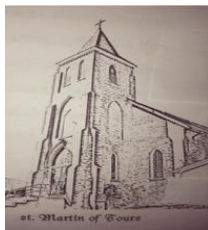


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Fast from hurting words ... and say kind words, Fast from sadness ... and be filled with gratitude, Fast from anger ... and be filled with patience, Fast from pessimism ... and be filled with hope, Fast from worries ... and have trust in God, Fast from complaints ... and contemplate simplicity, Fast from pressures ... and be prayerful, Fast from bitterness ... and fill your hearts with joy, Fast from selfishness ... and be compassionate to others, Fast from grudges ... and be reconciled, Fast from words ... and be silent so you can listen!
— Pope Francis

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Mass Schedule

**The Second Sunday of Lent,
February 24th to March 1st**

WEEKDAY MASS READINGS FOR THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

Monday - Daniel 9:4b-10; Luke 6:36-38

Tuesday - Isaiah 1:10, 16-20; Matthew 23:1-12

Wednesday - Jeremiah 18:18-20; Matthew 20:17-28

Thursday - Jeremiah 17:5-10; Luke 16:19-31

Friday - Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday - Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross will be prayed each Friday in Lent at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome and encouraged to come participate in this devotion.

VOCATION SEEDS

If you need examples of persons responding to God's call, look at Abraham and Sarah - called in old age to leave their country and have a child. Then Abraham was asked to sacrifice that child. What faith! Answering God's call to be a priest, brother, sister, or deacon is also taking a great risk. If you are willing, and think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.** vocations@hamiltondiocese.com hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

February 17 th & 18 th	<u>St. Mary's</u>	<u>St. Martin's</u>
Offerings	\$ 3,218.00	\$ 305.00
Loose	31.00	31.00
Initial Offerings	30.00	10.00
Building	20.00	50.00
Devotional Candles	345.10	
Total:	\$ 3,649.20	\$ 396.00

Your generosity is very much appreciated!

<u>Saturday</u>	5:00 p.m.	+Joseph Mantler (Frances Mantler & Family)
<u>Sunday</u> St. Martin of Tours	9:00 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo
St. Mary Immaculate	11:00 a.m.	+Nancy Azzopardi (Louise & Mike Bilodeau)
<u>Monday</u>	9:00 a.m.	+Tomaso Lucchesi (Pellegrini Family)
<u>Tuesday</u> St. Gregory of Narek (OM)	9:00 a.m.	+John McGarry (Colleen & Steve Cudney)
<u>Wednesday</u>	10:30 a.m.	Heritage River Retirement Home
<u>Thursday</u>	9:00 a.m.	For souls in Purgatory (A parishioner)
<u>Friday</u>	9:00 a.m.	Special Intention (Pamela & James McDaniel)
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross

LENTEN ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The second part of Fr. Starczala's special Lenten, 4-part series of explanations on the different ceremonies of the Mass continues this Sunday at 2:00 p.m. at St. Mary's. Our first talk was most enlightening and enriching. All welcome to bring a friend.



CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP – GUELPH

Are you a mother of babies, young, or school-aged children looking to meet up with other Catholic moms? St. John the Evangelist (45 Victoria Road North, Guelph) Mom's group meet once a month on the first Wednesday of the month from 4:30 till 6:00 p.m. We provide activities for the kids, supervised by a retired teacher, while we pray together, learn new parenting tips and tricks, and support each other. We are invigorated to go out and live our lives with purpose, having a new outlook and remaining hopeful for a better future. If you are looking for connection, purpose, a better outlook, for fellowship, and friendship, join us at our next meeting with your children. Our next meeting is Wednesday March 6th at 4:30. We will be discussing the Sacrament of Confession. www.catholicmomsgroup.com



The Transfiguration – Peter Paul Rubens (1577-1640)



Sacrifice of Isaac – Caravaggio (1571-1610)

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN – THANK YOU

The 40 Days for Life Campaign organized by Guelph and Area Right to Life continues throughout Lent. A great big thank you to all who gave time to witness publicly and peacefully on the sidewalk in Guelph last Friday February 16th on our churches' appointed day. Almost every hour was filled from 7am to 7pm with parishioners prayerfully and peacefully witnessing publicly to end abortion. Thank you to Daniel for her wonderful organizing of volunteers and to all from St. Mary's and St. Martin's who took part and those who supported them through prayer.

2024 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

This year's local Women's Inter Church Council of Canada, World Day of Prayer will take place at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Fergus, Friday March 1, at 2:00 p.m. This year's prayer focus region is Palestine. All welcome to attend. For more information contact St. Andrew's 519-843-3565

UPCOMING EVENTS

Each Saturday	3:50 p.m., Short talk on a psalm, followed by Vespers, Liturgy of the Hours. All welcome to come participate in the prayer of the Church
Four Sundays in Lent	Lenten Adult Faith Formation - February 18 & 25 and March 3 & 10. Explanations on the ceremonies of the Mass. All welcome. 2:00 p.m., St. Mary's.
March 2	Young Adults Night – 6:30 p.m., St. Ann's Hamilton, 120 Sherman Avenue N.