

# BASILICA OF OUR LADY IMMACULATE

## Parish Community



**PARISH ESTABLISHED IN 1827**

**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:** *As the Eucharistic family of Our Lady Immaculate we believe in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We foster a welcoming and active faith community by sharing our gifts of time, talent and treasure. We continue to grow in the Spirit loving and serving God and each other.*

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**Pastoral Team**

Father Ian Duffy, Rector  
 Father Bill Foote, Honourary Assistant  
 Deacon Quinto Tami  
 Carlos Diaz, Seminarian Intern

**Basilica Staff**

Joe Finocchio, Business Manager  
 Susan Potvin, Parish Secretary  
 Brian Smith, Custodian

**Music Ministry**

Joe Carere, Organist & Choirmaster  
 Julian Mason, Organ Scholar

**Parish Office Hours:**

**Monday to Friday 9:00am - 12:00 noon**  
**1:00pm - 4:30pm**

**St. Vincent de Paul Society: 519-654-3575**

**Elementary Schools:**

**Saint Michael School**  
 9 McElderry Road  
 Principal: Sue Majer.....519-823-2455  
**Saint Paul School**  
 182 Clairfields Drive East  
 Principal: Philip DiNucci.....519-824-9470  
**Saint Ignatius of Loyola School**  
 251 Colonial Drive  
 Principal: Robert Furfaro.....519-822-6192

**Welcome to newcomers in the parish.**

Registration forms are available at the office or on our website.

**Hospital Registration:**

Please be sure to indicate your religion and parish when entering the hospital.

**Lord's Day Masses:**

**Saturday: 5:15pm**  
**Sunday: 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon**

**Weekday Liturgies:**

**See schedule inside**

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:**

Wednesday 8:30 am to 12:00 noon

**Sick and Shut-in Ministry:**

Contact the parish office if you would like someone to bring Communion or to visit/call you.

**High Schools:**

**Bishop Macdonell High School**  
 200 Clair Road West  
 Principal: Stephen Gulyas.....519-822-8502  
**Our Lady of Lourdes**  
 54 Westmount Road  
 Principal: Betty Farrell.....519-836-2170  
**Saint James High School**  
 57 Victoria Road North  
 Principal: Mike MacPherson.....519-822-4290  
**St. John Bosco**  
 19 Northumberland Street  
 Principal: Kellie Angerilli.....519-824-8909

**Bequests:**

Please consider a bequest to the Church of Our Lady to maintain our parish as a Symbol of Faith for future generations.

**Sacrament of Penance:**

Saturday: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm  
 First Saturday of the Month: 8:00 am - 8:45am

**Sacrament of Baptism:**

Please contact the Parish Office at least two months prior to the proposed date of Baptism. Application forms are available on the website.

**Sacrament of Marriage:**

Please contact the Parish at least nine months before the proposed date of marriage.

**Sacrament of Anointing:** Available upon request.

**Correspondence Course:**

This program is available to assist parents in the religious education of their children. It is available from Kindergarten to High School.

**Funeral and Burial Arrangements:**

When a death occurs in your family, please advise the parish immediately and we will assist you in making liturgical arrangements. For information on Catholic burial please contact the Cemetery Office at 836-8814 or 1-800-661-5985. [www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca](http://www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca)



**MASSES OF THE WEEK**

**Monday, October 18**– *St. Luke, Evangelist*  
**9:00a.m.** –*Mary Peori, and Special Intentions of Eric & Rosemary Kubica, John & Catherine Healy*

**Tuesday, October 19**– *Ferial: Weekday*  
**9:00a.m.** – *Angela Gazziro*

**Wednesday, October 20** – *Ferial: Weekday*  
**7:30a.m.** –*Special Intentions of Catherine Healy*  
**8:30a.m. to 12:00 noon** – *Eucharistic Adoration*  
**12:15p.m.**– *Larry Rooney*

**Thursday, October 21** – *Ferial: Weekday*  
**9:00a.m.** – *Richard Wojcicki*

**Friday, October 22** – *Ferial: Weekday*  
**9:00am** – *Special Intentions of Laurae Burt & Family*

**Saturday, October 23**– *Ferial: Weekday*  
**5:15pm** – *Mark Wysocki, Dominico Conversano, Repose of the Soul and Special Intentions of Denver Wojtanowski, Bob & Patricia Mason*

**Sunday, October 24**– *Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
**9:00a.m.- 10:30 a.m.-12:00 noon**

**PARISH & OTHER NEWS**

**REST IN PEACE**

+We offer our prayers and sympathy to all the families who have recently lost a loved one. May they, and all our deceased loved one’s rest in peace with the Lord.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

+Thank you for your gift \$23,664.85 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God’s blessings.

**Change of Address**

Contact Susan in the office 519-824-3951 or e-mail [ourlady@churchofourlady.com](mailto:ourlady@churchofourlady.com)

**Learn to Pray the Divine Office**

Since the earliest days the Church has prayed the Divine Office (Liturgy of the Hours) as a way to fulfill the Lord’s command to “pray without ceasing”. The various “Hours” of the Office punctuate the day with prayer, mostly drawn from the Psalms, the prayer book of Jesus. Over the centuries the Liturgy of the Hours became a prayer almost exclusively reserved to clergy and religious. However, the Second Vatican Council desired that the Divine Office once again become the “Prayer of the Church”. Accordingly, I am pleased to offer a series of workshops for people interested in learning to pray the Divine Office. Sessions will be held on the following Wednesdays, November 3, 10 and 17. Please register with Susan in the office 519-824-3951. Each session builds upon the previous one, so all sessions are necessary. Breviaries will be available, but it is recommended that you purchase your own at a charge of \$60.00. Praying the Liturgy of the Hours will become a regular part of our worship here at the Basilica. All sessions are in the Basilica.

Fr. Ian Duffy, Rector  
 The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate.

**COVID VACCINES**

The official position of the Catholic Church is that all available COVID vaccines are ethical and all Catholics who are able are encouraged to receive the vaccine. All employees serving in the Diocese of Hamilton are encouraged to be fully vaccinated or to submit to a COVID rapid test every Monday and Thursday in order to carry out their responsibilities. Volunteer liturgical ministers are required to be fully vaccinated. Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI encourages every member of the Catholic Church within our Diocese of Hamilton to be fully vaccinated.

**Vocations**

The blind beggar Bartimaeus would not listen to the many people scolding him to be quiet, but shouted all the louder in prayer “Son of David, have mercy on me!” Only then did Jesus call him over and answered his need. Bartimaeus becomes a powerful example of how persistent we must be in prayer when we are asking God to show us His Will for our lives. And then, ask Him for the grace to accept it. If you feel that God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Michael King, Director

of Vocation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 ext. 2246 or email: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com).

### **Direct Deposits**

We have a weekly and monthly direct deposit available for parishioners who do not want to receive envelopes, please let the parish know and a form will be emailed to you, or you can register on [www.basilicaofourlady.com](http://www.basilicaofourlady.com).

### **Catechetical Correspondence Courses**

Do your children attend public or private school, or do you home-school? If you are wondering how to support their ongoing formation in religious education, the Diocese of Hamilton offers Catechetical Correspondence Programs for every age and stage from Kindergarten through to High School including programs specially designed to assist children preparing for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation. Contact Sybil at Hamilton Diocese 905-528-7988 extension 2339 or email: [catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com)

### **Online Learning for Adult Faith Formation**

The Diocese of Hamilton is pleased to have the University of Dayton: Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) as a partner in adult faith formation. The VLCFF is a living adult faith community offering online learning opportunities to address the learning needs of adults in our Diocese. Whether taking courses for professional development in ministry or for personal nourishment, the VLCFF provides a breadth of opportunity for full certificate programs, five-week online courses and three-week intensive online seminars. For more information check out the **Hamilton Diocese learns web page** or contact the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2339 or [catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com).

### **Marriage Support**

Is your marriage experiencing more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected and/or causing you worries? The solution is Retrouvaille – a program for married couples facing challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving partnership. It is a practical program, where sharing is only between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend will take place via Zoom, November 4 – 7, 2021.

For information call 905-664-5212 or email: [teamrecine@gmail.com](mailto:teamrecine@gmail.com).

### **Restart: A Separation & Divorce Recovery Program**

Feeling the need for support, healing and/or hope after a separation or divorce? The Diocesan ReStart Programs support your journey, providing you with tools to remain healthy. For more information contact Teresa at the Family Ministry Office (905) 528-7988 ext. 2250

### **Parenting Tip of the Month – Tip 133**

October brings colder air and final harvests of the season. It is a time when we see beauty of nature and the creative mind of God in providing this world for each of us. Children spend a lot of time wishing for things they don't have, instead of focusing on what they do have, including love from family members, their faith community and friends and neighbours who care for them. During this month of thanksgiving, help your children focus on giving thanks for all they have by writing a daily gratitude journal. Each day they can write about the goodness's of their day and at the end of the month they will have documentation about how much they have to be grateful for – both to God and everyone else who contributes to their lives.

### **Pregnancy Support – Volunteer Training Session**

On Saturday, November 13 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, the Sanctuary Outreach Pregnancy Support program will be offering a virtual training session on how to journey with, support women and families who are facing an unexpected pregnancy. The session is free and includes training on active listening, local resources and understanding the challenges women and families face. Anyone interested in supporting pregnant women in need is welcome. To register, email [info@sanctuaryoutreach.com](mailto:info@sanctuaryoutreach.com) or call 519-836-6311 by Monday, November 8, 2021.

### **Food and Friends Weekend – October 23 & 24, 2021**

We invite you to gather for a Food and Friends Weekend (Formerly known as Donut Sunday). Congratulations to Mary Magyar for her winning entry in our re-naming contest!

We will gather **outside** in the South parking lot (weather permitting) following each weekend Mass on October 23 and 24 for some refreshments and social time. All Covid protocols observed! Watch out for the CWL members who will be selling tickets for their Christmas Draws (tickets are also available at the office).

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