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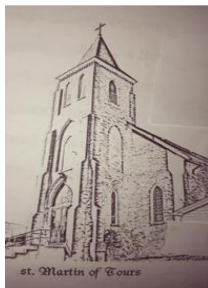
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The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

December 31st to January 6th



Mary and Jesus (Artist Unknown)

FROM THE VOCATIONS OFFICE

Mary treasured all that God had done for her and pondered these things in her heart. Do you treasure God and ponder what He wants from you? You may have a vocation to a life in the Church serving Christ. If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. vocations@hamiltondiocese.com www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

OFFERINGS

November 26th & 27th

	<u>St. Mary's</u>	<u>St. Martin's</u>
Weekly Offerings	\$ 1,370.00	To be reported next week
Loose	237.00	
Building Maintenance	263.00	
Christmas Offering	3,165.00	
Flower Offering	35.00	
Total:	\$ 5,070.00	\$

Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

As the New Year begins we often set "resolutions" to changes habits, behaviours or actions. This year set a resolution that will benefit the whole family: decide to purposely spend more time with your children, sending a message that family time matters. Build a snow fort together, make snow angels or go for a midnight walk in the snow. Cook, clean and play together. Look back on family albums and share memories and stories. Pray before/after meals, attend Mass and say the Rosary, all as a family. The possibilities are endless, as are the benefits. (From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

<u>Saturday</u>	5:00 p.m.	+Eunice Drumm (Frances Mantler & Family)
<u>Sunday</u> 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
<u>Tuesday</u> <i>The Most Holy Name of Jesus (OM)</i>	7:00 p.m.	+Leona Brown (Bev & Herman Lavigne & Family)
<u>Wednesday</u>	9:00 a.m.	+Paula Skinner (Patsy Logel & Rosemary Downey)
<u>Thursday</u>	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration +Eunice Drumm (St. Mary's CWL)
<u>Friday</u>	9:00 a.m.	+Sandra Ruller (Louise & Mike Bilodeau)

"Who more than Mary could be a star of hope for us? With her "yes" she opened the door of our world to God himself; she became the living Ark of the Covenant, in whom God took flesh, became one of us, and pitched his tent among us"
- Pope Benedict XVI



Madonna Mary And Baby Jesus Artist Unknown

THE REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL

A special discussion and film screening to raise awareness and understanding of Indigenous Reconciliation, will be shown January 26, 2023, 7– 9 p.m. The film *Doctrine of Discovery, Stolen Lands, Strong Hearts* is a challenging, truthful documentary, meant to educate people about the historic policy which established a justification for colonization and seizure of land. The legacy of the Doctrine and the impact on the current state of Indigenous affairs is discussed. Understanding the Doctrine of Discovery and its manifestations are important as we strive for reconciliation. Special discussion following the screening with

Rev. Val Kerr, Indigenous Elder, and former Archdeacon for Truth, Reconciliation, and Indigenous Ministry for the Anglican Diocese of Niagara, Sarah Guinta, Coordinator Office of Justice and Peace, Roman Catholic Diocese of Hamilton, and Christina Mines, Director of Evangelization and Catechesis, Diocese of Hamilton. The screening and discussion will be hosted online. R.S.V.P. and view our full schedule of events at: <https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/> A partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace, the Reel Justice Film Festival shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and economic injustice.

CENTRE WELLINGTON FOODBANK

The Food Bank would like to thank the parishioners of St. Mary's for all their ongoing and generous support throughout the year. Your solid support has enabled us to do the following each year:

- Meet the needs of almost 300 families
- With your generosity, provide members with basics such as meats, dairy products and personal hygiene items
- Significantly increase our fresh produce area
- Expand our Heat and Eat meal program providing members with fresh nutritious homemade meals
- Double our partners in our “Food Rescue/Recovery Program” where our refrigerated van allows us to recover food
- Provide 203 families with grocery cards for Christmas and gift cards to 198 children through our Christmas Hamper and Christmas Angel programs

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION AT WELLINGTON CATHOLIC

The Wellington Catholic District School Board will be accepting registrations for kindergarten at our schools beginning January 9th, 2023. Please see www.wellingtoncdsb.ca under registration for more details.



The Birth of Baby Jesus – Artist Unknown, England 1950s