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Mass Schedule

The Twenty-Ninth Week in Ordinary Time

October 21st to 27th



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In this month of the Rosary, it is good to meditate on the Hail Mary. Most of us have known this prayer by heart since we were children, yet it's so easy to say it mindlessly, without being attentive to its great beauty.

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. The words are taken from the greeting of St. Gabriel to St. Mary (Luke 1:28). The word of greeting ("hail") can also be translated as "rejoice!" Mary's title is "full of grace"; her soul participates in the life of God in a profound way. The Lord is truly with her. She believes the words of the angel and conceives the Saviour.

St. Louis de Montfort says that it is better to pray the Hail Mary 150 times than to pray all 150 Psalms: the Psalms were only prophecies of the Christ to come, but it was in response to the angelic greeting that Mary conceived the Christ.

Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. These words are taken from St. Elizabeth (Luke 1:42) who acknowledges the greatness of Our Lady, as well as Our Lord living in her womb. Elizabeth rejoices that the mother of the Lord visits her. We rejoice too as we acknowledge that we have the favour of speaking with her. We are blessed to have Mary as our mother and Jesus as our brother.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen. We are all sinners. While we must always have hope, as individuals we do not have complete certainty that we will be saved, for we do not know what state we will be in when we face judgment. So, we should always turn to Our Lady with confidence, asking for her prayers so that we will leave this world with the grace of Christ in our souls. She is the mother of God and our mother: she desires our salvation more than we do.

In Christ,

Fr. Hayden Starczala, P.P.

VOCATION SEEDS

"Give ... to God the things that are God's." That includes you! Is God calling you to service as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, or consecrated virgin? Contact Fr. Mark Morley, 905-528-7988 www.hamiltondiocese.com

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

	<u>St. Mary's</u>	<u>St. Martin's</u>
Oct 14 th & 15 th Offerings	\$ 1,538.00	\$ 305.00
Loose	160.00	21.00
Building		20.00
Needs of the Cdn Church	25.00	
World Missions	25.00	
Total:	\$ 1,748.00	\$ 346.00

ALMA REDEMPTORIS MATER

Loving mother of the Redeemer, gate of heaven, star of the sea, assist your people who have fallen yet strive to rise again. To the wonderment of nature, you bore your Creator, yet remained a virgin after as before. You who received Gabriel's joyful greeting, have pity on us poor sinners.



The Tribute Money - James Tissot (1836–1902)

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS
CELEBRATING A LIFETIME OF SERVICE**

The Guelph Knights of Columbus Charity Trust invites you to a celebration dinner and evening charity fundraiser in honour of the recent retirement of His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins. Join us at the Italian Canadian Club, Ferguson St., Guelph from **6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. November 23rd** for an evening of fellowship, wonderful food and to hear stories and toast the successes of those inspired by His Eminence. Tickets \$100 each by contacting Peter Barrett 519-846-5118 (barrettpw@yahoo.ca)

K OF C RECRUITMENT DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus Council 15333 St. Mary's & St. Joseph's will be conducting a Membership Drive and info session for all men, ages 18+, to consider joining the K of C. We are committed to serving the needs of our parishes through works of service, charity, and prayer. Attend our **Recruitment Drive this weekend, immediately following the 5:00 p.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses.** Find out how you can make a difference in our communities by joining the K of C today! More info: contact Lowell Butts, GK via email at buttslowell@gmail.com

CWL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

A reminder to all ladies of the parish to please renew their yearly CWL memberships to help us to continue our work in the parish. Please leave \$35 using your marked donation envelope or another envelope clearly marked CWL Membership. Your membership is so very appreciated.

GRIEF RELIEF

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of a person's presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? Are you wondering if your feelings are normal? You are not alone! The Diocese of Hamilton has grief programs to help. Find out more on the diocesan website at www.hamiltondiocese.com under offices for family ministry or call Teresa 905-528-7988 ext. 2250



Julius Caesar Denariis

UPCOMING EVENTS

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October 21	Knights of Columbus Pig Roast – 6:00 p.m.- St. Joseph's parish hall
November 4	Young Adults Night – St. Pius X Parish, Brantford. Adoration, fellowship, praise music and compline. For more information: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
November 19	Sacrament of Confirmation – 3:00 p.m.
November 23	K of C fundraiser Dinner at Italian Canadian Club with His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins For Tickets phone Peter Barrett 519-846-5188