

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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 Brother Anthony Espinosa

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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.

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



MASSSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, November 28– Ferial - Weekday

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

9:00a.m. – Richard Wojcicki, Primo Baggio, Maria & Alexandro, Jerry Bannon, Special Intentions for Judy & Ron Howse 55th Anniversary

Tuesday November 29 – Ferial - Weekday

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

9:00a.m. – Luigi Pilosio

Wednesday, November 30– St. Andrew, Apostle

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

7:30a.m. – Intentions for the Potvin Family

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

12:00noon – Benediction

12:15p.m. – Sabina Pilosio

Thursday December 1– Ferial - Weekday

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

9:00a.m. – Andrea Duffy

Friday, December 2– Ferial - Weekday

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

9:00a.m. – Frank & Tina Raco

Saturday, December 3– St. Francis Xavier, Priest

8:00a.m. – Confessions

9:00a.m. – Mass Sung in Latin

4:00-5:00p.m. – Confessions

5:15p.m. – Emilio Raco, Santosh George, Margaret Skowron, Donald Forester, Intentions for Jack Dawes, Anna Hannan, Mary Rodenburg and Joseph Grierson

Sunday, December 4 – Second Sunday of Advent

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

PARISH & OTHER NEWS

Regina Caeli Shrine Lamps

During the 2nd Week of Advent, beginning on Sunday, December 4th, the lamps at the Regina Caeli Shrine burn in for the Intentions of Langlois 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 \$11,358.90 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessing. The Saint Vincent De Paul Society would also like to thank the Parishioners for their generous donations for the World Day of the Poor and regular collection of \$6,207.00.

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. But 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.

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

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." Could God be 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/

Catholic Young Adult Book Study Group

The Catholic young adult book study group will resume their meeting in January. For more information, email hannaruthcaruso@gmail.com.

Bambinelli Sunday, December 11, 2022

For the past several decades, the Pope has blessed the Baby Jesus figurines from Nativity Scenes that belong to families, and the families themselves, in St. Peter's Square in Rome. The blessing generally takes place on Gaudete Sunday, the third Sunday of Advent, and is known as Bambinelli Sunday. The blessing of the "Bambinelli" – as they are known in Rome – reminds us that the Nativity scene is a school of life where we can learn the secrets of true joy.

All are invited to bring your Baby Jesus figurines from your homes to Mass on Sunday, December 11th at all the Masses to be blessed as we too celebrate our own Bambinelli Sunday. After the blessing you are encouraged to take your "Bambinelli" home and place it in a gift box, wrap the box and save it for Christmas. Let this be the first gift you open on Christmas day and as you lay Jesus in the Manger, allow this moment to be a reminder of the great blessings we receive at Christmas.

Healing Mass – Sacred Heart Nov. 30th

A Mass with prayers for healing will be held on Wednesday, November 30th at 7:00 pm.

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

All lectures are held at Holy Rosary Guelph Community Room.

November 30: Mrs. Teresa Hartnett

Topic: God's Design for Us: Who are we called to be? Who are we capable of being?

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

There is an urgent need for snow pants for kids in Guelph. The Basilica is collecting all sizes for boys and girls. Snow pants can be dropped at the St. Vincent de Paul statue, or at the Parish office.

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.

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 are available to be purchased after Mass or during the week 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, 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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