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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

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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

Diocese of St. Catharines
Bishop of the Diocese
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St. Martin of Tours Roman Catholic Church

3rd Sunday of Lent



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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 Mar 13	9:00 am For the health and healing of Kamil Pachowicz 7:45 pm - 9:30 pm New Testament Letters Bible Study Virtual	by Parents Fr. Christopher
Tues Mar 14	9:00 am +Antony Costantini 9:30 am - 10:45 am Choir Practice 11:30 am - 1:00 pm Haldimand Deanery Meeting at Catholic Center	by Frank & Cathy Cartaginense Fr. Christopher
Wed Mar 15	9:00 am +Marie MacPherson 10:30 am Gethsemane Centre Mass/ Adoration/Confessions	by Frank & Cathy Cartaginense Fr. Christopher
Thurs Mar 16	9:00 am For the health and healing of Vito Romagno 9:30 am - 10:30 am Parish Bible Study Group 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm ACTS Retreats Men and Women Teams Mississauga	by Frank & Cathy Cartaginense Fr. Christopher
Fri Mar 17	7:30 am - 8:15 am That Man Is You - Paradisus Dei - Men's Rosary Group 9:00 am +Loretta Henderson 10:30 am - 12 Noon Pastoral Home Visits for those who registered. 6:00 pm Lenten Stations of the Cross	Fr. Christopher by Lisa Poort Fr. Christopher Fr. Christopher
Sat Mar 18	The 4th Sunday of Lent - Year A 8:00 am - 10:00 am Paradisus Dei That Man Is You Merciful Redeemer Parish 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm Confessions. 5:00 pm +Jose Carlos DaSilva	Fr. Christopher by the Melo & Mikhail families
Sun Mar 19	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:

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

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday, March 25 - 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

In every parish across the diocese, a priest is available to hear individual Confession. No matter how long it has been, you are welcome to celebrate this wonderful Sacrament of Penance. This will also be a day of Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction at the conclusion of this day of penance. Please take the opportunity to visit. Others are invited to recite the Holy Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

COFFEE SUNDAY MARCH 12.

Join us after Sunday Mass in the parish hall for a time of fellowship. We thank those who have prepared this parish event.

SYNOD IN ACTION - WHAT WE BELIEVE

One of the question at the Synod Listening Sessions was "What hinders you from speaking out?" At every session, the answer to that question was lack of knowledge and fear. To help with educate and to alleviate fear we will be running a course entitled: **What We Believe, The Beauty of the Catholic Church by Ascension Press**. This course will run every Tuesday evening after Easter for 10 weeks starting on April 11th from 7pm - 9pm.

If you are interested you must preregister as books will need to be purchased by the office. The whole participate package will cost \$42.95 + tax or just the book for \$22.95 + tax. If you opt for the second option, you will receive a list of the readings and questions from the office.

To register, call or email the office.

DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE

Please join us on a Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, Massachusetts, USA for Diving Mercy Weekend April 15-16, 2023
Depart - St. Martin's Parish - April 15
Return - April 16

Coach Bus - \$120/person CDN

Hotel - Holiday Inn - \$110.00 USD/room

Medical Insurance at your own discretion

Capacity on the bus is 56 passengers.

First come first serve!

If you are interested and have a valid passport please email: cathy.cartaginense@gmail.com

The registration process will be 2 fold:

- Please reserve your seat as soon as possible
- Confirmation with payment of bus ticket only is required by March 14, 2023. Final Date
- Due to commitment - No Refunds. Thank you

CATHOLIC WOMEN 'S LEAGUE

UPCOMING EVENT

- March 15 "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)

ST.MARTIN CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LENTEN CONFESSIONS

March 21, 9:45 am and March 24, 9:45 am
FIRST RECONCILIATION March 28, 9:45 am

Third Form of Reconciliation (Penance) at St. Joseph Parish in Grimsby.

Wednesday, March 22, at 7:00 pm.

Several priests will be available to hear confessions.

"We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making His appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God". (2 Corinthians 5:20)

ANNULMENTS: FACTS & FICTIONS

Canon Lawyers from the Diocese of St. Catharines Marriage Tribunal will discuss marriage annulments on Tues. March 21 from 7pm - 8:30pm. at St. Martin's Parish Hall. For information call 905-687-8817 or email: tribunal@saintdd.com If you plan on attending call St. Martin parish office.

DEVELOPMENT and PEACE

- CARITAS CANADA

A new campaign cycle begins this year, with the theme **"Create Hope"** to guide our action over the next five years. How can we create hope? By taking action! Because the best antidote to despair is action. Under the broad theme **"Create Hope,"** you are being invited this year to **"Stand for the Land,"** in solidarity with our sisters and brothers in the Global South who are defending their homelands by protecting their land and water, the environment and human life. And it is with great joy that we invite you to join the **"Share Lent"** campaign that D&P has been organizing for over 55 years (the "Solidarity Sunday Share Lent" collection is March 26). **Let's "Create Hope" for a world of peace and justice, and "Stand for the Land" and its peoples! Visit site:**
infor@devep.org

WAY OF THE CROSS & RECONCILIATION:

Fridays in Lent at 6:00 p.m.

The Stations themselves are an examination of conscience -- consider experiencing sacramental forgiveness afterwards or spend extra time in church in prayer until 7:00 pm.

WEEKDAY MASSES IN LENT

Monday to Friday at 9:00 am.

We would love to see more people in attendance.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE:

Invest one hour to save a lifetime! We follow Christ's example: we fast and pray and offer sacrifice during Lent. We give prayerful, peaceful witness at Niagara Falls Gen. Hospital holding a sign: "Pray to End Abortion." Each church in the diocese has its own day. You can sign up for one hour on our day (beginning at 8:00 a.m. and ending at 8:00 p.m.); join with family and friends or church group. Contact:

Josie Rocca at Rocca_josie@hotmail.com

or Angela Braun at angelabraun@live.com

POPE'S MARCH PRAYER INTENTION

For victims of abuse: we pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church to find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.