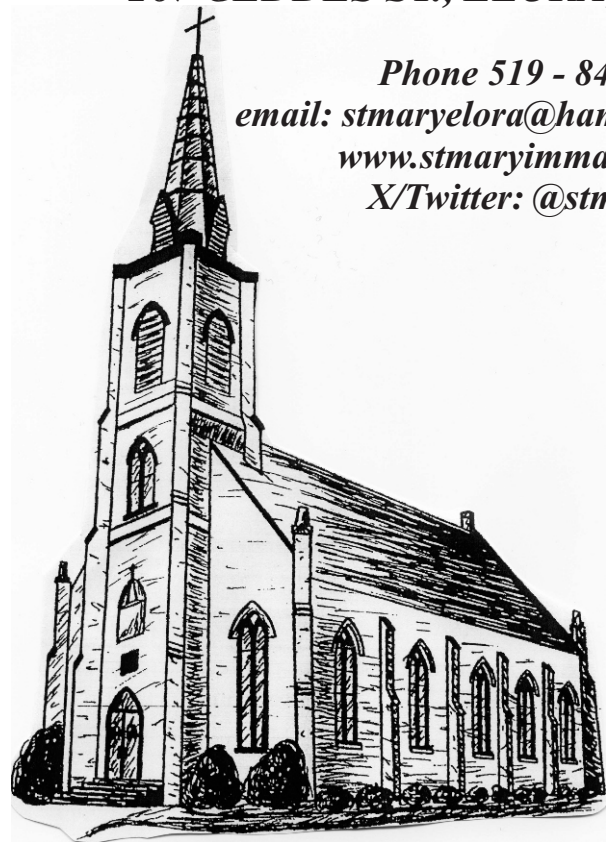


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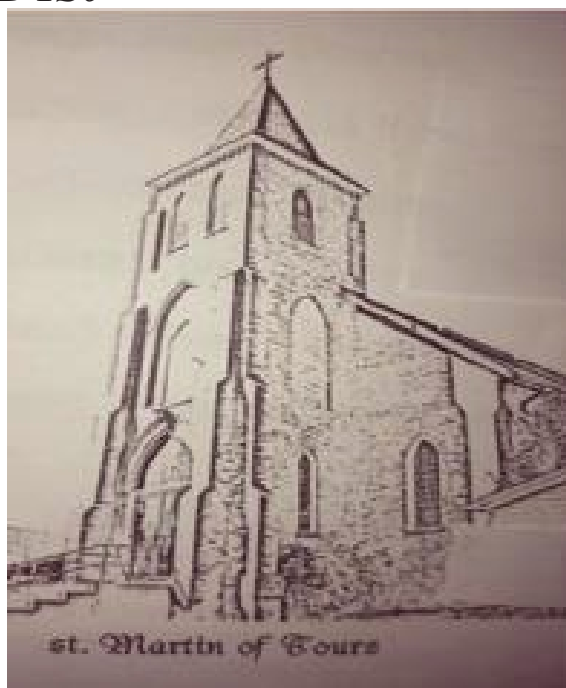


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LORD'S DAY MASSES

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 EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – MARCH 2, 2025

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, March 1st	
5:00 p.m.	+Dan & Bridget Walser (Carrie Reed & Family)
Sunday, March 2nd	
St. Martin's 9:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
St. Mary's 11:00 a.m.	+Mauree Luck (Brian & Marie Morrison)
Monday	
9:00 a.m.	For the Intentions of the Padden Family (Sharon & Dan Padden)
Tuesday <i>St. Casimir (OM)</i>	
9:00 a.m.	+Nathaniel Burchat (The Koechl Family)
Wednesday <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	
9:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Martin of Tours
11:15 a.m.	Liturgy of the Word at St. Mary's School
7:00 p.m.	Mass at St. Mary Immaculate
Thursday	
9:00 a.m.	For the Intentions of the Morrison Family (The Koechl Family)
6:30 p.m.	Eucharistic Exposition & Benediction Confessions (6:40-7:00 & after Benediction)
Friday <i>Saints Perpetua & Felicity (OM)</i>	
9:00 a.m.	+Marion Coulson (Bill & Helen Fisher)
7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross (at both parishes)
The First Sunday of Lent	
Saturday, March 8th	
5:00 p.m.	+Steven Keating (Dori & Kevin Gillen)
Sunday, March 9th	
St. Martin's 9:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
St. Mary's 11:00 a.m.	+Michael Reis (Patricia Reis & Family)

VOCATION SEEDS

“In the Lord your labour is not in vain”. Is the Lord calling you to work in His vineyard? Pray to hear God’s call. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
During the season of Lent, it is recommended that those who cannot participate in weekday Mass receive spiritual nourishment from prayerfully reading the Scriptural lessons selected for the weekday Lectionary.

We don't live by bread alone, but by every word from the mouth of the Lord (Deuteronomy 8:3).

The weekday Mass readings of the first few days of Lent are:

Ash Wednesday: Joel 2:12-18; 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 9:22-25

Friday: Isaiah 58:1-9a; Matthew 9:14-15

Saturday: Isaiah 58:9b-14; Luke 5:27-32

In Christ,
Fr. Hayden Starczala, P.P.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross will be prayed every Friday in Lent at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's and at St. Martin's. All are welcome and encouraged to participate in this wonderful Lenten devotion.

YOUR OFFERINGS:

ST. MARY

February 22nd & 23rd:

64 Weekly Offerings	\$ 2,431.00
Loose	191.60
1 Initial Offering	20.00
20 Building Maintenance	615.00
1 Seminary Collection	30.00
Total:	\$ 3,292.60

ST. MARTIN

February 23rd:

Weekly Offerings	\$ 490.00
Loose	20.00
	\$ 510.00

Your constant generosity is very much appreciated!

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – MARCH 2, 2025

FORTY HOURS DEVOTION THIS LENT

As part of the ongoing Eucharistic revival in Wellington Deanery you are encouraged to participate in the Forty Hours Devotion this Lent. This year's Devotion, which is rather like a Parish Mission with a special focus on the Eucharist, will be preached by His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins, at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate from March 10-13, 2025. There will be Mass at 7:00 p.m. each evening, and forty hours of semi-continuous Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament throughout these days (hence the name "Forty Hours Devotion"). The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Adoration at the Basilica from 7:30 a.m. until 10:00pm on March 11 and 12, and from 7:30 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. on March 13. There will be a reception in the Basilica Parish Hall following the evening Mass on March 13. The complete schedule for the Forty Hours Devotion is on the website of the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate.



SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

The Knights of Columbus will once again be holding a Pancake Supper on Shrove Tuesday, March 4th at St. Joseph's Parish Hall from 5:00-6:30 p.m. We will be serving pancakes, breakfast sausage and maple syrup with coffee tea or juice. Donations gratefully accepted for *Michael House* for young mothers and their children. Mark your calendars and plan to join us as we launch our Lenten journey for this year.

DEANERY MARRIAGE PREPARATION

The Deanery of Wellington County, which includes St. Mary Immaculate and St. Martin of Tours, will be putting together a team of couples to run the Marriage Preparation course for those who are getting married in the Diocese of Hamilton. We are looking for married couples in the parish who would be interested in becoming part of this team. We are holding an information session on ***Thursday March 27th at 7:00 p.m. at St Joseph Parish, Guelph (409 Paisley Rd)** in the church hall for all couples who are interested in finding out more. Please call St. Mary's parish office if you can join. 519-846-5093 ***NB:** New date and location

MEN'S COR PROGRAM

Please join us Saturday March 8th at 10:00 a.m. for our next men's *Cor* gathering. Fr Hayden Starczala will give a presentation on "Atonement". This will include prayer, discussion, and a coffee social. All men are welcome. Location: St Joseph's parish hall.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Each Saturday	Evening Prayer (Vespers) at St Mary's – 4:00 p.m.
March 1	Young Adults Night – Jubilee Pilgrimage to Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph. From 6:30 p.m.
Ash Wednesday March 5	Mass at St. Martin's: 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's: 7:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Word at St. Mary's School: 11:15 a.m.
Sundays in March	Fr. Starczala to deliver talks on Baptism including time for Q & A. All welcome In Elora – 9 th and 16 th - 2:00 p.m. In Drayton – 23 rd and 30 th - 3:00 p.m.
March 9	Knights of Columbus Charity Breakfast from 10:00 a.m. till 12:30 p.m. in St. Joseph Parish Hall
Mar 10 -13	Forty Hours Devotion – Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate. Mass each evening at 7:00 p.m. Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on March 11 th & 12 th and until 6:30 p.m. on March 13 th . Cardinal Collins to preside.
March 11	Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting – 7:30 p.m., St. Joseph parish hall.
March 5 – April 13	40 Days for Life– Prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil to end abortion.
March 8	Men's Cor Program – St. Joseph Church Hall – 10:00 a.m.
March 22	Lenten Retreat for Liturgical Ministers Basilica of Our Lady 10:00 -12:30 p.m. Register: https://tinyurl.com/3kf6y4zu .
March 25	Knights of Columbus General Meeting – 7:30 p.m. St. Joseph parish hall


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