

# 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  
 Father Bill Foote, Honourary Assistant  
 Deacon Quinto Tami  
 Deacon Carlos Diaz

**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.

**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](http://www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca)

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



**Monday, March 21** – Ferial - Weekday

**9:00a.m.** – Mary Peori, Lucio Porcellato, Guiseppa TrecaPELLI, Carlo Galluzzi and Pasqualina Galluzzi,  
Intention for Geru Amuchand

**Tuesday, March 22** – Ferial - Weekday

**9:00a.m.** – Massimo Marcone  
**7:00 p.m.** – Noel Stevens

**Wednesday, March 23** – Ferial - Weekday

**7:00a.m.** – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)  
**7:30a.m.** – Special Intention for Ted Leader  
**9:00a.m. to 12:00p.m.** – Eucharistic Adoration  
**12:15p.m.** – Dorothy O’Handley

**Thursday, March 24** – Ferial - Weekday

**9:00a.m.** – Holy Mass and Blessing of Shamrock -  
Intentions for Paul & Maria Tersigni  
**7:00p.m.** – Special Intentions for Judith Scherer and  
For the Sanctity of Life

**Friday, March 25** – The Annunciation of The Lord

**9:00a.m.** — (9:30 am - Stations of the Cross)  
**1:00p.m. to 7:00p.m.** – Ferial – Weekday - Adoration of  
the Blessed Sacrament (All Fridays during Lent)  
**6:00p.m. to 6:45p.m.** – Confessions  
**7:00p.m.** – Solemn Mass of the Annunciation  
(Bishop Ustrzycki’s 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration)

**Saturday, March 26** – Ferial – Saint Joseph, Spouse of  
the Blessed Virgin Mary – Principal Patron of Canada

**8:00a.m. to 8:45a.m.** – Confessions  
**9:00a.m.** – Solemn Mass  
**4:00pm to 5:00p.m.** - Confessions  
**5:15p.m.** – Kathleen Ellis, Stuart Crease, Joseph &  
Beatrice Fitzpatrick & all Deceased Family Members,  
and For the Souls in Purgatory, Intentions for Dina  
Memegotto

**Sunday, March 27** – Fourth Sunday of Lent

**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.

### MEMORIAL GIVING

Making a memorial gift is a special way to honour the memory of a deceased loved one. When a deceased family member or friend was a person of faith, a gift to their Parish is a meaningful way to honour what was most special to them. Your donation is acknowledged to the family that a gift has been made in honour of the deceased; however, the amount of the gift is never disclosed. Please consider the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate when making funeral arrangements and include our Parish in the Memorial Donations along with your favourite charities and causes. Thank you.

### 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/>

### The Stations – Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

The Stations is a collaborative project with local youth, young adults and adults that are part of our local Catholic Community. The Stations of the Cross will be presented in a language of today with Live Contemporary Music to aid in reflection. Free Admission. Appropriate for all ages. St. Joseph Church, Guelph, Divine Praises Music

### Stewardship of Treasure

† Thank you for your gift of \$7,244.00 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God’s blessing.

### **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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 – Mass with Bishop Lobsinger**

On **Thursday, March 24 at 7:00 p.m.** Bishop Lobsinger will be visiting the Basilica of Our Lady for a special Mass for 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](http://40daysforlife.com/Guelph) for more details or call 519-836-6311.

### **Tax Receipts for 2021**

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

### **McCafe Free Coffee Cards**

Saint Vincent de Paul is hoping to collect the McCafe free coffee cards to give to the homeless that come up for breakfast at our Basilica steps.

As you know, due to the cold weather, the breakfast program is currently being run through the Stepping Stone (aka Drop-in Centre). We provide the shelter with the breakfast sandwiches and fresh fruit, and they help us by putting it out for those folks spending the night at the shelter. We are hoping to reinstate it at our church steps sometime mid-May.

Until then however, we were hoping to ask our parishioners to donate any full McCafe cards they may have. This will not only permit a person to enter a McDonalds to get out of the cold for a bit, but also allow them to get free coffee at the same time. If anyone wishes to help out, they can put the card(s) in an envelope marked SVDP Coffee Cards and leave it in the collection basket on Saturday or Sunday Masses. The cards will be collected and distributed to the homeless directly.

### **Vocations**

Like the forgiving father of Luke's Gospel, God welcomes us home in spite of our sinfulness, and calls us to a life of holiness. Where are you at home. Are you being called to a life as an ordained or a consecrated person? 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](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

Website: [www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/)

### **Knights of Columbus – Easter Raffle**

Due to the immense and immediate need in war torn Ukraine the Knights of Columbus Council 10631 at St. Joseph's Parish are now devoting all proceeds from our Easter Raffle to support Ukrainian Refugees. In addition **we will also make available to Parishioners the ability to donate directly to the fund** via the website: <https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/donate/ukraine.html> or giving our Council a cheque or money where we can then donate the funds on your behalf. See bulletin insert for information.

### **Catholic Women's League On-Line Auction**

The Catholic Women's League would like to acknowledge and thank those who donated items for our first ever On-Line Auction. Our members did a sterling job of donating and the Guelph Community as also very generous. We would like to thank, in no particular order, the following businesses: Dulux Paint, Speedvale Ave.; President's Choice; Market Fresh; Zehrs; Rowe Farms; Royal City Nursery; Ireland & Ireland – Coldwell Banker; Angel's Family Restaurant; Dettmer Tire; Milestones Restaurant; Wellington Motors; Metro; Vinnie's Automotive; Dallan Hair Stylist; Williams Fresh Café; Valet Car Wash; Bread Bar; and Pampered Chef. A very big thank you to everyone that participated in the auction by bidding on and purchasing items to support our new fundraising initiative. Thanks to the generosity of our wonderful parish, we have been able to continue to support charities and local good works throughout the challenges of the pandemic.



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