

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, Rector
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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

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



MASSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, January 17– St. Anthony, Abbot Memorial
9:00a.m. – Kathleen Ellis, Vincent Bolzon and Special Intentions for Ethel Toth

Tuesday, January 18– Ferial - Weekday
9:00a.m. – Regina Silveira, Filippo Paolillo and Intentions for the Denes Family

Wednesday, January 19– Ferial - Weekday
7:30a.m.– Special Intentions for Joseph Grierson
12:15p.m.- Ken Gillam

Thursday, January 20 – Ferial - Weekday
9:00a.m. – Andre Kucovica

Friday, January 21 – St. Agnes, Virgin, Martyr
9:00a.m. – Frank & Helen Synnott

Saturday, January 22 – Ferial - Weekday
5:15p.m. – Mary Peori, Rose Steinhoff, Lyle Peverley, Souls in Purgatory and Special Intentions for Cathie Evans

Sunday, January 23 – Third 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 of \$7,306.70 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessings.

Covid Updates

Please wear your masks, practice social distancing, and use hand sanitizer when attending Mass. Meetings in the Parish Halls are cancelled until further notice.

Hamilton Diocesan Speaker Series

The kickoff to the Diocesan speaker series, meant to celebrate the year, will be in January, with a special three-part presentation by Bishop Lobsinger, with input from the Pastoral Offices staff. The evening session will be held from 7-8:30 pm on January 12th, 19th and 26th, and will unpack the great wisdom in *Amoris Laetitia: The Joy of Love in Families and Church*. The presentations, by zoom, are meant to engage all members of the Diocese in looking at both the challenges and blessings of families in the world today. Check the Diocesan website at <https://amorislaetitia.hamiltondiocese.com/> for more information about both the year and the Diocesan Speaker series. Online registration will be necessary to receive the link, where you can join in by phone or internet. For more information contact Teresa Hartnett at thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com or 905-528-7988 ext. 2250

Vocations

You are the body of Christ; every one of you is a member of it. As a member of the body, we serve different roles. Are you willing to do your part? 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/

Bible Sunday

The Diocese of Hamilton celebrates Bible Sunday on January 23, 2022. Bishop Crosby has chosen the third Sunday of Ordinary Time each year as our day to emphasize how "The Bible Speaks and how We Listen." We encourage you to visit our Diocesan webpage dedicated to Bible Sunday 2022. Here you will find resources for adults, youth, and children to help foster a relationship with God's living Word.

Website: www.hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks.

Parenting Tip of the Month: Tip 136

Our children are, in many ways, like sponges absorbing all we say and do. Even when we think they are not watching or listening, they are often taking in our comments, actions, and attitudes. In fact, our influence lasts their entire lives and impacts them throughout their lifetime. Equally important is what we do not say about something they are seeing, hearing, or doing, since silence is considered consent. Parenting takes constant work, which is why it is considered a vitally important vocation. The rewards, however, of seeing your children grow into healthy, strong adults is worth the effort.

Marriage Tip of the Month: Tip 116

Some people drift into their relationships over a number of years, but it can also be said that people drift out of their relationships as well. We can become complacent and take for granted all the nice things our spouse does for us and/or sometimes we stop doing nice things for them. Over time we compliment less, spend less time together, stop sharing our day, feelings, or hopes and dreams and suddenly lose sight of the other. When we continue to treat our relationship as new, taking the time to discover who the other is and complimenting them for it, we stay firmly attached instead of drifting apart.

Shine a Light – January 28, 2022

Over 4 million abortions have taken place in Canada since it was legalized in 1969 under certain circumstances. On the anniversary of the Supreme Court's subsequent 1988 decision which struck down the abortion law and left no protection for children before birth, gather with us for a time of remembrance and prayer.

With an engaging display of the number of lives lost through abortion, we'll be shining a light on this important human rights issue and educating the public.

When: Friday, January 28, 2022 at 7 – 8 pm
Where: Sidewalk in front of Guelph City Hall,
1 Carden St. Guelph, Ontario
Questions? Contact Guelph & Area Right to Life
519-836-6311/ info@guelphforlife.com

Youth Ministry Certification

There are spaces open for new learners in the upcoming cycles of the Youth Ministry Certification program. If you are interested in participating in Vision for Catholic Youth Ministry – A Canadian Perspective or Relational Ministry with Youth – A Canadian Perspective, please email: nmccowell@hamiltondiocese.com.

Pro-Life Dessert Fundraiser

In lieu of their annual fundraising dinner, Guelph and Area Right to Life invites you to their “Banana Bonanza” dessert fundraiser which will take place virtually on Friday, February 11 at 7:00 p.m. Receive a complimentary banana split dessert package, and tune into the virtual event to hear updates about the impact of their pro-life projects and have an opportunity to donate. Please call 519-836-6311 to reserve your spot by February 7th.

Mary Mount Immaculate Retreat Centre

Is now open and accepting group and personal retreat bookings for 2022! With a large Chapel and acres of untouched green space Mount Mary is an ideal location for those seeking a retreat experience. Groups of all types are welcome for a day or for an overnight stay. For more information please visit: www.mountmary.ca

Stories of a Generation with Pope Francis

This is the title of a warm, uplifting, and inspirational series on NETFLIX. The series began on December 25th – and is based on the Pope's 2018 book. **Sharing the Wisdom of Time.** The series showcases stories from people over 70 from all quarters of the globe, including the Pope himself, as they impart their life experiences to young filmmakers. Each of its four one-hour episodes is devoted to a central theme: “Love”, “Dream”, “Struggle” and “Work”. There are a few famous names among the stories, including Martin Scorsese and Jane Goodall, but most of those who are presented have never lived in the spotlight! If you subscribe to NETFLIX, it is well worth a watch.

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