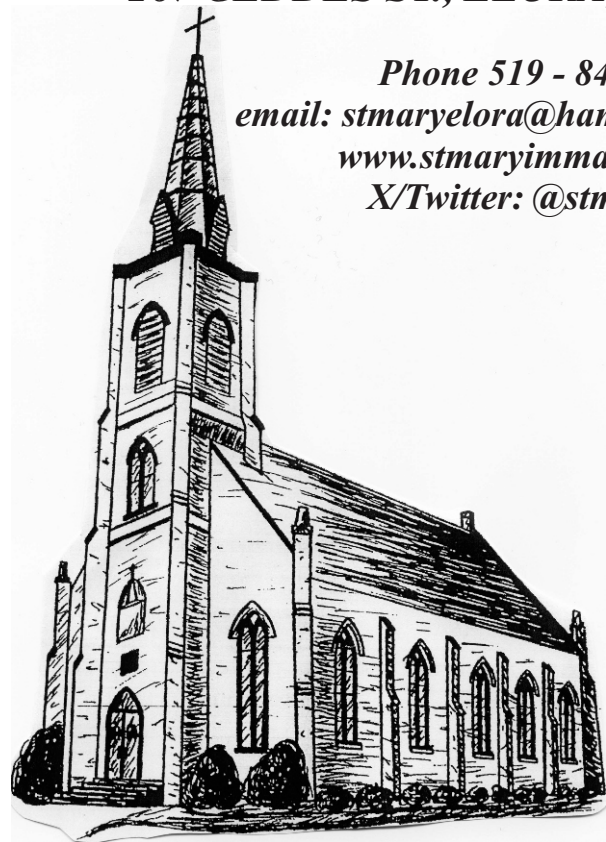
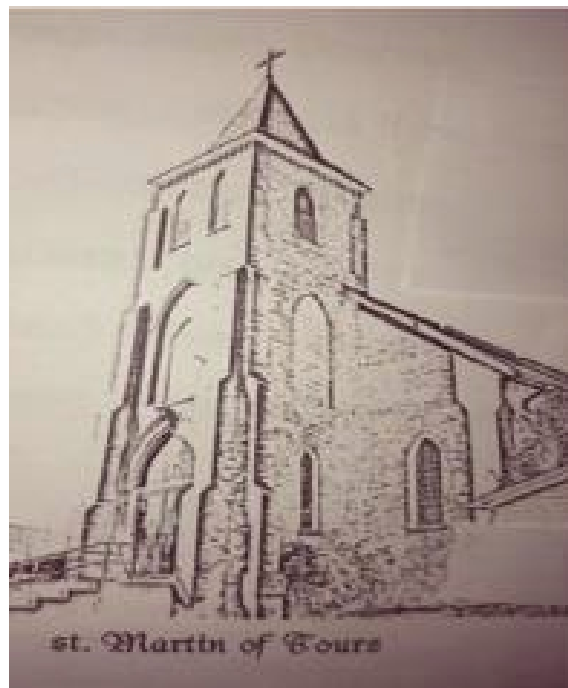


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LORD'S DAY MASSES

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-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TME – OCTOBER 13, 2024

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

<i>The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
Saturday, October 12 th	
11:00 a.m.	Rosary for Vocations
5:00 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, October 13 th	
St. Martin's 9:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
St. Mary's 11:00 a.m.	+Michael Reis (Patricia Reis & Family)
Monday <i>Thanksgiving Day</i>	
*10:00 a.m.	For Souls in Purgatory (A Parishioner)
Tuesday <i>St. Teresa of Jesus (M)</i>	
*7:00 p.m.	+Argene Pellegrini (Pellegrini Family)
Wednesday	
9:00 a.m.	+Anna Starczala (Louise & Mike Bilodeau)
Thursday <i>St. Ignatius of Antioch (M)</i>	
9:00 a.m.	+Diane Cress (Margaret Aitken)
Friday <i>St. Luke (Feast)</i>	
9:00 a.m.	Mass
<i>The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
Saturday, October 19 th	
11:00 a.m.	Rosary for Vocations
5:00 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, October 20 th	
St. Martin's 9:00 a.m.	+Ana Doris (Anon)
St. Mary's 11:00 a.m.	Pro Populo

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

With Thanksgiving upon us, I know there are many people for whom I ought to show gratitude.

There are a number of you who exercise ministries during Sunday Mass (some even doing double duty). I thank you for your commitment to the liturgy of the Church.

We also have several volunteers behind the scenes to help keep both parishes going. With the new roof being successfully put on the rectory and office in Elora, I am particularly grateful to the members of the St. Mary's finance council, building and maintenance committee, and Mary Clark for their work to get us to this point. Many thanks to all of you who have been generous with your time and talent for the good for your parish, whether that be St. Martin's or St. Mary's.

In all this, I must give thanks to God, the source of all good. Whatever good we have, receive, or share comes from him.

This Thanksgiving, I invite you to consider the goodness you experience through others and to give thanks to God for blessing you through them.

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
(Psalm 95:2; RSVCE)

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Hayden Starczala, P.P.

DIOCESAN VOCATIONS MONTH – PRAYING THE ROSARY

October is Diocesan Vocations Month. Please pray for the men and women of our diocese who are discerning their vocations. It is also the month of Our Lady of the Rosary, **there will be a public praying of the Rosary for vocations at St. Mary's Church at 11:00 a.m. over the course of three Saturdays: the 12th, 19th and 26th.** Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary, and Mother of Vocations, pray for us!

YOUR OFFERINGS:

**IS GOD CALLING YOU TO RELIGIOUS LIFE?
MEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT**

How can you hear and understand God's call for you? Join us for the 'Come and See' retreat on Saturday, **October 26, at St. Mary's Parish**, 56 Duke Street West **Kitchener**, designed to help those discerning a vocation to the Priesthood and Religious Life. Spend the day in prayer, engaging in discussions with Resurrectionists, and in fellowship with other young men discerning their vocations. For more info, visit: <https://resurrectionists.ca/vocations/come-see>.



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St. Mary's,

October 5th and 6th:

Weekly Offerings	\$ 2,313.00
Loose	262.05
Initial Offering	20.00
Needs of the Canadian Church	45.00
Building Maintenance	105.00
Total:	\$ 2,745.05

St. Martin's,

October 6th:

Weekly Offerings	\$ 770.00
Loose	36.00
World Mission Sunday	40.00
Building	85.00
Total:	\$ 931.00

Your support and generosity are very much appreciated!

ALL SAINTS DAY CHILDREN'S PARTY

Save the date! On Sunday, November 3, the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate will be hosting an All Saints Day party for the children of the deanery between 1:30 and 4:30 p.m. (drop-in). The event is geared for children aged 4-10, but all children are welcome!

Admission is \$2.00/child. Children are encouraged to dress as their favourite saint and to come with a couple sharable facts about their saint.

To RSVP, email Elise (ecreidy@protonmail.com) by Monday, Oct 28. Please include:

1. Family surname
2. Number of children
3. Ages of children

It's going to be a fantastic afternoon filled with fun, faith-based activities! We hope to see you all there!

Children will be participating in several games and activities, and we would like to reward them with some meaningful prizes. **Do you have any religious items that you could donate for our prize table?** If you can contribute, please ensure that it is in good condition and then drop it off in the box at the back of St. Mary's church. The box is labelled **DONATIONS (Religious Items): ALL SAINTS DAY PARTY**. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

Our study of the Letter to the Ephesians will **not** be held on Thanksgiving Monday, October 14th but will continue next Monday the 21st at 7:00 p.m. in St. Mary's Church. Please join us. You may find it easier to follow along if you bring your own Bible.



CWL GATHERING AND MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

All ladies of St. Mary's parish are reminded of this Tuesday's gathering, beginning with Mass at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's. In addition, CWL memberships can be renewed anytime from now until end of December. Please leave \$35 in an envelope in the collection basket. Your membership allows us to do so many good things in our parish, community, and further afield, and is so very appreciated!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Each Saturday	Evening Prayer (Vespers) at St Mary's – 4:00 p.m.
Each Monday (Except Oct 14)	Bible Study @ St. Mary's, 7:00 p.m., St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians. All welcome
October 12, 19 and 26	Praying of the Rosary for vocations – St. Mary's Church – 11:00 a.m.
October 15	CWL gathering – after 7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Mary's.
October 19	K of C Bottle Drive – 10:00 a.m. till noon, St. Joseph's parking lot.
November 2	9:00 a.m. All Souls Day Mass, Elora 11:00 a.m. All Souls Day Mass, Drayton
November 2	Young Adults Night – From 6:30 p.m. Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate
December 1	Advent Day of Recollection with His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins – From 2:00 p.m.
December 3	St. Mary's and St. Joseph's CWL Christmas get together

ADVENT DAY OF RECOLLECTION

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 First Sunday of Advent, December 1st at 2:00 p.m.


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