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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 - Feb 8/9

<p>Hospitality</p> <p>5:00 pm - Julie Notarianni 10:00 am - Barb Joyner</p>	<p>Lector</p> <p>5:00 pm - Andrew Steger 10:00 am - Lisa Poort</p>	<p>Holy Communion</p> <p>5:00 pm - Caroline Steger 10:00 am - John Terpstra</p>	<p>Children's Liturgy</p> <p>10:00 am - Judy Terpstra</p>
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Ministry Schedule - Feb 15/16

<p>Hospitality</p> <p>5:00 pm - Tony Mous 10:00 am - Helen & Andy L.</p>	<p>Lector</p> <p>5:00 pm - Mitch Pogoda 10:00 am - Marg VanGeest</p>	<p>Holy Communion</p> <p>5:00 pm - Tom Shields 10:00 am - Sherri deWilde</p>	<p>Children's Liturgy</p> <p>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 Organization
Catholic Women's League
President - Sherri De Wilde
sherridewilde@hotmail.com

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

Diocese of St. Catharines
Bishop of the Diocese
Most Reverend Gerard Paul Bergie, D.D.
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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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February 2, 9, 2025 - Year - C
Bi-Weekly Bulletin
The Presentation of the Lord
& The 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 2 & February 9, 2025
The Presentation of the Lord & 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C
MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS, PARISH CALENDAR

Recitation of the Holy Rosary takes place before each Weekday Mass beginning at 8:30 am

Mon	Feb 3	NO PUBLIC MASS CELEBRATED TODAY	
Tues	Feb 4	9:00 am +Bill Shields 9:30 am - 10:30 am Choir Practice 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm Diocesan Meeting Catholic Centre 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm Diocesan Deans Virtual Meeting with Huntley Leadership	by Norrie Franko Fr. Christopher Fr.Christopher
Wed	Feb 5	St. Agatha 9:00 am For the special intentions of Quincy & Treeva Johnson 10:30 am - 12:00 pm Gethsemane Centre Mass/Adoration/Counselling	by Sandy Johnson Fr. Christopher
Thurs	Feb 6	St. Paul Miki and Companions 9:00 am For the special intentions of Fr. Christopher 9:30 am - 10:30 am Parish Bible Study Group 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Inter-Faith Social Dinner Grimsby	by Heather Belmont Fr. Christopher Fr. Christopher
Fri	Feb 7	7:30 am - 8:00 am Paradisus Dei Men's Rosary Group Virtual 8:30 am - 8:55 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 am For the special intentions of Nancy Falovo on her birthday 9:20 am - 9:50 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm Pastoral Home Visits for those who registered.	by Norrie Franko Fr. Christopher
Sat	Feb 8	The 5th 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	Feb 9	10:00 am +Louis Zych	by Family
Mon	Feb 10	NO PUBLIC MASS CELEBRATED TODAY	
Tues	Feb 11	NO PUBLIC MASS CELEBRATED TODAY 9:30 am - 10:30 am Choir Practice	by Norrie Franko
Wed	Feb 12	NO PUBLIC MASS CELEBRATED TODAY 10:30 am - 12:00 pm Gethsemane Centre Mass/Adoration/Counselling 7:00 pm - 8: 00 pm Catholic Women's League Monthly Meeting Parish Hall.	Fr. Christopher
Thurs	Feb 13	NO PUBLIC MASS CELEBRATED TODAY 9:30 am - 10: 30 am Parish Bible Study Group 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Parish Video Night on Virtues in church building	
Fri	Feb 14	St. Cyril and St. Methodius 7:30 am - 8:00 am Paradisus Dei Men's Rosary Group Virtual NO PUBLIC MASS CELEBRATED TODAY	Fr. Christopher
Sat	Feb 15	The 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm Confessions 5:00 pm For the special intentions of Bernadette Piche Proulx on her birthday	by Norrie Franko
Sun	Feb 16	10:00 am +Pro Populo Dei - For the special intentions of St. Martin's Parish Family 11:30 am - 12: 00 pm Celebration of Christian Baptisms	

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.**

PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

We thank you for your time, talent and treasure. Stewardship is a way of life. Please see the need to financially support our parish and our diocese. We encourage more to use the offertory envelope box.

2024 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Income Tax Receipts for 2024 are available in the front foyer for pickup.

PARISH MISSION HEALTH ASSESSMENT

You are invited to engage in the Mission Health Assessment from Huntley Leadership.

This assessment is designed to align with our collective efforts to bring Bishop Bergie's vision to life. "Setting Hearts on Fire with God's Love."

Please take 5 minutes and do the assessment and kindly forward your results to the parish email. Your results remain anonymous.

There are 2 ways to link to the Assessment.

1. Use your phone camera and hover over the QR Code and the assessment will open on your phone.
2. Copy the Link (in blue) into your computer search engine and the assessment will show up on your computer. The Link is:

[4https://dpc4olay0gt.typeform.com/MissionalHealth](https://dpc4olay0gt.typeform.com/MissionalHealth)



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL PRESENTS
PARISH VIDEO NIGHT

Thursday, February 13, 2025

"You must learn your faith in order to live your faith. Virtues means building the habits to doing good."

Thoughts turn into Words

Words turn into Actions

Actions turn into Habits

Habits develop Character

Character determines where you spend eternity

Please add your name to our guest list at the front foyer of the church or call the office to register. If transportation is an issue please contact the parish office for assistance.

All are welcome. Cost: Free

UPCOMING BAPTISMS

February 16, 2025

Alden Edward Paradise

Libby Rose Paradise

Alessia Giovanna Laird DeBellis

NO WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday, February 10-14. Father Christopher is taking time out. Please no texts or emails that week.

DIOCESAN INITIATIVES IN OUR JUBILEE YEAR

Bishop Bergie will kick off the MESSAGES OF HOPE Speaker Series for this Jubilee Year on Sunday, February 2nd at 2:00 pm at St. Alfred, 272 Vine Street, St. Catharines.

The MESSAGES OF HOPE Speaker Series is a special Jubilee 2025 initiative designed to engage those living in the Diocese of St. Catharines to learn about hope, and together, reflect and explore ways to restore a climate of hope in our world that desperately yearns for it. Each month, in venues around the diocese, a speaker has been invited to give a talk that explores some messages and themes that Pope Francis highlighted in this Jubilee's Bull of Induction SPES NON CONFUNDIT:

Hope does not disappoint unless otherwise advertised, the Messages of Hope sessions are free; everyone is welcome!

To register use this link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/rehnH9PdnB?origin=lprLink>

Upcoming sessions in the Series:

Fr. Rico Passero

Topic: Hope for Today

Monday, Feb. 24 @ 7:00 pm at the Catholic Centre

Nick Ali, Director of Evangelization &

Faith Formation for the diocese

Topic: Hope in Evangelization

Tuesday, March 18 @ 7:00 pm at St. Kevin's Church, 303 Niagara Street, Welland.

ANNUAL RESPECT FOR LIFE DINNER

This dinner helps us to reach hearts and minds of all ages through our many initiatives. This year, we welcome **Liana Gordan**, an author and pre-law university student, who went from being an adamant pro-choicer to a passionate pro-life advocate. Join us for a delicious dinner, wonderful fellowship, and an inspirational speaker.

Tickets are \$60 for adults and \$30 for students.

Date: Saturday, March 1, 2025.

Location: Club Roma, 125 Vansickle Road, St. Catharines, ON, L2S 3W4

Doors Open: 5:00 p.m. (dinner starts at 6:00 p.m.)

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.