

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY – APRIL 27, 2025

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday of Divine Mercy

Saturday, April 26th

5:00 p.m.	For Deceased Members of the Mantler Family (Frances Mantler and Family)
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Sunday, April 27th

St. Martin's	Pro Populo
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9:00 a.m.

St. Mary's	For Claire and Bon Veltri (Ellen Blurton-Jones)
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11:00 a.m.

3:00 p.m.	Divine Mercy Holy Hour
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Monday *St. Peter Chanel (OM)*

9:00 a.m.	+Eugene McDermott
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Tuesday *St. Catherine of Sienna (M)*

9:00 a.m.	+Bill and Margaret Downey (The Family)
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Wednesday *St. Pius V (OM)*

*10:30 a.m.	Mass at Heritage River Retirement Residence
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Thursday *St. Joseph the Worker (OM)*

9:00 a.m.	+Dinie Vander Werf
6:30 p.m.	Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
6:40–7:00 p.m.	Confessions

Friday *St. Athanasius (M)*

9:00 a.m.	+Pope Francis
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The Third Sunday of Easter

Saturday, May 3rd

5:00 p.m.	For Deceased Members of the Downey Family (Frances Mantler and Family)
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Sunday, May 4th

St. Martin's	Pro Populo
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9:00 a.m.

St. Mary's	+Gertie, Tony and Albert Vervoort (Vervoort Family)
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11:00 a.m.

VOCATION SEEDS

Thomas believed because he saw Jesus. What will it take for you to respond to God's Call to priesthood, diaconate, or consecrated life? If God is calling you, contact Father Mark Morley, vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

*Please keep our deacons, **Moices Caballero** and **Joonbin Lim** in your prayers as they are ordained to the priesthood, in Hamilton on May 3rd.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Peace be with you.

On Easter Monday, we received with sadness news of the death of Pope Francis. United with the faithful around the world, we pray that he may be granted rest from his labours.

The time between papacies is a time of some uncertainty. We draw comfort from the fact that Christ is alive and will never abandon his Church.

We - as well as many non-Catholics - are interested in what is happening in Rome. Unfortunately, we cannot always rely on the news media to accurately present the legacy of Pope Francis nor what may possibly happen in the future.

Many journalists are sincere, but do not understand our Church. Sadly, there are others who want to use this opportunity to push an agenda.

I have sampled some videos from non-Catholic media. Some of it has been good. Some of it has been inaccurate. I even found myself laughing at the outlandish suggestions of one video from a major Canadian news outlet.

Please do not let yourselves be disturbed by these things. If you are seeking well-informed and faithful coverage of events in Rome, I would suggest watching EWIN or going to catholicnewsagency.com. Also, I am sharing commentary from good sources on our X account, @stmaryelora

And never forget: we have a role to play. We get to pray that the College of Cardinals may have the wisdom and counsel needed to choose a new pope.

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

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR

Join us for Divine Mercy Holy Hour at St. Mary Immaculate, Sunday, April 27th:

3:00 p.m. – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; scripture reading; homily

3:30 p.m. – Chaplet of Divine Mercy; Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

4:00 p.m. – Evening Prayer; Benediction

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YOUR OFFERINGS:

ST. MARY

Good Friday (Holy Land) Collection:

53 Envelopes	\$	2,123.00
Loose		312.10
Total:	\$	2,435.10

Easter Sunday

46 Weekly Offerings		1,320.00
68 Easter Offerings		2,505.00
Loose		460.95
1 Initial Offering		20.00
3 Building Maintenance		220.00
3 Share Lent		140.00
1 Pope's Pastoral Works		50.00
Total:	\$	4,715.95

ST. MARTIN

Good Friday:

Holy Land Collection	\$	205.00
Regular Offerings		20.00
Loose		20.00
Share Lent		20.00
Total:	\$	26500

Easter Sunday:

Weekly Offerings	\$	559.00
Easter Offerings		405.00
Loose		34.00
Building Maintenance		100.00
Total:	\$	1,098.00

Your constant generosity is very much appreciated!

CWL ANNUAL BAKE SALE

It's that time of year again when St. Mary's CWL start to plan our annual bake sale fundraiser. Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 3rd between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. to come purchase delicious home-baked goods. Your support helps us contribute to so many good causes throughout the year and is so appreciated. Donations of baking (any and all baking is welcome, one or two dozen is sufficient) can be dropped off to Father Starczala's garage the evening before from 6:00 p.m. till 8:00 p.m. **Bakers!!:** Please add your name and potential baking to the sign-up sheet, located on the table at the back of the church.

CELL PHONE REMINDER

Please be considerate and silence cell phones before entering the church or leave them in the car.

MEN'S *COR* GATHERING

Please join us Saturday May 10th at 10:00 a.m. for our next men's *Cor* gathering. Deacon Paul Mulligan will give a presentation on "The Liturgy of the Hours" including instructions for praying the hours. This will include prayer, discussion, and a coffee social. All men are welcome. Location: St Joseph's parish hall.

THANKS TO THE K OF C

Thank you to our Knights of Columbus for organizing and operating the Good Friday Soup and Bun Dinner. A total of \$377.00 was raised to help towards St. Martin of Tours roof repairs. We are so grateful for all the service our K of C provide.

NEWS FROM FORMER PASTORS

Father Robert Love, formerly of St. Martin of Tours Parish will retire at the end of June. Father Rafal Tomon, formerly of St. Mary Immaculate Parish, will return to his diocese in Poland, also in June.

MOTHER, DAUGHTER, FRIEND TEA

Get your tickets for this special celebration hosted by St. Joseph (Fergus) CWL. Come enjoy some tea and delicious treats and wonderful company. Saturday, May 10th, from 1:00 p.m. Tickets in advance only. Call Mary Clark at 519-993-7915 or after Mass May 3rd and 4th. Adults \$10, kids 12 and under \$5

UPCOMING EVENTS

Each Saturday	Evening Prayer (Vespers) at St Mary's – 4:00 p.m.
May 3	St. Mary's CWL Bake Sale: Rectory garage 9:00 a.m. till noon.
May 8	National March for Life – Ottawa. See www.guelphforlife.com for bus information and further details.
May 10	Men's <i>Cor</i> gathering – 10:00 a.m., St. Joseph's, Fergus
May 10	Mother, Daughter, Friend Tea, 1:00 p.m. – St. Joseph's Parish Hall.
May 24	St. Mary's and St. Joseph's K of C Chicken Barbecue. After 5:00 p.m. Mass Tickets on sale soon.
June 29	St. Martin's Chicken Barbecue More information to follow.