### Advent Confession Schedule

It is fitting to prepare for the celebration of the Nativity of Our Lord by receiving the Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation. We prepare to greet the Lord not only by decorating our homes but most especially by purifying our hearts.

The scheduled times for this sacrament in both St. Mary Immaculate and St. Martin of Tours Churches are listed at the bottom of this page.

On Wednesday, December 18 Confessions will be heard in the crying room in St. Mary's Church to make it easier for those with mobility issues to access the sacrament. Of course, others are welcome to use this opportunity for the sacrament as well.

You are also welcome to make an appointment for this sacrament. This can be helpful for those who are hard of hearing and need extra privacy. And yet others may find this option more convenient for a variety of reasons.

However, Fr. Starczala will **not** be available for appointments on December 23 and 24 (except for those in danger of death).

### St. Mary Immaculate Church (Elora)

Saturday, November 30: 4:15-4:45 PM; after Mass until done\* Monday, December 2: 8:15-8:45 AM Thursday, December 7: 6:40-7:00 PM; after Benediction until done

Saturday, December 7: 4:15-4:45 PM; after Mass until done\* Sunday, December 8: after Mass until done

Saturday, December 14: 4:15-4:45 PM; after Mass until done\* Wednesday, December 18: 8:15-8:45 AM; 9:45 AM until 10:00 AM\*\*

Saturday, December 21: 4:15-4:45 PM; after Mass until done\* Sunday, December 22: after Mass until done

\*Evening Prayer (Vespers) will be celebrated at 4:00 PM these days. \*\*For both time slots, Confessions will be heard in the crying room.

## St. Martin of Tours Church (Drayton)

Sunday, December 1: 8:30-8:45 AM

Sunday, December 8: 8:30-8:45 AM

Sunday, December 15: 8:30-8:45 AM

Sunday, December 22: 8:30-8:45 AM; 3:00-4:00 PM

### **Christmas**

Please find below our schedule for the Eucharist on the Holy Days of Obligation of Christmastide.

Please note that the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God is as much a holy day of obligation as Christmas Day. Holy days of obligation are like Sundays: the faithful are obliged to assist in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and to refrain from unnecessary work.

# Christmas

5:00 PM Vigil Mass *(Christmas Eve)* - St. Mary Immaculate Church (Elora) 7:00 PM Vigil Mass *(Christmas Eve)* – St. Martin of Tours Church (Drayton) Midnight Mass - St. Mary Immaculate Church (Elora) 9:00 AM Mass - St. Martin of Tours Church (Drayton) 11:00 AM Mass - St. Mary Immaculate Church (Elora)

# Octave of Christmas/Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

5:00 PM Mass (*New Year's Eve*) - St. Mary Immaculate Church (Elora) 9:00 AM Mass (*New Year's Day*) - St. Martin of Tours Church (Drayton) 11:00 AM Mass (*New Year's Day*) - St. Mary Immaculate Church (Elora)