

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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Joe Finocchio, Business Manager
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 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:

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 9 McElderry Road
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Saint Paul School
 182 Clairfields Drive East
 Principal: Sue Majer.....519-824-9470
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 251 Colonial Drive
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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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Monday, March 20– St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Principal Patron of Canada, Patron Of the Universal Church

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

9:00a.m. – *Solemn Mass and Litany for St. Joseph*

Tuesday March 21 – Ferial - Weekday

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

9:00a.m. – *Erasmus Spinazze*

6:00p.m. – *Evening Prayer*

6:30p.m. – *Lenten Mass – Ann Ina Mitchell, Basil Krusky, Lydia & Tomas Cortes, Bill Patterson, Josefina Cruz and Special Intentions for Steve & Susan Scherer*

Wednesday, March 22– Ferial - Weekday

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

7:30a.m. – *Lionello Tami*

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

12:00noon- *Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament*

12:15p.m. – *Diane Sanvido*

Thursday, March 23– Ferial - Weekday

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

9:00a.m. — *Denis Quine, Edward & Paul Garcia*

Friday, March 24– Ferial - Weekday

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

9:00a.m. — *Intentions for Henry & Helen May*

9:30a.m. – *Stations of the Cross*

12:15p.m. – *Intentions for Busato, Tracey, Potvin Family*

6:00p.m. – *Vespers and Holy Hour*

7:00p.m. – *Stations of the Cross and Benediction*

Saturday, March 25 – The Annunciation of the Lord

8:00a.m. - *Confessions*

9:00a.m. – *(Sung in Latin)*

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

5:15p.m. – *Rosemary Newbiggings, Rita Soligo, Salvatore Limina, Luigi Tummino, Matthew Hanson, Barry Smith, Joyce Thompson, Isidio Cabling*

Sunday, March 26 – Fifth Sunday of Lent

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

PARISH & OTHER NEWS

Regina Caeli Shrine Lamps

During the Fifth Sunday of Lent, beginning on Sunday, March 26th, the lamps at the Regina Caeli Shrine burn in loving memory for the Mary Huxley and Intentions for Kevin & Bill Huxley.

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 \$15,041.90 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

"Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" Do you believe that your plan is God's plan? 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: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Website: www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/.

Change in Plans for St. Joseph's Day

Due to a double booking of the Basilica our schedule for the Solemnity of St. Joseph has been changed. Morning Prayer will now be prayed in the Crypt at 8:30am, with the Solemn Mass at 9:00am followed by the Litany to St. Joseph.

A Walk Through Holy Week with Bishop Lobsinger

On Palm Sunday evening you are welcome to attend an enlightening talk with His Excellency, Bishop Wayne Lobsinger. Bishop Lobsinger will walk us through the ceremonies of Holy Week, so that we can enter into them with a renewed spirit, and allow the Holy Spirit to touch our hearts with greater fervour. In place of Palm Sunday Vespers the "Walk Through Holy Week" will be preceded by a Service of Lamentations sung by alumnae of St. Michael's Choir School under the direction of Philip Sarabura, featuring the Tenebrae Responsories composed by the Choir School's founder, Monsignor Ronan. **Sunday, April 2 at 7:00pm at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate.** All Are Welcome.

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 March 22nd, the discussion will be on C.S. Lewis's "Surprised by Joy". 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.

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 twenty-fifth 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

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

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.

Journey Through Lent

As we continue to Journey through Lent, I wish to share that the CCCB video series **Journey Through Lent** is available on the CCCB website. This year's Lenten reflections are delivered by His Eminence Gérald Cyprien Cardinal Lacroix, Archbishop of Quebec and Primate of Canada, and the Most Reverend Brian Joseph Dunn, Archbishop of Halifax-Yarmouth.

In English: <https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-lent-2023/>
Every Monday throughout Lent, a video reflection will be posted on the CCCB website for the following Sunday up to and including Easter Sunday. Should you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Marg Shea-Lawrence at m.shea-lawrence@ccb.ca.

CWL Colouring Pages

The CWL is putting colouring pages of the Saints, Mother Mary and this week will be The Stations of the Cross. They are on benches at the last pew in the church. Please encourage your children to join in and learn about the Stations of the Cross also.

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