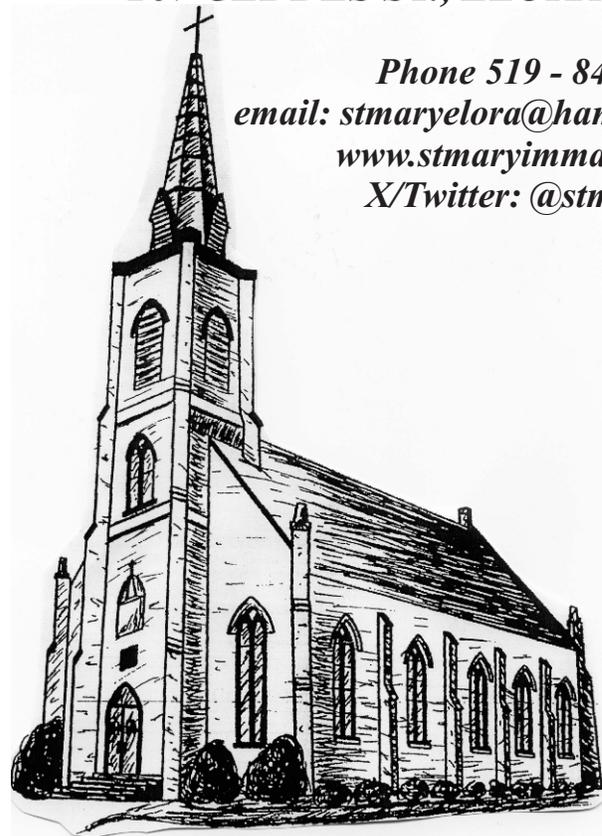


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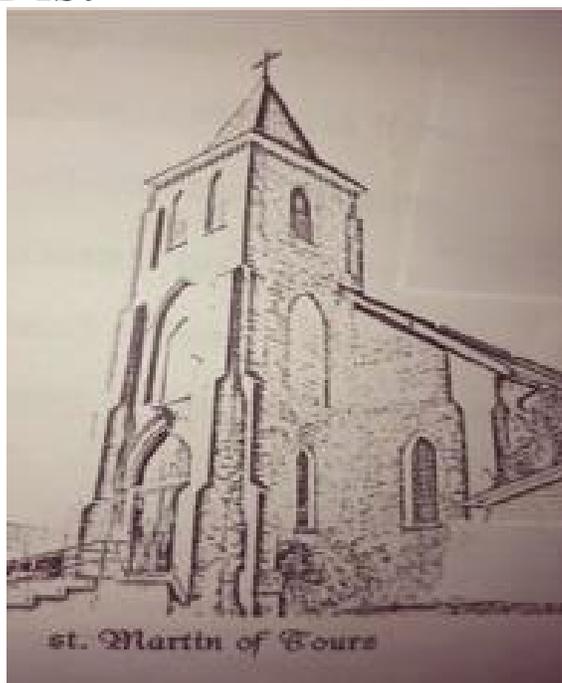


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LORD'S DAY MASSES

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 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – DECEMBER 14, 2025

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Third Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 13th

5:00 p.m. **+Steven Keating**
(His Family)

Sunday, December 14th

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

St. Mary's
11:00 a.m. **+John and Nancy Azzopardi**
(Their Family)

Monday *Advent Healing Mission*

7:00 p.m. **+Zuzana Magdolen**
(Gloria Desmoulins)

Tuesday *Advent Healing Mission*

7:00 p.m. **Holy Mass**
Followed by Teaching and
Guided Meditation

Wednesday *Advent Healing Mission*

6:30 p.m. **Exposition and Benediction of**
the Blessed Sacrament followed
by Holy Mass
Holy Mass **In Thanksgiving for 50 Years of**
Marriage
(Marie and Brian Morrison)

Thursday

9:00 a.m. **+Luigi Pellegrini**
(Pellegrini Family)

Friday

9:00 a.m. **+Truus Verburggen**
(Vervoort Family)

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 20th

5:00 p.m. **For the Intentions of Rhonda**
Mackay and the Mackay and
Ferraro Families
(Endrina Querales)

Sunday, December 21st

St. Martin's
9:00 a.m. **+Marguerite Umbach**
(Eileen Downey and Family)

St. Mary's
11:00 a.m. **Pro Populo**

VOCATION SEEDS

“See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.” Are you one to be sent? If God is calling you contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, 905-528-7988. vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

ADVENT HEALING MISSION

Fr. Bill Trusz (Papal Missionary of Mercy) will be joining us for an Advent mission this week.

Fr. Trusz will preach each Mass for the Third Sunday of Advent. In St. Mary Immaculate Church there will be time for Confessions from 1:00-6:45 p.m. Monday and Tuesday and 1:00-6:15 p.m. on the Wednesday. On December 15, Holy Mass with mission preaching will be at 7:00 p.m. On December 16, there will be Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m., Followed by teaching and guided meditation. On December 17 there will be Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament with prayers for healing starting at 6:30 p.m. and followed by Holy Mass.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION ENVELOPES

The 2026 envelope packets are being prepared and will be available for pickup at the back of the church beginning the weekend of December 20 and 21. 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 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.

YOUR OFFERINGS

St. Mary Immaculate

December 6 and 7

62 Weekly Offerings	\$ 3,496.00
Loose	217.40
2 Building Maintenance	860.00
1 Spirit of Hope	50.00
19 Flower Offering	<u>670.00</u>
Total:	\$ 5,293.40

St. Martin of Tours

December 7

Weekly Offerings	\$ 565.00
Building Maintenance	<u>30.00</u>
Total:	\$ 595.00

Your constant generosity is very much appreciated!

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SANCTUARY OUTREACH DONATION THANKS

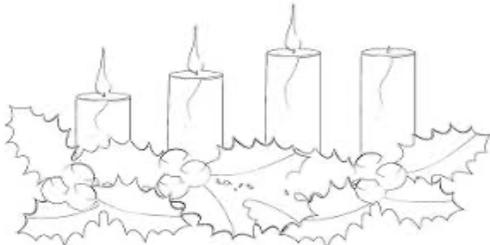
St. Mary's Catholic Women's League would like to express sincere thanks to all those parishioners who so generously gave both baby items and donations towards our recent drive in aid of Sanctuary Outreach. Your gifts will go towards helping support vulnerable mothers and babies in our community.

JOURNEY THROUGH ADVENT WITH BISHOP LOBSINGER

This year our very own Auxiliary, His Excellency, Bishop Wayne Lobsinger provides the video series of Advent reflections on the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops website. Please share these reflections on the Gospel of Matthew with your families and loved ones. Find the videos at <https://www.cccb.ca>

ST. MARY'S CWL MEMBERSHIPS

By now, all women of the parish will have received their membership renewals in the mail along with a form for our new member-giving initiative. Please fill in the form on both sides and return it to the collection basket or by mail. Please prayerfully consider supporting all we do. Your support makes our work possible and is so very appreciated.



PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Christmas is a wonderful time of year! We see family, experience the joys of gift giving and receiving and have some time as a family just to be. It is however, more than any of these things, the celebration of the birth of Christ. In the hustle and bustle of the season we can forget to focus on this moment, where a child came into the world so that each of us could experience the profound gift of Salvation. This Christmas, enjoy all the fun stuff, but remember to focus, through stories, Mass, prayer and discussions, on the joy of Christ's birth and the real reason for the season.

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

Marriage is a journey that two people undertake with a plan to navigate life together. When researchers investigate what makes the journey both long and happy, many things come into play, but a strong one is repeated by most: "I married my best friend." It is good to ask yourself then, are you being a good friend to your spouse? Do you spend time together, share parts of your day, invite him or her to share in an event with you, watch a movie together, or even a series that can become together time? Do you call occasionally to say hello during the time you are not together and plan time for your spouse in your agenda – every day? Are you patient when he or she makes a mistake, is not perfect, or lets you down? Friendships thrive and last in this kind of environment, so make friendship a foundation of your marriage.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Each Saturday	Evening Prayer (Vespers) at St Mary's – 4:00 p.m.
Dec 13	Benefit concert in aid of the Bridle Family, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Fergus, 7:00 p.m. Donation at door. See poster for more details.
Dec 13-17	Advent Healing Mission with Fr. Bill Trusz See announcement for program

CHRISTMAS SEASON MASS SCHEDULE

Dec 24	Vigil Mass (Christmas Eve) 5:00 p.m. St. Mary's 7:00 p.m. St. Martin's
Dec 25	Midnight Mass (Christmas) 12:00 a.m. St. Mary's 9:00 a.m. St. Martin's (Christmas) 11:00 a.m. St. Mary's (Christmas)
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
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

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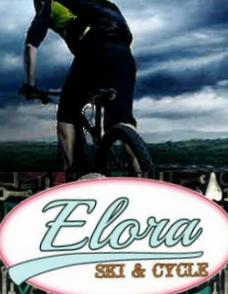
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