BASILICA OF OUR LADY IMMACULATE



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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Pastoral Team

Father Ian Duffy, KHS, Rector Father Bill Foote, Honourary Assistant Deacon Quinto Tami Brother Anthony Espinosa

Basilica Staff

Joe Finochio, 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

<u>Weekday Liturgies:</u> 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:

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

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Monday, March 13– Ferial - Weekday 8:30a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer) 9:00a.m – Helen Saliba, Robert Haid, Intentions for Health & Blessings to a Mother & Family Tuesday March 14 – Ferial - Weekday 8:30a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer) 9:00a.m. – Robert Holliday, Maurice & Frances Zadro 6:00p.m. – Evening Prayer 6:30p.m. – Lenten Mass – Donna Lajoie, Fred Griffin, Nora McKeon, Special Intentions for Massimo Church Wednesday, March 15-Ferial - Weekday 7:00a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer) 7:30a.m. –Gerard Kenny 8:00am-12:00noon – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 12:00noon- Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 12:15p.m. – John Tonin Thursday, March 16 – Ferial - Weekday 8:30a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer) 9:00a.m. — Chester Carere Sr., Patrick Wyman Friday, March 17–Ferial - Weekday 8:30a.m. - The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer) **9:00a.m.** — Garnet, Marguerite & Andrea Duffy **9:30a.m.** – Stations of the Cross 12:15p.m. – Intentions for Busato & Tracey Family 6:00p.m. – Vespers and Holy Hour 7:00p.m. – Stations of the Cross and Benediction Saturday, March 18 - Ferial - Weekday 8:00a.m. - Confessions 9:00a.m. – (Sung in Latin) Ernesto Delrosario 4:00-5:00p.m.- Confessions 5:15p.m. – Mary Peori, Addison Hill, Eloa Ceccato, Rita Soligo, Steven Sladewski, Josefa Ramirez Sunday, March 19 – Fourth Sunday of Lent 9:00a.m., 11:00 a.m.

PARISH & OTHER NEWS

Regina Caeli Shrine Lamps

During the Fourth Sunday of Lent, beginning on Sunday, March 19th, the lamps at the Regina Caeli Shrine burn in loving memory for the Synnott & Nunan Family and Intentions for the Gruber & Bone 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 \$25,296.65 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

"W must work the works of Him who sent me while it is day." Are you being called to a life as an ordained or consecrated person? If God is calling you to serve him 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: <u>vocations@hamiltondiocese.com</u> Website: www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/.

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 upcoming meetings will be on March 22nd at 5:30 pm. The group will be reading "Surprised by Joy" by C.S. Lewis. Young adults are welcome to join for a potluck dinner and discussion. Please RSVP by emailing hannaruthcaruso@gmail.com.

Artistic Stations of the Cross

Calling all artists and creatives! Please join us for evenings of prayer and art, creating a Station of the Cross in your favourite medium. (Paint, write, sew, clay, photography & more). Beginning Wednesdays on March 1st – March 29th (6:30 pm – 7:30 pm in the Crypt. Every week we will gather for prayer, reflections and art journey. The Station of the Cross artwork is to be completed on March 29th. **This is an opportunity for anyone of any ability to participate. Creative reflection and sacred art can be a powerful Lenten practice.** If interested or for more information email wendy.obbema@rogers.com.

Day of Prayer for Bishop Crosby, March 25, 2023

His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, celebrated the twentyfifth anniversary of his episcopal consecration on January 2, 2023. In honour of that milestone in the life and ministry of our chief shepherd we will mark a "Day of Prayer for Bishop Crosby" on the Solemnity of the Annunciation, Saturday, March 25, 2023.

The order of the day will be as follows:

8:30am	Morning Prayer from the Liturgy of the
	Hours in the Crypt
9:00am	Solemn Choral Mass in the Basilica
10:00am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in
	the Basilica
12:00pm	Rosary and Benediction in the Basilica

Please make as many people as possible aware of this and invite them to take part in this day. The office of Bishop is a heavy responsibility, and His Excellency needs our prayers to carry his burden faithfully. God Bless, Father Ian Duffy

Dynamic Women of Faith

Catholic Women's Conference on Saturday, March 25, 2023, at The Old Mill (Old Mill Subway Station) Registration: 8:00 am Conference Time: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. For more information call 416-907-1042

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 at 7pm – 8:30pm at St. Ann Church, Ancaster. This month we will begin our look at *The Ten 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.

Joint Parish Mission March 27, 28, 29 at 6:00pm

This Lent the Basilica of Our Lady and St. Joseph's Parish will host a joint Parish Lenten Mission. Fr. Michael King will be the Retreat Master, and will speak on "**The Wisdom of the Desert: Flee, Be Silent and Pray Without Ceasing**". Each evening will begin with Holy Hour at 6:00pm, followed by Fr. King's talk at 7:00pm. On Tuesday, March 28 there will be multiple priests available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and the Mission will close with Mass at 7:00pm on Wednesday, March 29. *The Mission will be held at St. Joseph's Church, 409 Paisley Road, Guelph.*

The Feast of St. Joseph March 20 at 7:00pm

Because March 19 falls on a Sunday of Lent this year the Solemnity of St. Joseph gets transferred to Monday, March 20. The Days schedule is as follows: Holy Hour with Morning Prayer and Litany to St. Joseph 8:30am The Office of Vespers (Evening Prayer) 6:30pm Solemn Mass in Honour of St. Joseph 7:00pm

Lecture Series Holy Rosary Church

March 15: Pat Stuart, Hospice Wellington March 22: Deacon Tami, Conversion and Reversion: My Journey Back to the Catholic Church March 29: Marc Moreau, Catholic Christian Outreach

St. Vincent de Paul

The Basilica's St. Vincent de Paul Conference wishes to thank everyone who recently donated warm clothing for the winter care packages for the homeless in our community. Your generosity is very much appreciated!

Guelph and Area Right to Life

40 Days for Life Mass with Bishop Logsinger

This will be held on Thursday, March 23 at 7:00 pm. As the 40 Days for Life campaign moves past the midway point, Bishop Wayne Lobsinger will be visiting the Basilica of Our Lady for a special Mass for 40 days for Life. All are welcome to attend!

Elementary School Teachers, Grades 4 – 8

Guelph & Area Right to Life is inviting you to participate in its Caring Hearts, Sharing Hearts project with your students. 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 write to use <u>chsh@guelphforlife.com</u>. Website: guelphforlife.com.

Holy Rosary Fundraiser "The Moon in June"

Holy Rosary Parish is having a dinner/dance fundraiser called "The Moon in June" on June 3rd at Victoria Park East Golf Club. It starts at 5:30 pm with hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar, Dinner at 6:30 pm (wine included), Dance starts at 8:30 pm featuring a live band – Little Peter and the Elegants also a Silent Auction and Raffle. Tickets are \$150.00 per person (\$50.00 tax receipt provided). Tickets are available through parish office or by email at; tdmauthe2@gmail.com. Proceeds benefitting Holy Rosary Parish Renovations.

Church Envelopes

There is still a large quantity of Church Envelopes not picked up yet, they are available in the Parish Office.

Income Tax Receipts

Income Tax receipts will remain at the back of the Church for the next few weeks, they are in alphabetical order, please try to get in to pick them up. The Church is open daily from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm.

