

# BASILICA OF OUR LADY IMMACULATE

## Parish Community



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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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**Music Ministry**

Joe Carere, Organist & Choirmaster  
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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**

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 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.

**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)

## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### MASSES OF THE WEEK

#### **Monday, July 28**

**8:30 a.m.** – The Office of Lauds

**9:00 a.m.** – **Mass** – Pdraig O’Cleirigh, Nestor Sialana, Andrew Delvo

#### **Tuesday, July 29- Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus**

**8:30 a.m.** – The Office of Lauds

**9:00 a.m.** – **Mass** – Intentions of the Kenny family, Intentions of Mike Kaburis

#### **Wednesday, July 30**

**7:00 a.m.** - The Office of Lauds

**7:30 a.m.** - **Mass** – Mark Kenny

**8:00 a.m.** – Perpetual Help Devotions

**8:30 a.m.** – Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament

**12:15 p.m.** – **Mass** – Intentions of Manuela & Trevor Louisy

#### **Thursday, July 31- St. Ignatius of Loyola**

**8:30 a.m.** – The Office of Lauds

**9:00 a.m.** - **Mass** – Edward Migdal and the intentions of Henrietta Migdal

#### **Friday, August 1- St. Alphonsus Liguori**

**8:30 a.m.** – The Office of Lauds

**9:00 a.m.** – **Mass** – Mary Peori, Intentions of Mario Mazziotti

#### **Saturday, August 2 – Marian Day**

**9:00 a.m.** – **Holy Hour and Confessions**

**10:30 a.m.** – **Mass with Bishop Bergie**

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

**5:15 p.m.** – **Mass** – Luyen Pham, John Heeley, Marilyn Langlois, Terry Artuso. Intentions of Paul & Dimple John

#### **Sunday, August 3 -Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8:30 a.m.** – The Office of Lauds

**9:00 a.m.** – **Mass**

**11:00 a.m.** – **Mass**

#### **Regina Caeli Shrine Lamps**

**During the week beginning Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025, the lamps of the Regina Caeli Shrine burn for the repose of the souls of Rose Marie Greco and Larry & Olive Hollinger**

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 gifts collected the weekend of July 14<sup>th</sup> in the amount of \$8,611.50 and for the weekend of July 20<sup>th</sup> in the amount of \$7,570.50 in support of your parish community and in gratitude for God’s blessing.

#### **Vocations**

“Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.” Try it! Then listen, look, and enter. Perhaps priesthood, diaconate consecrated life awaits you. If God is calling you, contact **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, 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/)

#### **PARISH NEWS**

##### **2025 Marian Day Events**

Once again, this year the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, as the Diocesan Marian Shrine, will be hosting the Hamilton Diocesan Marian Days on the first Saturdays from June through October. The Marian Days will begin with a Holy Hour at 9:00am, with confessions being heard during the Holy Hour. Mass will be celebrated at 10:30am, followed by the Rosary Procession. You are welcome to bring a lunch, coffee and tea will be served after the Procession, and tours of the Basilica will be available. The remaining dates are as follows: September 6, 2025 (Cardinal Leo), and October 4, 2025 (Bishop Crosby).

##### **Monthly Catholic Women's League Evening Holy Hour**

Join the Catholic Women's League (CWL) on the fourth Tuesday of the month from 6:30pm-7:30pm for Eucharistic Adoration. Each month the Holy Hour will be for a particular prayer intention. On Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, it will be for family members and friends who are no longer practicing the faith. All are welcome.

##### **Catholic Young Adult Book Study**

The young adult book study group will be discussing "Lord of the World" by Robert Hugh Benson throughout the summer. The meeting will take place on July 30<sup>th</sup>, at 5:45pm. The meeting will be in the parish hall of the Basilica of Our Lady (unless otherwise noted), starting with a potluck dinner. Young adults in their 20s and 30s are welcome to attend. Please contact [hannaruthcaruso@gmail.com](mailto:hannaruthcaruso@gmail.com) to RSVP.

##### **RCIA 2025-2026**

Are you, or someone you know, interested in becoming a Catholic, or completing your sacraments of Initiation (First Communion and/or Confirmation)? If so, then the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is for you. The RCIA is a journey of faith delving into the riches of our Catholic Tradition, and preparing people for Baptism, Reception into the Catholic Church, or completion of the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter. The journey begins in September 2025 and will culminate at the Easter Vigil in April 2026. Registration is now open for the 2025-2026 season. Please call the Parish Office to register at (519) 824-3951. Please register early.

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### **Religious Education Program – In-Person Classes**

St. Joseph's 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 to 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 6:30pm to 7:30pm starting September 16, 2025, and run through to May 2026. For more information, please contact Donna Haley at 519-831-6451 or email: [religiousedstjosephguelph@gmail.com](mailto:religiousedstjosephguelph@gmail.com). Registration forms are on the website under Parish Life/Ministries. **THE BASILICA WILL NOT BE DOING PRIVATE LESSONS MOVING FORWARD.**

### **Young Adults Night – August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025**

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations (6:30 pm to 10 pm). The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour, social with food, praise night with vocations testimony and Compline. Location: St. Catherine of Siena Church, 620 Rymal Road East, Hamilton. For more information, please contact: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

### **Jubilee Youth Pilgrimage Day – August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025**

The Office of Youth Ministry is excited to welcome young people in grades 7-12 to join us for Jubilee Youth Pilgrimage Day, hosted at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph. The Pilgrimage Day will run from 1:00p.m. to 7:00p.m. Those interested in attending are encouraged to register with a parish group! For more information and to register please visit: <http://bit.ly/youthpilgrimage2025>.

### **Adult Faith Formation Through VLFFF**

The Diocese of Hamilton is proud to partner with Dayton University's Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation to offer certificate programs for ministry and enrichment for adult faith formation. We are currently taking enrolment for the Youth Ministry Certification Program and the Catechist Formation Program for the Diocese of Hamilton, which begins in September 2025. 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 about our programs, and how to register, visit us at [www.hamiltondiocesearns.com](http://www.hamiltondiocesearns.com)

### **Save the Date: SSVP Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate Conference**

Saturday, September 27, 2025

4<sup>th</sup> Annual Guelph & Area St. Vincent de Paul Retreat at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate

We are thrilled to welcome SSVP National President Linda Dollard to this year's retreat, and we hope you can join us too! We are equally as blessed to be able to celebrate on

the actual feast day of St. Vincent de Paul, and we will honour his legacy with spiritual enlightenment, insightful guest speakers, valuable collaboration, and a delicious lunch. Attendees are kindly asked to RSVP by Friday, September 19, 2025 to [natalie.dibattista@hotmail.com](mailto:natalie.dibattista@hotmail.com).

### **Pilgrimage for Young Adults (20s and 30s)**

Frassati's Carabiners are excited to announce in this Year of Hope a day pilgrimage to the Holy Door at Immaculate Conception, Formosa, on Saturday August 23. The day will begin at 7:00am at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph, and the bus will depart at 7:30am. Once we arrive at Sacred Heart, Mildmay, we will walk the remaining distance (~12 kms) to Formosa. Fr. Ian will be accompanying the group, hearing confessions and celebrating Mass at Formosa. Following Mass we will head to the beach, followed by a BBQ supper back at Immaculate Conception. The bus will return to the Basilica by 8:00pm. For more details and to RSVP, contact Elise ([frassaticarabiners@protonmail.com](mailto:frassaticarabiners@protonmail.com)). The cost of the trip is \$40.00 per person.

### **Guelph & Area Right to Life: Annual Memorial for the Pre-Born**

All are invited to join us for a special time of prayer and remembrance of pre-born children whose lives were tragically ended through abortion. The event will take place on September 20<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm in the Garden of Grace, located at 26 Norfolk St, Guelph. For more information email [info@guelphforlife.com](mailto:info@guelphforlife.com).

## **OTHER NEWS**

### **Bus Tour to Martyrs' Shrine, Midland & Sainte-Marie Among The Hurons**

Holy Rosary First Nations Manitou Circle is planning and preparing a bus pilgrimage on Tuesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The pilgrimage is a journey to the Martyrs' Shrine for the day. The bus will leave at 7 AM and arrive at 9:30 AM. The group will walk to the reconstructed 17<sup>th</sup>-century Jesuit mission, and Mass will be celebrated in the morning. Pilgrims will return walking back to the Martyrs' Shrine. Please bring a bag lunch. The pilgrims will attend a talk by Fr. John O'Brien, SJ, Director of the Shrine, and all who choose can walk the Stations of the Cross. The bus will leave for Guelph at 3:30 PM. The cost of the day pilgrimage is \$65.00. Please register at the office. There are 56 seats available on the bus. First come, first serve.

### **Marriage Tip of the Month #150**

Summer is often a little less hectic, so it is a perfect time to have a cold drink or coffee on a deck or patio and talk with your spouse. Discuss past happy memories, future goals, what things you love and where you are challenged. Time spent together is always good for a relationship and helps us connect in deeper ways.

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