# 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, VF, KHS, Rector Father Bill Foote, Honourary Assistant Deacon Quinto Tami

#### Basilica Staff

Joe Finochio, Business Manager Susan Potvin, Parish Secretary Secretary, Amy Grey Care Taker – Vedran Aleksich

#### Music Ministry

Joe Carere, Organist & Choirmaster Julian Mason, Sub-Organist Bruce Taylor, 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: Dawn Uliana......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

#### <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:

Bishop Macdonell High School 200 Clair Road West Principal: Stephen Gulyas.......519-822-8502 Our Lady of Lourdes 54 Westmount Road Principal: Valerie Markes.......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.

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#### 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, April 29

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
9:00 a.m. Mass – Margaret Jones, Intentions of Rochelle & Eddie Sousa and family, Maria Sousa & family <u>Tuesday, April 30</u>
8:30 a.m. The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
9:00 a.m. Mass – Intentions of Romano DiGenova Wednesday, May 1

**7:00 a.m.** The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer) **7:30 a.m. Mass** – Intentions of Helena Ahyoung Cho **8:30 a.m.** Perpetual Help Devotions

9:00 a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacraments

**12:15 p.m. Mass** - Intentions of Doug Farmer, Mary Magyar

# Thursday, May 2

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer) 9:00 a.m. Mass – Intentions of Marilyn Langlois Friday, May 3

8:30 a.m\_- The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer) 9:00 a.m. Mass - Jerzy Skowron

# Saturday, May 4

8:00 a.m. - First Saturday Confessions

9:00 a.m. - Mass

4:00 p.m - Confessions

**5:15pm Mass** – Richard Wojcicki, Joseph Holody, Jack Thompson, Intentions of John Martin, Imogen Holliday **9:00 p.m** – Eritrean Orthodox Church Easter Vigil Sunday, May 5 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer) 9:00 a.m. – Mass

11:00 a.m. – Mass

# PARISH & OTHER NEWS

# Regina Caeli Shrine Lamps

During the 5<sup>th</sup> Week of Easter, the lamps of the Regina Caeli Shrine burn for Mike Galizzi, Mr & Mrs Peter Gemin 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 \$11,369.50 in support of your parish community and in gratitude for God's blessing.

# **Vocations**

The greatest love story that ever happened: God's continuing love for His people. All God asks is "Love one another as I have loved you". The world really needs to see people who are trying to love others with all their hearts. Priests, religious and deacons can be excellent examples of this love. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, 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/

# Parish Gift Shop

May is the month when we celebrate our earthly mothers or any woman who is important in your life. It is also the month of our Heavenly Mother, Mary. We have beautiful gifts – all price ranges – for Mother's Day and Marian Day. Drop in at the gift shop after any of the weekend Masses. Looking forward to meeting you. God Bless.

# Parish Golf Tournament

Save the date for this year's golf tournament!! Date: Sunday June 2, 2024 Cost: \$130.00 for golf and dinner (and prizes) \$35.00 for meal only Stay tuned to the bulletin for more information as we get closer to the date.

# Catholic Young Adult Book Study Group

The Catholic book study group meets every other Wednesday in the Basilica of Our Lady's Parish Hall at 5:45pm. On May 1<sup>st</sup> and the 15<sup>th</sup>, the group will be discussing "Edmund Campion: A Life" by Evelyn Waugh. Fr. Mark Morley (Vocations Director for the Diocese of Hamilton) will be joining the discussion on Campion, who was an English priest and martyr. Young adults in their 20s and 30s are welcome to join for a potluck dinner, fellowship, and discussion. Please RSVP by emailing hannaruthcaruso@gmail.com

#### Talking About Saints: St Catherine of Siena

Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm: Guest speaker Ania Kryscial (Campus Minister at the Newman Centre Guelph and trained catechist) will be talking about the life of St. Catherine of Siena. This event will be in the Parish Hall at the Basilica of Our Lady, and open to everyone. St. Catherine was a mystic, a Doctor of the Church, and is one of the patron saints of Italy.

# CWL Spring Market

The CWL will be holding a Spring Market on Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am – 3:00pm in the Parish Hall. There will be vendors, treasured bargains, a silent auction, a bake sale and Wally Parr burgers and sausages, coffee, and donuts. Bring your family and friends and come out and enjoy.

#### CWL Spring Market – Bake Table Donations

The date of our Spring Market is fast approaching. We are looking for donations of baked goods for our bake table. All items can be dropped off to the parish hall on Friday May 3,2024, between the hours of 10:00am to 3:00pm. Please attach to your baked goods ingredients used. Thank you for your support.

# 2024 Baby Bottle Campaign

Last year our Parish family raised the most funds from all the churches in Wellington County. Michael House wanted to let you all know they are so blessed to be part of our ministry and appreciate the love that comes with joy. So, this year don't forget to pick up your bottles again in the church after Mass. Bottles will be collected on Father's Day, fill your bottles with cheques, bills, and change and support the life-changing programs at Michael House. Pick up will be on Mothers Day, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024. For more information, call Erwin at 647-524-5585 or email to <u>erwin@michaehouse.ca</u>

# Walk with Mary to Jesus Procession

The Annual Marian procession, crowning and devotion will take place this year on Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 2:00pm. Please join us to honor Mary and ask her to intercede with her Son for our country, province and city. With the new advances of the Culture of Death, it becomes more obvious that we need to publically acknowledge our faith and pray for the establishment of the Culture of Life. Please meet at the Basilica of Our Lady at 1:45pm and dress for the weather. For more information, please call Stella Mott at 519-763-9991.

# 350<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary Pilgrimage to Quebec

This year marks the 350<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the Catholic Church in Canada, with the establishment of the Archdiocese of Quebec. To mark this occasion, a Diocesan pilgrimage has been planned to the place from July 13-17<sup>th</sup>. 2024. The pilgrimage will include a visit to the Cathedral Basilica of Notre Dame in Quebec City and the Holy Door, visits to the sites made famous by the saintly founders of the Canadian Church, visits to St. Anne de Beaupre, Notre-Dame-du-Cap in Trois Rivieres, Notre Dame Basilica and St. Joseph's Oratory in Montreal. The five-day pilgrimage will include guided tours exploring Quebec's religious and cultural heritage and will be led by Monsignor Murray Kroetsch, Vicar General and Chancellor of the Diocese of Hamilton. Registration deadline is April 30. For more information, please contact Matthew Trafford at the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis. Tel 905-528-7988 x 2339, email catechesis@hamiltondiocse.com.

# Toronto March for Life

Join us on Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup>,2024 to be a voice for the voiceless in Canada's largest city! The GTA is home to nearly 7 million people and is also a place of death for thousands upon thousands of pre-born children every year. This event is an opportunity to join with hundreds of prolifers to stand up for the rights of our youngest neighbours in the womb. We will gather at Queen's Park at 10:00am for a rally, and then march through downtown Toronto. Workshops will follow at 2:00pm (registration required). Sign up for workshops and lunch by April 30. To sign up or to register your bus go to \*torontomarchforlife.ca\*.

# Catholic Moms Group

May is the month of Mary! Let's meet up and chat about how we can learn from her; **The Expert in Humanity**, on Wednesday May1,2024 at 4:30pm – 6:00pm at St. John the Baptist, 45 Victoria Rd, Guelph. Dr Josephine Lombardi did a presentation at The Dynamic Women of Faith Conference a few years ago and it was so well done, that I thought I'd share it with you at the meeting.

# Walking from Guelph to Midland Pilgrimage

Those who walk the Guelph-Midland pilgrimage find it to be a unique and grace-filled experience. For eight days starting on August 3<sup>rd</sup> going to August 10<sup>th</sup>,2024. Pilgrims pray, sing, laugh, and share stories with others as they journey. Join us, as we cast off routine for eight days and acquiesce to a community of higher purpose. **Participate for 1 day, a weekend or the full 8 days**! Cost \$400 for 8 days or \$75 per day. We carry your gear, provide 3 meals and snacks daily, and cover entry and camping fees. You bring your tent, chair, and personal gear/clothing in a duffle bag. To register or for more information go to www.ignatiusguelph.ca (under programs – Guelph Walking Pilgrimage) NOTE registration deadline June 20,2024.

#### March for Life – Ottawa

Guelph and Area Right to Life has a bus going to the March for Life Ottawa – please reserve your seat as soon as possible. The bus will be leaving from the Basilica of our Lady Immaculate at 6:00pm on Thursday May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, (please arrive 20min before the bus is set to leave), and it will leave Ottawa at 4:00pm for the return journey. A donation for your seat would be appreciated, but not essential – please call Brooke at 519-827-5443 or email <u>brookevanleeuwen6@gmail.com</u> to reserve your seats.

#### Guelph & Area Right to Life

All are welcome to join Guelph & Area Right to Life's annual Walk for Life fundraiser happening on <u>Saturday May 25<sup>th</sup></u>. Invite your friends, family, church of school to walk in support of Guelph & Area Right to Life's work to change hearts and minds—and save lives. Join either Guelph or Fergus and be sure to stay for the free lunch provided after each walk.

<u>Guelph Location</u>: Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, doors open at 9:30am, walk begins at 10:00am <u>Fergus Location</u>: Maranatha Canadian Reformed Church, 600 Belsyde Ave E., Doors open at 9:30am, walk begins at 10:00am

Get full details and register today at: <u>guelphforlife.com/walk-for-life</u>

# The Fine Art of Being Happily Married

In his poem, The Art of Marriage, Wilfred A.Peterson writes, "A good marriage must be created" and creating something requires time and attention. We invite you to take the time, with your spouse, to find new and creative ways to increase your connection with each other, to discover fresh techniques for being in a relationship and to deepen the love you already share. Join us on Saturday June 1<sup>st</sup>,2024 from 9:30am to 3:00pm at Catherine of Siena Parish in Hamilton. The cost is \$50 per couple and includes lunch. To register on the website, go to hamiltondiocese.com and look under upcoming events or contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 x 2249.

