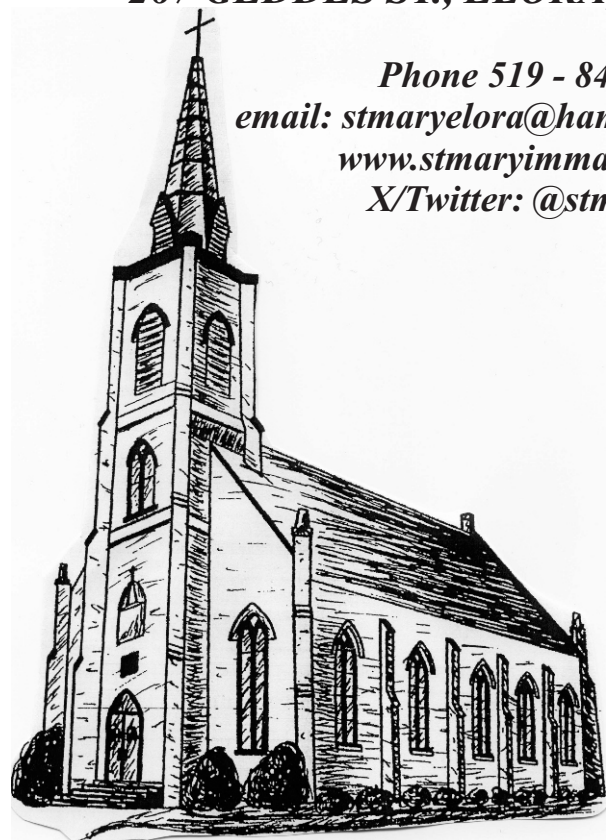


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LORD'S DAY MASSES

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 ASCENSION OF THE LORD – SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2025

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

The Ascension of the Lord

Saturday, May 31st

5:00 p.m. For the Intention of Father Starczala
(Bev and Herman Lavigne)

Sunday, June 1st

St. Martin's
9:00 a.m. Pro Populo
St. Mary's
11:00 a.m. +Eileen Palmer
(The Bowen Family)

Monday *Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs (OM)*

9:00 a.m. For the Conversion and Return to The Faith of Family Members
(Vanessa Blurton-Jones)

Tuesday *St. Charles Lwanga & Comps., Martyrs (M)*

9:00 a.m. +Patrick Kraemer
(Betty Boyd)

Wednesday

9:00 a.m. +David Marcheson
(Colleen and Steve Cudney)

Thursday *St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr (M)*

9:00 a.m. +Jane MacKenzie
6:30 p.m. Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction
6:40 – 7:00 p.m. Confessions

Friday *St. Norbert (OM)*

9:00 a.m. +Joyce Tucker
(St. Mary's CWL)

Pentecost Sunday

Saturday, June 7th

5:00 p.m. +Fred Harrison
(Bowen Family)

Sunday, June 8th

St. Martin's
9:00 a.m. Pro Populo
St. Mary's
11:00 a.m. +Michael Reis
(Patricia Reis and Family)

VOCATION SEEDS

The Lord said, "...you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Pray for an increase of vocations to the ordained and consecrated life. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact:

Fr Mark Morley vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Peace be with you.

St. John Henry Newman once preached a sermon entitled "Waiting for Christ" in which he spoke about looking for the return of Christ. The world thinks it is foolish to wait for the return of Christ because many have waited for his return and have thus far been disappointed. And yet Newman points out that expectations of the world are not wiser than those of Christians.

As we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord into heaven, I would like to share with you the following excerpt from Newman's sermon.

It should be recollected, too, that the enemies of Christ have ever been expecting the downfall of His religion, age after age; and I do not see why the one expectation is more unreasonable than the other; indeed, they illustrate each other. So it is, undeterred by the failure of former anticipations, unbelievers are ever expecting that the Church and the religion of the Church are coming to an end. They thought so in the last century. They think so now. They ever think the light of truth is going out, and that their hour of victory is come. Now, I repeat, I do not see why it is reasonable to expect the overthrow of religion still, after so many failures; and yet unreasonable, because of previous disappointments, to expect the coming of Christ. Nay, Christians at least, over and above the aspect of things, can point to an express promise of Christ, that He will one day come; whereas unbelievers, I suppose, do not profess any grounds at all for expecting their own triumph, except the signs of the times.

In the risen Lord,
Fr. Hayden Starczala, P.P.

PENTECOST NOVENA PRAYER

Come, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of thy faithful, and kindle in them the fire of thy love.

V. Send forth thy Spirit, O Lord, and they shall be created.

R. And thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray. O God, who taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit; grant, by the same Spirit, that we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in his consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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YOUR OFFERINGS:

ST. MARY'S

May 24th & 25th

63 Weekly Offerings	\$ 2,123.00
Loose	220.50
First Holy Communion Offerings	387.95
Confirmation Offerings	379.15
19 Building Maintenance	1,665.00
15 Pope's Pastoral Works	475.00
Total:	\$ 5,250.60

ST. MARTIN'S

May 25th

Weekly Offerings	\$ 295.00
Pope's Pastoral Works	25.00
Total:	\$ 320.00

Your constant generosity is very much appreciated!

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

Preparations for the Corpus Christi Eucharistic Procession in Guelph are underway. Everyone is invited to take part, beginning with mass at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 22nd, followed immediately by the procession from Basilica of our Lady Immaculate to Sacred Heart Parish, immediately following Mass. See poster for more details or

ALLIANCE FOR LIFE ONTARIO 2025 CONFERENCE

Join Alliance for Life Ontario for a **powerful** full-day conference: ***Loving the Neighbour Society Spurns***. Featuring exceptional expert speakers on abortion, euthanasia, and law. Saturday, June 21st at Basilica of Our Lady, Guelph | \$75 Adults | \$45 Students. For more information and to register online: www.allianceforlifeontario.ca/2025-conference

DRAYTON'S 150TH ANNIVERSARY

Drayton is celebrating its 150th birthday on the weekend of June 27th to June 29th. An Open House is planned at each church in town. If anybody has some historical information about St. Martin of Tours Church or old memorabilia that he or she would like to lend for a display, please contact Daryl Brodhaecker at 519-575-2656

WHAT'S WRONG WITH MAiD?

Join us on Wednesday, June 4th, starting at 7:00 p.m. at Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate **RSVP** at: <https://cmdacanada.org/event/whats-wrong-with-maid-guelph/>

CWL END OF YEAR POTLUCK

Members of the Catholic Women's League are invited to celebrate another successful year with our sisters in the League at St. Joseph's, Fergus. Please bring a potluck item to share, 12:30 p.m., Sunday, June 8th.

THANKS FROM THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone who bought tickets and took part in last Saturday's **Knights' Chicken BBQ**. We are hopeful that the occasion was the first of many more to come. We would also like to give a special thank you to those who volunteered to make this event possible. We were able to serve 160 dinners.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Each Saturday	Evening Prayer (Vespers) at St Mary's – 4:00 p.m.
June 1	Charity Breakfast at St. Joseph's parish hall. Proceeds to St. Mary's CWL in support of our many charities. From 10:00 a.m. till 12:30 p.m.
June 8	St. Mary's and St. Joseph's CWLs joint end-of-year potluck lunch celebration. Hosted by St. Joseph's CWL. 12:30 p.m. in the St. Joseph's parish hall.
June 15	Michael House Baby Bottle Drive Ends. Please return your baby bottles by this date.
June 22	Corpus Christi Mass followed by Eucharistic Procession, 2:00 p.m. Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph, All welcome.
June 27-29	Drayton, Ontario's 150 th Anniversary. Various events throughout the days including at St. Martin of Tours Church. Chicken Barbecue Dinner to be celebrated at the old arena, June 29 th . More details and tickets for this event to follow. Mark your calendars!

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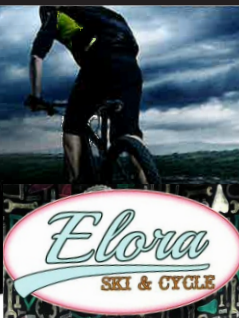
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