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#### Pastoral Team:

Father Ian Duffy, KHS, Rector Father Bill Foote, Honourary Assistant Deacon Quinto Tami, Brother Anthony Espinosa



Oh Come Let us Adore Him Monday, December 26 – St. Stephen, The First Martyr

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

**9:00a.m** – Danny Michieli, Margaret & Jerzy Skowron, Addison Hill, Beata & Joaquin Fernandes

Tuesday, December 27 - St. John, Apostle, Evangelist

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

9:00a.m. – Maurice & Frances Zadro

Wednesday, December 28- The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

**7:00a.m.** – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)

7:30a.m..- Intentions for Arthur Koslow

8:00am-12:00noon – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 12:00noon- Benediction

12:15p.m. Intentions for Deacon Carlos Diaz(1 year Anniversary)

Thursday December 29– Fifth Day Within the Octave of The Nativity

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

**9:00a.m.** — Andrea Duffy, Intentions for Antonio & Philomena Bendo

Friday, December 30– The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

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

**9:00a.m.** — Ralph O'Brien, Intentions for Joseph, Amelia & Albert Spinelli

Saturday, December 31– Seventh Day Within the Octave of The Nativity

**4-5:00p.m.** - Confessions

**5:15p.m..**- Helen McAlpine, Janet Ernewein(nee Schnurr), Robert Haid, Frank & Helen Synnott, Intentions for Nicola Stefano and Thanksgiving

Sunday, January 1– The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

World Day of Peace

9:00a.m., 11:00 a.m.

### **PARISH & OTHER NEWS**

#### Regina Caeli Shrine Lamps

During the Second Week of Christmas, beginning on Sunday, January 1st, the lamps at the Regina Caeli Shrine burn in loving memory for Addison Hill and for the Intentions of the Conversano 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.

#### **Vocations**

Mary treasured all that God had done for her and pondered these things in her heart. Do you treasure

God and ponder what He wants from you? You may have a vocation to a life in the Church serving Christ. If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin, contact Father Mark Morley, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988).

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Website: www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

#### **Offertory Envelopes**

The Offertory Envelopes will be at the back of the Church after all Masses. They have been sorted out in alphabetical order, please make sure you pick your box up. You may notice your numbers have changed this year due to a reduced number of boxes being ordered, if you find your envelopes missing, please contact Susan at the Office and she will reissue a new number for you.

#### 2023 Sunday Missals

Missals are still available to be purchased during the week at the Parish office, there is a limited supply.

#### Catholic Young Adult Book Study Group

The Catholic young adult book study group will resume their meeting in January. For more information, email <a href="mailto:hannaruthcaruso@gmail.com">hannaruthcaruso@gmail.com</a>.

#### **Basilica Gift Shop**

Be sure to drop into the Gift Shop, located in the Parish Hall and see all the beautiful Christmas items we have secured for you. We have Nativity sets, Christmas decorations and of course all our regular merchandise. We are easy to reach by using the elevator or the staircase just past the elevator.

#### **Evenings with His Excellency**

Auxiliary Bishop Wayne Lobsinger invites everyone to join him for "Evenings with His Excellency." An opportunity to learn more about our Catholic Faith based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Class is the second Friday of each month from 7:00 to 8:30 pm at St. Ann Parish in Ancaster. It is also available on St. Ann's YouTube channel.. No cost, no homework, just an opportunity to learn about our faith. All are welcome.

#### Ministry Fair

We are in need of Volunteers for all Ministries and will be having a Ministry Fair on January 15<sup>th</sup> after all the Masses. Please come to the Parish Hall and sign up for a Ministry.

#### Restart: Refresh, Renew, Revive

A gathering for separated and divorced individuals offering learning, support and fun! These get-togethers offer continual support and insight for people on their journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. Held the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays of each month, you can join in-person (700 King St. West, Hamilton), or by ZOOM. No registration required. For ZOOM link contact Sarah at <a href="mailyministry@hamiltondiocese.com">familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com</a>, or 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

# Mastering Your Money: A Financial Wellness Presentation for the Diocese of Hamilton

Financial worries are the top source of stress for all Canadians, ranking above work concerns, health worries and even relationship struggles. The need for financial literacy has never been more pressing. Join us for this special zoom session on Tuesday, January 24, 2023 from 7-8:30 p.m., presented by Mr. Fred Masters, President & Founder of Masters Money Management Inc., and the author of the critically-acclaimed new book "Lessons on Mastering Money". He has delivered dozens of financial literacy presentations and is sought-after media commentator on financial literacy. This is a free virtual event, but you must register at hamiltondiocese.com under Upcoming events, or call 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, to receive the Zoom link.

#### **ReSTART: Moving Forward**

This is a new and updated 10 week program offering support to anyone seeking t heal and move forward after divorce or separation. The program runs on Tuesday, March 21st to May 23rd. The sessions take place from 7-9 p.m. at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in person, or you are welcome to join our Zoom classroom. Cost is \$25.00 for materials, but no one is turned away. Registration is required so please call 905-528-7988 Sarah at ext. 2249, email familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com, or register on line at ReStart Program: Support for Separated and Divorced - Diocese of Hamilton (hamiltondiocese.com).

#### The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2023? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, April 16, 2023 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 p.m. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Registration will be available in early January at <a href="https://www.hamiltondiocese.com">www.hamiltondiocese.com</a>.

# **Guelph and Area Right to Life Elementary School Teachers Grades 4-8**

Guelph & Area Right to Life is inviting you to participate in its Caring Hearts, Sharing Hearts project with your students. The mission is to connect your class with elderly residents living in retirement and long term care facilities by visiting and creating a meaningful connection with them. We provide you with the resources to connect and prepare your class for these visits. For more information: call 519-836-6311 or write to us <a href="mailto:chsh@guelphforlife.com">chsh@guelphforlife.com</a>. Website: guelphforlife.com.

#### The Diocesan Office of Liturgy

The Diocesan Office is preparing a two-part formation program for Parish musicians, to take place on Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, and Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. These sessions are for all Directors of Music, Choir Directors and Cantors who are serving the Parishes of our Diocese, and will be offered both "in person" and via Zoom. It is important that all our liturgical ministry leaders participate in the upcoming formation sessions. A personal invitation will be sent to each of the Parish music leaders to sign-up for the sessions.

#### WCDSB - Kindergarten Registration for 2023

The Wellington Catholic District School Board will be accepting registrations for Kindergarten at our schools beginning January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

#### Kindergarten Eligibility:

- Must be four years of age on or before Dec. 31, 2023 to attend Year 1 Kindergarten
- Must be five years of age on or before Dec. 31, 2023 to attend Year 2 Kindergarten

#### Documents Needed:

- Child's birth certificate
- > A parent or child's Baptismal certificate
- Proof of tax support for families new to the system (i.e. most recent tax bill)
- Proof of address (government document, mortgage, or rental agreement, Hydro bill, credit card statement)
- Proper immigration documentation
- Custody documents (if applicable)

#### Please Note:

Students currently attending a Wellington Catholic Year 1 Kindergarten program are **NOT REQUIRED** to register for Year 2 Kindergarten. Should you have any questions about registration procedures or requirements, please call your school.



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