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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.

Ministry Schedule - Sept 28/29

<p>Hospitality 5:00 pm - Cheryl Ecker 10:00 am - Cathy Ransome</p>	<p>Lector 5:00 pm - Mitch Pogoda 10:00 am - Marg V</p>	<p>Holy Communion 5:00 pm - Nick Verrecchia 10:00 am - Dick Van Geest</p>	<p>Children's Liturgy 10:00 am - Judy Terpstra</p>
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Ministry Schedule - Oct 5/6

<p>Hospitality 5:00 pm - Sandy Johnson 10:00 am - Marcel Pouliot</p>	<p>Lector 5:00 pm - Sue Armstrong 10:00 am - Caroline Steger</p>	<p>Holy Communion 5:00 pm - Tom Shields 10:00 am - Andrew Steger</p>	<p>Children's Liturgy 10:00 am - Sherri deWilde</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 1:00 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
sherridewilde@hotmail.com

Knights of Columbus
Grand Knight - Lloyd Buchan
lgbuchan66@gmail.com

Parish Groups
Parish Pastoral Council
Parish Financial Council
Parish Events Group
Cemetery Committee
Responsible Faith Ministry
Facility Maintenance
Children's Liturgy
ACTS Retreats Teams

Diocese of St. Catharines
Bishop of the Diocese
Most Reverend Gerard Paul Bergie, D.D.
President of Assembly of Ontario Catholic Bishops
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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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September 22, 2024 - Year - B
**The 25th 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 8:30 am

Mon	Sept 23	NO PUBLIC MASS CELEBRATED TODAY	
Tues	Sept 24	9:00 am +Joan Wisniewski 9:30 am - 10:30 am Choir Practice 11:30 am - 12:30 pm Opening School Mass Group 2.	by Mike & Mary Hornak
Wed	Sept 25	9:00 am For the special intentions of the Ivanaj Family members 10:30 am - 12:00 pm Gethsemane Centre Mass/Adoration/Counselling	Fr. Christopher by Donna Ivanaj Fr. Christopher
Thurs	Sept 26	St. John De Breufeuf, St. Isaac Jogues and Companions 9:00 am For the health and healing of Sherri deWilde 9:30 am - 10:30 am Parish Bible Study Group 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm Haldimand Deanery Meeting Upper Meeting Room	by Joan Hignett Fr. Christopher
Fri	Sept 27	St. Vincent De Paul 7:30 am - 8:00 am Paradisus Dei Men's Rosary Group Virtual 9:00 am For God's blessings upon Joan & Bob Hignett on their anniversary	Fr. Christopher by Heather Belmont
Sat	Sept 28	The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm Confessions 5:00 pm +Pro Populo Dei - For the special Intentions of St. Martin's Parish Family	
Sun	Sept 29	10:00 am For the special intentions of the Ivanaj Family members	by Donna Ivanaj
Mon	Sept 30	NO PUBLIC MASS CELEBRATED TODAY 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Upper Meeting Room	
Tues	Oct 1	St. Therese of the Child Jesus 9:00 am For the special intentions of Michael & Amy Urban 9:30 am - 10:30 am Choir Practice	by Michael Urban
Wed	Oct 2	The Holy Guardian Angels 9:00 am For the health and healing of Elaine Parry 10:30 am - 12:00 pm Gethsemane Centre Mass/Adoration/Counselling	by Heather Belmont Fr. Christopher
Thurs	Oct 3	NO PUBLIC MASS CELEBRATED TODAY 9:30 am - 10:30 am Parish Bible Study Group	Father Christopher on mini-vacation
Fri	Oct 4	St. Francis of Assisi 7:30 am - 8:00 am Paradisus Dei Men's Rosary Group Virtual NO PUBLIC MASS CELEBRATED TODAY	Father Christopher on mini-vacation
Sat	Oct 5	The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm Confessions 5:00 pm +Maria Jose Cordeiro	by the Melo & Mikhail Families
Sun	Oct 6	10:00 am +Pro Populo Dei - For the special Intentions of St. Martin's Parish Family	

PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

We thank you for your financial support of our Parish of St. Martin, and to our Diocese of St. Catharines. We encourage, Time, Talent and Treasure. Stewards of God's gifts are not passive beneficiaries. We cooperate with God in our own redemption and in redemption of others.

We are also obliged to be stewards of the Church - collaborators and cooperators in continuing the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, which is the Church's central mission.

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.**

THE SEASON OF CREATION

Theme: To Hope and Act With Creation

This annual Christian/Catholic celebration to listen and respond together to the cry of Creation: the ecumenical family around the world unites to pray and protect our common home. The Season begins on September 1st, the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, and ends on 4 October, the Feast of St. Francis.

To hope in a biblical context does not mean to stand still and quiet, but rather groaning, crying, and actively striving for new life amidst the struggles. Just as in childbirth, we go through a period of intense pain, but new life springs forth.

OCTOBERFEST CELEBRATION & GATHERING

Fundraiser for Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus, Saturday, October 19 following the Vigil Mass. More details to follow.

PARISH LEADERSHIP DAY

Saturday, October 26, 2024
at Gethsemane Centre.

All Parish Pastoral Council Members are asked to attend. Please mark your personal calendars. Full details will be emailed to members. Please hold the Team in your prayers during these weeks of preparation.

POPE FRANCIS' SEPTEMBER INTENTIONS

"Let us pray that each of us hears with the heart the cry of the Earth and victims of natural disasters and climate change, personally committing to care for the world we inhabit."

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Our Children's Liturgy will resume this Sun. Sept. 22 at our 10:00am Mass. We are very excited to begin this special program again and we are grateful to our small team of volunteers who make it happen. If anyone is interested in assisting with this program, please reach out to the Parish Office or speak with Judy, Jennifer or Sherri.

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS CHANGE

October 12 (ONLY) there will be no Vigil Mass as Father Christopher has a Wedding in Bradford, On. Due to the low attendance at Saturday Mass, we will not seek coverage, and simply request that you attend the Sunday Mass that weekend. Thank you.



2024 ACTS Retreats

ACTS is an acronym for:

Adoration-God's Call, your acceptance and answer
Community - love and caring for each other
Theology - Studying through scripture and our faith
Service - to God and His people

Come and renew yourself spiritually, to strengthen your faith and to apply it to your daily life.

Women's Retreat: Oct 3 - 6 2024
Men's Retreat: Oct 31 - Nov 3, 2024

Retreat Location:

Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre
1617 Blythe Rd, Mississauga

Women's Contact: Debbie Klaudusa 416-824-3197
or wdlaudusz@bell.net

Men's Contact: Paul Valtas 905-670-6760
or pvaltas@dgn-marketing.com

For more info, please visit our website at:
www.actscanada.org

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

CARITAS CANADA

Create Hope - Reaping Our Rights This Fall, in solidarity with farming and rural communities, we will call on the Government of Canada to ensure the recognition and protection of their rights. The national launch webinar, with guests from the North and the South to discuss peasants' rights and due diligence. September 28 (1:30 p.m.). Join us! Register at devp.org/events

CAMPAIGN LIFE COALITION

"LIFE CHAIN": SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6.
(2:30-3:30 p.m., Lundy's Lane, Niagara Falls)

"Life Chain" is a prayerful and peaceful witness to the sanctity of human life and the evil of abortion. Participants pray and hold signs with messages at hundreds of locations across North America for one hour. This is a family-friendly event appropriate for people of all ages. It is a unique opportunity to provide our neighbours with a much-needed message of love, hope, and truth.

Remember how Our Lord asked his apostles,
"could you not watch one hour with me?"

(Mark 14:37).