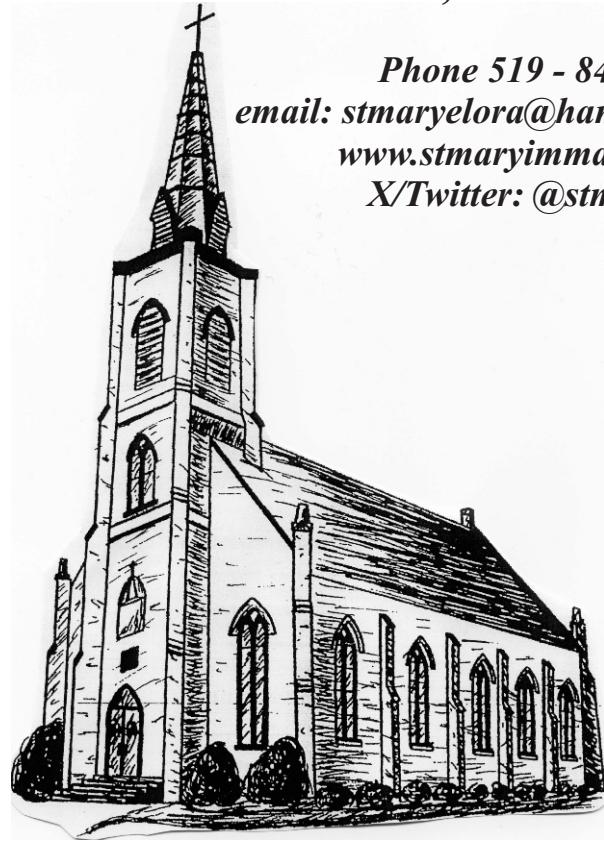


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## ST. MARTIN OF TOURS CHURCH

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Unless noted otherwise, all liturgies are at St. Mary's

### 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

See inside of Bulletin.

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

### EUCARISTIC 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 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT – FEBRUARY 22, 2026

## WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

### *The First Sunday of Lent*

**Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup>**

5:00 p.m.      +Joan Epoch  
(Keating Family)

**Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

St. Martin's 9:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
St. Mary's 11:00 a.m.	+Victoria Myslik (Jaime Heil and Family)

**Monday**

9:00 a.m.	+Lorraine Rafferty (Kropf Family)
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**Tuesday**

9:00 a.m.	For Souls in Purgatory (A Parishioner)
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**Wednesday**

*10:30 a.m.	At Heritage River Retirement Residence
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**Thursday**

9:00 a.m.	+Mauritta and Robert Hamilton (Koechl Family)
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**Friday**

9:00 a.m.	+Eleanor Morris (Mary Ann Sharman)
7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross (both churches)

### *The Second Sunday of Lent*

**Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup>**

5:00 p.m.	+Blanca Arias (Desmoulins Family)
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**Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>**

St. Martin's 9:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
St. Mary's 11:00 a.m.	For Elizabeth Hughes (Anna Koechl)

## VOCATION SEEDS

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations 905-528-7988. Email: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

## WEEKDAY MASS READINGS FOR THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

**Monday:** Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18; Matthew 25:31-46

**Tuesday:** Isaiah 55:10-11; Matthew 6:7-15

**Wednesday:** Jonah 3:1-10; Luke 11:29-32

**Thursday:** Esther 14:1, 3-5, 12-14; Matthew 7:7-12

**Friday:** Ezekiel 18:21-28; Matthew 5:20-26

**Saturday:** Deuteronomy 26:16-19; Matthew 5:43-48

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## YOUR OFFERINGS

### St. Mary Immaculate

**February 14 and 15**

61 Weekly Offerings	\$ 2,143.00
Loose	162.50
3 Building Maintenance	<u>50.00</u>
Total:	\$ 2,355.50

### St. Martin of Tours

**February 15**

Weekly Offerings	\$ 530.00
Loose	4.00
Building Maintenance	<u>50.00</u>
Total:	\$ 584.00

Your constant generosity is very much appreciated!

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## ADDITIONAL CONFESSION TIMES THIS WEEK:

Wednesday, February 25, 12:00 p.m. in Elora

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## AUTOMATIC DONATIONS

If you would like to begin donating by EFT (electronic funds transfer/automatic debit) please take a form from the table at the back of the church, fill it out and return it to the collection basket at any time.

## 2025 TAX RECEIPTS

Please remember to pick up your 2025 tax receipts from the back of the church, if you haven't already done so. There are also still some envelope packets for 2026 to be picked up. For any questions, please contact Mary Clark at 519-993-7915.

## THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT – FEBRUARY 22, 2026

### CCCB LENTEN REFLECTION SERIES

This Lent, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops invite you to join His Excellency Bishop Daniel Miehm, Bishop of Peterborough, in a six-week video series of Lenten reflections on the Sunday Scriptures. Starting on Ash Wednesday and continuing with a new reflection each Sunday of Lent.

Join here: [www.cccb.com](http://www.cccb.com)

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### REGINA CAELI ACADEMY GALA

A new, independent Catholic School (kindergarten to grade 8) is starting this September right in Guelph! Their fundraising gala is coming up: Saturday, April 11, 2026, at the Italian Canadian Club banquet Hall 135 Ferguson St., Guelph. Including:

#### **Dinner, Dancing, Photo Booth and Silent Auction**

Purchase your tickets at Basilica of Our Lady Parish Office by calling 519-824-3951 or email to inquire about e-transfer payments at

[info@reginacaeliacademy.ca](mailto:info@reginacaeliacademy.ca) Tickets are \$140 each. A portion of the ticket price may be eligible for a tax receipt. For more information about the school and how to enroll, see their website:

[www.reginacaeliacademy.ca](http://www.reginacaeliacademy.ca)

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### GUELPH CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP

Calling all moms! Guelph Catholic Moms Group Ministry is a free, fun, faith-filled afternoon every first Wednesday of the month.

**March Topic:** "What are you doing for Lent?"

Ideas will be presented and discussed

**When:** Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. (please use rear entrance)

Kids are always welcome at the Catholic craft table

E: [st.johnbaptistmg@catholicmomsgroup.com](mailto:st.johnbaptistmg@catholicmomsgroup.com)

**Where:** St. John the Baptist Parish, 45 Victoria Rd. North, Guelph.



**SUPPORT FOR YOUR MARRIAGE**

Does your marriage feel like it is more trouble than joy? Does it feel stagnant, or disconnected? Is it causing you constant stress? The solution is Retrouvaille – whose one purpose is to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves. It is designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. This is for struggling couples, including those who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend is March 13-15, 2026. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email [1013r@helpourmarriage.org](mailto:1013r@helpourmarriage.org).

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### SPRING BOOK CLUB: "ON LOVE OF THE POOR"

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis invite you to join us for a four-week virtual book club, exploring Pope Leo XIV's first Apostolic Exhortation, *"On Love of the Poor."* Aligned with our Lenten journey, this series will explore the key themes and messages of our Holy Father's message on love and solidarity with those who experience marginalization. Tuesday afternoons from 1:00 till 2:00 p.m. Register at: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

Each Saturday	Evening Prayer (Vespers) at St Mary's – 4:00 p.m.
Feb 24	Knights of Columbus General Meeting, St. Joseph's Fergus, 7:30 p.m.
Feb 27	Stations of the Cross at both St. Mary's and St. Martin's – 7:00 p.m. each Friday in Lent
Mar 1	Knights of Columbus Charity Breakfast – St. Joseph's Fergus, 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Mar 7	Young Adults Night – St. Ann Church, 120 Sherman Ave. N, Hamilton. From 6:30 p.m.
Mar 14	40 Days for Life Mass – Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph, 9:00 a.m. with Bishop Joseph Dabrowski

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