

September 20 & September 27, 2026
The 25th & 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A
MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS, PARISH CALENDAR

Recitation of the Holy Rosary takes place before each Weekday Mass beginning at 8:30 am

Mon	Sept 21	NO PUBLIC MASS CELEBRATED TODAY	
Tues	Sept 22	9:00 am +Joyce Ross 9:30 am - 10:30 am Choir Practice 12 Noon - 2:00 pm Haldimand Deanery Lunch Meeting at St. Martin's	by Colin Ross Fr. Christopher
Wed	Sept 23	<i>St. Pius of Pietrelcina</i> 9:00 am +Victoria Presta 10:30 am - 11:45 am Gethsemane Centre Mass/ Adoration/Confessions	by St. Alfred's Fr. Christopher
Thurs	Sept 24	9:00 am +Cesira Xamin 9:30 am - 10:30 am Parish Bible Study on the upcoming Sunday Readings 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm. St. Martin's School Principal and Vice Principal Lunch Meeting	by Nicoletta, Lou & Dina Tonello & Family Fr. Christopher
Fri	Sept 25	9:00 am +Lloyd Buchan	by Maureen Flaherty
Sat	Sept 26	<i>The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 10:00 am - 2:30 pm Diocesan Stewardship Conference – St. Alfred's	Fr, Christopher
Sun	Sept 27	NO PUBLIC MASS CELEBRATED TODAY	
		10:00 am +Pro Populo Dei - For the special intentions of St. Martin's Parish Family 11:00 am Celebration of St. Martin of Tours 160 th Anniversary	
Mon	Sept 28	NO PUBLIC MASS CELEBRATED TODAY	
Tues	Sept 29	<i>St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael</i> 9:00 am +Antonio Borges 9:30 am - 10:30 am Choir Practice 7:00 pm - Confirmation Mandatory Parent Meeting and Registration	by Maria Borges Fr. Christopher
Wed	Sept 30	<i>St. Jerome</i> 9:00 am +Doug French 10:30 am - 11:45 am Gethsemane Centre Mass/ Adoration/Confessions	by St. Alfred's Fr. Christopher
Thurs	Oct 1	<i>St. Therese of the Child Jesus</i> 9:00 am +Leszek Rajda 9:30 am - 10:30 am Parish Bible Study on the upcoming Sunday Readings	by Danuta Mazur
Fri	Oct 2	<i>Holy Guardian Angels</i> 9:00 am +James V. Flaherty	by Maureen Flaherty
Sat	Oct 3	<i>The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm Confessions 5:00 pm +Pro Populo Dei - For the special intentions of St. Martin's Parish Family	
Sun	Oct 4	10:00 am +Maria Psia	by Fatima Araujo

E-TRANSFERS

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DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS

- Bishop's Collection for the needs of the Canadian Church September 27, 2026
 - World Mission October 18, 2026
 - Deo Gratias- Priest's Retirement Fund November 8, 2026
- We thank those who can support these important collections over and above your regular stewardship. We encourage more to support.

160th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Celebration: Sunday September 27, 2026

Please join us as a family of faith as we celebration 160 years here at St. Martin of Tours.
Sign-up sheet in the foyer of the church.
To make this a truly great celebration, the Saturday Vigil Mass will be cancelled so we can all come together to celebrate this significant event.

PARISH BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays after the morning Mass.
Join us as we gather in faith and fellowship to reflect on the upcoming Sunday Scripture readings. Together, we will explore God's Word, deepen our understanding of the Sacred Scriptures, and prepare our hearts to participate more fully in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. All are welcome! Come and grow in faith, prayer, and knowledge of God's Word.

FAITH, HOPE & YARN MINISTRY

Beginning Friday, October 2 - 9:30–11:30 a.m.

Join us as we begin a Prayer Shawl Knitting & Crochet Ministry here at St. Martin's! Come for a time of prayer, fellowship, and creativity as we make prayer shawls for those who are sick, grieving, or in need of comfort and God's loving presence. Bring your knitting needles or crochet hooks. All skill levels are welcome! Interested in an evening group? Let us know by contacting the office, and we'll see if we can arrange one. **Come knit, crochet, pray, and share God's love!**

CATHOLIC WOMAN'S LEAGUE

Socktober Socks for Souls Drive - October 3 - 11
Help keep our homeless neighbours warm this winter. New and gently used Socks (men's, women's, children's) will be donated to Start Me Up Niagara. Place new and gently used socks in the box in the foyer. Share a pair to show you care.

LIFECCHAIN

October 4, 2026

Main downtown intersection 11:30 am – 12:30 pm
This is a peaceful, prayerful public witness where participants stand side by side to pray against abortion and advocate for the sanctity of human life. We will gather in the parking lot by CIBC.

JOIN THE MOVEMENT!

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE & CARITAS CANADA

This fall, we're asking, is *Canada on Track for Justice?*

How can we build a more just world when many wealthy countries are cutting back on official development assistance? The most vulnerable populations in the Global South bear the brunt of these cuts while also having to cope with escalating conflicts, climate change and the exploitation of their resources. This exacerbates injustices, inequalities and instability in the Global South, which ends up affecting the Global North, too. Full details on their website. <https://devp.org/en/campaign/is-canada-on-track-for-justice/>

2nd ANNUAL BISHOP'S FUNDRAISING GALA

Save the Date - Friday, November 27

Niagara Falls Convention Centre

Join Bishop Bergie and the faithful of our Diocese for a beautiful evening of faith, fellowship, and celebration! Together, we will celebrate Bishop Bergie's vision for dynamic, vibrant parishes and support the important work of strengthening the life of our Church — including faith formation for the laity and the education and formation of our seminarians.

Enjoy a wonderful evening featuring live and silent auctions, delicious food, fellowship, entertainment, and a special message from Bishop Bergie himself.

Come gather with your brothers and sisters in Christ, celebrate the blessings of our Catholic faith, and help invest in the future of our Diocese!

Tickets are available through the Diocesan website. Simply scan the **QR** code on the posters in your parish to purchase your tickets.

We look forward to celebrating with you!

POPE LEO'S SEPTEMBER INTENTIONS

FOR THE CARE OF WATER

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it

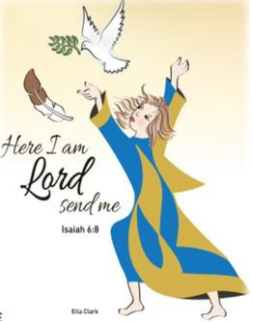
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Vision of St. Martin of Tours

To be a thriving parish community rooted in our Catholic faith, evangelizing, and welcoming all to participate in Worship and to serve our parishioners, schools and those in our community of West Lincoln.

Focus of the 5 Systems

- Worship (Liturgy and Sacraments): This system focuses on the parish community's encounter with God through the celebration of the liturgy and the sacraments, transforming them spiritually.
- Evangelization (Word): This area involves the proclamation of the Gospel and the sharing of faith with others, driven by a passion for Christ and an understanding that this passion should lead to evangelizing others.
- Discipleship: (Commitment): This system is about living a Christ-like way of life, cultivating personal growth in faith, and helping others to grow as faithful followers of Jesus.
- Community (Fellowship): This encompasses building strong relationships and a sense of belonging, where all members of the community are loved, cared for, and supported.
- Service (Apostolate): This system involves actively serving others and engaging in outreach and charitable works, which contributes to the growth of the Kingdom of God.

Ministry Schedule – Sept 26/27

Hospitality	Lector	Holy Communion	Music	Children's Liturgy
5:00 pm – No Mass 10:00 am – Helen/Andy	5:00 pm – No Mass 10:00 am – Abigail V	5:00 pm – No Mass 10:00 am – Carmen B	5:00 pm – No Mass 10:00 am - Choir	No Children's Liturgy Today

Ministry Schedule – Oct 3/4

Hospitality	Lector	Holy Communion	Music	Children's Liturgy
5:00 pm – Sandy J 10:00 am – Chuck/Elaine	5:00 pm – Mitch P 10:00 am – Caroline S	5:00 pm – Tom S 10:00 am – Andrew S	5:00 pm – Carol S 10:00 am - Choir	10:00 am Sherri de Wilde

Pastor
Very Rev. Fr. Christopher Gerard Gillen
Parish Priest / Vicar Forane
(Dean of Haldimand)

Administrative Assistant
Financial Recorder
Sandy Johnson
In Office Hours
Tuesday & Thursday
9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Sunday Masses
Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
Sunday 10:00 am
Weekday Masses

See Schedule inside of the bulletin

Reconciliation/Confessions
Saturday: 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm
(or by appointment)

Requesting Sacraments
Interview and Classes Required

St Martin Elementary School
905-957-3032
Blessed Trinity High School
905-945-6708

Cemetery Management
Frank DeFilippis - 905-961-1425
defilcutstone@gmail.com

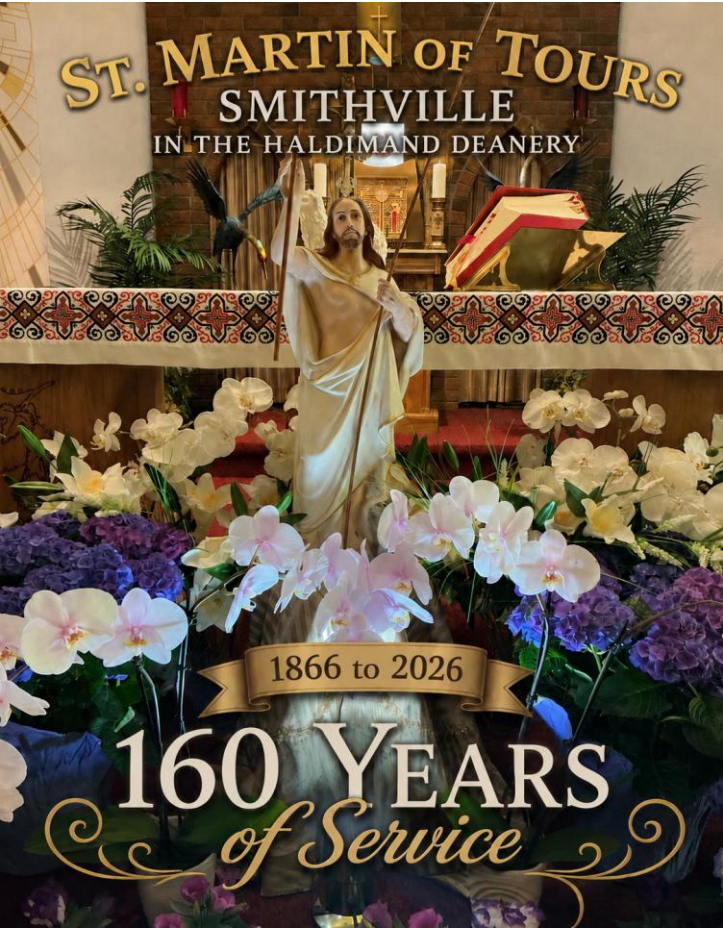
Parish Organization

Catholic Women's League
President - Sherri de Wilde
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Parish Groups
Parish Pastoral Council
Parish Financial Council
Parish Events Group
Cemetery Committee
Responsible Faith Ministry
Facility Maintenance
Funeral Committee
Children's Liturgy
ACTS Retreats Teams

Diocese of St. Catharines
Bishop of the Diocese
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