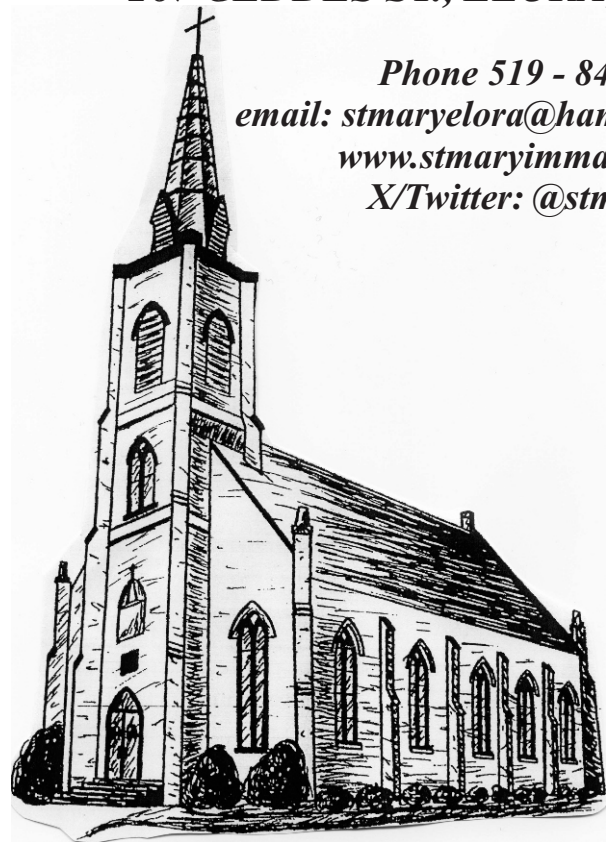
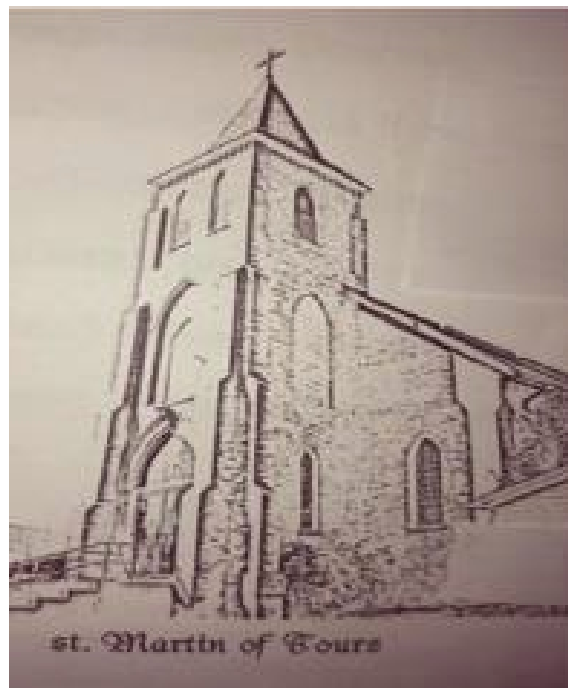


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LORD'S DAY MASSES

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 SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – FEBRUARY 23, 2025

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

<i>The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
Saturday, February 22nd	
5:00 p.m.	+Joseph Mantler (Frances Mantler & Family)
Sunday, February 23rd	
St. Martin's 9:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
St. Mary's 11:00 a.m.	For the Intentions of Bon & Claire Veltri (Louise Lussier)
Monday	
9:00 a.m.	For the Intentions of the Padden Family (Sharon & Dan Padden)
Tuesday	
9:00 a.m.	+Dan Walser (Orval & Anne Crawford)
Wednesday	
*10:30 a.m.	At Heritage River Retirement Residence
Thursday	
9:00 a.m.	For the Intentions of the Morrison Family (The Koechl Family)
Friday	
9:00 a.m.	For the Living and Deceased Members of St. Mary's Parish (Jean Kraemer)
<i>The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
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)

VOCATION SEEDS

The Lord Calls us to do God's Will. Pray that you may know God's Will in your life; especially, if you have the inclination that you are being called to the ordained or consecrated life. 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUR OFFERINGS:

ST. MARY

February 15th & 16th

28 Weekly Offerings	\$ 960.00
Loose	112.80
2 Building Maintenance	90.00
1 Seminary Collection	<u>10.00</u>
Total:	\$ 1,172.80

ST. MARTIN

February 16th:

Totals to be reported next week.

Your constant generosity is very much appreciated!

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.



THE TRUTH ABOUT SEX – PARENT CONFERENCE

Research proves that the most effective agents of influence over a child’s sexual decisions are parents and church – *if* these two are equipped to guide with more than a purity message. Our hypersexualized society challenges all people, in the church and outside of it. The result? Confusion in our children about what is right, leading to decisions around sexual activity that result in physical, emotional, and spiritual consequences. Join Alliance for Life and PEACE Education Services for a unique parent/youth leader conference: *Equipping Parents to Guide Youth Through the Hypersexualized Culture*.

This training has been tested and proven to equip parents and church leaders to empower youth with the knowledge and skills to protect their future by making healthy and biblically aligned sexual choices – avoiding sex until marriage.

Where: Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph,
When: Friday, April 4th, 7:15 p.m. till 9:30 p.m. and Saturday, April 5th, 9:30 a.m. till 4:30 p.m.

Cost: In person – free. Online - \$20
Saturday lunch – included. Child Care – provided. Free-will offerings gratefully accepted.

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.

CALLING ALL MOMS!

Guelph Catholic Moms Group is a free, fun, faith-filled gathering every first Wednesday of the month, and *kids are always welcome!* Our next meeting is Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2025, 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. (please use rear entrance) **Ash Wednesday Mass to follow.** Kindly RSVP by March 3rd at email:

st.johnbaptistmg@catholicmomsgroup.com
St. John the Baptist, 45 Victoria Rd. North, Guelph

JUBILEE YEAR PILGRIMAGE TO ROME AND SHRINES OF ITALY!

Experience the grace of the 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope with a 13-day pilgrimage to some of the most sacred places in Italy. Accompanied by Father Gregory Merkley, the group will visit Rome, Assisi, Florence, Montecatini Terme, Montevarchi, Padova, and Venice, passing through the Holy Doors of the Papal Basilicas and attending a Papal Audience. Dates: May 11 – May 23, 2025. Cost: \$5,555 CAD per person (double occupancy) Includes: Airfare, accommodations, breakfast & dinner daily, guided tours, transportation, and much more! For more details or to register, contact Liz Dachuk lizdachuk@connaissancetravel.com 416-291-2676

UPCOMING EVENTS	
Each Saturday	Evening Prayer (Vespers) at St Mary’s – 4:00 p.m.
February 25	Knights of Columbus Meeting
March 1	Young Adults Night – Jubilee Pilgrimage to Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph. From 6:30 p.m.
Ash Wednesday	Mass at St. Martin’s: 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary’s: 7:00 p.m.
March 5	Liturgy of the Word at St. Mary’s School: 11:15 a.m.
Sundays in March	In Elora – 9 th and 16 th - 2:00 p.m. In Drayton – 23 rd and 30 th - 3:00 p.m. Fr. Starczala to deliver talks on Baptism including time for Q & A. All welcome
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. March 11 & 12 and until 6:30 p.m. March 13. Cardinal Collins to preside.
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 .


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