

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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Father Ian Duffy, KHS, Rector
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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: Brian Munaro.....519-823-2455
Saint Paul School
 182 Clairfields Drive East
 Principal: Sue Majer.....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
 First Fridays 9:30 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.

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

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: Sandra Cummings.....519-822-4290
St. John Bosco
 19 Northumberland Street
 Principal: Corey Malone.....519-824-8909



Monday, April 4 – Ferial - Weekday

9:00a.m. – Luigi Gatto, Maria Nguyen Chu, Dominico Nguyen Van Muu

Tuesday, April 5 – Ferial - Weekday

9:00a.m. – Hoang Tran Chu, Salvation of Sinners
7:00 p.m. – Guy Soligo and Deceased Members of the Sazzari & Soligo Family

Wednesday, April 6 – Ferial - Weekday

7:00a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
7:30a.m. – Ken Leader
9:00a.m. to 12:00p.m. – Eucharistic Adoration
12:15p.m. – Peter Vasko

Thursday, April 7 – Ferial - Weekday

9:00a.m. – Frank Sandran, Angelina Casarin
7:00p.m. – Matthew Hanson

Friday, April 8 – Ferial - Weekday

9:00a.m. — Paul Garcia (9:30 a.m. Stations of the Cross)
1:00p.m. to 7:00p.m. – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (All Fridays during Lent)
6:00p.m. to 6:45p.m. – Confessions
7:00p.m. – Stations of the Cross & Benediction

Saturday, April 9 – Ferial – Weekday

8:00a.m. to 8:45a.m. – Confessions
9:00a.m. – Solemn Mass
10:30 – 12:00 Noon - Confession
3:00pm to 5:00p.m. - Confessions
5:15p.m. – Lawrence Xavier, Intentions for Savio & Family, Thanksgiving for Hilary d Souza & Family, Thanksgiving for Justin Nazren & Family, Souls of Departed d Souza & Gonsalves Family and Special Intentions for Addison Hill

Sunday, April 10 – Palm Sunday of The Passion of the Lord

8:30a.m.- 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Stewardship of Treasure

† Thank you for your gift of \$14,452.19 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God’s blessing

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.

Lent 2022 Virtual Resources

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis and the Liturgy Office have prepared a variety of resources for parishes and families for the Lenten Season.

The link below brings you to the Lent 2022 Virtual Resources on the Diocesan web page. A few of these resources are highlighted below.

- Liturgy of the Word for Ash Wednesday with His Excellency, Bishop Wayne Lopsinger prepared with an elementary school participant in mind. This can be celebrated virtually in a classroom or at home.
- Tips for families celebrating the Lenten rituals of prayer, fasting and almsgiving at home.
- Resources available for purchase from the Diocese office or free on-line links to children’s activities, literature for teens, and adult resources.

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/lent2022/>

Evening with His Excellency, Bishop Lobsinger

Join Auxiliary Bishop, Wayne Lobsinger, for Evenings with His Excellency, and opportunity to learn more and ask questions about our Catholic Faith. You may attend online or in person at Canadian Martyrs Parish, Hamilton, on the 2nd Friday of every month from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. For more information, visit:

<https://www.canadianmartyrshamilton.com/upcoming/2021/9/10/evenings-with-his-excellency>.

40 Days for Life

40 Days for Life is a time of prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil to end abortion. The prayer vigil is taking place daily from March 2 to April 10 in downtown Guelph and all are encouraged to sign up to pray. Visit 40daysforlife.com/Guelph for more details or call 519-836-6311.

Tax Receipts for 2021

Are now available in the Parish Office for pickup. If you have any concerns, please contact Susan at the parish office.

Vocations

Blessed are they who come in the Name of the Lord! Am I being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988).

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Website: www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

Grief Relief

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? Are you wondering if your feelings are normal? You are not alone! The Diocese of Hamilton will be offering an online grief program beginning in April. Find out more on the Diocesan website at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/grief-support>, or call Teresa at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

St. Vincent De Paul Homeless Packages

Our St. Vincent De Paul Conference will be putting together some care packages for the homeless over the next 2-3 weeks.

These packages are intended to provide some essentials like travel size toothpaste, toothbrush, bar of soap, small comb or hairbrush, disposable razor, bandages, nail clippers, tissues, wet wipes, petroleum jelly, sunscreen, and small flashlight with batteries.

If anyone wishes to donate any of these articles, please place them in the crates near the St. Vincent De Paul Statue at the Church Entrance.

(Please, New Unused Articles Only. Thank You)

Calling All Catholic Moms!

St. John the Baptist Church is launching an exciting ministry geared towards uplifting the vocation of motherhood. Come and be part of an encouraging and supportive community of women and go deeper into your faith life. It really does take a village to raise children and as moms, we are not meant to figure it out all on our own. We have each other! Stay tuned for more details on how you can be part of Catholic Moms Group.

Meetings will be held after the 8:00 a.m. Mass, on the first Wednesday of each month, starting April 6, 2022, children are welcome. Check out our website; www.CatholicMomsGroup.com, and learn more about this amazing ministry! Email; st.johnbaptistmg@catholicmomsgroup.com to RSVP or ask questions.

St. Joseph Knights of Columbus in Fergus Good Friday Fish and Chips

After a two (2) year break, the Knights of Columbus will once again be serving their popular Fish & Chip dinners from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Good Friday (April 15th) at St. Joseph's Parish Hall in Fergus. We will continue offering a choice of oven-baked, or traditional deep fried, breaded haddock fish portions. Fish and Chip dinners, including fries, cole slaw, juice and coffee or tea will be \$12.00 for one piece of fish and \$17.00 for two pieces of fish. A side serving of one piece of fish will be \$7.00 and an order of fries only will be \$5.00. Pop or bottled water will be \$1.00 each. Take out will be available. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending as **we have decided that 50% of the proceeds will be donated to Ukraine Relief** and the balance to our Knights Charities in the Parish and Community. No Reservations are necessary, a first come, first serve basis.

Sanctuary Outreach is Hiring

Guelph & Area Right to Life is looking for a new Project Coordinator for their Pregnancy Support Program, Sanctuary Outreach (SO). This is a part-time position with semi-flexible daytime weekday hours and the position will begin in May 2022. For more information, please call (519-836-6311). Email: info@guelphforlife.com or view the job posting.

Walk for Life in Guelph & Fergus – May 7, 2022

It is not easy to stand up for life, but together, our voices can make a difference! Join the pro-life walkathons in Fergus or Guelph on Saturday, May 7th at 10:00 a.m. Walks are approximately 45 minutes long, and signs are provided. For more information and to RSVP, visit; guelphforlife.com or call Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311.

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