share Lent	50.00			
1 Initial Offering		5.00		
1 Seminary Collection	25.00			
Total:	\$ 2,467.65	\$ 435.00		

Your generosity is very much appreciated!

40 DAYS FOR LIFE MASS WITH BISHOP LOBSINGER

Thurs, March 24, 7 pm, Basilica of Our Lady. 40 Days for Life is a time of prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil to end abortion. Prayer vigil takes place daily March 2-April 10 in downtown Guelph. All are encouraged to sign up to pray. See 40daysforlife.com/guelph for more details or call 519-836-6311.

ST JOSEPH GUELPH K OF C EASTER RAFFLE

Donations are being sought for a charity auction to benefit local charities such as Michael House, Hospice Wellington and Special Olympics amongst others. If you have any donations for prizes such as baked goods or new household items, or to help sell tickets, contact Ray Bolton **519-261-1850** raymondbolton402@yahoo.com.

HELP FOR UKRAINE

Parishioners wishing to make a donation to the Ukraine Humanitarian Crisis can do so online through Development & Peace at <u>https://www.devp.org/en/wp_press_release/solidarity-prayers-and-support-for-ukraine-development-and-peace-joins-relief-efforts/</u> or by calling 1-888-664-3387.

SUMMARY OF UPDATED COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

- Churches, parish halls and other meeting rooms may open to full capacity
- Attendees should self-screen for any symptoms prior to arrival at Mass
- Masks must be worn by all those attending Mass, two years and older
- The use of Holy Water is permitted

- Communion in hand is highly recommended; anyone who wishes to receive on the tongue should come last

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH		
Mar 11	Stations of the Cross 7:00 p.m. (and every Friday in Lent)	
Mar 15	Good Friday K of C Fish Fry, St. Joseph's Fergus	
April 24	Confirmation	