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Mass Schedule

The Third Sunday of Easter April 13th to 19th

<u>Saturday</u>	5:00 p.m.	For the Intentions of Joan Walser (Her Friends)
Easter Sunday		
St. Martin of Tours	9:00 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo
St. Mary Immaculate	11:00 a.m.	+Michael Reis
		(Patricia Reis & Family)
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Special Intention
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	+Pat Pesce
		(Pellegrini Family)
<u>Wednesday</u>	9:00 a.m.	
<u>Thursday</u>	9:00 a.m.	For Souls in Purgatory
Friday	9:00 a.m.	
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"Now God hath both raised up the Lord, and will raise us up also by his power." — 1 Corinthians 6:14

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The past week was one of great excitement for many people on account of the solar eclipse.

Schools were closed. Many people bought special glasses to safely look at the sun. Many others - myself included - took in the event by going for a walk and experiencing the strange dimming of light in the middle of an otherwise sunny afternoon.

Pondering the solar eclipse reminded me of a line from C.S. Lewis: "I believe in Christianity as I believe that the Sun has risen not only because I see it but because by it I see everything else."

May the light of the risen Christ continue to shine in our minds so that we can perceive all things with pure, spiritual sight.

In the risen Lord,

Fr. Hayden Starczala, P.P.



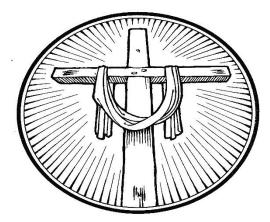
Christ Apperars to the Disciples on the Mountain in Galilee (Panel from the Maesta Altarpiece of Siena) Buoninsegna di Duccio(d. 1319)

	OFFERINGS	
April 6 th & 7 th	St. Mary's	St. Martin's
Offerings	\$ 2,013.00	\$ 1,420.00
Loose	39.00	20.25
Easter Offering	285.00	
Good Friday	350.00	
Building	20.00	165.00
Indigenous Recon.		40.00
Share Lent	30.00	
Total:	\$ 2,737.00	\$ 1,645.00

Your generosity is very much appreciated!

VOCATION SEEDS

What could convince someone to turn to God;? The story that God became human? The story that Jesus cured the sick? The story that Jesus forgave sin? The story that Jesus rose from the dead? Or, perhaps, the story of the witness of your own life! If you have the continuing inclination that God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, call **Fr. Mark Morley**, **905-528-7988 email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com**



CWL ANNUAL BAKE SALE

St. Mary's CWL Annual Bake Sale is back! Please mark your calendars for **Saturday, May 4th**, and come support the bake sale and the work of the CWL in our Church, our community and around the world. We will be selling our delicious goods from Father Starczala's garage from 8:00 a.m. till 12:00 noon. Donations of baked goods will be gratefully accepted and can be dropped off the **night before from 6:00 p.m. till 8:00 p.m.** Any sort of baked goods is appreciated and one dozen or two is sufficient. Your ongoing generosity is so appreciated!

BULLETIN ADVERTISING

We are reaching out to our parish communities to consider placing a business card-sized advertisement on the back cover of our weekly church bulletin. Since 2021 the ads on the back of the bulletin have remained the same. We are now in the process of bringing the ads up to date. The bulletin is printed for pickup and posted online weekly. Bulletins are not printed during the months of July and August. If you wish to place an ad, please contact Mary Clark <u>stmelbadmin@wightman.ca</u> or call 519-993-7915.



Christ Appearing to the Apostles After the Resurrection – William Blake (1757-1827)

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

When we marry, we gain a spouse and his or her family. It is essential that we agree to ensure that we, as a couple, have the most important connection and that we remain united as a family unit when stresses with extended family arise. This means coming to agreement with each other on items such as how to celebrate holidays and traditions, the raising of children and other areas that directly impact us as a couple, even when family wants to have input. Our families can provide wonderful support to our marriage, but we must remember that the essential relationship is between our spouse and ourselves.

LECTURES IN CATHOLIC EXPERIENCE

St. Jerome's University, Waterloo hosts a series of public lectures each year on a variety of important and prevalent topics within Catholic life. On Monday, April 15, Brother Guy Consolmagno, SJ will be speaking on the topic of science and truth. For more information on the Lectures in Catholic Experience, and to explore recordings of previous lectures, you are invited to search St. Jerome's website https://www.sju.ca/LCE

UPCOMING EVENTS		
April 16	CWL - St. Mary's - 7:00 p.m Stations of the	
	Resurrection followed by a short get-together.	
May 4	St. Mary's CWL Bake Sale 8:00 a.m. till 12 noon.	
	From the rectory garage.	