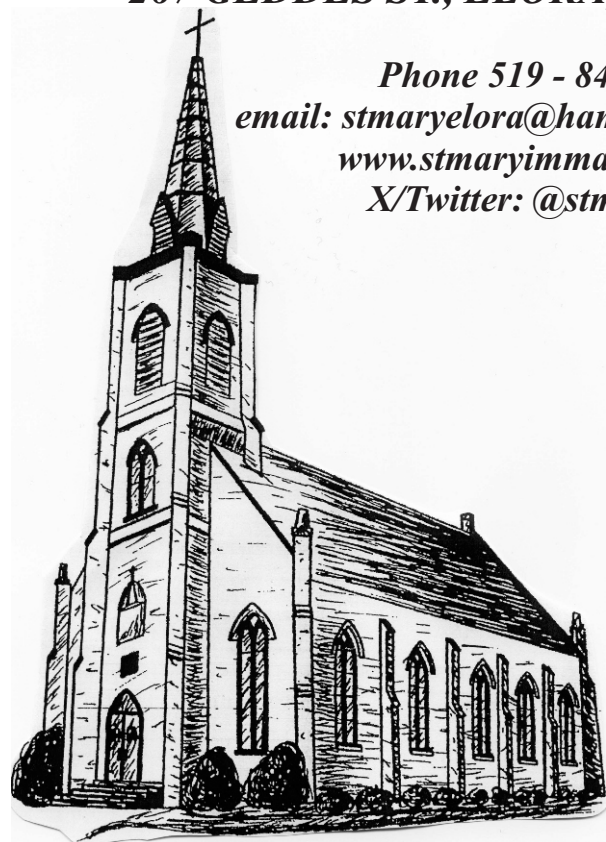


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LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am*
Sunday 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

See inside of Bulletin.

Holy Mass on weekdays is at St. Mary Immaculate Church, unless stated otherwise.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:15-4:45 pm
Sunday 8:30 - 8:45 am*
First Thursday of the Month 6:40 - 7:00pm

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 HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH – DECEMBER 28, 2025

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Saturday, December 27th

5:00 p.m.	Special Intention for the Winkler Family (Koechl Family)
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Sunday, December 28th

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

Monday

9:00 a.m.	+Tony Walker (The Kropf Family)
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Tuesday

9:00 a.m.	+Mary and Eric Koechl (The Koechl Family)
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Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Wednesday, December 31st

5:00 p.m.	+Barbara Taylor (Bev and Herman Lavigne)
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Thursday, January 1st

St. Martin's 9:00 a.m.	+Joe Moore (Lukas J. and Patricia Dobben and Family)
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St. Mary's 11:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
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6:30 p.m.	Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration
6:40 – 7:00 p.m.	Confessions

Friday *Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen (M)*

9:00 a.m.	+Eleanor Morris (Joyce Conroy and Family)
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The Epiphany of the Lord

Saturday, January 3rd

5:00 p.m.	Special Intention
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Sunday, January 4th

St. Martin's 9:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
St. Mary's 11:00 a.m.	+Joyce Hauck (Bev and Herman Lavigne)

VOCATION SEEDS

By Baptism we are God's holy family today. Pray for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained or consecrated person. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Merry Christmas!

This Sunday, the 2025 Jubilee concludes.

This holy year gave us the opportunity to undertake works of penance with great confidence in receiving rewards. It has challenged us to be more mindful of those who are in need, especially the souls in purgatory. And it has encouraged us to live as pilgrims in hope as we journey through this vale of tears toward the house of the Father.

At the conclusion of the holy year, let us give thanks to God for his great mercy. And let us resolve to live as pilgrims in hope, taking as our inspiration the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Hayden Starczala, P.P.

INCENSE

Please note that incense will be used at the 11:00 a.m. Mass in Elora on January 4 for the Solemnity of The Epiphany of the Lord.

YOUR OFFERINGS

St. Mary Immaculate

December 20 and 21

60 Weekly Offerings	\$ 4,488.00
Loose	253.00
2 Building Maintenance	30.00
6 Christmas Offering	820.00
1 Flower Offering	<u>10.00</u>
Total:	\$ 5,601.00

St. Martin of Tours

December 21

Weekly Offerings	\$ 625.00
Loose	3.10
Building Maintenance	<u>825.00</u>
Total:	\$ 1,453.10

Your constant generosity is very much appreciated!

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH – DECEMBER 28, 2025



SOLEMNITY OF MARY THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Please be reminded that January 1, the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God is a Holy Day of Obligation. Please see the schedule for Mass times.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION ENVELOPES

The 2026 envelope packets are available for pickup at the back of the church. If you are new to the parish and wish to begin donating either by envelope or electronic funds transfer, please contact Mary Clark at stmelbadmin@wightman.ca

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Tax receipts for 2025 will only include any donations made up to and including this Sunday December 28. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mary Clark at 519-993-915, or stmelbadmin@wightman.ca, before December 31.

REGINA CAELI ACADEMY GALA

The private Catholic school opening in Guelph in September 2026 will be hosting a gala at the Italian Canadian Club on Saturday, April 11, 2026. The event will feature dinner, dancing, a silent auction, and many prizes. Tickets are \$140 each and can be purchased at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate parish office starting on January 2, 2026. Please phone 519-824-3951 for tickets. For a table of 8, tickets are \$135 each; for a table of 10, they are \$130 each. A portion of the ticket sales may be eligible for a tax receipt. Thank you for supporting Regina Caeli Academy. For more information, please visit our website at www.reginacaeliacademy.ca

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Each Saturday	Evening Prayer (Vespers) at St Mary's – 4:00 p.m.
Dec 28	Conclusion of the Holy Year of Mercy. Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton – 3:00 p.m. All welcome.
Jan 3	Young Adults Night – beginning with Holy Hour at 6:30 p.m., followed by food, fellowship, music and vocations testimony and then Compline at 9:00 p.m. Annunciation of Our Lord Parish, Limeridge Road, Hamilton

*Please note that our usual Mass schedule applies to the **Sundays** of the Christmas Season

CHRISTMAS SEASON MASS SCHEDULE

Dec 31	Octave of Christmas/Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God 5:00 p.m. St. Mary's
Jan 1	9:00 a.m. St. Martin's 11:00 a.m. St. Mary's

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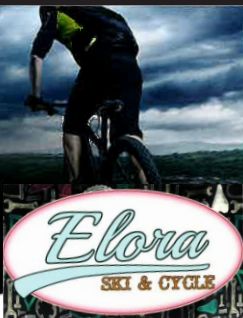
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