

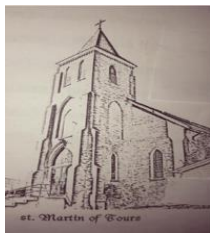


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## Mass Schedule

**The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 10<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>**

<u>Saturday</u>	5:00 p.m.	Missa Pro Populo
<u>Sunday</u>		
St. Martin of Tours	9:00 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo
St. Mary Immaculate	11:00 a.m.	+Lou Biffis (Rafferty Family)
<u>Monday</u>	9:00 a.m.	For the sick and dying
<u>Tuesday</u>	9:00 a.m.	+Gelsomina Pellegrini (Pellegrini Family)
<u>Ash Wednesday</u>		
St. Martin of Tours	9:00 a.m.	Ash Wednesday Mass
St. Mary's School	1:30 p.m.	Liturgy of the Word and distribution of Ashes
St. Mary Immaculate	7:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Mass
<u>Thursday</u>	9:00 a.m.	For souls in Purgatory
<u>Friday</u>		
	9:00 a.m.	+Tracey Bruni (Patsy Logel & Family)
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross

Then the LORD God formed man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.  
- Genesis 2:7

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

If I could make one suggestion for a fruitful Lent, it would be that we should consider the needs of others in our Lenten disciplines.

We can do this when we deny ourselves all sorts of things (e.g., food, drink, entertainment). Our fasting can help others if we save the money we could have spent on the things we enjoy and then give that money to those in need.

Another example is the Stations of the Cross. There is a plenary attached to praying the Stations of the Cross in a church. This indulgence can be applied to a soul in purgatory.

This plenary indulgence can be gained not only on the Fridays of Lent, but any day of the year. And it can be gained even when prayed privately in church (e.g., before or after Mass).

(Please note that to gain a plenary indulgence, one must have been to Confession [even several days beforehand], received Holy Communion, prayed for the intentions of the Holy Father, and be detached from sin.)

I pray the Lord will make our Lenten disciplines a blessing for ourselves and for all in need.

In Christ,

Fr. Hayden Starczala, P.P.

## 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.

## WEEKLY OFFERINGS

January 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup>	<u>St. Mary's</u>	<u>St. Martin's</u>
Offerings	\$ 1,738.00	\$ 275.00
Loose	175.00	20.00
Initial Offerings	70.00	11.00
Building	395.00	85.00
Seminary	560.00	65.00
New Year's Day	120.00	
Total:	\$ 2,613.00	\$ 456.00

**Your generosity is very much appreciated!**

## JOURNEY THROUGH LENT WITH *FORMED*

This Lent, journey with *Formed* as we honor Christ's ultimate sacrifice with two unique series from the Augustine Institute. By signing up, you'll receive an email each day with a *Daily Bread: Discover the Eucharist in Scripture* video. Throughout Lent and Easter, you'll also receive 10 new episodes of *Drawing Closer to God: A Catholic Art Show for Kids*. See [www.formed.org/lent](http://www.formed.org/lent) to sign up and explore other great content.



**"I am willing," Jesus said. "Be clean!"**

### PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Children love Valentine's Day because of the exchange of cards and little parties at school. It is a great time to talk to them about what real love is: giving, receiving, caring, thinking of the other before self and putting others needs above your own. Your children will develop deeper and healthier relationships with this understanding. They will especially know what to look for when they grow up and find someone to love in their future. Do not forget to remind them that God loves them completely and unconditionally, so they can and should pray and talk to him about their life anytime.

### 40 DAYS for LIFE

Though all aspects of 40 Days for Life are crucial in our effort to end abortion, the most visible component is the **peaceful** prayer vigil. **St. Mary's and St. Martin's parishioners will be praying on the city sidewalk** in front of Guelph Cenotaph, Woolwich St & Eramosa Rd on **Friday February 16<sup>th</sup>**. Can you spare an hour of your time to silently and peacefully pray as a public witness? Teams of two or larger groups are encouraged. If you can spare some time to join this prayer team please sign up after Mass and see or speak to team leader Danielle, who will be at the back of the church. Or email the office with your contact information and someone will get back to you.

## K of C EXEMPLIFICATION

Please note change of venue from St. Mary's, Elora, to St. Joseph's Fergus and slight change of time to 7:30 p.m., February 20<sup>th</sup>.

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.
February 13	K of C Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper – St. Joseph's parish hall, Fergus, 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
February 20	CWL Gathering – Accessible entrance at St. Mary's – 7:00 p.m.
February 20	Knights of Columbus – Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity – 7:30 p.m. in St. Joseph's Church, Fergus
March 2	Young Adults Night – 6:30 p.m., St. Ann's Hamilton, 120 Sherman Avenue N.



**Jesus Heals a Leper – William Foster (1891)**