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DO WHAT HE TELLS YOU

Today's Gospel reading from John recounts the familiar story of the wedding feast at Cana when Jesus launched His public ministry by performing His first miracle at his mother's request.

In the midst of the feast, the Blessed Mother noticed that the wine had run out and pointed out the problem to Jesus. Then, she gave the servants instructions that are equally applicable to us modern-day stewards, saying, "Do whatever He tells you." Jesus gives the servants a simple and seemingly mundane task, telling them to fill some stone jars with water. They did what He told them to do. And Jesus used their obedience in the accomplishment of that simple task to perform His first miracle, turning the water into the choicest wine.

Our Lord didn't have to include those servants in order to perform this miracle - He chose to. And today, 2,000 plus years later, He still chooses to include us in the performance of His miracles through our cooperation with Him in using the gifts and talents He has given us. What a privilege! Let us take care to listen to our Blessed Mother: let's examine our lives this week to see if we really are "doing whatever He tells us," cooperating with God to make the best use of the gifts He has given us for the benefit of those around us. If we all take this call seriously, He will perform miracles in our families and our parish.

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Pastor
Rev. Father Christopher Gerard Gillen
P.P.

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
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Reconciliation/Confessions
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Must be registered and practicing
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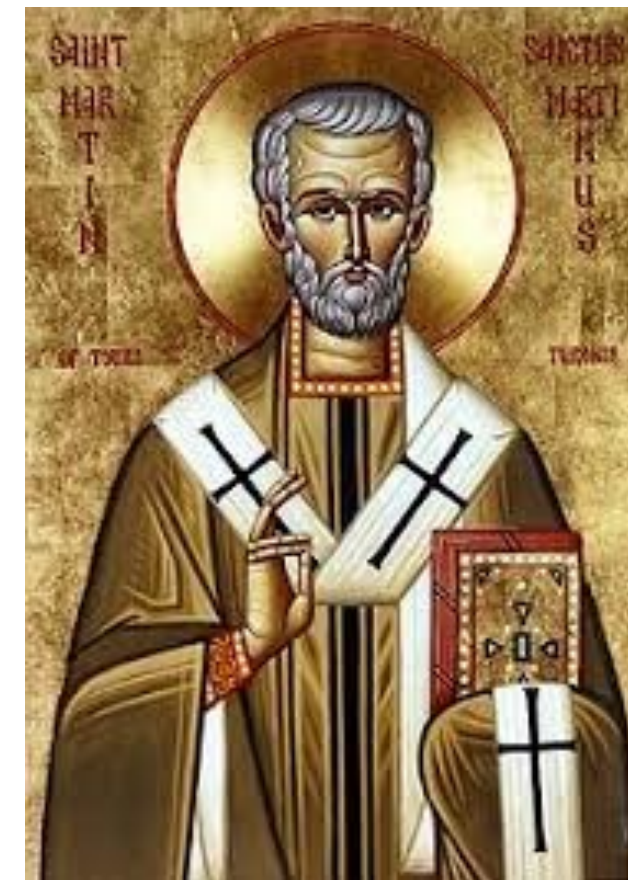
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Mon	Jan 17	9:00 am +George Franko 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm Diocesan Council for Development & Peace Zoom Mtg	by Norrie Franko Fr Christopher
Tues	Jan 18	9:00 am For the special intentions of the Mallia Family	by Norrie Franko
Wed	Jan 19	9:00 am +Maria deFatima Pais 10:30 am - 12:pm Gethsemane Centre Mass/ Adoration/ Confessions	by Family Fr .Christopher
Thurs	Jan 20	9:00 am +For the special intentions of Sandra Mactaggart	by Norrie Franko
Fri	Jan 21	7:30 am - 8:00 am That Man is You Programme - Holy Rosary 9:00 am +Norma Pouliot by Andrew & Verena Mayhew 10:30 am - 12 Noon Pastoral Home Visits for those who have registered	Father Christopher Father Christopher
Sat	Jan 22	<i>The 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 5:00 pm Intention Available	
Sun	Jan 23	10:00 am +Pro Populo Dei - For the special intentions of St. Martin's Parish Family	

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:

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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.

ONLINE CHILDREN'S LITURGY IS BACK!

This weekly email contains a reading, video and more, right to your inbox every Sunday. We are monitoring the situation and are hopeful to return to in person in the new year – stay tuned. If you would like to receive the online Children's Liturgy, please send an email to the parish office at

st.martins@cogeco.ca to get added to the list!

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

The 2022 Offertory Envelopes are available in the church foyer. Please pick up your box even if you use E-Transfers. Thank you for your on going financial support.

SYNOD 2021-2023, JOURNEYING TOGETHER

"The purpose of the synodal process is ultimately not a mere inward looking, but the consultation occurs in view of being more deeply the church of Christ so as to live communion, achieve participation in order to proclaim with integrity and effectively the Gospel, that is, be a missionary church." (PD)

For more information, visit:

<https://www.synod.va/en.html>.

For information on what is happening in our local Church, visit:

<http://www.saintcd.com/synod-2021-2023>

JANUARY 5, 2022 COVID PROTOCOLS

The Government of Ontario announced that Ontario will move to a modified Step 2 of its Re-Opening Plan. Here is what it means to St. Martin of Tours:

- Capacity remains at 33 % - Approximately 65 people
- Parish offices are to remain closed to visitors
- Indoor social gatherings and organized public events are limited to 5 people.
- All diocesan and parish scheduled meetings are to take place virtually or be postponed or cancelled.
- All clergy, staff and volunteers are encouraged to be fully vaccinated and receive booster shots.
- Anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 is to assume they are infected and follow provincial health directives. This includes doing your own contact tracing, that is contacting anyone with whom you had close contact within 48 hours before you began to show symptoms.
- Anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 is required to self-isolate for a minimum of 10 days if they are not fully vaccinated and a minimum 5 days if they are fully vaccinated.
- Face Masks must be worn at all times.
- 6 feet physical distance must be maintained before, during and after all gatherings.
- 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.
- Gathering after Mass outside, the physical distance protocol (6 ft) must be maintained. Please refrain from hugging others
- We are also troubled that individuals will attend a meeting but not attend Sunday Mass?

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.