

## LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary is a lay Catholic organization whose members are giving service to the Church on a voluntary basis around the world. We meet every week for one hour of intercessory prayer. Our service is to visit people in homes, seniors lodges and hospitals, working closely with our Priest. If you cannot attend meetings, you may join as an auxiliary member, and offer your service to the Church through Legion prayers. You are encouraged to become involved in the life of the Church. If you know of someone who needs a visit, or want to join call Lorraine at 780-663-2017 or email [legionofmary-ab.com](mailto:legionofmary-ab.com). O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to you.

## 25<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The disciples like mountaintop experiences. They like it when Jesus is the centre of attention—teaching, healing, performing miracles—and they get to share in the limelight. They are filled with excitement, dreaming of power and glory.

But when Jesus speaks of suffering, they don't want to hear. Like children putting their fingers in their ears and saying "I'm not listening," they turn away from his talk of betrayal and death and begin to bicker about which of them is the greatest. They have been following the Messiah; surely that leads to greatness. Surely those Scripture passages about the innocent one who suffers, like today's first reading from Wisdom, have nothing to do with the Messiah—or his disciples.

But Jesus keeps coming back to his teaching about a suffering Messiah, with humble, servant-like followers. He lead them—and us—to a new understanding of the Messiah and to a realization that suffering can have meaning, can be redemptive.

Jesus models the Way of the Cross, which his disciples must follow: in some cases literally and always by dying to self, dying to selfishness and greed, as the Letter of James teaches. Following Jesus, means leading lives of humility and solidarity, of integrity and generosity, learning from our master to be "last of all and servant of all."

*Dinah Simmons, Halifax, ON*



The Website for the Parish of St. Martin of Tours is now Mobile Friendly.  
The website address is [stmartintours.caedm.ca](http://stmartintours.caedm.ca).

# Roman Catholic Churches of St. Martin of Tours Holy Heart of Mary and St. Gregory

**Pastor: Fr. Michael Schumacher**

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**Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday  
9:30am to 3:30pm**

**Thursday: 1:00pm to 4:00pm**

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### Weekend Mass Times:

Saturday: 4:30 pm  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday: 9:00am  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday: 11:15am  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday: 11:15am

### Weekday\* Mass Times:

Tuesday: 9:00am  
St. Joseph's Hospital  
Wednesday: 9:00 am

\*may change, please check  
monthly calendars

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:45 pm or by  
appointment.

### Children's Liturgy

During Sunday Mass,  
except July and August.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation

1<sup>st</sup> Friday of each month

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change, please check the  
bulletin or the monthly calendar**

### Holy Heart of Mary

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### Weekend Mass Times:

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday: 6:30pm  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday: 11:15 am  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday: 9:00am

### Weekday\* Mass Times:

2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday/Lodges

### Mass and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday 7:00pm

### St. Gregory

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### Weekend Mass Times:

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday: 6:30 pm  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday: 9:00 am  
5<sup>th</sup> Saturday: 6:30 pm

### Weekday\* Mass Times:

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday 2pm at Lodge

### Mass and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday 4:00pm

## SEPTEMBER 20, 2015 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time

Who is the Greatest in God's Kingdom?

Did we not all dread being the last person picked for a team at school? Wasn't that a death knell in the school hierarchy? Yet Jesus asks the disciples (and us) to go last willingly when doing God's work. Who is the greatest in God's kingdom? The humble ones who are lowly of heart, who—instead of asserting their rights—willingly empty themselves of pride and egotism by taking the lowly positions. To be filled with God's life and power, disciples need to empty themselves of all which stands in the way: arrogance, superiority, self-importance, vanity and egotism. God wants empty vessels that he can fill with Christ's own glory, mercy and love.



If you are new to our parishes please fill out a **New Parishioner Form**.

**We continue to pray for:** Florence Bosse, Elsie Mochnach, Debbie Rokos, Mary Heisler, Heidi Kurth, Mike Dmytryk, Ed Sokalski, Maryanne Bernard, Vivian Prestash, Paulette Ryan, Judy Dowhaniuk, Darlene Ward, Judy Stang, John Stetsko, Lavonne Leeson, Marian Osko, Lucyna Osko, Ken Steinwand, Warren Stepaniuk, Daggan Newman, Raffaella Pasqual, Irene Poulin, Bill Smolak, Henrietta Rastini, Laughlyn McMaster, Jesse J. Sams, and Mariette Kowal.

**And continue to pray for** the Holy perseverance of the Seminarians in our Archdiocese.

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### VEGREVILLE, St. Martin of Tours

**Saturday September 26, 2015**                      **Mass 4:30pm**

**Sunday September 27, 2015**                      **Mass 11:15am**

#### VIKING, Holy Heart of Mary

**Saturday September 26, 2015**                      **Mass 6:30pm**

#### HOLDEN, St. Gregory the Great

**Sunday September 27, 2015**                      **Mass 9:00am**

### DEVOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

#### **The Rosary**

1st Monday of the Month	6:15pm Vegreville St. Michael's Manor
2nd Monday of the Month	6:00pm Vegreville Heritage House
4th Monday of the Month	6:30pm Mundare Fr. Filas Manor
2nd Friday of the Month	11:15am Vegreville Care Centre
Every Wednesday	1:00pm Mundare Fr. Filas Manor
Every Thursday	5:45pm Mundare Mary Immaculate



### CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION-ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

**First Reconciliation:** Parents can begin registering their children now at the Parish office.  
7:00pm Wednesday September 30, 2015 Information night.  
7:00pm Wednesday October 14, 21, 28, November 4, 2015 Meeting dates.  
Child must be in Grade 2 and up.

**First Communion:** Parents can begin registering their children now at the Parish office.  
7:00pm Wednesday April 6, 2016 Information night.  
7:00pm Wednesday's April 20, 27, Meeting dates,  
7:00pm May 4, 2016 Teaching mass.  
4:30pm Mass Saturday May 7, 2016 First Communion  
Child must be in Grade 2 and up.

**Confirmation:** Parents can begin registering their children now at the Parish Office  
7:00pm Wednesday January 20, 2016. Continuing on till May 2016. (Schedule to be released at a later date).  
Children must be in Grade 6 and up to register.

**Please Note for all Sacramental Classes:** All registrations for all sacraments must be in prior to commencement date. Please call the parish office at 780-632-3272 to register your child. If your child was not baptized in the Parish of St. Martin of Tours, Vegreville, Holy Heart of Mary, Viking or St Gregory the Great, Holden we will need a copy of the child's baptismal certificate upon registration.

**All are invited** to Attend Br. Roger's "Rite of Admission to Candidacy" on Saturday September 26<sup>th</sup> at the 4:30pm mass at St. Martin of Tours. Bishop Gregory Bittman will be celebrating the rite. "The Rite of Admission is the rite by which one who aspires to ordination, publicly manifest his will to offer himself to God and the Church so that he may receive a sacred order. The church in accepting this offering chooses and calls him to prepare himself to receive the sacred orders." Small reception to follow the Mass.