

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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Music Ministry

Joe Carere, Organist & Choirmaster
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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
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 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

PALM SUNDAY



MASSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, April 3 – Monday of Holy Week

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

9:00a.m. – Solemn Mass – Rita Soligo, Blanca Aurora Zea, Tim Blurton-Jones

Tuesday April 4 – Tuesday of Holy Week

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

9:00a.m. – Solemn Mass – Sharon Abbott

5:00p.m.-7:00p.m. – *Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions*

6:30p.m. – *The Office of Vespers (Evening Prayer)*

7:00 p.m. – Solemn Mass – Theresa Fargo, Nicanor Corro, Giuseppe Trecapelli, Glyceria Corro, Anne Behman, Flavio Cova

Wednesday, April 5 – Wednesday of Holy Week

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

7:30a.m. – Solemn Mass – Special Intentions for Gosha Kirkiewska

8:30am-12:00noon – *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

12:15p.m.- Solemn Mass - John Ogden

5:00p.m.-7:00p.m. – *Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions* (please note: these are the last Confessions before Easter)

7:00p.m. – *The Office of Tenebrae* (for more information, please refer to our Holy Week schedule on our website)

Thursday, –April 6 – Thursday of Holy Week

No Morning Mass

7:30p.m. - Mass of the Lord's Supper

8:30p.m.- 10:30p.m. - Vigil before the Blessed Sacrament

10:30p.m. - The Office of Compline (Night Prayer)

Friday, April 7 - Passion of the Lord

11:00a.m. – *Liturgy of the Lord's Passion*

3:00p.m. – Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion;

Saturday, April 8 – Holy Saturday

11:30a.m. – *Blessing of Easter Food*

8:00p.m. – *The Solemn Easter Vigil (Reception to follow the Easter Vigil in the Parish Hall)*

(Please note: There is no 5:15 Mass on this date. Intentions will be said on April 15, 2023)

Sunday, April 9 – The Resurrection of the Lord

8:00a.m. – *Easter Mass at Dawn*

10:00a.m. – *Mass of Easter Day*

12:00noon – *Solemn Mass of Easter*

PARISH & OTHER NEWS

Regina Caeli Shrine Lamps

During Easter Sunday, The Resurrection of the Lord, beginning on Sunday, April 9th, the lamps at the Regina Caeli Shrine will burn in memory of Loreen Bolliger and Arnold Bolliger.

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 \$9,449.65 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.

Vocations

"He has been raised from the dead!" Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Are you being called to proclaim Jesus as 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/.

Basilica Gift Store (Parish Hall)

Our Gift Store in the Parish Hall is open after all weekend Masses. We have gifts for both First Communion and Confirmation and have received a new order which includes bibles, statues, greeting cards, auto clips and rosaries. Please feel free to come down to the Parish Hall and check out the Gift Store for upcoming events and celebrations.

Catholic Young Adult Book Study Group

The Catholic book study group for young adults meets every other Wednesday at the Basilica of Our Lady. On April 5th, the group will begin discussing "The Biography of St. Catherine of Siena" by Sigrid Undset. Young adults are welcome to join for a potluck dinner and discussion. Please RSVP by emailing hannaruthcaruso@gmail.com.

Lecture Series Holy Rosary Church

What's Next? Parish Program for Engaged Parishioners

The Church landscape has shifted greatly during the last fifty years. For those of us who remain committed to building God's Kingdom, our parish is offering a six-week program that will help us read the signs of the times and discern where God is leading us. We will follow constructive suggestions in essays written by various people in a new publication entitled, ***Looking to the Laity: Reflections on Where the Church Can Go From Here***, which gives much needed hope and direction during these challenging times. Deadline for registration is April 3rd, so there is time to order the books at a cost of \$15.00 each. The program will begin the week of April 16th until Pentecost, May 28th. Please call the office to register.

APRIL 2, 2023

The 2023 Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

If you are celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60th-plus wedding anniversary in 2023, you are invited to join us at this joy-filled celebration. It will take place at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 16th, at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, in Hamilton.

Register at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249.

Evenings with His Excellency

Bishop Wayne Lobsinger invites everyone to join him for "Evenings with His Excellency". This is 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 7p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at St. Ann Church, Ancaster. This month we will continue our look at *The 10 Commandments*. It is also available by livestream on St. Ann's YouTube channel. No cost, no homework - just an opportunity to learn about our faith. All are welcome.

Aging Issues: Listening to Indigenous Voices

Join us for this chance to learn about aging from the perspective of three Indigenous speakers in our region. The Diocese, through the Family Ministry Office, is co-sponsoring this Zoom event on Saturday, April 22 from 2-4 p.m. For registration and information, please contact Ellen Ryan, hamiltonagingcommunity@gmail.com or at 905-648-0437.

Guelph Catholic Moms Group

Take this opportunity to go deeper in your faith life, while connecting with other incredible Catholic Moms. *Kids Are Always Welcome at our Catholic Craft Table!* St. John the Baptist Parish, 45 Victoria Rd., Guelph



Upcoming Meetings:

Wednesday, April 5 - 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 3 - 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Kindly RSVP by Email:

st.johnbaptistmq@catholicmonsgroup.com.

Upcoming Parish Events:



APRIL:

Saturday, April 15 – Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree Ceremony and Dinner

Sunday, April 16 – Knights of Columbus Breakfast (following the 9:00a.m. and 11:00a.m. Masses)

MAY:

Sunday, May 7 – Father Carlos Diaz First Mass

Sunday, May 7 – No Basilica Tours on this date

Sunday May 14 – Basilica Food & Friendship (BFF) Cupcake Sunday (following the 9:00a.m. and 11:00a.m. Masses)

JUNE:

Saturday, June 3 – Marian Day Celebration

Sunday, June 4 – Basilica Tours, 1-3p.m.

Sunday, June 4 – Parish Golf Tournament

Sunday June 11 – Knights of Columbus Breakfast (following the 9:00a.m. and 11:00a.m. Masses)

JULY:

Saturday, July 1 – Marian Day Celebration

Sunday, July 2 – Basilica Tours, 1-3p.m.

AUGUST:

Saturday, August 5 – Marian Day Celebration

Sunday, August 6 – Basilica Tours, 1-3p.m.

Sunday, August 13 – Knights of Columbus Breakfast (following the 9:00a.m. and 11:00a.m. Masses)

SEPTEMBER:

Saturday, September 2 – Marian Day Celebration

Sunday, September 3 – Basilica Tours, 1-3p.m.

Sunday, September 10 – Annual Parish Picnic

Saturday, September 23 – Society of St. Vincent de Paul Retreat

OCTOBER:

Saturday, October 7 – Marian Day Celebration

Saturday, October 7 - Queen's Tea

Sunday, October 8 – Basilica Tours, 1-3p.m.

NOVEMBER:

Sunday, November 5 - Basilica Tours, 1-3p.m.

Sunday, November 26 – Parish Dinner

DECEMBER:

Sunday, December 3 – Basilica Tours, 1-3p.m.

For more information and specific details about upcoming events, please watch upcoming bulletins as well as our Parish Website at www.basilicaofourlady.com.

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