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<p><b>Hospitality</b></p> <p>5:00 pm - Julie Notarianni 10:00 am - Sherri deWilde</p>	<p><b>Ministry Schedule - Nov 18/19</b></p> <p><b>Lector</b></p> <p>5:00 pm - Mitch Pogoda 10:00 am - Barb Joyner</p>	<p><b>Holy Communion</b></p> <p>5:00 pm - Valerie Newman 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

**Requesting Sacraments**  
Interview and Classes Required

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

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Nick Sarantakos - 289-440-2929

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Chair Frank DeFilippis

**Parish Groups**  
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Parish Financial Council  
Parish Events Group  
Cemetery Committee  
Responsible Faith Ministry  
Children's Liturgy.  
ACTS Retreats Teams  
RCIA TEAM

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**November 12, 2023 - Year - A**

**The 32nd 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	Nov 13	NO PARISH MASS CELEBRATED	
Tue	Nov 14	9:00 am +Michael Chorley 9:30 am - 10:30 am Choir Practice 7:00 pm Confirmation Orientation Meeting church building	by Maria Chorley Fr. Christopher
Wed	Nov 15	9:00 am +From the Book of Remembrance 10:30 am - 12 NOON Gethsemane Centre Mass/Adoration/Confessions 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Session 7	Fr. Christopher Team
Thu	Nov 16	<b>8:55 am</b> (Early start due to a meeting) + Kamil Pachowicz 9:30 am - 12: Noon Parish Bible Study 9:30 am Assembly of Ontario Bishops Social Affairs Virtual Meeting	by Danuta Mazur Fr. Christopher
Fri	Nov 17	<b>St. Elizabeth of Hungary</b> 7:30 am - 8:00 am Paradisus Dei Men's Rosary Group Virtual 9:00 am +Kamil Pachowicz	Fr. Christopher by Danuta Mazur
Sat	Nov 18	<b>The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A</b> 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm Confessions. 5:00 pm +Pro Populo Dei - For the special Intentions of St. Martin's Parish Family	
Sun	Nov 19	10:00 am + Kamil Pachowicz	by Helen & Andy Lipiec

#### 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.

#### 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 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.

#### CLASSIC URN WORKSHOP

Saturdays Nov 18 and Nov 25,

11 am-12:30 pm in the church hall

Step-by-step instruction on creating your own stunning custom outdoor garden insert. Contact :

Paula at 905 870-5017 or

[finickeyfoxdesigns@gmail.com](mailto:finickeyfoxdesigns@gmail.com)

(please register on or before Nov 14)

#### NOVEMBER COFFEE SOCIAL

Please plan on attending our next Coffee Social in the parish hall following our Sunday Mass on, Nov 19. We thank Parish Events Group for planning this social event. We look forward to gathering with you, and welcoming several new parishioners to our community of faith.

#### SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES

The 4th Sunday of Advent falls on Christmas Eve.

- Mass 10:00 am. (Forth Sunday of Advent)
- Vigil Mass for Christmas 5:00 pm.
- Anticipated midnight Mass 10:00 pm
- Christmas Day Mass 10:00 am.

#### CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION MEETING

Tuesday, November 14 , 7:00 pm

in the main church building.

Candidates in Grade 8 attending St. Martin Elementary Catholic School and their parents (and sponsors) are requested to come to an important meeting It will last no more than an 35 minutes and aims to present some useful information for all concerned.

#### UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

- Tues, Nov 14 - 7:00 pm  
Confirmation Orientation Meeting for parents, candidates and if possible sponsors.
- Mon, Nov 20 - 7:00 pm  
Parish Pastoral Council meeting.
- Sat Dec 2 - 6:00 - 10:00 pm  
Gethsemane Ministries annual Christmas Appreciation Concert and Dinner
- Dec 5 - 7 (No weekday Masses)  
Diocesan Advent Day of Recollection and Priests Study Days, Mount Carmel Centre
- Dec 9 - 11:00 am  
Sacrament of Confirmation
- Thur. Dec 14 - 7:00 pm  
Haldimand Deanery Initiative: St Helen's. St. Joseph and St. Martin  
- Advent Reconciliation Service (Confession Form 2 with individual priests hearing confessions) Host parish St. Joseph's.

#### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

##### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nov 15 "Feed Your Soul, Feed Your Tummy"  
Every third Wed Mass at 9:00 am and breakfast following at Lackis. Please join us. (husbands welcome)
- Nov 22 Lunch at Grand Oak Barn, Vineland 12:00 pm Meet at church at 11:15 to arrange rides. Contact Helen Lipiec if you wish to come as reservation are required
- Dec 14 Christmas Dinner in Parish Hall \$30.00  
New this year "invite a friend"  
E Transfer [parryee@gmail.com](mailto:parryee@gmail.com) - Elaine 905-957-0673 Names and payment required by November meeting.
- No regular meeting for December.

#### PRAY FOR PEACE

Distressing news continues to arrive from the Holy Land. We pray earnestly for the Palestinians and Israelis to find a path to fraternity and peace, with the help of the international community. May dialogue prevail over hatred and vengeance! Sadly, 2023 marks 75 years of conflict between Israel and Palestine. Numerous Christians, too, have become refugees or displaced persons due to war, violence, persecution or discrimination. While the present-day situation is difficult and tragic, as people of faith we believe that Jesus Christ came to redeem us, giving us hope eternal.

#### POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION

##### POPE'S INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER

Pope Francis reminds the faithful in this month's video that "The fact that someone is Pope doesn't mean they lose their humanity. On the contrary, my humanity grows each day with God's holy and faithful people." He adds, "Being Pope is also a process. The person becomes aware of what it means to be a pastor. And in this process, he learns how to be more charitable, more merciful, and, above all, more patient, like God our Father, who is so patient."

Pope Francis asks his listeners "to judge benevolently" and "pray that the Pope, whoever he might be – today it is my turn – may receive the help of the Holy Spirit, that he may be docile to that help." Specifically, he asks for prayers for the Pope "so that in the exercise of his mission, he may continue to accompany in the faith the flock entrusted to him by Jesus, always with the help of the Holy Spirit."

#### ANNUAL DEO GRATIAS COLLECTION

The Diocese of St. Catharines is blessed to have 18 retired priests who dedicated, in some cases, almost 65 years of their lives to caring for and ministering to others. Even in retirement, many continue to give of themselves in countless ways of service for which we are most grateful. At age 75, priests in the Diocese of St. Catharines begin receiving a monthly benefit and health insurance coverage from the Clergy Aid Society. Next weekend, November 11 & 12, our parish will take up the annual **Deo Gratias** to show our appreciation for those priests who have cared for us and ministered to us throughout the years. Please prayerfully reflect on how you can best contribute to the **Deo Gratias** collection this year. You may return your special **Deo Gratias** envelope at Mass next weekend or the next. Thank you in advance for your prayerful generosity.

#### SANTA CLAUS PARADE IS NOVEMBER 25,

5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

This presents an opportunity for pastoral outreach. Church foyer will be a welcoming station and use of the washroom. The Vigil Mass moves to 4:00 pm. You can enter and exit by Smits Cove and Wes-Li Gardens. Thank You!