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## The Epiphany of the Lord

January 7<sup>th</sup> to January 13<sup>th</sup>

### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK Commencement Of Parish Renovation

Sincere thanks to everyone for your contributions to the One Heart, One Soul campaign towards accessibility into the church through the back entrance. As was announced last week, work has commenced on site. We appeal to all, especially seniors who use the back door, to bear with us for the next few weeks as we work towards better accessibility. We also appeal to those who are yet to contribute to the One Heart, One Soul campaign to kindly do so. As we conclude Christmas festivities with the celebrations of Epiphany and Baptism of the Lord, may the joy of Christmas remain with us now and always. Amen.

### FROM THE VOCATIONS OFFICE

“On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid Him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.” God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ’s name?. 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](mailto:___vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)  
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Esus Mafa – The Three Wise Men

<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.	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
St. Mary Immaculate	11:00 a.m.	For the Intentions of Blake McGillivray (Family)
<u>Tuesday</u>	7:00 p.m.	Mass Not Scheduled
<u>Wednesday</u>	9:00 a.m.	+Sr Alfreda Kimpel (Patsy Logel & Rosemary Downey)
<u>Thursday</u> St. Marguerite Bourgeoys (M)	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Mass Not Scheduled
<u>Friday</u> St. Hilary (OM)	9:00 a.m.	+ Maria Ricci (Cecchini Family)

"The world offers you comfort. But you were not made for comfort. You were made for greatness."

Pope Bendict XVI



Bartolome Estaban Murillo – Adoration of the Magi

	<b>OFFERINGS</b>	
	<u>St. Mary's</u>	<u>St. Martin's (25/12)</u>
<b>December 31<sup>st</sup></b>		
Weekly Offerings	\$ 725.00	\$ 540.00
Loose	100.00	
Building Maintenance	70.00	1,200.00
Christmas Offering	240.00	110.00
Total:	\$ 1,135.00	\$
<b>January 1<sup>st</sup></b>		
Weekly Offerings	\$ 623.00	\$ 370.00
Loose	215.00	
Building		70.00
Initial Offering	400.00	55.00
Flower Offering	10.00	
New Year's Day Offering	578.00	185.00
Total:	\$ 1,826.00	\$ 680.00

**Monthly EFT for December:**

Weekly Offerings	\$ 3,911.50	\$ 170.00
Building Maintenance	545.50	30.00
Total:	\$ 4,457.00	\$ 200.00

Thank you so much to all St. Mary's parishioners who so generously gave to the warm winter gear drive. Through your generosity we gave those in need:

- 121 pairs of socks
- 58 pairs of mittens/gloves
- 27 hats
- 10 hats and gloves sets
- 2 scarves
- 1 ear muffs
- 1 hat, gloves, and scarf set

Total donations: 220. Way to go St. Mary's!

**Your generosity is greatly appreciated!**

**LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY**

The in-person Lift Jesus Higher Rally will recommence on **March 4, 2023, from 9am-5:30pm** at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Toronto, as we explore this year's theme: **"EMPOWERED TO STAND"** "Keep alert, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong." (1Corinthians 16:13) See website for details on how to participate [www.ljhr.ca](http://www.ljhr.ca)

**SHINE A LIGHT**

Gather with others to pray and shine a light on the impact of abortion in Canada. On the anniversary of the 1988 Supreme Court decision that left preborn children with no protection in Canada, there will be a pro-life display in front of Guelph City Hall (1 Carden St.), January 28<sup>th</sup> 7-8pm, showing the number of abortions that have happened in Canada. Registration is not required but is appreciated. Contact the **Right to Life** office to let us know you will be attending. Call 519-836-6311 or email [info@guelfhforlife.com](mailto:info@guelfhforlife.com).

**EVENINGS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY**

Bishop Wayne Lobsinger invites everyone to join him for "Evenings with His Excellency". An opportunity to learn more about our Catholic Faith based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Class is the second Friday of each month 7 - 8:30 p.m. at St. Ann Church, Ancaster. It is also available by livestream on St. Ann's YouTube channel. No cost, no homework, just an opportunity to learn about our faith, all are welcome.