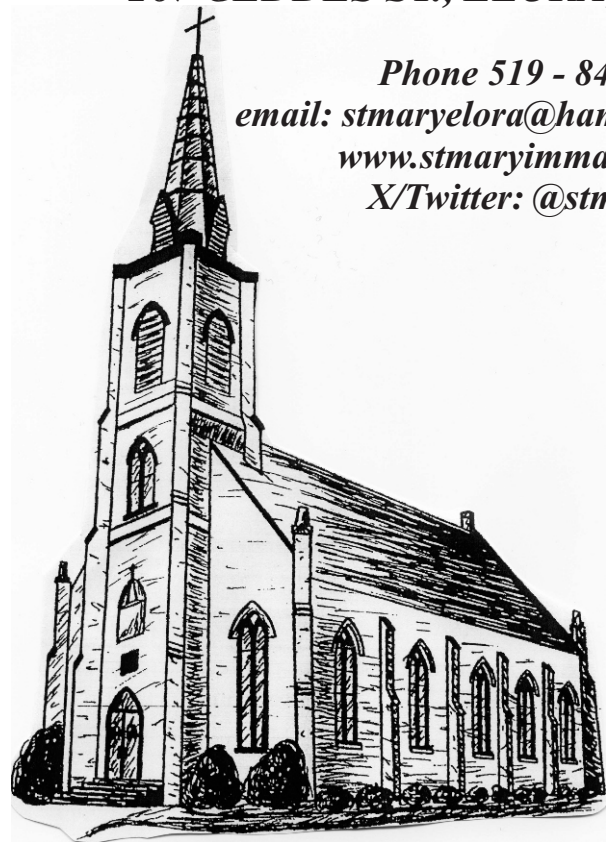


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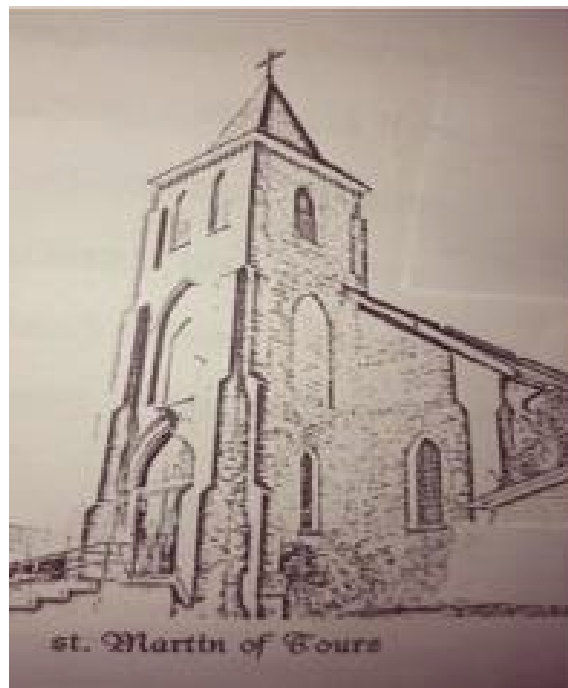


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LORD'S DAY MASSES

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 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – FEBRUARY 16, 2025

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

<i>The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
Saturday, February 15th	
5:00 p.m.	+Joe Moore (Frances Mantler & Family)
Sunday, February 16th	
St. Martin's 9:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
St. Mary's 11:00 a.m.	+Mario Di Gravio (The Kropf Family)
Monday <i>The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order (OM)</i>	
9:00 a.m.	+Mary Howes (Dan Padden)
Tuesday	
9:00 a.m.	For the Intentions of the Murray Family (The Koechl Family)
Wednesday	
9:00 a.m.	+Benedetto Pellegrini (Pellegrini Family)
Thursday	
9:00 a.m.	For the Intentions of the Morrison Family (The Koechl Family)
Friday <i>Saint Peter Damian (OM)</i>	
9:00 a.m.	For the Intentions of Steve & Colleen Cudney (Jean Kraemer)
<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)

VOCATION SEEDS

Happy are those who know they need God. Happy too those who live faithfully the vocation of the life-commitment God calls them to, be it married, single, religious or priesthood. 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

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
Even though we have just celebrated Christmas, we will soon celebrate Lent.

If we were living in earlier times, this Sunday would be known as Septuagesima Sunday, a name that indicates we are less than seventy days away from Easter.

St. Paul VI said that Septuagesima is like the bells that summon us to church. Though we are not yet in Lent, we are now called to grow in awareness of our sinfulness and plan how we can fruitfully participate in Lent.

Ash Wednesday is on March 5. Don't let Lent catch you off guard.

Now is the time to ask the Lord where in your life you need to grow in holiness and to accordingly choose how you perform works of penance: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

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

YOUR OFFERINGS:

ST. MARY

February 8th & 9th

56 Weekly Offerings	\$ 1,465.00
Loose	158.35
2 Building Maintenance	80.00
2 Seminary Collection	<u>80.00</u>
Total:	\$ 1,783.35

ST. MARTIN

February 9th:

Weekly Offerings	\$ 270.00
Loose	5.00
Seminary Collection	<u>25.00</u>
Total:	\$ 300.00

Your constant generosity is very much appreciated!

OFFERTORY COLLECTION ENVELOPES

The 2025 envelope packets are ready for pick-up for both St. Mary’s and St. Martin’s. Please see the table at the back of the church. If you are new to either parish and/or wish to begin donating either manually with envelopes or by electronic funds transfer, please email Mary Clark at stmelbadmin@wightman.ca

LITURGICAL MINISTERS OF HOPE

During Lent this year, the Diocese of Hamilton’s Liturgy Office invites all Liturgical Ministers to gather for a Lenten retreat on the theme of **Liturgical Ministers of Hope**. Saturday, March 22nd, Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Liturgical Ministers include all:

- Altar Servers
- Ministers of the Word
- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
- Cantors and music ministers
- Ushers and ministers of hospitality
- Ministers of the Sick

To Register see: <https://tinyurl.com/3kf6y4zu>

BISHOP MACDONELL HIGH SCHOOL REUNIUN

Calling all classmates of the 1975 graduating class at Bishop Macdonell H.S. This is your 50th anniversary year and organizers are seeking contact information. Please send your email address to Eileen (nee Coady) Brown at eileenbrown@rogers.com to be included on the invite list for the reunion being held in October. Also, please join the Facebook group called: ‘1975 Grade 12 Grads of Bishop MacDonell’, as updates will be posted there as well.

MARRIAGE HOPE WITH RETROUVAILLE

Struggling in your marriage? Find hope with Retrouvaille. Retrouvaille is a marriage program that helps couples who are struggling to restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. Retrouvaille helps to improve communication, build stronger marriages and aids couples to reconnect. For more information visit www.retrouvaille.org or email 1013r@helpourmarriage.org.

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 PM. We will be serving Pancakes, Breakfast Sausage and Maple Syrup with Coffee Tea or Juice. Donations will be gratefully accepted for Michael House - A Safe Haven for Life - for young Mothers and their Children. Please mark your calendars and plan on joining us as we launch our Lenten journey for this year.

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. 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 21	Guelph and Area Right to Life Fundraising Dinner, 6:00 p.m. – Mandarin Restaurant, 565 Woodlawn Rd., R.S.V.P. by February 17 th info@guelphforlife.com or 519-836-6311
February 25	Knights of Columbus General Meeting -
March 1	Young Adults Night – Jubilee Pilgrimage to Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph. From 6:30 p.m.
March 5 – April 13	40 Days for Life Campaign – Prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil to end abortion. Details to follow.
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 a.m. till 12:30 p.m.


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