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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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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: Corey Malone.....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: Kellie Angerilli......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: Michael MacPherson...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: Steve Gulyas.....519-822-4290

St. John Bosco 19 Northumberland Street

Principal: Sandra Cummings......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

Monday, November 18th

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

9:00 a.m. - **Mass** - Intentions of Father Mark Gatto, Bishop Crosby, Aubrey Schmidt

Tuesday, November 19th

8:30 a.m. - The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer) **9:00 a.m.** - **Mass** – Ana Klancnik, Lanny Sorbara

Wednesday, November 20th

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

7:30 a.m. - **Mass** – Intentions of Cathy Stevenson

8:00 a.m. - Perpetual Help Devotions

8:30 a.m. - Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament

12:15 p.m. - Mass - Juliet Daguio

<u>Thursday, November 21st – The Presentation of The Blessed Virgin Mary</u>

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

9:00 a.m. - Mass - Remlanie Dagvio

Friday, November 22nd - St. Cecilia

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

9:00 a.m. - Mass - David O'Handley

Saturday, November 23rd

4:00 p.m. - Confessions

5:15 p.m. - **Mass** – Jack Rosser, Petra Babia, Azucena Daguio, Hugh O'Connor, Mr & Mrs Esteban Daguio, Elise Sante Baggio

Sunday, November 24th – 34th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

9:00 a.m. - Mass - Christ the King

11:00 a.m. - Mass - Christ the King

1:00 p.m. - Baptisms

PARISH NEWS

Regina Caeli Shrine Lamps

During the 34th week in Ordinary Time, starting on Sunday November 24t^h, 2024, the lamps of the Regina Caeli Shrine burn in loving memory of Jerry & Paul Bannon and burn for the intentions of Mary Ann Pegelo. 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 \$15,139.60 in support of your parish community and in gratitude for God's blessing.

Vocations

Today we hail Christ as our King. He is the Victor over the power of death Who loves us and freed us from our sins by His own blood, and Who by Baptism has made us a royal nation of priests in the service of His Father and our God.

He Who is King continues to choose men and women to serve as priests, sisters, brothers or deacons, so that the faithful may know Him, love Him and serve Him as well. If you feel that God is calling you call **Fr. Mark Morley**, **Director of Vocations**, **Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7088**

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Website: www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

2025 Sunday Missals

Will be available at the back of the Church following Masses starting the week of November 9th. Please have the exact amount when purchasing, the missal will be \$5.00 each. During the week you can come to the parish office to purchase a Missal.

Advent Service of Lessons and Carols Sunday December 1st, 2024, at 4:00p.m.

The weeks before Christmas are usually a hurried time of shopping, preparations, and card writing. For Christians, however these weeks should be marked by prayerful preparation for the Feast of Our Lord's Nativity. You are welcome to attend our annual **Advent Service of Lessons and Carols**, as a way to begin this season in prayer and recollection. This service will be a reflection on the Season of Advent through Scripture and music, following a format that has been used for almost a century at St. John's College, Cambridge. This years' service will begin at 4:00p.m. on the First Sunday of Advent, December 1, 2024. Please come and bring a friend!

Novena for The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

Once again, this year we will celebrate a Novena (nine days) of Masses leading to the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, our Parish's Patronal Feast Day. Novena Masses will be held at 7:30p.m. each morning from November 30th to December 8th, 2024. Each morning will include the Novena Prayers, and a reflection on Our Lady in the life of Christ, and the life of the Church.

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Monday December 9th, 2024

Because December 8th is a Sunday of Advent this year, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is transferred to the following Monday. On Monday December 9th,2024 we will celebrate our Parish's Patronal Feast as follows: 8:30a.m. – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Morning Prayer and Rosary)

6:15p.m. - Vespers (Evening Prayer)

6:30p.m. - Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00p.m. - Solemn Mass for the Immaculate Conception

Reception in the Parish Hall after Mass

Pilgrimage June 2025 to Spain and France

You are invited to take part in a Pilgrimage to the Shrines of Spain and France from June 3rd to 13th, 2025. Fr. Ian Duffy, Rector of the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph, will be the Spiritual Director for this pilgrimage. The price will be

\$5,690.00 CDN per person includes airfare, accommodation, ground transportation and most meals. To register or for more information please contact Edgar at Gateways International (edgar@gateways-international.com or 1-800-268-0900 Ext 233).

St. Vincent De Paul - Collection of Adult Size Gloves

The Basilica's SVDP Conference would like to send along a great big THANK YOU to all who contributed to the recent collection for winter gloves. The response was incredible!!! The gloves will be put into the winter care package we are preparing for those living rough and will also be distributed to those in need throughout our community. We are so grateful for your kindness and generosity.

Parish Gift Shop

Christmas is just around the corner and the Gift Shop is stocked with beautiful Nativity Sets, Christmas ornaments, hostess gifts and stocking stuffers. This year the Christmas Gift Shop is set up in the Newstead Room, so be sure to drop by and check it out. And yes, we still have a wide selection of beautiful statues, rosaries, prayer books, rosaries, jewelry, etc.

Catholic Young Adult Book Study Group

The young adult book study group will be reading the novel "Till We Have Faces" by C.S. Lewis, starting on Wednesday, November 27th and December 11th at 5: 45p.m in the Parish Hall of the Basilica of Our Lady, starting with a potluck dinner. Young adults in their 20s and 30s are welcome to attend. Please contact hannaruthcaruso@gmail.com to RSVP.

All Saint's Day Party

Thank you from the Carabiners. The deanery's All Saint's Day party was a huge success, and the prize table was one of the highlights. Thank you to all those who donated new and used religious items for the children. It was a delight to watch them select an item from the table and walk away with their treasure. Your donations have found new homes with these children! Thank you for your thoughtfulness and generosity.

Help Support Pregnant Women and Their Babies

The Sanctuary Outreach Pregnancy Support Program assists pregnant women facing difficult circumstances. One practical way this is done is through the Sanctuary Outreach Hospital Bag Fund. This fund provides hospital recommended essentials, packed in a travel bag, for the hospital stay immediately after delivery. The provision of a hospital bag not only assists the mother as she prepares for delivery but also communicates to her that she and her baby are valued. Join us in supporting moms and babies by giving to the Sanctuary Outreach Hospital Bag Fund. We are collecting hospital bag items on Sunday, December 8th and Sunday, December 15th. Place your items in the collection bin in the front entrance or visit the below website to make a monetary donation. sanctuaryoutreach.com/hospitalbagfund

Other News

Fresh Christmas Table Centerpiece Workshop

Please join us at Our Lady of Lourdes Church (Waterloo) in the Parish Hall, on Friday December 20th, 2024, at 2:00p.m. The cost of the workshop is \$50.00, and everything will be provided. To register please contact via email Patrycja @ pwiecek@hotmail.com, space is limited, and you must be registered to attend.

Advent Hymn Festival

To begin the Advent season, the Diocesan Choir is pleased to announce an Advent Hymn Festival at St. Joseph Parish, 260 Herkimer St, Hamilton, ON, on Sunday December 1, 2024, at 7:00p.m. Registration is not required, and there is no charge – however a goodwill offering will go to St. Joseph's Parish Neighbours in Need Program. Please see the upcoming events on the Diocese of Hamilton web page.

Mount Mary Open House

All are welcome to the annual Come Home for Christmas Festival at Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre on Sunday December 1st, 2024, from 1:00p.m. to 4:00p.m. There will be activities for children including cookie decorating, face painting, and ornament making. We will also have refreshments and local vendors selling small items. There is no entry fee; however, we are accepting donations of unused socks, gloves, hats, scarves and soap for the DeMazenod Door Outreach Centre. For more information, please visit www.mountmary.ca. We look forward to seeing you there!

Catholic Moms Group – St. John the Baptist Church

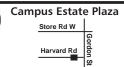
We meet every first Wednesday of the month, you and your children are welcome to attend. This month we will be learning how to make your own Advent Wreath. Join us on Wednesday December 4th, 2024, from 4:30p.m. to 6:00p.m. Supplies are limited so please RSVP to secure your spot at st.johnbaptistmg@catholicmomsgroup.com (St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 45 Victoria Rd. N. Guelph On)

Heartache to Healing

Grief Support Group at St. Michael Parish, Waterloo – Grief support provided companionship on the long journey through the grief process. Our support group follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster, an experienced leader in grief counselling. All who have suffered a loss are welcome, regardless of how much time has passed since your loss. A monthly informal drop-in support is available at St. Michael Parish on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:00p.m in the Parish Resource Centre/Library.







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