

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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 Susan Potvin, Parish Secretary
 Michael Ciccia, 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, 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: 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 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



MASSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, August 21 – St. Pius X

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

9:00 a.m. Mass – Ellen Hughes, Carlos Martini, Betty Rowsell

Tuesday, August 22 – The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

9:00 a.m. Mass – Basil Krusky, Sister Idelmina Del Rosario

Wednesday, August 23 – Ferial

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

8:30 a.m. Perpetual Help Devotions

9:00 a.m. Mass – Eveline Murray, Edward and Paul Garcia

9:30 a.m. Holy Hour

10:30 a.m. Benediction

Thursday, August 24 – St. Bartholomew

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

9:00 a.m. Mass – Danila Machieli

Friday, August 25 – Ferial

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

9:00 a.m. Mass – Rosemary Newbigging, Beata Luiza Fernandes

Saturday, August 26 – Ferial

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

5:15 p.m. Mass – Mariano Bergantim, Rita and Lorenzo Pellizzari, Don Grierson, Basil and Evelyn Krusky, Bishop Ustrzycki

Sunday, August 27 – 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

9:00 a.m. Mass for Pastoral Intentions

11:00 a.m. Missa Pro Populo

PARISH & OTHER NEWS

Regina Caeli Shrine Lamps

During the 20th Week of Ordinary Time, beginning on Sunday, August 20, the lamps at the Regina Caeli Shrine will burn in loving memory of Janina and Bolesław Ciućmanski and Danuta Ciućmanski.

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 \$9,361.00 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessing.

Diocesan Marian Days

Join us at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate for our annual Diocesan Marian Days on the first Saturday of the month from June to October 2023. The day starts with Confessions at 9:00 a.m. followed by Mass at 10:00 a.m., Rosary Procession at 11:00 a.m., lunch at 12:00 p.m., Holy Hour and Marian Catechesis at 1:00 p.m., and

closes with Benediction at 2:00 p.m. Please bring your own lunch. Coffee and tea will be available. Upcoming presiders are Bishop Wayne Lobsinger on September 2 and Thomas Cardinal Collins on October 7. Following the Rosary Procession on October 7, you are invited to the Regina Caeli Tea. Tickets are \$25/person and advance registration is necessary. Register soon at the September Marian Day, or at the Parish Office, as seats are filling up!

Calling Men to a Deeper Relationship with Christ

Our world holds out many concepts of what a man ought to be. Our faith tells us that men are called to be disciplined, sacrificial and steadfast pillars of faith for their community. This calling is not achieved in isolation and a man needs other brothers in Christ to rely upon and to encourage him during his earthly pilgrimage. Starting August 15, local faithful men are taking part in St. Michael's Lent through the Exodus 90 platform. Visit <https://exodus90.com/st-michaels-lent/> for more details about this program and contact Christopher Gerwin at topherchris97@gmail.com to join this brotherhood of men trying to become what the Lord created us to be.

Rosary of the Nations Catholic Meditation

Please join us at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate on the last Thursday of every month at 6:00 p.m. for a rejuvenating Rosary of the Nations sung by Harpa Dei. This unique 40-minute Rosary is sung in Latin, Hebrew, English, Spanish, German and French. A booklet will be provided so you can follow along and learn the prayers in these languages, or if you prefer, you can close your eyes and feel Our Blessed Mother's arms wrap around you as you rest and renew in the Holy Spirit. Hosted by the Catholic Women's League. All are welcome.

Vocations

"Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." (Matthew 15:28). If God is calling you to the priesthood, diaconate, religious or consecrated life, please contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Website: www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

Catholic Young Adult Book Study Group

The Catholic book study group for young adults meets every other Wednesday in the Basilica of Our Lady Parish Hall at 5:30 p.m. On August 23, the group will continue its discussion of 'Three to Get Married' by Archbishop Fulton Sheen. Young adults are welcome to join for a potluck dinner and discussion. Please RSVP by emailing hannaruthcaruso@gmail.com

Pilgrimage to France, Portugal, Spain & Italy

Join Fr. Valentine Onwunjiogu, Pastor at St. John the Baptist Parish in Guelph on a pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi in Italy, Fatima in Portugal, Santiago de Compostela and Burgos in Spain, and Lourdes in France

for 11 days from April 1-11, 2024. \$4,490.00 (if booked by September 15, 2023). For information and registrations please call: International Heritage Tours 1-877-999-8868, Stan, ext. 339, stan@ihstours.com, Alex, ext. 317 alex@ihtours.com, Liliana, ext. 324 liliana@ihtours.com

Memorial for the Unborn

On Sunday September 10 at 1:00 p.m. at the Garden of Grace at the Basilica of Our Lady, all are welcome to attend a time of prayer and remembrance for unborn children whose lives were ended through abortion. Prayer will be led by Bishop Emeritus Ustrzycki. Hosted by the Guelph & Area Right to Life Association.

Caring Hearts, Sharing Hearts

Guelph & Area Right to Life is inviting Elementary School Teachers for Grades 4-8 to participate in its Caring Hearts, Sharing Hearts project with your students during the 2023/24 school year. 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 email us at chsh@guelphforlife.com Website: guelphforlife.com

Religious Education Program: In-Person Classes Registration Now Open!

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 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 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. starting September 19, 2023 and runs through May 2024. For more information please contact Donna Haley at 519-831-6451. To access the registration forms, go to: <https://www.stjosephguelph.com/ministries>

Christopher Leadership Course

Whether you are afraid of public speaking or would you like to take on a leadership role within your parish, the Christopher Leadership Course in Effective Speaking can help. The next course begins September 19, 2023, at McMaster University in Hamilton. To register or for more information, please visit www.clchamilton.com or call Frank at 905-662-4076.

Adult Faith Formation Certificate Programs

The Diocese of Hamilton is partnering with Dayton University's Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation (VLCFF) to offer certificate programs for ministry and enrichment for adult faith formation. Enrollment is now open for the Youth Ministry Certification Program and the Catechist Formation Program for the Diocese of Hamilton, which begins in September 2023. Three- and five-week e-seminars are also available at a discounted rate for all adults in the

Diocese looking to further their learning. For more information and to register, visit us at www.hamiltondioceselearns.com

Grief Support

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: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/grief-support> or call Teresa at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250. We will have programs running in both Waterloo and Hamilton this fall.

ReSTART: Moving Forward

ReSTART is a 10-week program run by the Family Ministry Office offering support to anyone seeking to heal and move forward after divorce or separation. The Fall 2023 sessions will run from September 19 to November 28 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. at the Chancery Office, or you are welcome to join our Zoom classroom. Cost is \$35 for materials, but no one is turned away. Registration is required so please call Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, e-mail familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com, or register online at ReSTART Program (Support for Separated and Divorced) on the Diocese of Hamilton website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/>

Upcoming Parish Events:

SEPTEMBER:

Saturday, September 2 – Marian Day
Sunday, September 3 – Basilica Tours, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Sunday, September 10 – Annual Parish Picnic
Sunday, September 17 – Ministry Fair and Basilica Food & Friendship (following the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses)
Saturday, September 30 – Society of St. Vincent de Paul Retreat

OCTOBER:

Saturday, October 7 – Marian Day & Regina Caeli Tea
Sunday, October 8 – Basilica Tours, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER:

Sunday, November 5 – Basilica Tours, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Saturday, November 25 – CWL Bazaar
Sunday, November 26 – Parish Dinner

DECEMBER:

Sunday, December 3 – Basilica Tours, 1:00 – 3:00 p.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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