

St. Mary Immaculate Church

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Mass Schedule 4th Week of Lent

March 26th to April 1st

<u>Saturday</u>	5:00 p.m.	+Joseph Mantler	
		(Frances Mantler & Family)	
Sunday			
St. Martin of Tours	9:00 a.m.	+Ed Corrigan	
		(Runstedler Family)	
	11:00 a.m.	For the Living & Deceased	
St. Mary Immaculate		Members of the Parish	
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	A.I.D.	
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<u>Wednesday</u>	9:00 a.m.	+Pamela Domenici	
		(Pellegrini Family)	
<u>Thursday</u>	6:30 p.m.	Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration	
	7:00 p.m.	+Larry Cyr & Deceased	
	-	Kowalchuk Family Members	
<u>Friday</u>	9:00 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory	
		(Bozena Anna Holody)	
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	

"Let your prayer be completely simple. For both the publican and the prodigal son were reconciled to God by a single phrase" - St. John Climacus

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK Highlights Of Post-Covid-19 Protocols

- Masks are no longer required in churches, parish offices and parish halls. However, we are asked to understand with those who choose to continue to wear masks because of personal choice.

- Churches are now open for full capacity; physical distancing is no longer required.

- Hand sanitizers are to remain available at the entrances of the Church. Those distributing Holy Communion are to sanitize hands before/after distributing communion and to wear masks to distribute.

- All liturgical ministries can now be restored as they were exercised prior to the beginning of the pandemic.

- The sign of peace may be given, preferably a bow instead of a handshake. - Those who wish to receive Holy Communion on the tongue are to come forward after the rest of the assembly has received on the hand.

- During the Holy Week, Palm Sunday gathering to bless palms is to be celebrated in the usual manner and same for Easter Vigil celebration of Light. Washing of the feet on Holy Thursday may be celebrated as was customary prior to the beginning of the pandemic. On Good Friday, individual veneration of the Cross is permitted using other signs of adoration apart from kissing of the Cross. The assembly can be sprinkled with Holy Water following renewal of baptismal promises on Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday.

FROM THE VOCATIONS OFFICE

Like the forgiving father of Luke's Gospel, God welcomes us home in spite of our sinfulness, and calls us to a life of holiness. Where are you at home? Are you being called to a life as an ordained or a consecrated person? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, (905-528-988)._vocations@hamiltondiocese.com/www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

	OFFERINGS	
March 19 th & 20 th	St. Mary's	St. Martin's
Weekly Offerings	\$ 1,218.00	\$ 425.00
Weekly Loose	52.00	5.00
Building Maintenance	40.00	50.00
Total:	\$ 1,310.00	\$ 480.00

Your generosity is very much appreciated!

ST. MARY'S CWL MEETING

All ladies of the parish are invited to our CWL meeting, Monday, March 28th at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory meeting room. We are very excited to be able to meet in person once again to plan events for the parish and beyond.

LENTEN HOLY HOUR

There will be a Lenten Holy Hour at St. Mary Elora on Thursday, April 7th by 6pm followed by Mass at 7pm. This will afford us opportunity to adore Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

THE VISIT OF THE DELEGATION TO ROME

Indigenous leaders and Bishops to the Vatican are to meet with Pope Francis March 28th to April 1st. In preparation for the visit, Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle, have developed two resources: a prayer card and a document entitled *Sacred Fire and Prayer Wave for Healing and Reconciliation*. The resources can be found on the Circle's <u>website</u>. Join the prayer wave and accompany the delegation on this historic walk toward healing and reconciliation!

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Lent is a perfect season to help children understand why we engage in prayer, works of charity, care for all, and practice self-control. Spend time on your Lenten journey as a family by attending Mass and discussing, the readings. Decide as a family on prayers and reflections to engage in each day of Lent and together look at how your family might use their resources to give to others. Your children can bring hope to the hearts of others during Lent and their spiritual journey will be enhanced by your presence and guidance.

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

Lent is a perfect time to examine what you are bringing to your marriage vocation, to see if forgiveness is readily available when needed and to contemplate whether you might make changes to better fulfill your call to marriage. As well, consider praying with your spouse, reflecting on a short Bible passage daily and working on not holding anger during Lent, since all of these will strengthen your bond of love and bring you feelings of joy as Easter draws near.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE COLLECTION 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Next Sunday marks our annual Lenten collection for the work of Development and Peace globally. Because of the COVID challenges of the past two years, our support is more important than ever. Please be especially generous this year.

	UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH
March 28	St. Mary's CWL Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
April 1	Stations of the Cross 7:00 p.m. (and every Friday in Lent)
April 7	Lenten Holy Hour: Adoration of Blessed Sacrament and
	Reconciliation 6:00 p.m., St. Mary's
April 15	Good Friday K of C Fish Fry, St. Joseph's Fergus
April 24	Confirmation - 2:00 p.m. St. Mary's