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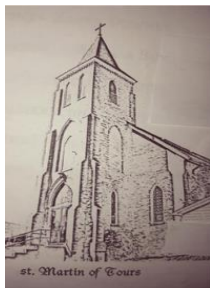
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## Reverend Father Hayden Starczala - Pastor

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### Mass Schedule

### The Ascension of the Lord - May 20<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>



### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

After our Lord ascended into heaven, the apostles prayed together with our Lady (Acts 1:12-14). As we celebrate our Lord's ascension and prepare for Pentecost, may we imitate the apostles in devoting ourselves to prayer with and through Mary, whose prayers please God more than those of all the other saints. May we always have confidence in her intercession!

In the risen Lord,  
Fr. Hayden Starczala

### PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God, the source of creation and love, you invite each of us to serve you through the life which is your gift. May your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as married couples, priests, consecrated virgins, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give of themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen.

### Vocations Prayer Calendar

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>The Ascension of the Lord</i>	Rev. Peter Meyer	Rev. Emmanuel Olusola	Barnabite Fathers (C.R.S.P.)	Rev. Gordian Okpuruka	<i>St. Philip Neri, Patron Saint of Canadian Home Mission Work</i>	Rev. Robert Héту



The Ascension - Copley John Singleton Copley (1738-1815)

<u>Saturday</u>	5:00 p.m.	+Jim & Rosella Downey (Frances Mantler & Family)
<u>Sunday</u> St. Martin of Tours	9:00 a.m.	+Mary Murphy (Anne & Albert Runstedler)
	11:00 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo
<u>Tuesday</u>	7:00 p.m.	+Marcel Neault (Dave Dougherty & Family)
<u>Wednesday</u>	9:00 a.m.	+John Marinacci (Deacon Paul Mulligan & Family)
<u>Thursday</u> <i>St. Bede, St. Gregory VII, St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi (OM)</i>	6:15 p.m.	Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration
	7:00 p.m.	In Thanksgiving (A Parishioner)
<u>Friday</u> <i>St. Philip Neri (M)</i>	9:00 a.m.	Special Intention

“While in heaven he is also with us; and we while on earth, are with him... We cannot be in heaven as he is on earth, by divinity, but in him, we can be there by love.”  
- St. Augustine

## OFFERINGS

<u>May 13<sup>th</sup> &amp; 14<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>St. Mary's</u>	<u>St. Martin's (May 7<sup>th</sup> &amp; 14<sup>th</sup>)</u>
Offerings	\$ 1,243.00	\$ 578.00
Loose	56.80	21.25
Building	120.00	235.00
Devotional Candles	405.75	
Pope's Pastoral Works	10.00	40.00
Total:	\$ 2,835.55	\$ 874.25

**Your generosity is greatly appreciated!**

### GO FORTH TOGETHER - CWL

An evening for women of St. Mary's parish to hear how the Catholic Women's League will witness to the love of God through ministry and service during the next two years. Attendees will participate in setting objectives for the activity/goals that have been determined as an outcome of our 2023 member survey. We look forward to our time together, along with our parish priest, Father Hayden Starczala on Wednesday May 31 at 7:00 p.m.

### YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT - ACTON/HALTON HILLS

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, fellowship and praise music, **Saturday, June 3rd at St. Joseph, Patron of Canada (64 Church Street East, Acton, Ontario)** Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:30pm), praise night and vocation testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) For more info see, [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com).



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## ALLIANCE FOR LIFE, ONTARIO CONFERENCE 2023 "SPEAKING LIFE INTO OUR CULTURE"

Alliance for Life Ontario and Hamilton Right to Life, with the support of the Diocesan Family Ministry Office, cordially invite you to register for our dinner and conference which will be held Friday June 16<sup>th</sup> at Michelangelo Banquet Centre Hamilton and at the Nicholas Mancini Centre (behind the Chancery Office) on Saturday June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Speakers Dr. William Lile, Teresa Hartnett, Alex Schadenberg and Jakki Jeffs. Urgent life issues which require our attention and our prayers will be discussed. We hope to see you there! Contact: [aflo@mgl.ca](mailto:aflo@mgl.ca) 519-820-3399  
[www.allianceforlifeontario.ca/event/2023-conference](http://www.allianceforlifeontario.ca/event/2023-conference)

### GRIEF RELIEF

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? The Diocesan program is full and will run again in the fall to assist those grieving to learn more about what they are feeling and how they can move forward, but you are not alone! Check out the Diocesan website to see what other programs are available to you: <https://hamiltondiocese.com>.

### MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

"United We Stand" is the title of a 1970's song by the Brotherhood of Man. The song may be old, but the lyrics contain words that every married couple would do well to look at and memorize. The song is really a reminder that couples should always support each other, have each other's backs and stand by each other in times of trial. We often forget to keep this context at the heart of our marriages and can antagonize each other instead of support; move apart rather than together. So, remember the words from the song and repeat them to each other often: "For united we stand, divided we fall, and if our backs should ever be against the wall, We'll be together, together, you and I." (From: Theresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office)

### UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>May 24</b>	St. Mary's CWL Meeting, 7:00 p.m. – Gathering by back door.
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