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BELIEVE, RECEIVE, YIELD

Most of us view the Holy Spirit as a concept and doctrinal tenet to which we profess belief, rather than an active power and presence in our life, upon which we can rely. Almost without exception, the more than 95 references to the Holy Spirit in the New Testament speak of his doing some action for us. He was given to seal, sanctify, comfort, teach, guide, gift, empower, and send us. He is always an active presence. Equally interesting is the fact that our relationship to the Holy Spirit is dependent upon our actions as well. Consequently, we see in the New Testament that we are to receive, believe, be filled with, and yield to the Holy Spirit, and cautioned not to quench, grieve, resist or lie to the Holy Spirit.

He is real and active, and there exists a dynamic interaction between each of us and the Holy Spirit that either enables him to have a growing influence in our life, or that diminishes his influence in our life. And that really is the question we should ask ourselves this Pentecost Sunday, "Am I more in tune with and yielding to the Holy Spirit's influence in my life today than I was a year ago?"

Perhaps you're reading this and thinking, "I've really blown it. By my actions and attitudes I have squelched his power and presence in my life." Well cheer up, that is where Christianity triumphs over man-made religion. Through the promise of confession and forgiveness, the slate can be wiped clean and you can stand justified before God. The Holy Spirit does not require anything else to begin the process of filling our life and fashioning it to conform to the image and character of Christ. All we need to do is to exercise those actions mentioned above, believe, receive, yield, and he will fulfill his part to, sanctify, comfort, teach, guide, gift, empower, and send us. Each day through prayer and yielded-ness we can open our life to an ongoing.

Pentecost experience where his power and presence becomes more real and active in our life.

Emmaus Journey Reflections

Bishop of the Diocese
Most Reverend Gerard Bergie, D.D.
Diocesan Website: www.saintcd.com

Pastor
Rev. Father Christopher Gerard Gillen P.P.
Diocesan Social Justice Rep

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

Weekday Masses
Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri @ 9:00am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
See bulletin for schedule

Reconciliation/Confessions
Sat 4:00—4:30 p.m. or on request

Baptism
Catechesis and appointment necessary

Marriage
Contact the parish office

Sacrament of the Sick
Please call the office

Secretary
Sandy Johnson
Office hours: Tuesday and Thursday
9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Bookkeeper
Tracy Piggott

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Phone 905-957-3032

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Ron Roscovich at 905-386-0648

Parish Organizations
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Ministry Schedule - June 15/16

Hospitality Ministers
5:00 pm - Tom Shields
10:00 am - Gille Arquin & Pat Wirth

Altar Servers
5:00pm -
10:00 am -

Children's Liturgy
Alicia Tompkins

Next Hospitality Sunday
September - Welcome Home Mass

**June 9, 2019
Pentecost Sunday**

Lectors
5:00 pm #1 - Caroline Steger
#2 - Andrew Steger
10:00 am #1 - Sue Armstrong
#2 - Tom Richardson

Extra-ordinary Eucharistic Ministers
5:00 pm - Tom Shields
10:00 am - Marcel, Helen & Andy

Stewardship Counting
Beth Davis & Sandy Johnson

June 9, 2019

Pentecost Sunday - Year C

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS, PARISH CALENDAR

Monday	June 10	NO PARISH MASS TODAY / NO OFFICE	
Tuesday	June 11	9:00 am	+In memory of all the past benefactors of St. Martin's Parish
		9:00 am to 12:00 Noon	- Parish Office Hours
		7:00 pm	Facility Maintenance Meeting - NEW VENUE: Crying Room - Vacations No Meetings July&Aug
Wednesday	June 12	9:00 am	+For the repose of the soul of Henry Pikula by Vera Fedorik
		7:00 pm	Catholic Women's League Meeting and Year End Social
Thursday	June 13	9:00 am	+For the repose of the soul of Ted Wisniewski by Theresa Wilson
		9:00 am to 12:00 Noon	- Parish Office Hours
		5:00pm - 7:00 pm	Haldimand Deanery Year End Meeting BQ
Friday	June 14	9:00 am	+For the repose of the soul of Ted Wisniewski by the Newman family
Saturday	June 15	The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity	
		5:00 pm	For the special intentions of St. Martin's Parish family
Sunday	June 16	10:00 am	+For the repose of the soul of Antonio Pais by the Pais & Araujo families
			+For the repose of the souls of Paul & Jean Megeo by family

(NEW) YOUTH MINISTRY AT ST. MARTIN'S

Youth Group Ages 12-14

Group will meet bi-weekly centered around the 5:00pm Mass and engage in a number of activities following Mass in the parish hall and in the community.

Next Gatherings:

June 15 Mass, Laser Tag, Pizza

June 23 Mass, Parish Picnic, Run Activities

ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

Sunday June 23, 2019

On Sunday following Mass, PEG will be hosting the Annual Parish Picnic. All food will be provided, along with games & activities. This year, we ask that you bring your lawn chairs as well as cutlery for yourself and your family. We are trying to reduce our recycling. There will be a sign up sheet for those wishing to attend and also be a separate sign up sheet with jobs listed for all parishioners who wish to volunteer. Please join us for fun and fellowship.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Applications are now available in the front foyer of the church. Final date for the applications: June 21, 2019 \$5.00 registration fee per child.

Camp dates: July 22 to 26th from 9am to Noon

Please see all other detail on the Application.

Incredible Bible learning experiences, team-building games, cool Bible songs, creative crafts, and tasty treats are just a few of the standout activities. Children will discover how to see God in everyday life!

HOSPITAL / HOME PASTORAL VISITS

Kindly inform our parish office if unfortunately you find yourself or a loved one in hospital or homebound.

Anointing of the Sick and Confession are recommended before surgery. We have no way of knowing if your are in hospital or homebound due to illness. YOU need to inform us. We will visit you without delay. Thank you.

PORNOGRAPHY HURTS

The CWL of Canada continues it's annual Pornography Hurts postcard campaign that aims to increase awareness of the harmful effects of pornography while urging elected officials to re-evaluate the current regulations against pornography. The League has a long history of concern about pornography with resolutions to government dating back to 1921. All concerned citizens may send this postcard declaring their concern. Please take one and mail it, postage free, today. CWL Representative Heather Tomascini 905-957-7805.

A DAY OF REFLECTION FOR WOMEN

The Diocese of St. Catharines is offering a *Day of Reflection for Women on the Gift of Hope* with Dr. Josephine Lombardi on Saturday, June 22, 2019 at Gethsemane Ministries Centre, 84008 Wellandport Road, Wellandport, from 9:45am – 3:00pm.

To register please call Rose Marie at the Office of Religious Education at 905-684-0154, ext. 207 or visit: offreled@saintcd.com.

Lunch will be provided. (Free Will Offering)

Final Registration is June 14.

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

- June 11 - Maintenance Meeting at 7:00 pm
- June 12 - CWL Meeting and Year End Social
- June 13 - Haldimand Deanery Year End Meeting & BQ Dunnville 5pm - 7pm
- June TBD - Financial Council Meeting
- June TBD - Discernment Team Meeting
- June 15 - Internment Service for Bill Barnes in Hamilton at 9:30 am
- June 18 - (NEW) CWL. KNIGHTS. PEG Joint Planning Meeting at 11:00am Crying Room
- June 23 - Parish Picnic after 10 am Mass - ACTS 19 Men's Retreat Reunion St. Patrick's Mississauga.
- June 25 - Grade 8 Grad Ceremony at 6pm
- June 26 - Knights of Columbus Installation of New Officers at 6:30 pm
- June 27 - Year End School Mass at 1:00 pm
- June 30 - Knights of Columbus to recite the Rosary before Mass at 9:40 am.

CATHEDRAL APPEAL

An extensive restoration project for our Cathedral has been underway since last fall. We have launched the Cathedral Appeal across the diocese. It needs the support of many to reach its overall target of \$1.2 million. The target for St. Martin of Tours Parish is \$6,500.

You can donate on line at:

www.canadahelps.org

Search: the Diocese of St. Catharines.

Choose Cathedral Appeal.

You can choose to make a pledge over 18 months - You can fund an element of the restoration such as a Station of the Cross, a Statue, a ceiling medallion, or a large ceiling painting.

If you are interested in this option please contact the Cathedral at 905-684-3964 or email:

appeal@saintcd.com,

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ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH

AND IN THE MEMO LINE INDICATE

CATHEDRAL APPEAL.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THIS RESTORATION PROJECT THANK YOU. GOD BLESS

PARISH STEWARDSHIP June 1/2, 2019

Regular Sunday Offering: \$ 1,523.15

Facility Maintenance: \$ 876.00

Pope's Pastoral Works: \$ 647.00

Weekly budget: \$ 2,100.00

Parish Debt: \$ 22,565.00

Thank you for your faithful stewardship

CATHOLIC MEN'S

"BIG BREAKFAST EVENT IN THE TENT"

Saturday, June 15 (9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.)

Club Roma, 125 Vansickle Rd., St. Catharines

This is co-sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, the Holy Name Society, Branches Catholic Ministries, and various men's groups in the diocese.

Speakers include Bishop Gerard Bergie on his 2019 diocesan theme "Behold, I make all things new;" Fr. Richard Kowalchuk "Your Mission – right here, right now;" and Ante Skoko, diocese of Toronto, on "Connecting with Youth and Young Adults."

Bring a friend, bring your son (his friend as well), but most importantly bring yourself!

For further details call (905/685-7000) or visit:

www.branchesoftheword.org

PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS

Diocese of St. Catharines

Here is a summary of the more significant clergy changes (they take effect as of August 1, unless otherwise noted):

Appointment of Pastors

Fr. Gregory Schmidt - St. Julia, St. Catharines (as of July 2)

Fr. William Derousie - St. Stephen, Cayuga
There will also be new pastors in Hagersville, Caledonia, and Thorold South.

Appointment of Parochial Vicars / Associate

Pastors Fr. Ronald Angervil - St. Thomas More, Niagara Falls

There will also be a new associate pastor serving the Francophone parishes.

Appointment of Administrator

Fr. Michael Wastag, o.carm. - Our Lady of Peace, Niagara Falls

Retirements

Msgr. Leo Clutterbuck. Fr. Philip English

Fr. Thomas Hakala, o.carm.