

# BASILICA OF OUR LADY IMMACULATE

## Parish Community



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**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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 Deacon Quinto Tami  
 Deacon Moices Caballero

**Basilica Staff**

Joe Finocchio, Business Manager  
 Susan Potvin, Parish Secretary  
 Amy Grey, Secretary  
 Brendan Shea, Custodian

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Joe Carere, Organist & Choirmaster  
 Julian Mason, Sub-Organist  
 Bruce Taylor, Organ Scholar

**Parish Office Hours:**

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

**St. Vincent de Paul Society: 519-731-2563**

**Elementary Schools:**

**Saint Michael School**  
 9 McEldery Road  
 Principal: Brian Munaro.....519-823-2455  
**Saint Paul School**  
 182 Clairfields Drive East  
 Principal: Dawn Uliana.....519-824-9470  
**Saint Ignatius of Loyola School**  
 251 Colonial Drive  
 Principal: Michelle Nagy.....519-822-6192

**Welcome to Newcomers in the parish.**

Registration forms are available at the office, at the back of the Church or on our website.

**Hospital Registration:**

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

**Lord's Day Masses:**

**Saturday: 5:15 pm**  
**Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:00 am**

**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: Valerie Markes.....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 Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate 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 one year in advance before the proposed date of the 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, August 19, 2024**

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)

9:00 a.m. Mass – Evert Vlasveld, Grace Ryan, Intentions of Joan Voll

**Tuesday, August 20, 2024**

8:30 a.m. The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)

9:00 a.m. Mass – Nada Wyman, Intentions of Deacon Quinto Tami

**Wednesday, August 21, 2024**

8:00 a.m. The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)

8:30 a.m. Perpetual Help Devotions

9:00 a.m. Mass – Robert Fitton, Intentions of Betty Rowsell

9:30 a.m. Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament

**Thursday, August 22, 2024 – Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)

9:00 a.m. – Mass – Intentions of William Toth

**Friday, August 23, 2024**

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)

9:00 a.m. Mass – Peggy McGarry, Mary Pedder

**Saturday, August 24, 2024**

9:00 a.m. – Mass -

4:00 p.m. – Confessions

5:15 p.m. Mass – Danila Michieli, Marino Bergantim, Don Grierson, Elisa Sante Baggio, Intentions of Father William Meehan, Denes Family

**Sunday, August 25, 2024 – 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)

9:00 a.m. – Mass

11:00 a.m. – Mass

**PARISH & OTHER NEWS**

**Regina Caeli Shrine Lamps**

During the 20<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time, the lamps of the Regina Caeli Shrine burn for the intentions of the Gojdcz Family & the Donczaak Family. To request that one of the lamps be lit for your intentions, or in memory of a loved one, please call or visit the Parish Office. A donation of \$10.00 per lamp is requested.

**Stewardship of Treasure**

† Thank you for your gift of \$16,311.00 in support of your parish community and in gratitude for God's blessing.

**Vocations**

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink as to nourish us on our journey towards the Kingdom. May we be faithful to Him on our journey as married, single, ordained or consecrated persons.

If you feel God could be calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, please contact Fr. Mark Morley,

Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

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

**2024 Marian Day Events**

Marian Days continue at the Basilica with Holy Hour at 9:00am, and confessions being heard during the Holy Hour. Mass will be celebrated at 10:30am, followed by the Rosary Procession. You are welcome to bring a lunch, coffee and tea will be served after the Procession, and tours of the Basilica will be available. The October 5<sup>th</sup> Regina Caeli Tea tickets are now on sale. Each ticket is \$25.00, and all tickets must be pre ordered. 1 seating only at 12:00pm, Contact the Parish Office for tickets.

Dates are as follows: **September 7, 2024 (Bishop Douglas Crosby), October 5, 2024 (Bishop Daniel Miehm).**

**Basilica Picnic – Sunday September 8, 2024!!!**

We will begin selling tickets this weekend after Mass at the Church main entrance. We ask that you purchase your tickets well in advance – this will help the committee manage the quantity of food to purchase for the event. The festivities begin with an open-air Mass at 1:00pm followed by games, music, food and fun for all ages. We will have many fun and exciting activities, including the always popular bocci and euchre tournaments. “The Musicmakers” are back by popular demand, and will play some lively, sing-along music in the afternoon. Kids will have lots of fun, with several new games. We will also have our annual raffle draw, with many wonderful prizes! Tickets remain, only \$5.00 per person and children under 5 years of age are admitted free. Please plan to join your fellow parishioners at St. Michael's Catholic School for this wonderful event. To ensure your comfort, we ask that you bring lawn chairs and blankets.

**Pilgrimage to France & Spain in June 2025**

You are invited to take part in a Pilgrimage to the Shrines of Spain and France from June 3<sup>rd</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> 2025. Fr Ian Duffy, Rector of the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph, will be the spiritual director for this pilgrimage highlighting Lourdes, Lisieux, Nevers, Monserrat, Zaragoza, Barcelona and Paris. The price of \$5,690.00 CDN per person includes airfare, accommodation, ground transportation and most meals. To register or for more information please contact Edgar at Gateways International ([edgar@gateways-international.com](mailto:edgar@gateways-international.com)) or 1-800-268-0900 Ext 233).

**Catholic Young Adult Book Study Group**

The Catholic book study group meets every other Wednesday in the Basilica of Our Lady's Parish Hall at 5:45pm. On August 21<sup>st</sup>, the group will be continuing their discussion of “Brideshead Revisited” by Evelyn Waugh. Young adults in their 20's and 30's are welcome to join for a potluck dinner, fellowship, and discussion. Please RSVP by emailing [hannaruthcaruso@gmail.com](mailto:hannaruthcaruso@gmail.com)

**Parish Gift Shop**

Father Bill recommends the “Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, published by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops to all, whether you are

considering becoming Catholic or are a lifelong Catholic. What is a compendium? The dictionary gives this explanation; "a compendium is a collection of concise but detailed information about a particular subject." This book will answer a multitude of questions you may have. Drop in after any weekend Mass – there is always something new to discover in the Gift Shop. Window shoppers are welcome..

### **Guelph & Area Right to Life**

Join us on August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 7:00pm at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate Parish Hall for a showing of "The Matter of Life," a powerful documentary that sheds light on the abortion issue and the pro-life movement. Created by a former pro-choice Christian who was transformed by a compelling presentation on the humanity of the unborn, this film aims to raise awareness through impactful storytelling. Attendance is free, but goodwill offerings will be gratefully accepted and shared with The Matter of Life Team. A discussion will follow the screening, and refreshments will be provided.

### **Bon Voyage: A Violin Recital**

Join Lucia Warren on the Violin (and Beth Ann De Sousa on piano). Lucia is about to embark on a new journey at the conservatory in Amsterdam for her masters in violin performance. Join us for an evening of timeless works by Gabriel Faure, J.S. Bach, Amy Beach and Edward Elgar. Admission is by donation. To purchase tickets come to the Parish office to scan a QR Code or go to the welcome desk located at the back of the church to scan the flyer there. If you are unable to attend any donation would be appreciated. The recital will be on Friday August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024, at 7:30pm located in the Crypt Chapel at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate

### **RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**

RCIA Is a process for welcoming adult newcomers into the Roman Catholic Church. It is for all who are thinking about becoming Catholic or searching at this time. Beginning in the fall, interested adults will meet each week for a few hours to explore our faith with experienced and encouraging parish facilitators. The first 10 weeks will focus on the fundamentals of Christianity in the context of our Roman Catholic experience. The process continues through winter and into spring with the focus shifting to specific Catholic beliefs and practices, and to spiritual preparation for reception into the church. While most participants become full members of the Church at Easter, there is ongoing dialogue and openness to each person's journey. Sessions will be held in the Lourdes meeting room (in the Parish Office) on Wednesdays from 7:00pm to 9:00pm, starting September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Please contact the Parish Office for more information or to register at 519-824-3951 or email ourlady@churchofourlady.com

### **Annual Clergy Golf Tournament – Sponsored by the KW Serra Club, Waterloo, Kitchener & Elmira Knights of Columbus**

Location: Beaverdale Golf Course (1171 Kossuth Rd, Cambridge)

Date: Monday September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Tee Off: 9:00am (please arrive 20 min prior to tee off)

Price: \$130.00 includes golf, cart and dinner  
\$35.00 dinner only

\*\* All clergy complimentary golf and dinner\*\*

Steak dinner served at 5:30pm at the Columbus Conference Centre (145 Dearborn place, Waterloo).

Pre-Registration required by August 19<sup>th</sup>, contact Peter Guinta at (519)572-2958 or by email at [halifaxpg2017@gmail.com](mailto:halifaxpg2017@gmail.com) or Martin Hickey at (519)404-8835 or by email at [manager@columbusconferencecentre.com](mailto:manager@columbusconferencecentre.com).

### **Marriage Preparation**

Are you getting married this fall or in the early part of 2025? Marriage preparation is an important way that the Church reaches out to support your relationship. Once you have spoken to the parish and booked your wedding, be sure to register for one of our upcoming courses, which run from January to December of each year. Fall 2024 dates are posted on the website now. Find out more at Preparation for Marriage – Diocese of Hamilton (Hamiltondiocese.com).

### **Scotland and Northern England Trip**

May 4<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025; Join us for an almost all-inclusive 12-day trip to Stirling, Durham, Lake District, and surrounding countryside. Open to members of the parish community and their friends and family. \$4,695.00 deposit due mid-July. See the St. Teresa of Avila parish website ([www.stteresaelmira.ca](http://www.stteresaelmira.ca)) events page for itinerary and details. Organized by Joan Coutu with Father Peter Meyer.

### **11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of J.O.E – Fundraising Pasta Dinner**

J.O.E (Jobs Opportunities, Enterprise) is a charitable, not for profit organization that since 2013 has been committed to providing adults with developmental disabilities, the opportunity to engage in job training and valued employment in the mainstream workforce. Come join us at our Pasta Dinner on Saturday September 21<sup>st</sup>, at Holy Rosary Parish Hall (165 Emma St, Guelph) as we celebrate 11 years of success and build toward a future of hope and promise. The pasta dinner will be prepared by well known Chef, Michael Macerollo. Tickets are \$50.00 each, which includes a \$30.00 charitable donation receipt, and are available for purchase at Holy Rosary Parish office between 8:30a.m. and 4:30p.m. weekdays. Doors open at 5:30p.m. and dinner is served at 6:30p.m. Please contact Josephine Scott at 519-837-9938 if you have any questions.

### **Maryhill Historical Society Heritage Day**

Date: Sunday September 22, 2024

Time: 11:00am

After mass there will be a lunch at the Maryhill Heritage Park Community Centre (58 St. Charles St. E, Maryhill). Lunch hosted by the Catholic Women's league. There will be presentations, 50-50 draws and silent auction. Tickets required for lunch are \$15.00. Email [maryhillroots@gmail.com](mailto:maryhillroots@gmail.com) or Diane at (519)648-2432. Tom at (519-824-4074 or Linda at (519-242-9595). Following the luncheon there will be a car cavalcade to the area shrines and the Edward Halter House (Historical Society).



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