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Pastor
Very Rev. Father Christopher Gerard Gillen
Parish Priest / Vicar Forane
(Dean of Haldimand)

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
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

Cemetery Management
Nick Sarantakos - 289-440-2929

Parish Organizations
Catholic Women's League
President - Maryanne Mous
StMartinsCWL@hotmail.com


Knights of Columbus
Grand Knight - Pierre Paradis
jpierre.paradis@live.ca

Facility Maintenance
Chair Frank DeFilippis

Parish Groups
Parish Pastoral Council (Pending)
Parish Events Group
Parish Financial Council
Cemetery Committee
Responsible Faith Ministry
Children's Liturgy.
Youth Ministry
ACTS Retreats(4) Teams

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<p>Hospitality</p> <p>5:00 pm - Ron & Janet Roscovich 10:00 am - Nick Verrecchia</p>	<p>Ministry Schedule - May 13/14</p> <p>Lector</p> <p>5:00 pm - Sandy Johnson 10:00 am - Barb Joyner</p>	<p>Holy Communion</p> <p>5:00 pm - Tom Shields 10:00 am - John Terpstra</p>
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May 7, 2023 - Year - A

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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	May 8	NO MASS PUBLIC MASS CELEBRATED	
Tue	May 9	9:00 am For the special intentions of Mike & Amy Urban	by Mike Urban
		9:30 am - 10:45 am Choir Practice	
		7:00 pm - 9:00 pm What We Believe Session Five	
Wed	May 10	9:00 am + James R. Flaherty	by Maureen Flaherty
		10:30 am Gethsemane Centre Mass/ Adoration/Confessions	Fr. Christopher
Thurs	May 11	NO MASS PUBLIC MASS CELEBRATED	
Fri	May 12	7:30 am - 8:15 am That Man Is You - Paradisus Dei - Men's Rosary Group	Fr. Christopher
		9:00 am +Dave Harris	by Joan & Bob Hignett
		10:30 am - 12 Noon Pastoral Home Visits for those who registered.	Fr. Christopher
Sat	May 13	The 6th Sunday of Easter Sunday - Year A	
		4:00 pm - 4:30 pm Confessions.	
		5:00 pm +Franka Notarianni	by Tony & Julie Notarianni
Sun	May 14	10:00 am +Pro Populo Dei - For the special intentions of St. Martin's Parish Family	
		11:30 am Celebration of Christian Baptism of Eloise Violet Gould	Fr. Christopher

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATION

Group Two: Saturday May 6, 11:00 am.

There is a limit of four family members per child due to large numbers and our small church.

POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION MAY

"For Church movements and groups"

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world. "

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 7 Spring High Tea - parish hall 2:00 pm
Please join us for a fun afternoon
Tickets available from Elaine Parry
905-957-0673
No tickets at the door or walk ins
- May 10 Regular Meeting 7:00 pm, parish hall.
- May 17 "Feed Your Tummy, Feed Your Soul"
- every third Wednesday Mass at 9 and breakfast following at Lackis.
Please join us, room for everyone (husbands welcome) .
- June 14 Last meeting until September.

FRAUD AWARENESS SEMINAR

Friday May 12, 2023 - 9:30 am

West Lincoln Community Center

2nd Floor Program Room

Come and learn how to protect yourself from increasing Fraud Scams.

SPRING ACTS RETREAT

QUEEN OF APOSTLES RENEWAL CENTRE

MISSISSAUGA. Men's ACTS Retreat

May 25 - 28. This is all done through Adoration, Community, Theology and Service which represents the call letters of ACTS.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

Men's Retreat: Carlo Agostino

905-755-9166, email: agostinocg@gmail.com

SYNOD UPDATE

The Continental Stage of the Synod on Synodality concluded on March 31, at which time the CCCB, along with the US Conference of Bishops (USCCB), submitted the *North American Final Document for the Continental Stage* to the Synod Secretariat.

The *Final Document* from North America, along with the contributions of the six other Continental Assemblies, will form the basis of the *Instrumentum Laboris* to be released by the General Secretariat of the Synod in June 2023. The Final Document from North America is now publicly available on the CCCB website at the following links:

<https://www.cccb.ca/media-release/bishops-release-north-american-final-document-to-conclude-continental-stage-of-the-2021-2024-synod/>

NATIONAL FAMILY & LIFE WEEK (NFLW)

May 7-14, 2023

This is an invitation from the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops to the faithful in Canada to celebrate the joy and beauty of family and life by seeking out new and creative ways to live out this call in our daily lives. The NFLW theme is Jesus' words, "Love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another" (John 13:34). Love is at the heart of familial relationships and our families are a communion of love in Christ. We are "guardians of life" when we love one another within our families, as well as in wider society when we show kindness toward and care for the vulnerable and marginalized. A Pastoral Toolkit, which includes daily resources for homes, parishes, and faith communities, may be found on the CCCB website:

<https://www.cccb.ca/faith-moral-issues/family-and-life/national-family-and-life-week/>

WHY IS MAY THE MONTH OF MARY

The tradition of dedicating the month of May to Mary, came about in the 13th century. Some say because it was created to replace various pagan cults. The actual reason is the fact that this month is the time when spring is at the height of its beauty. Spring is also connected with nature renewing itself. In her way, Mary gave new life to the world when she gave birth to our saviour Jesus Christ.

The link between Mary and the month of May became popular among the members of the Jesuit Order — by 1700 it had a firm hold among their students at the Roman College and a short time later it was publicly celebrated in the Gesu Church in Rome. From there it spread to the rest of the Church.

The pious practice of honouring Mary during the month of May has been especially promoted by the Popes. Pius XII made frequent reference to it and in his great Encyclical *on the Sacred Liturgy Mediator Dei*. He characterized it as one of "other exercises of piety which although not strictly belonging to the Sacred Liturgy, are nevertheless of special import and dignity, and may be considered in a certain way to be an addition to the liturgical cult: they have been approved and praised over and over again by the Apostolic See and by the Bishops."

Devotion to Mary is one an important part of the Catholic identity. As our mother she is an example of a committed "Yes" to the will of God. Because of the devotion to her many people ask her for help in the most difficult moments of their life as any child does with his mother.

Hail Mary full of Grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed are thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus. Holy Mary Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.