

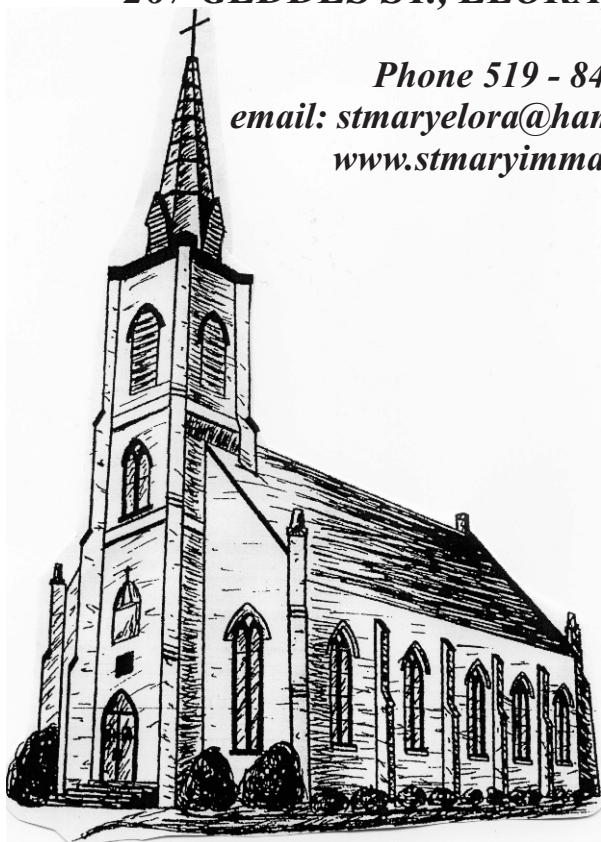
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Unless noted otherwise, all liturgies are at St. Mary's

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am*
Sunday 11:00 am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:15-4:45 pm
Sunday 8:30 - 8:45 am*
First Thursday of the Month 6:40 - 7:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday 9:00 am
On the 2nd Wednesday of each month, Mass is celebrated at Wellington Terrace LTC and the last Wednesday of the month at Heritage River Retirement Residence, both at 10:30 am, instead of 9:00am at St. Mary's

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION AND ADORATION

The first Thursday of each month, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

* Celebrated at St. Martin of Tours in Drayton

The Sacrament of Baptism Parents are asked to contact the parish office as soon as possible after the birth of their baby. Adults seeking Baptism for themselves are also encouraged to contact us.

Ministry to the Sick If you or a family member is in hospital and in need of sacramental ministry, please contact the parish office.

The Sacrament of Matrimony Those seeking marriage should contact the parish office before booking a reception venue. Weddings are normally celebrated in a parish where either the bride or the groom resides.

Memorial Donations Please remember your parish in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy.

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THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TME – SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

<i>The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
Saturday, September 7 th	
5:00 p.m.	For the Intentions of the Ghabrous Family (The Koechl Family)
Sunday, September 8 th	
St. Martin's 9:00 a.m.	+Regent Charlebois (A Niece)
St. Mary's 11:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
Monday	
9:00 a.m.	No Mass
Tuesday	
9:00 a.m.	For the Rybka Family
Wednesday	
9:00 a.m.	For Souls in Purgatory
Thursday <i>The Most Holy Name of Mary (OM)</i>	
9:00 a.m.	+Anna Starczala (Innocente Family)
Friday <i>St. John Chrysostom (OM)</i>	
9:00 a.m.	+Steve Cako (Conroy Family)
<i>The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
Saturday, September 14 th	
5:00 p.m.	+Barry, Brian & Audrey Feil (Feil Family)
Sunday, September 15 th	
St. Martin's 9:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
St. Mary's 11:00 a.m.	+Michael Reis (Patricia Reis & Family)

VOCATION SEEDS

Did not God choose those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the Kingdom? Count your blessings, then come and help others count theirs too, as a priest, religious or deacon. If you feel you have such a vocation, call **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.** Or **email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com**
website: hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUR OFFERINGS:

St. Mary's, June 29th to September 1st:

Weekly Offerings	\$ 17,157.00
Loose	1,990.75
1 Initial Offering	25.00
Building Maintenance	13,515.00
Mission Cooperative Sri Lanka	1,250.00
Care for Retired Priests	30.00
Total:	\$ 33,967.75

St. Martin's, June 30th to September 1st:

Weekly Offerings	\$ 5,045.00
Loose	237.00
Building Maintenance	1,020.00
Mission Cooperative Sri Lanka	600.00
Needs of Canadian Church	40.00
Total:	\$ 6,942.00

EFT for July and August:

	St Mary's	St. Martin's
Offerings	8,205.00	340.00
Building Maintenance	1,285.00	60.00
	\$ 9,490.00	400.00

Your support and generosity are very much appreciated!

THANK YOU FROM MICHAEL HOUSE

Thank you to everyone at St Mary Immaculate, Elora and St. Martin of Tours, Drayton for all those amazing bottles full of joy, hope and love. Our Spring Baby Bottle Campaign was a success because of you. Your generosity helps us continue our mission to provide a safe and nurturing environment for mothers and their children. Your donations totaled **\$3,162.75 (St. Mary's) and \$505.17 (St. Martin's)** and together we raised over \$50,000.00! For more opportunities to help fundraise for Michael House, please see the website at www.michaelhouse.ca

ST. MARTIN'S 21st ANNUAL CHICKEN BARBECUE

It's that time of year again! St. Martin's is excited to host our 21st annual Chicken Barbecue. Everyone is welcome, Friday, September 13th from 5-7:00 p.m. at St. Martin's Parish Hall, Drayton.

Come enjoy a delicious chicken dinner in the company of fellow parishioners. Meals include either 1/2 or 1/4 chicken with baked potato, coleslaw, bun and dessert. You won't want to miss this event. Everyone welcome.

Tickets must be purchased in advance and sell out quickly. Please order by calling Daryl Brodhaecker at 519-575-2656

ANNUAL MEMORIAL FOR THE PREBORN

The Memorial for the Preborn is happening this Sunday, September 8th, 2024, at 1:00 pm at the Garden of Grace (found in front of the Basilica). Join us on this solemn occasion to remember and pray for the lives of preborn children whose lives were tragically ended through abortion.

Event Details:

Date: Sunday, September 8, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM

Location: Garden of Grace, 26 Norfolk St., Guelph
 Bishop Ustrzycki will lead us in a time of prayer and remembrance at this meaningful event, hosted by the Guelph & Area Right to Life Association.

LIFE CHAIN

Join thousands of Canadians across the country, in a powerful public witness for life on Sunday, October 6. Gather with others in silent prayer and peaceful vigil as a public reminder of the sanctity of life. Life Chain is a powerful witness of the Pro-Life message. Signs will be provided, and registration is not needed but is appreciated by going to the website.

Various locations are available to participate in, including:

Fergus: Highway 6 and Tower Street from 4-5:00 p.m.

Elora: MacDonald Square from 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

For more information please visit:

www.guelphforlife.com

DIOCESAN MARIAN DAYS

The last of this year's Diocesan Marian Days will be Saturday, October 5th, starting at 9:00 a.m. at Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph. Holy Hour and Confessions from 9:00 a.m. followed by Mass at 10:30 and a rosary procession at 11:30. This year's final event will also include a Regina Caeli tea immediately following the procession. Tickets are needed to participate in the tea and are \$25. Please call the Basilica to reserve your spot for the tea 519-824-3951

CAREGIVER NEEDED

A local (Elora/Fergus) Catholic family are looking for a part-time caregiver for a lady with physical challenges. Are you or someone you know a PSW or HSW, available to work three mornings a week and possibly occasional evenings? If interested, please contact the family for further details. 416-333-1558

ADVENT DAY OF RECOLLETIOIN

St. Mary's CWL is excited to host an **Advent Day of Recollection**. Join us in prayer, music, reflection and a talk by special guest, His Eminence, Thomas, Cardinal Collins. Mark your calendars now for the Frist Sunday of Advent, December 1st, at 2:00 p.m. Details to follow.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Each Saturday	Evening Prayer (Vespers) at St Mary's – 4:00 p.m.
September 8	Knights of Columbus Charity Breakfast at 10am and 12 noon, St. Joseph's Parish Hall, Fergus (St. Mary's parishioners always welcome after the 11:00am Mass in Elora)
September 17	St. Mary's CWL gathering. Mass 7:00pm followed by short get together
October 5th	Last Diocesan Marian Day of 2024 at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph. 9:00 a.m. till noon with Regina Caeli Tea to follow
October 6	Life Chain – One hour of silent public prayer as a witness to peaceful stand for life. 4:30 – 5:30 pm, McDonald Square, Elora
Dec 1st	Advent Day of Recollection with His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins


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