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

**Sunday Masses**  
Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm  
Sunday 10:00 am  
**Weekday Masses**  
See Schedule  
on the inside of the bulletin

**In Office Hours**  
Tuesday & Thursday  
9:00 am to 12:00 pm

**Administrative Assistant**  
**Financial Recorder**  
Sandy Johnson

**Reconciliation/Confessions**  
Saturday: 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

**Requesting Sacraments**  
Interview and Classes Required

**St Martin Elementary School**  
905-957-3032

**Blessed Trinity High School**  
905-945-6708

**Cemetery Management**  
Nick Sarantakos - 289-440-2929

**Parish Organizations**  
**Catholic Women's League**  
President - Maryanne Mous  
StMartinsCWL@hotmail.com

**Knights of Columbus**  
Grand Knight - Pierre Paradis  
jpierre.paradis@live.ca

**Facility Maintenance**  
Chair Frank DeFilippis

**Parish Groups**  
Parish Pastoral Council (Pending)  
Parish Events Group  
Parish Financial Council  
Cemetery Committee  
Responsible Faith Ministry  
Children's Liturgy.  
Youth Ministry  
ACTS Retreats(4) Teams

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**February 19, 2023 - Year - A**

**The 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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### MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS, PARISH CALENDAR

Recitation of the Holy Rosary takes place before each Weekday Mass beginning at 8:35 am

Mon	Feb 20	<b>NO PARISH MASS CELEBRATED TODAY</b>	
Tues	Feb 21	9:00 am +Connie Krasko 9:30 am - 10:45 am Choir Practice 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm Strove Tuesday Pancake Dinner in the Parish Hall	by Rodney & Joyce Ross
Wed	Feb 22	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	
		9:00 am +Frank Modrzejewski 10:30 am Gethsemane Centre Mass/Adoration/ Confessions 11:30 am School Lenten Celebration of the Word Group One 12:15pm School Lenten Celebration of the Word Group Two 6:30 pm For God's blessings & comfort upon Heather Belmont	by the Mojeski Family Fr. Christopher Fr. Christopher Fr. Christopher by Joan & Bob Hignett
Thurs	Feb 23	9:00 am +Dawn Ricker 9:30 am - 10:30 am Parish Bible Study Group 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm ACTS Retreats Men and Women Teams Mtg Mississauga	by Gary Ricker & Family Fr. Christopher
Fri	Feb 24	7:30 am - 8:15 am That Man Is You - Paradisus Dei - Men's Rosary Group 9:00 am +Alice Schut 10:30 am - 12 Noon Pastoral Home Visits for those who registered. 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm Praise and Worship at Gethsemane Centre	Fr. Christopher by Norrie Franko Fr. Christopher Fr. Christopher
Sat	Feb 25	<b>The 1st Sunday of Lent - Year A</b>	
		8:00 am - 10:00 am Paradisus Dei That Man Is You Merciful Redeemer Parish 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm Confessions. 5:00 pm +Pro Populo Dei - For the special intentions of St. Martin's Parish Family	Fr. Christopher
Sun	Feb 26	10:00 am +Bernie Duggan	by Pauline Lewis

#### E-TRANSFERS

These transfers are often referred to as **e-Transfers** and done through your online banking, website or app. To transfer funds to St. Martin Parish e-Transfer [st.martinsdonation@gmail.com](mailto:st.martinsdonation@gmail.com)

**Please do not enter a security question and answer. You will be informed that your transfer to: The Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation has been completed. Thank you**

#### SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER

Catholic Women's League  
and Knights of Columbus invite you to this event.  
Tuesday February 21, 2023  
5 pm - 6:30 pm  
St. Martin's Parish Hall  
Tickets available after Mass  
Feb 11, 12, 18, 19  
Or call Elaine at 905-957-0673  
or [parryee@gmail.com](mailto:parryee@gmail.com)  
No walk-ins allowed  
Must purchase tickets by Feb 19th.

#### .LET'S GET READY FOR LENT 2023

**Ash Wednesday, is February 22.**

Lent is a time for penance and repentance; for change of heart (away from attitudes that are not pleasing to God); and for prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Through forty day of paying closer attention to God's Word and of more fervent prayer, we are prepared to celebrate the Paschal Mystery.

#### Parish Celebrations

- 9:00 am and 6:30 pm Parish Masses
- Distribution of Ashes at both Masses

#### School Celebrations

- Service of the Word with distribution of Ashes.  
Group One: 11:30 am  
Group Two: 12:15 pm.  
Both celebrations will take place in the school gym.

#### Parish Lenten Stations of the Cross

- Will be begin the First Week of Lent, Friday, March 3, at 6:00 pm.

#### NEW EXTRA-ORDINARY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS TRAINING SESSION

Wednesday, March 1, at 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm.  
Current ministers are invited to attend.

#### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 21 Pancake Dinner church hall 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm. Tickets available after mass or contact Elaine Parry 905 957 0673
- CWL Retreat March 11, 10:00 am.

#### NIAGARA FOUNDATION FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION ANNUAL BENEFIT GALA

With Honorary Guest - Bishop Gerard Bergie  
Supporting Niagara Catholic District School Board students in need and scholarships

**Friday, March 3, 2023, Club Roma Event Centre,  
6:00 pm. Tickets \$100/person**

Online payment at [www.niagaracatholic.ca](http://www.niagaracatholic.ca) or by cheque payable to the *Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education*

Mailing address: 427 Rice Road, Welland, Ont.  
L3C 7C1 -- Attention Anna Pisano.

Please make payment by February, 24, 2023 (\$30 tax receipt upon request) Individual tickets available or tables of eight or ten. For further information call (905) 735-0240, ext. 214 or email [linda.marconi@ncdsb.com](mailto:linda.marconi@ncdsb.com)

#### LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY

Will you sign up for our bus trip to the Lift Jesus Higher Rally?

**Saturday, March 4, 2023**

at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre.

Cost for Adults: \$45 (\$25 event ticket and bus).

2 pick up/drop off locations:

- First stop - 6:30am at the Catholic Centre, 3400 Merrittville Highway, Thorold
- Second stop - Niagara Gateway Welcome Centre, 424 S. Service Road, Grimsby

For more information or to reserve your ticket, call Terri from the diocese's Family and Youth Office at: 905-684-0154, #209 or Pastoral Assistant, Andrew from St. Joseph's Church (Grimsby) at 905-945-2661

#### TURKEY AND SYRIA EARTHQUAKE EMERGENCY AID

With the support of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB), Aid to Church in Need (ACN), Canadian Jesuits International (CJI), Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) Canada, and Development and Peace-Caritas Canada (DPCC) are launching an emergency aid campaign in response to the destructive earthquake that hit Turkey and Syria on Monday. Funds received will be used now and in the coming months for food, medical supplies, shelter, and other essentials to meet basic human needs. These funds will also serve to meet long term needs to help families go back to a more stable life.

To donate now or for any inquiries, you can contact the organizations as follows:

ACN: web: <https://bit.ly/acn-donate-syria>

Toll free #: 1-800-585-6333 Ext 228

CJI: web <https://canadianjesuitsinternational.ca>

Toll free #: 1-800-448-2148

CNEWA Canada: web: [www.cnewa.ca](http://www.cnewa.ca)

Toll free #: 1-866-322-4441

DPCC: web [www.devp.org](http://www.devp.org)

Toll free #: 1-800-494-1401

#### DEVELOPMENT and PEACE - CARITAS CANADA

A new campaign cycle begins this year, with the theme "**Create Hope**" to guide our action over the next five years. How can we create hope? By taking action! Because the best antidote to despair is action. Under the broad theme "**Create Hope**," you are being invited this year to "**Stand for the Land**," in solidarity with our sisters and brothers in the Global South who are defending their homelands by protecting their land and water, the environment and human life. And it is with great joy that we invite you to join the "**Share Lent**" campaign that D&P has been organizing for over 55 years (the "Solidarity Sunday Share Lent" collection is March 26). **Let's "Create Hope" for a world of peace and justice, and "Stand for the Land" and its peoples! Visit site:**

[infor@devep.org](mailto:infor@devep.org)