

# 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, VF, KHS, Rector  
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 Deacon Moices Caballero

**Basilica Staff**

Joe Finocchio, Business Manager  
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 Amy Grey, Secretary  
 Brendan Shea, Custodian

**Music Ministry**

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 McElderry Road  
 Principal: Corey Malone.....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: Kellie Angerilli.....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: Michael MacPherson...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: Steve Gulyas.....519-822-4290

**St. John Bosco**  
 19 Northumberland Street  
 Principal: Sandra Cummings.....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, September 2, 2024**

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

9:00 a.m. Mass – Gentile Natarelli, Manuel Pires, Grace Ryan

**Tuesday, September 3, 2024**

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

9:00 a.m. Mass – Kevin Sheehy, Intentions of Shealah Wysocki

**Wednesday, September 4, 2024**

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

8:30 a.m. Perpetual Help Devotions

9:00 a.m. Mass – Arthur Koslow, Melanie Webb, Intentions of Tim & Maryann Kenny

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

**Thursday, September 5, 2024**

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

9:00 a.m. – Mass – Intentions of Mary & Paul Muller, and the Ferlito Family

**Friday, September 6, 2024**

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

9:00 a.m. Mass – Intentions of Debbie Barr

**Saturday, September 7, 2024**

9:00 a.m. – Confession

10:00 a.m. – Mass Marian Day

11:00 a.m. – Rosary Procession

4:00 p.m. – Confessions

5:15 p.m. Mass – Rita Soligo, Yvon Cyr, Richard Wojcicki, Joe Bornino, Primo Baggio, Intentions of Father William Meehan

**Sunday, September 8, 2024 – 23<sup>rd</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

1:00 p.m. – Baptisms

**PARISH & OTHER NEWS**

**Regina Caeli Shrine Lamps**

During the 22<sup>nd</sup> week in Ordinary Time, the lamps of the Regina Caeli Shrine burn in loving memory of the living and deceased members of the Potvin family, and the living and deceased members of the Busato 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 \$30,914.24 and \$8,896.25 in support of your parish community and in gratitude for God's blessing.

**Vocations**

Did not God choose those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the Kingdom? Count your blessings, then come and help others count theirs too, as a Priest, Religious or Deacon. 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)**

**Regular Schedule for Wednesday Masses**

Starting the week of September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 the Masses on Wednesday will go back to the regular schedule.

7:00am - Morning Prayer

7:30am - Mass

8:30am - Perpetual Help Devotions

9:00am - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

12:15pm - Mass

**Memorial for the Preborn: Remembering Preborn Children**

Date: Sunday September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Time: 1:00pm

Location: Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate's, Garden Of Grace.

Join us for a time of remembrance and prayer for the preborn children whose lives were ended through abortion. Prayer will be led by Bishop Emeritus Ustrzycki (hosted by the Guelph & Area Right to Life)

**Marymount Cemetery & Our Lady Immaculate Mausoleum**

Everyone is invited to join us in celebrating our devotion to Our Blessed Mother On September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 come and share this special occasion with us. Mass will be held at 1:00pm, followed by a Rosary Procession around the grounds (weather permitting). For those who have difficulty walking, the Mausoleum will be available for participation in saying the Rosary. After the Rosary, we will enjoy refreshments and fellowship.

**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 September 4<sup>th</sup> and September 18<sup>th</sup>, the group will be discussing the topic of prayer, with Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen's book, "Lord, Teach Us To Pray." young adults in their 20's and 30's are welcome to join for a potluck dinner, fellowship, and discussion. To order a copy of the book and RSVP email [hannaruthcaruso@gmail.com](mailto:hannaruthcaruso@gmail.com).

### **Children's Liturgy is Back!!**

Children's Liturgy at the Basilica of Our Lady will start up again beginning the weekend of Sept 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. This will be during the 9:00am and 11:00am Sunday Masses only and offered to children who are 4 years of age and up to grade 3. If you would like to be a part of our team who lead the children, please contact the parish office. We can always use your help, to guide our young parishioners to the blessings of our Lords words and readings.

### **Parish Gift Shop**

The first order of the "Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church" will be available mid September, New products have arrived. Be sure to drop by the Gift Shop, open 12:00pm to 1:00pm on Marian Day and after all weekend Masses.

### **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](mailto:ourlady@churchofourlady.com)

### **Michael House – Baby Bottle Campaign**

On behalf of everyone at Michael House, we wanted to extend our deepest gratitude for your participation in this

year's Baby Bottle Campaign. The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate played an essential role in our success, and we are thrilled to share that your congregation raised \$2,599.09 as part of this initiative. Together we raised over \$50,000.00! This incredible achievement is a testament to the generosity and compassion of your congregation. We look forward to partnering with you again next year for the 2025 Baby Bottle Campaign.

### **Religious Education Program – In-Person Classes**

St. Joseph Church is providing in-person Religious Catechism Classes for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation for students who attend Public or Private schools from grade 1 through to grade 7. It is also open to those children whose parents wish to have their children learn more about their Catholic Faith. Classes are every Tuesday from 6:30pm to 7:30pm starting September 10, 2024 and runs through to May 2025. For more information please contact Donna Haley at 519-831-6451. Registration forms are on the website under Parish Life/Ministries.

### **Guelph Confession Times**

Sometimes we need options in order to fit something as important as Confession into our family schedule. It is wonderful if the the family can attend together! Every Saturday offered at the following times and Parishes:

11:00am - 12:00pm – St. Joseph  
4:00pm - 4:45pm – St. John the Baptist & Holy Rosary,  
4:00pm - 5:00pm - Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate  
6:20pm - 6:50pm – Sacred Heart Church

Confessions are also available by appointment through your Neighbourhood Parish Office.

### **Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Fall In Love Again!**

**Dates: September 20-22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024**

Are you ready for more growth and happiness in your marriage or priesthood? Uncover the secrets to a lasting, supportive, transformational marriage! An in-person weekend is taking place at Queen of Apostles in Mississauga. For more information, call (416) 554-4439 or 416-554-7065 email [Christian.elizabeth.aroba@wwme.org](mailto:Christian.elizabeth.aroba@wwme.org) or visit the Worldwide Marriage Encounter website at [wwmeregion4canada.com](http://wwmeregion4canada.com).

Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers refresher programs like this to help re-energize your marriage, but also has a program called Retrouvaille/Rediscovery for marriages in trouble, where partners have divorced or are considering divorce, and would like to make 'one last try'.

Engaged Encounter programs are for couples considering getting married. This highly effective weekend program is recognized in most dioceses as equivalent to the 6 week marriage preparation programs offered in many parishes. There will be cards placed at the back of the church for the for the next few weeks, if you would like to take one home with you.



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