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### THE MIGHTY WIDOWS

Today's First Reading from the First Book of Kings, as well as the Gospel passage from Mark, both center on the actions of two seemingly poor and helpless widows who show themselves to be faith-filled and generous stewards.

In the eyes of the world, particularly in biblical times when there was no life insurance or Social Security, these widows were weak and dependent on others to take care of them. They each found themselves in desperate situations - one in the midst of famine with a child for which to care, and the other clearly impoverished. Yet, each demonstrated strength and generosity that distinguished them from those around them. From where did this strength come?

It came from knowing who they are, and Whose they are. These women must have known their security would not come from a good life insurance policy or connections to someone with a hidden storehouse of flour.

No, their security came from knowing they were daughters of the Most High God and from putting their faith in Him. They had no need to panic in the midst of natural disaster or cling desperately to their menial resources. Their faith in God set them free to trust Him when all seemed hopeless. Their faith kept them detached from material possessions. Their faith allowed them to be brave and generous, to think of others despite their own trials.

These women saw themselves as stewards, not owners, of the resources God gave them, regardless of how much or how little they had. And acting as stewards made them gracious, generous and mighty indeed.

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### Pastor

Rev. Father Christopher Gerard Gillen P.P.  
Diocesan Social Justice Rep.  
Member of Ontario Bishops' Social Affairs Commission.  
Spiritual Chaplain to Diocesan D&P  
Spiritual Director to Acts Retreat Ministry Men & Women.  
Intern to Mental Health/ Addiction Counselling Hamilton.

### 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

By Appointment Only in COVID-19

### Requesting Sacraments

Must be registered and practicing  
Call office for details

### St Martin Elementary School

Phone 905-957-3032

### Cemetery

Ron Roscovich at 905-386-0648

### Parish Organizations

Catholic Women's League  
President - Carolyn Vaughan

### Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight - Pierre Paradis  
koc.16421@gmail.com

### Facility Maintenance

Tom Diletti - tom.diletti@gmail.com

### Parish Groups

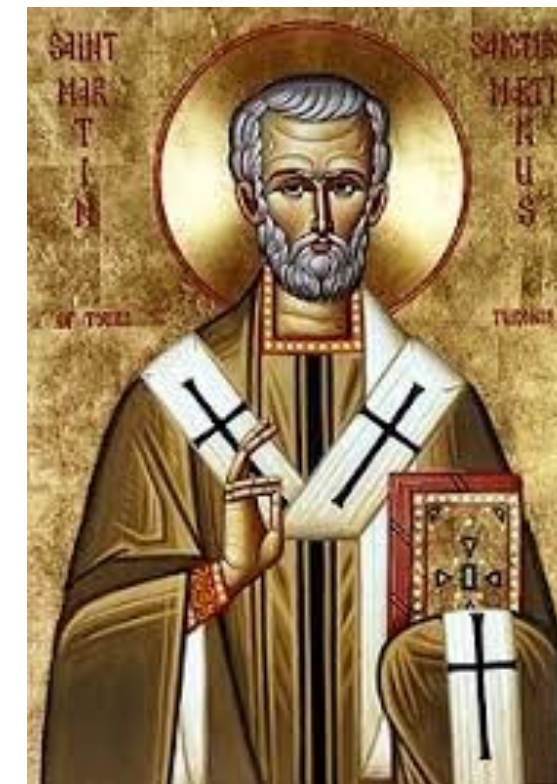
Children's Liturgy. Youth Ministry  
West Lincoln Loaf of Bread  
Parish Events Group  
Parish Financial Council  
Responsible Faith Ministry  
ACTS Retreat Teams

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**November 7, 2021 - Year -B**

# The 32nd Sunday Of Ordinary Time



# November 7, 2021

## The 32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year B MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS, PARISH CALENDAR

Mon	Nov 8	9:00 am	+From the Book of Remembrance	
Tues	Nov 9	9:00 am	+Maria deFatima Pais	by Family
Wed	Nov 10	9:00 am	+Mary VanderStaay	Rodney & Joyce Ross
		10:30 am - 12:pm	Gethsemane Centre Mass/ Adoration/ Confessions	Fr .Christopher
		7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	- Catholic Women's League Meeting	
Thurs	Nov 11	<b>St. Martin of Tours</b>		
		9:00 am	+From the Book of Remembrance	
		9:30 am - 10:30 am	Parish Bible Study Group in the upper meeting room	
		7:00 pm - 8: 00 pm	Centre for Mental Health & Addiction (CMAH) Zoom Meeting	Fr. Christopher
Fri	Nov 12	7:30 am - 8:30 am	Paradisus Dei - That Man Is You: Virtual Rosary	Fr. Christopher
		9:00 am	Pro Populo Dei - For the special intentions of St. Martin's Parish Family.	
		7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Praise and Worship at Gethsemane Centre	Fr. Christopher
Sat	Nov 13	8:30 am - 10:00 am	That Man is You - by Zoom. Paradisus Program (TMIY):	Fr. Christopher
		<b>The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		
Sat	Nov 13	5:00 pm	+Jacinto & Escolastica Melo	by the Melo Family
Sun	Nov 14	10:00 am	+Deceased members of the Knights of Columbus	by the KOC

### ONLINE EUCHARIST

#### Cathedral of St. Catharine of Alexandria

Sunday Mass live stream at 11:30 am.

Visit the diocesan website for viewing:

[www.saintcd.com](http://www.saintcd.com) or on YouTube

St. Joseph Grimsby:

<http://www.facebook.com/StJoeGrimsby>

Vision TV: Sun - 8:00 am

Mon - Fri - 8:00 am & 12:00 pm

Sat - 8:00 am & 9:30 am

Salt + Light: Sun - 11:00 am & 10:30 pm

Mon - Sat - 6:30 am, 11:00 am,

3:00 pm, 10:30 pm

Yes TV: Sun - 10:30 am

Mon - Sat - 1:00 pm

Internet : [www.dailytvmass.com](http://www.dailytvmass.com)

[www.youtube.com/dailytvmass](http://www.youtube.com/dailytvmass)

You may follow this direct link for the current day's readings:

(<http://uscbb.org/bible/readings/index.cfm>).

### SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Saturday December 4, 2021 - 11 am

Registration is now CLOSED!

Covid restrictions remain.

Parent (s) and Candidate only for the sacrament.

Sponsors still required, but not to be in attendance

### ST. MARTIN OF TOURS FEAST DAY

--- November 11 ---

Patron of: the poor, soldiers, conscientious objectors,  
tailors, and winemakers

Birth: 316 or 336 Death: 397

### 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.**

Thank you for your stewardship.

Stewardship is given by in-person, E-Transfer and by mail. Unfortunately, not all are currently supporting our parish with their stewardship. Perhaps this gentle reminder will motivate you to give. Again, we continually thank those who are supportive weekly or monthly with their stewardship.

### DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE AND CARITAS

#### PEOPLE AND PLANET FIRST

Let's put "People and Planet First" with Development and Peace / Caritas Canada's new campaign!

In Canada, most people can speak out freely when injustice is committed. In many countries of the Global South, however, communities are threatened when they seek to protect their rights, especially their right to a healthy environment. This climate of insecurity is often fuelled by the presence and influence of corporations, some of which are Canadian. Undaunted, many vulnerable communities fight courageously to defend their rights, their lands, and the environment against corporate harm.

This year, Development and Peace's "**People and Planet First**" campaign invites you to stand in solidarity with them and celebrate their work! Engaging and informative resources can be found on the website, [devp.org](http://devp.org).

### PROOF OF VACCINATION INFORMATION FOR PARISHIONERS

No proof of vaccination is required for anyone attending Mass or other liturgical service in any church in the Diocese of St. Catharines. Physical distancing and face masks are required for the entire time someone is in the church building, except to receive Holy Communion.

Parishioners who are elderly or may be medically compromised may decide to stay home and participate in a livestreamed Mass.

No proof of vaccination is required for closed parish meetings in a parish hall (parish council, CWL, etc.) with a maximum of 25 people.

Proof of vaccination (double vaccination plus 14 days) is required for anyone over the age of twelve attending a reception or social event (e.g. parish pasta dinner, wedding or funeral reception, etc.) in a parish hall.

Proof of vaccination requirements **do not apply** to:

- Funeral services including rites, ceremonies, visitations, receptions, or social gatherings held in places of worship.
- Funeral services including rites, ceremonies, visitations, receptions, or social gatherings held in funeral establishments, cemeteries, crematoriums and similar establishments.

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY REGISTRATION

#### FOR CERTIFICATE

Bishop Bergie will send a congratulatory certificate to married couples who have celebrated or will celebrate a 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th anniversary in the year 2021.

To receive a certificate, please complete a registration form available at the parish office by November 15.

### COVID PROTOCOLS FOR MEETINGS IN THE HALL

As churches are now allowed to have meetings, the following Covid Protocol must be adhered to during Phase 3 of Ontario's reopening plans:

- Capacity restricted to 25 indoors and 100 outdoors.
- Face Masks must be worn at all times.
- 6 feet physical distance must be maintained before, during and after all meetings.
- Sanitize hands upon entering the building
- One person to sign people in with date, name and phone number of all attendees. This Covid contact list must be kept for 6 years.
- The kitchen cannot be used.
- All tables & chairs to be returned to the storage area.
- Proof of vaccine is not required for closed
- Meeting with a maximum of 25 people.
- Proof of vaccine and photo ID is required for open meetings and receptions.
- As we slowly move into the late fall and early winter months we are highly recommending meetings to take place virtually, by zoom.
- We are also troubled that individuals will attend a meeting but not attend Sunday Mass?
- Gathering after Mass outside the physical distance protocol ( 6 Feet) must be maintained.
- Please refrain from hugging others even if outside

### A PRAYER FOR REMEMBRANCE

Ever-living God,

we remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your presence;  
may that same peace calm our fears,  
bring justice to all peoples  
and establish harmony among the nations,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

