

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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Pastoral Team

Father Ian Duffy, VF, KCHS, Rector
 Father Bill Foote, Honourary Assistant
 Father John Iyekowa
 Father Moices Caballero
 Deacon Quinto Tami

Basilica Staff

Joe Finocchio, Business Manager
 Amy Grey, Parish Secretary
 Brendan Shea, Custodian

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: 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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



MASSSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, May 12th

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds

9:00 a.m. – **Mass** – Margaret Skowron, David Patrick Smith, Bruno Alessio

Tuesday, May 13th

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds

9:00 a.m. – **Mass** – Intentions for the Gojdyecz family

Wednesday, May 14th – St. Matthias

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

7:30 a.m. - **Mass** – Maureen Komlos

8:00 a.m. – Perpetual Help Devotions

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

12:15 p.m. – **Mass** – Nicholas Law

Thursday, May 15th

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds

9:00 a.m. - **Mass** – Paul G. Muller and Intentions of Anna King

Friday, May 16th

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds

9:00 a.m. - **Mass** – Estevao Mendonca

Saturday, May 17th

4:00 p.m. - Confessions

5:15 p.m. – **Mass** – Jim Roche, Maria & Alessandro Baccega, Christina Poljanski, Filippo Ridi, Intentions of Jude Thaddius Keon Nguyen

Sunday, May 18th – Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds

9:00 a.m. – **Mass**

11:00 a.m. – **Mass**

Regina Caeli Shrine Lamps

During the 4th week of Easter, beginning on Sunday, May 11th, 2025, the lamps of the Regina Caeli Shrine burn in loving memory of Janina & Stefan Paszyn and for Irena & Antoni Stankiewicz.

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 in the amount of \$25,541.00 in support of your parish community and in gratitude for God's blessing. The St. Vincent de Paul Basilica Conference gives thanks for your donation of \$3,406.00 towards their works of charity on your behalf.

Vocations

The new commandment of love is required of everyone who follows the risen Lord. How do you fulfill the

commandment? If God is calling you to be a Priest, Religious or Deacon contact **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988**
Website: www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

PARISH NEWS

Basilica Knights of Columbus

Preparations for our Eucharistic Procession in Guelph are underway, and you are invited to join the planning team. This year, our procession date will be on Corpus Christi Sunday, June 22nd. Planning meeting dates: May 13th and May 27th. Meetings start at 7pm.

Where: Lourdes Room, at the Basilica Office: 28 Norfolk Street, Guelph

For further information, please contact Craig Chamberlain at dd69@ontariokofc.ca

Message of thanks from Monsignor Dennis Noon

Monsignor Noon wishes to express his gratitude to Bishop Ustrzycki, special thanks to our Pastor Father Ian Duffy, parish priests, staff, the choir, CWL and all who attended his 50th Anniversary of Ordination. Thank you for your prayers, cards, gifts and for being present at the reception. It was a day of gratitude for the gift of the priesthood and for your prayerful support. May God bless all of you.
Sincerely Monsignor Noon.

Message of thanks from our new Father Moices Caballero

Father Moices wishes to extend his most grateful appreciation for your support this year. Thank you so much to everyone who attended the Ordination in Hamilton and my Thanksgiving Mass on Sunday. I will keep you all in my prayers and ask that you all keep me in yours as I start this incredible journey serving our Father and our community.
God Bless
Father Moices

Celebration Blessings

on Friday, May 30, Bishop Ustrzycki will celebrate his 66th Anniversary.

"Father of Mercy, we come before You with gratitude on the anniversary of Your faithful servant, Matthew. Because of the grace You bestowed upon him, he has touched countless hearts and inspired so many souls. Please continue to shower him with abundant joy and zeal and bless him as he continues to serve You and Your people in their priestly ministries. Amen."

Basilica CWL

All parishioners are invited to our next CWL general meeting on Tues. May 13th at 7:00p.m to hear our speakers, Jenny Benjamin and Wendy Walsh. We are excited to first play the YouTube video by our own Joe Carere called

Consecrated Virginity Lived in the World, about these two women in our parish who are studying to become Consecrated Virgins. Then Jenny and Wendy will speak to you about what it means and how this came about. All are welcome. Hope you can join us!"

Catholic Young Adult Book Study

The young adult book study group will be discussing "The Friendship of Christ" by Robert Hugh Benson starting on Wednesday, May 21st at 5:45pm. The meeting will be 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.

Basilica Golf Tournament

It's time to clean those clubs and brush up your golf swings! The Parish Golf Tournament will be held on Sunday, June 1st at 1:00 p.m. at Victoria Park Valley Golf Course. We will be selling tickets for this event at the back of the church after all masses during the month of May. Tickets are \$125 for golf with cart and dinner or \$35 for dinner only. You may make up your own foursome or we can place you in one if you are a single or a group less than four. Join us for what is always a fun time - and remember, the sun always shines on a golf course.

OTHER NEWS

Marian Residence Volunteers Welcome

The Marian Residences at 640 Hillview Rd. in Cambridge are looking for volunteers willing to lend a helping hand with some simple yet important tasks at their front desk. The tasks include answering phone calls, taking messages, and allowing admittance into the access-controlled building.

The working shifts are negotiable however the minimum mandatory age of any interested persons is 25.

If you feel that you could lend a hand in a calm and caring environment, please contact Sr Mary Pio, the Volunteer Coordinator at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Convent at 519-653-6752.

Join us for Michael House's 20th Annual Baby Bottle Campaign!

Since 2005, our community has come together each spring to support vulnerable mothers and babies through this simple but powerful campaign. Over the years, together we've raised more than \$513,000 — one bottle at a time. Pick up a baby bottle, and from Mother's Day (May 11) to Father's Day (June 15) fill it with coins, bills, cheques — and love. Every bottle filled helps Michael House provide shelter, care, and a fresh start to families in need.

To donate online or learn more, visit

<https://www.michaelhouse.ca/event/baby-bottle-campaign/>

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: religiousestjosephguelph@gmail.com. Registration forms are on the website under Parish Life/Ministries. **THE BASILICA WILL NOT BE DOING PRIVATE LESSONS MOVING FORWARD.**

Guelph Knights of Columbus St. George Council – May 31st, 2025

The Guelph Knights of Columbus St George Council are hosting the 125th anniversary dinner reception to honour the Knights of Columbus Parishes Priests on Saturday May 31st, 2025. There will be a celebration of the Most Holy Eucharist at 5:00p.m. at Sacred Heart Church in Guelph. Following the Mass there will be a dinner in the gym that will begin at 6:30p.m. Price for the dinner will be \$50.00 per person, for more information or to purchase tickets please reach out to either Mike Veroni at 519-241-9741 or by email at m_veroni@hotmail.com or Michael Macerollo at 519-710-5354 or email Macerollo.m@gmail.com.

Walking Pilgrimage to Midland: August 2nd – 9th, 2025

Walking Pilgrimage is about: nourishing your spirituality; enjoying the great outdoors; getting great exercise 20+km per day; having fun and enjoying good company.

Those who walk the Guelph-to-Midland pilgrimage find it to be a unique and grace-filled experience. For eight days 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 30 2025.**

The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass – Last Chance to Register!

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ wedding anniversary in the year 2025? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Crosby and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 1, 2025 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30p.m. Space allows room for anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance. Registration can be found under upcoming events on the home page at www.hamiltondiocese.com or by calling Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext 2249.

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