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DWELL WITHIN US

The concept of hospitality is fundamental to a stewardship way of life. When we envision hospitality, we naturally think of offering a sincere and warm welcome - to those new to our parish, for instance. We picture inviting them in and making them feel at home and at ease in our presence, communicating to them that they are highly valued.

Today's Gospel reading from John invites us to think of hospitality in a slightly different way. In it, we hear Jesus speaking this to his disciples: "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him."

Jesus is asking that we permit the Blessed Trinity to come and dwell within us. This is a stunning request. It tells us that our first and most privileged form of hospitality should be directed towards God Himself.

How does one show hospitality to God? How do we make God "at home and at ease" within us? How can we communicate to God that He is "highly valued" by us? Jesus tells us how: we are to keep His word, to follow His teachings.

To keep His word, we must know His word. This takes discipline and effort on our part. We must make the study of Scripture and Church teaching a priority in our daily lives.

If we want our parish to be a place of genuine Christian hospitality, we must be sure that our own hearts are hospitable dwelling places for the Blessed Trinity. Then our smiles and words, our greetings and ministries will radiate with the warmth of God's love. And our parish family will become at least a little bit like Heaven on earth. This is the simplicity and glory of a stewardship way of life.

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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

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May 15, 2022 - Year C
The 5th Sunday of Easter

May 22, 2022

The 6th Sunday of Easter - Year C

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS, PARISH CALENDAR

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

Mon	May 23	NO PARISH MASS CELEBRATED TODAY	
Tues	May 24	9:00 am For the special intentions of the Joyner Family	by Barb Joyner
Wed	May 25	9:00 am +Maria deFatima Pais	by Family
		10:30 am - 12:pm Gethsemane Centre Mass/ Adoration / Confessions	Fr .Christopher
		7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Executive Mtg	
Thurs	May 26	9:00 am +Anya-Nicole Smickle	by Frank & Cathy Cartaginense
		9:30 am - 10:30 am Bible Study Group in the Crying Room	
		9:30 am - 11:00 am Social Affairs Commission of Ontario Bishops Zoom Mtg	Fr. Christopher
		12 noon Funeral Mass for Dr. Catherine Berry Stiden Ph.D.	Fr. Christopher
Fri	May 27	7:30 am - 8:15 am That Man Is You- Paradisus Dei - Men's Rosary Group	Fr. Christopher
		9:00 am +William Mactaggart	by Andrew & Caroline Steger
		10:30 am - 12 Noon Pastoral Home Visits for those who registered.	Fr. Christopher
		7:30 pm - 9:00 pm ACTS Core Meeting - In-Person Meeting Mississauga	Fr. Christopher
Sat	May 28	8:30 am - 9:00 am Catholic Women's League/ Knights of Columbus (Alternating) Holy Rosary	
		9:30 am - 3:30 pm - KOC Rain Barrel Drive	
Sat	May 28	The 6th Sunday of Easter	
		4:00 pm - 4:30 pm Sacrament of Penance (Confessions) Please wear a mask in the confessional.	
		5:00 pm +Isabella Weaver	by Bill & Janine Ostrynski
Sun	May 29	10:00 am +Pro Populo Dei - For the special intentions of St. Martin's Parish Family	

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POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MAY: FAITH-FILLED YOUNG PEOPLE

"We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, at 1 pm the courage that faith generates and the dedication to service."

UPCOMING EVENTS

Catholic Women's League and Knight of Columbus to recite the Holy Rosary each Saturday in May at 8:30 am.(Alternating) Knights of Columbus Rain Barrel Drive, Saturday, May 28, 9:30 am to 3:30 pm Installation of New Catholic Women's League Executive at the Sunday Mass, May 29. Baptism of Declan Hore - June 5 at 11:15 am Baptism of Benjamin Grant - June 12 at 1 pm Baptism of Alexandria Lukafzyk - June 12 at 12 noon Baptism of Athena Vieira - June 26 at 1 pm

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2022

Please do not use old envelopes (past years) for your offerings. Your number may have been given to someone else and your donation may be credited to that person. You must pick up a current box of envelopes every year. See the office for this year's envelopes. Also, please do not use tape or staples on your envelopes. Thank you for your co-operation in this important administrative matter.

WEARING OF MASKS SANITIZING OF HANDS

We are appealing to all who attend Mass here, in the public space that is St. Martin Church, to consider wearing their masks and sanitizing their hands.

While it is not compulsory to do so, we are making it a justifiable recommendation out of respect for the safety of, and sensitivity toward other worshippers who have health issues. Thank you for your understanding.

SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION

The obligation to attend Sunday Mass has now been reinstated for the first time since March 2020. Most people have resumed a wide range of normal activities, no longer restricted by the previous Covid measures. Therefore, the reasons which have prevented Catholics from attending Mass on Sundays no longer apply.

The 'Virtual viewing' of Mass online does not fulfil the Sunday Obligation, yet live-streamed Masses may be a source of continual spiritual comfort to those who cannot attend Mass in person, for example, those who are elderly and sick, for whom the obligation does not apply.

The Church's Canon Law 1247 obliges Catholics "to participate in the Mass on Sundays and other holy days of obligation, the faithful are obliged to participate in the Mass."

The Catechism of the Catholic Church subsequently adds exceptions to this prescription: "unless excused for a serious reason (for example, illness, the care of infants) or dispensed by their pastor."

We now invite all Catholics who have not yet done so to return to attending Mass in person. Come Home, to the Mass.

MASS INTENTION REQUESTED DATE.

Please give at least three months notice for special dates as we try to accommodate your request. Some dates are a year in advance. Thank you.

DIOCESAN PRIESTLY RETREAT

**Monday, May 30 TO
Wednesday June 1, 2022**

No parish Masses will be celebrated these days. Week Mass will return on Thursday, June 2. Please remember Bishop Bergie and the Priests of our Diocese in your prayers for a successful retreat. Two days are virtual and the last day is in-person.

Retreat director is Dr. Josephine Lombardi Ph.D. Associate Professor, Systematic and Pastoral Theology, Director of Lay Formation, St. Augustine Seminary.

THE POPES PASTORAL WORKS May 26

This Collection provides an opportunity for Catholics to make a financial offering to assist the Holy Father. One-third of the funds collected is for what is traditionally known as Peter's pence: donations used by the Pope for his charitable contributions to those most in need. Two thirds of the collections is to support the Holy Father in administering the Holy See and serving the Universal Church. Information about how Peter's pence is used, as well as donations in response to Canon 1271, is available in the Holy See's yearly financial report.

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