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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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 Brother Anthony Espinosa

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: 519-731-2563

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: Michelle Nagy.....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: 5:15 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: Betty Farrell.....519-836-2170
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 57 Victoria Road North
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 19 Northumberland Street
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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, November 21– The Presentation of The Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
9:00a.m. – Andrea Duffy, John Joseph, Helen Patterson

Tuesday November 22 – St. Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr

8:30a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
9:00a.m. – Abbey Densmore Sr.

Wednesday, November 23– Ferial - Weekday

7:00a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
7:30a.m.- Maria Bortolon

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

12:00noon- Benediction

12:15p.m. – Regina Silveria and Special Intentions for Ana Percic

Thursday, November 24– St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, Martyr

8:30a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
9:00a.m. — Robert Rozzi

Friday, November 25– Ferial - Weekday

8:30a.m. - The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
9:00a.m. — Mary Moher

12:00noon- For Those Who Died in War

Saturday, November 26 – Ferial - Weekday

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

5:15p.m. – Mary Cove, Antoinette Romeo, Clara Frasson and Special Intentions for Marek Friedl, Sister Christine Leysner

Sunday, November 27 – First Sunday of Advent

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

PARISH & OTHER NEWS

Regina Caeli Shrine Lamps

During the 1st Week of Advent, beginning on Sunday, November 27th, the lamps at the Regina Caeli Shrine burn in loving memory for Sister Ellen Gielty and Luigi & Sabina Pulosio

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 \$8,679.00 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God’s blessing.

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.

An Advent Book Study on Bishop Barron’s “Eucharist”

For many Catholics today, the Eucharist is merely a symbol of Christ, and the Mass is merely a collective of like-minded individuals gathering to remember his life. Both the truth of what is made present on the altar, and what the faithful dare to receive into their bodies and souls, is far stranger and more beautiful.

In this engaging book Bishop Robert Barron offers a reintroduction to the ancient meaning and power of the Eucharist. Through a threefold analysis of the Eucharist as Sacred Meal, Sacrifice, and Real Presence, Bishop Barron draws readers into the profound truth flowing out of Jesus’ words at the Last Supper: “Take, eat; this is my body...Drink from it, all of you; for this is my blood of the covenant.”

We are not merely invited to remember Jesus or imitate his moral example; we are invited to the grace of communion, and ultimately to the realm of God, by eating and drinking the very self that he offers in sacrifice.

Our study of “Eucharist” will begin on Wednesday, November 23rd at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall, and continue for the next three Wednesdays. The cost for the study is \$25.00 to cover the cost of the book. Please register by calling the Parish Office (519) 824-3951.

Vocations

“They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. 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/

Advent Service of Lessons and Carols Sunday, November 27, 2022, at 7:00 PM

The weeks before Christmas are usually a hurried time of shopping, preparations, and card writing. For Christians, however, these weeks should be marked by prayerful preparation for the Feast of Christmas. Plan to attend our annual **Advent Service of Lessons and Carols**, as a way to begin this season in prayer and recollection. This service will be reflection on the Season of Advent through Scripture and Music. Please bring a friend!

Catholic Young Adult Book Study Group

The Catholic book study group for young adults meets every other Wednesday at the Basilica of Our Lady. The

next meetings will be on December 14th. Young adults are welcome to join for a potluck dinner and discussion, starting at **6:00 pm**. Please RSVP by emailing, hannaruthcaruso@gmail.com. No meeting on Nov. 30th

Lecture Series Holy Rosary 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

All lectures are held at Holy Rosary Guelph Community Room.

November 23: Emily Orlando

Topic: Living the Mystery of God with Trust and Joy

Grief Relief

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? Are you wondering if your feelings are normal? You are not alone! The Diocese of Hamilton has grief programs to help. Find out more on the Diocesan website at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/grief-support> or call Teresa at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus Christmas cakes and cookies have arrived! We are looking to sell them at the 2-day Catholic Women's League Bazaar on November 19 and 20 and after Masses following the Bazaar.

St. Vincent de Paul

The St. Vincent de Paul Store on Elizabeth Street is extremely short on Winter wear, especially coats for children and youth. Please check your closets for outgrown clothing your family no longer needs and donate them to the store directly. Thank you parishioners for your assistance.

Basilica of Our Lady Upcoming Concerts

December 4, 2022 – Edison Singers Messiah 3:30 pm
December 9, 2022 – John B. Miller Advent Concert 7:00 pm

2023 Sunday Missals

Missals will be on sale Saturday, November 19th and Sunday, November 20th. They will be available also at the Parish Office.

Catechist Coffee Time

Is being offered by the Diocese of Hamilton, led by Christina Mines to allow for further discussion and prayer on each topic featured in the "Special Topics" series. These sessions are being held the following

Thursday to each Tuesday Webinar from 10 to 11 am on Zoom.

We appreciate this is a significant time commitment throughout the month of November, however we encourage you to register even for some of these events as your schedule provides. See flyer at back of Church.

Euthanasia & Assisted Suicide: Know the Truth

A presentation by Alex Schadenberg, Executive Director of the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition. Learn what everyone needs to know about Medical Assistance in Dying and its impact on Canadians. Thursday, December 1, 2022 at Gord Brown Hall, CW Community Sportsplex, 550 Belsyde Ave., Fergus, ON at 6:00 pm. All welcome, Free admission. Hosted by the Guelph & Area Right to Life Association.

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.

St. Joseph's Parish Advent Movie Night, Guelph

Thursday, November 24th at 7:00 pm – "Joyeux Noel"
Thursday, December 1st at 7:00 pm – "The Nativity Story."

Thursday, December 8th at 7:00 pm – "Song of Bernadette"

All are welcome. Popcorn and drinks are provided and Free Admission!

Young Adults Night – December 3rd

Father Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30pm), Social with Food (7:30pm- 8:30pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00 pm-9:00pm) and Compline (9:00pm). Saturday, December 3rd at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate. Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre

Is hosting an Open House and Christmas Market on December 10th from 10:00am to 4:00pm. Guests are welcome to tour the grounds and buildings and enjoy some seasonal refreshments. 437 Wilson St., Ancaster, On. www.mountmary.ca.

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