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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.

HOW WILL WE DO THIS?

- Faith:** We will meet parishioners where they are in their faith journey and help grow their relationship with Jesus Christ.
- Evangelize:** We will share the hope and joy of the Gospel of Jesus Christ by living and leading by good example, fostering healing and reconciliation where and when needed.
- Welcoming:** We will invite, welcome, and build healthy relationships, to provide a sense of belonging and community for all.
- Worship:** We will place Jesus Christ at the center of the Liturgy and actively participate.
- Serve:** We will invite all to actively share their talents to establish a vibrant and thriving parish that lives and serves by example.

<p>Hospitality</p> <p>5:00 pm - Tom Shields 10:00 am - George Yakowenko</p>	<p><u>Ministry Schedule - May 11/12</u></p> <p>Lector</p> <p>5:00 pm - Sue Armstrong 10:00 am - Andrew Steger</p>	<p>Holy Communion</p> <p>5:00 pm - Tom Shields 10:00 am - Marcel Pouliot</p>
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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 12:00 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

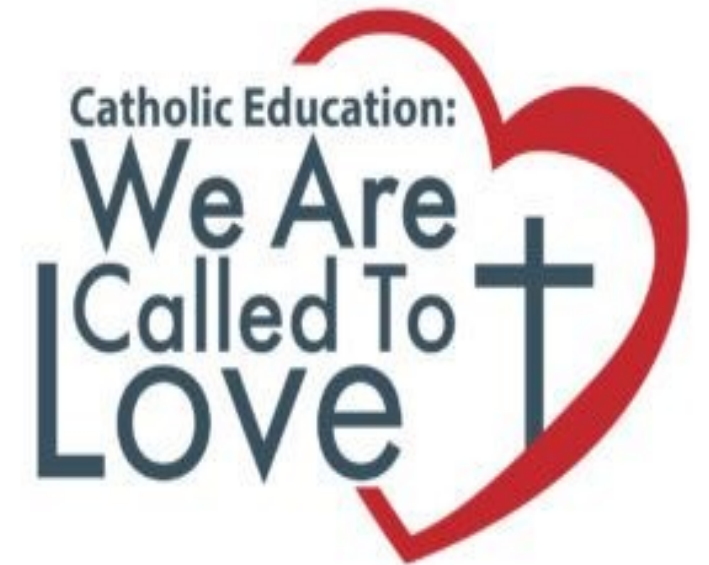
Cemetery Management
Nick Sarantakos - 289-440-2929

Parish Organizations
Catholic Women's League
President - Sherri De Wilde
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Knights of Columbus

Parish Groups
Parish Pastoral Council
Parish Financial Council
Parish Events Group
Cemetery Committee
Responsible Faith Ministry
Facility Maintenance
Chair Frank DeFilippis
Children's Liturgy.
ACTS Retreats Teams
RCIA Team

Diocese of St. Catharines
Bishop of the Diocese
Most Reverend Gerard Paul Bergie, D.D.
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**St. Martin of Tours
Catholic Faith Community
1866 -2024**



Mission of St. Martin of Tours

We will Follow Jesus Christ, and Love All People.

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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	May 6	NO PUBLIC MASS CELEBRATED TODAY	
Tues	May 7	9:00 am +John Dostie	by St. Martin's School
		9:30 am - 10:30 am Choir Practice	
		12 Noon Lunch Meeting at the Catholic Centre	Fr. Christopher
		6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting	Team
Wed	May 8	9:00 am For the special intentions of Fr. Christopher	by KOC
		10:30 am - 11:30 pm Gethsemane Centre Mass	Fr. Christopher
		12:00pm - 1:00 pm School Visitation and Celebration of Catholic Education Week	Fr. Christopher
		7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Session 33	Team
		7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Catholic Women's League Monthly Meeting	
Thurs	May 9	9:00 am +Marie Jeanne Champagne	by St. Martin's School
		9:30 am - 10:30 am Parish Bible Study Group	
Fri	May 10	7:30 am - 8:00 am Paradisus Dei Men's Rosary Group Virtual	Fr. Christopher
		9:00 am For the special intentions of Michael and Amy Urban	by Michael Urban
		10:30 am - 12:00 pm Pastoral Home Visits to those who are registered	Fr. Christopher
Sat	May 11	The Ascension of the Lord	
		11:15 am Christian Baptisms of Daniel Joseph Henley	Fr. Christopher
		12 noon Internment of mortal remains of Norman Dawe	Fr. Christopher
		4:00 pm - 4:30 pm Confessions	
		5:00 pm +Pro Populo Dei - For the special Intentions of St. Martin's Parish Family	
Sun	May 12	10:00 am +Dave Harris	by Joan & Bob Hignett
		11:30 am Christian Baptisms of Nicolass Jordan Kalas	Fr. Christopher

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

We rely on your weekly stewardship to support our faith community of St. Martin. We thank you for your stewardship commitment to our parish, and diocese. Together, we make a difference.

E-TRANSFERS

These 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 to: **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.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome to our community of faith:

- May 11 Daniel Joseph Henley
- May 12 Nicolaas Jordan Kalas

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

- May 5 Spring Tea , 2:00 pm parish hall
- Monthly Meeting May 8, 7:00 pm.

MAY CROWNING

May 12, 2024

Children from the Grade 2 Holy Communion classes are invited to wear their Communion outfits at the May Crowning, and join their classmates who will be Crowning Our Blessed Mother after the 10 am Mass. Pass the word and lets make this a beautiful celebration for Mother Mary.

MOTHER'S DAY FLOWER BOUQUET SALE

May 12, 2024

Our Catholic Women's League will be selling flower bouquets to celebrate Mother's Day. All proceeds will go to towards expenses for the Annual Parish Picnic.

POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

For the Formation of Men and Women Religious and Seminarians. Let us pray that men and women religious and seminarians, grow in their ownvocational journey through human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, that leads them to be credible witnesses of the Gospel.

POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS MAY 5

Canada has been consistent in giving such funds to the Holy See, enabling the Pope to be even more generous in times of disaster. Each year at this time, Canadian Catholics are asked to give generously to this papal collection, which is passed on to the Holy Father for his use among those stricken by natural disasters. This special collection and envelopes can be offered during the regular collection. Envelopes are included in your box of parish donation envelopes. in the foyer. Thank you.

MONTH OF MAY DEDICATED TO MARY

For centuries, the Catholic Church has set aside the entire month of May to honour Mary, Mother of God. Not just a day in May, but the entire month. In medieval times, similar customs abounded, all centering around the practice of expelling winter, as May 1st was considered the start of new growth. For May, give Mary a special spot in your prayer corner. It can be a statue or picture, but place there some representation of our Blessed Mother. Make it appealing and a real tribute to her beauty and Virtue. Recite the Holy Rosary daily.

DIOCESAN YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Young Adult Ministry "Feed Your Faith" event: All young adults (19 - 39 years old), whether in school or working, single, married, or separated/divorced, whether cradle Catholics who were raised and educated in faith or those who have drifted away and are searching for meaning and purpose from a life centred on Christ, are invited and welcome to gather at the Catholic Centre (3400 Merrittville Hwy, Thorold) for a shared meal, fellowship, and quiet prayer beginning at 6 pm on Friday, April 26, 2024. Contact: Terri Pauco at: 905-684-0154, ext. 209 or email: familyandyouth@saintcd.com. The next "Feed Your Faith" event will be on Fri, May 31, 2024

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Our Children's Liturgy happens at our Sunday 10:00 am Mass. This liturgy is such a special program and we are grateful to our excellent volunteers who make it happen. In the last several months we have had new families with young children move into the parish and we want to be sure that they are aware of it. There, they listen to Gospel passages and partake in activities relating to the readings of the week. At the Offertory they rejoin the congregation in the church. We encourage young families to have their little ones participate.

UPCOMING FEASTS

Ascension of the Lord May 12
Pentecost Sunday May 19
Most Holy Trinity May 26
June 2 Most Holy Body & Blood

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

Catholic Education Week 2024 begins on Sunday, May 5, 2024. The Catholic schools in our Deanery will engage in a series of events to celebrate the ongoing gift of publicly funded Catholic education.

You are invited to learn about the various celebrations that are happening in your children's school, and are welcome to attend, if possible. Publicly funded Catholic education has existed in Ontario since 1841 and its graduates have served Ontario and Canada very well. The current generation of students in our publicly funded Catholic schools will serve with the same spirit and generosity as their previous generations.

This year's Catholic Education Week theme is: **"We Are Called to Love."**

Here at St. Martin's Parish we celebrate First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion as part of our Catholic Education Week and beyond. This annual Parish celebration affords us all an opportunity to reconnect with one another as we are all called to LOVE. Our Parish Mission Statement is in sync with this year's theme:

"We Will Follow Jesus Christ, and Love All People."