

# 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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Father Ian Duffy, KHS, Rector  
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 Deacon Quinto Tami

**Basilica Staff**

Joe Finocchio, Business Manager  
 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**  
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 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](http://www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca)

## TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD



### MASSES OF THE WEEK

#### **Monday, August 7 – Ferial**

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

9:00 a.m. Mass – Mary Peori, Tomaso Vespasiano, Jim Dudley

#### **Tuesday, August 8 – St. Dominic**

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

9:00 a.m. Mass – Giuseppe Trecapelli, Wendy Schmuck, Emanuel and Sarah Lepindea

#### **Wednesday, August 9 – Ferial**

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

8:30 a.m. Perpetual Help Devotions

9:00 a.m. Mass – Arthur Koslow, Ann Laubach, Primo Baggio

9:30 a.m. Holy Hour

10:30 a.m. Benediction

#### **Thursday, August 10 – St. Lawrence**

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

9:00 a.m. Mass – Tomas Semlok

#### **Friday, August 11 – St. Clare**

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

9:00 a.m. Mass – Ellen Hughes, John and Marlene Mason, Sister Giovanni Finoro

#### **Saturday, August 12 – Ferial**

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

9:00 a.m. Latin Mass

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

5:15 p.m. Mass – Michael Steven Leung, Patricia Mesick, Elizabeth MacIntyre, Jennifer Umphrey, Donna Whalon

#### **Sunday, August 13 – 19<sup>th</sup> 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 18th Week of Ordinary Time, beginning on Sunday, August 6, the lamps at the Regina Caeli Shrine will burn in loving memory of Antonio and Maddalena Rebellati.

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 \$7,990.45 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 at one of the Marian Days, or at the Parish Office.

#### **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**

"This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" (Matthew 17:5). If you are discerning God's call 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](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

Website: [www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://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 9<sup>th</sup>, we will begin a 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](mailto: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](mailto:stan@ihstours.com), Alex, ext. 317 [alex@ihtours.com](mailto:alex@ihtours.com), Liliana, ext. 324 [liliana@ihtours.com](mailto:liliana@ihtours.com)

#### **Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre**

Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre would like to welcome any groups or individuals looking to book a retreat experience. With a large Chapel and acres of untouched green space Mount Mary is an ideal location for a retreat. For more information and to book your retreat please visit [www.mountmary.ca](http://www.mountmary.ca)

**AUGUST 6, 2023**

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### **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](mailto:chsh@guelphforlife.com) Website: [guelphforlife.com](http://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>

### **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.hamiltondiocesearns.com](http://www.hamiltondiocesearns.com)

### **Marriage Support**

Your marriage doesn't have to feel like it is more trouble than joy, that it feels stagnant or disconnected, or that it is causing you constant stress. The solution is Retrouvaille, a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce.

The next Retrouvaille weekend is October 20-22, 2023. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email [teamrecine@gmail.com](mailto:teamrecine@gmail.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.

### **Abortion Support**

Are you struggling after an abortion, either your own or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, to find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

### **Upcoming Parish Events:**

#### **AUGUST:**

**Sunday, August 13** – Knights of Columbus BBQ (following the 11:00 a.m. Mass)

#### **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](http://www.basilicaofourlady.com)**



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