

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
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 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
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 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

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



MASSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, May 5th

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds

9:00 a.m. – **Mass** – Peggy McGarry, Maria Magyar, Intentions of John Martin

Tuesday, May 6th – St. François De Laval

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds

9:00 a.m. – **Mass** – Georgina Venchiarutti

Wednesday, May 7th

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

7:30 a.m. - **Mass** – Padraig O’Cleirigh

8:00 a.m. – Perpetual Help Devotions

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

12:15 p.m. – **Mass** – Intentions of John & Adrian Tedesco and Gareth & Tracey Poole

Thursday, May 8th

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds

9:00 a.m. - **Mass** – Vicki Anderson, Maurice & Frances Zadro

Friday, May 9th

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds

9:00 a.m. - **Mass** – Sophie Harr

Saturday, May 10th

4:00 p.m. - Confessions

5:15 p.m. – **Mass** – Richard Wojcicki, Kon Ah Chye, Marilyn Langlois, Intentions of Johanna Silguero and Ann Forester

Sunday, May 11th – Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds

9:00 a.m. – **Mass**

11:00 a.m. – **Mass**

1:00 p.m. – Baptisms

Regina Caeli Shrine Lamps

During the 3rd week of Easter, beginning on Sunday, May 4, 2025, the lamps of the Regina Caeli Shrine burn for the intentions of our new Father Moices Caballero and Helena Ahyoung Cho.

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 \$10,666.00 in support of your parish community and in gratitude for God’s blessing.

Vocations

On this Good Shepherd Sunday we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for an increase in

vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst.

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 6th, 13th, 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.

Parish Gift Shop

The gift store has 20 percent off on all statues. The store is open after every weekend Mass. Wishing you a blessed Easter season

Celebration Blessings

On Wednesday, May 7, Father Ian will celebrate his 31st Anniversary of Ordination and on Friday, May 30, Bishop Ustrzycki will celebrate his 66th Anniversary.

"Father of Mercy, we come before You with gratitude on the anniversaries of Your faithful servants, Ian and Matthew. Because of the grace You bestowed upon them, they have touched countless hearts and inspired so many souls. Please continue to shower them with abundant joy and zeal and bless them as they continue 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!"

OTHER NEWS

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 runs through to May 2026. For more information, please contact Donna Haley at 519-831-6451 or email: religiousedstjosephguelph@gmail.com. Registration forms are on the website under Parish Life/Ministries. **THE BASILICA WILL NOT BE DOING PRIVATE LESSONS MOVING FORWARD.**

Walk with Mary to Jesus Procession

The annual Marian procession, crowning and devotion will take place this year on Sunday, May 11, at 2:30 PM. Please join us to honour 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 publicly acknowledge our faith and pray for the establishment of the *Culture of Life*. Please meet at the Basilica of Our Lady front steps at 2:15 p.m. and dress for the weather. For more information, please call Stella Mott, 519-763-9991.

Guelph Knights of Columbus St. George Council – May 10, 2025

We are hosting a 125th anniversary celebration. Join us on May 10, 2025 at 12:00p.m. at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate for a celebration of the Most Holy Eucharist in honor of our special anniversary. The main Celebrant and Homilist will be Father Don Sanvido. At 1:00p.m. there will be a private historical tour of the Basilica and a tour of the Guelph Civic Museum. At 3:00p.m. there will be a wine and cheese and charcuterie board reception in the Basilica Hall. The cost of the tickets are \$35.00, you can email Mike Veroni at m_veroni@hotmail.com or Michael Macerollo at Macerollo.m@gmail.com for more information.

Guelph and Area Right to Life – March for Life

Guelph and Area Right to Life is providing a coach bus to Ottawa for the National March For Life on Thursday May 8th, 2025. This is a powerful opportunity to stand alongside thousands on Parliament Hill in defense of life. Pick up and drop off will be in the parking lot of the Basilica of Our Lady. The bus will be leaving at 6:00a.m. sharp (so arrive by 5:45a.m), it will leave Ottawa at 4:00p.m sharp (boarding at 3:45p.m). Seats are limited so reserve your seat today!

Goodwill offerings are gratefully accepted and can be made by cash, cheque, or e-transfer to info@guelphforlife.com. To reserve your seat, contact us at info@guelphforlife.com or at (519) 836-6311. For more information, visit our website at <https://www.guelphforlife.com/bus>.

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.**

Hospice Wellington – Organizing Your Documents – Guelph

Join us Thursday May 15th, 2025, from 1:00p.m. till 3:00p.m. This workshop will help guide you and your family as you prepare for those "just in case" moments. From having conversations with your family and friends to getting your documents together. This is an opportunity to ask questions that you may have thought of but didn't know how to ask. Please RSVP by using the following link: <https://app.tickettailor.com/events/hospicewellington2/1539194>.

Food For Thought...

The greatest man in history is Jesus. He had no servants, yet they called Him Master. He had no degree, yet they called Him Teacher. He had no medicines, yet they called Him Healer. He had no army, yet kings feared Him. He won no military battles, yet He conquered the world. He committed no crime, yet they crucified Him. He was buried in a tomb, yet He lives today.

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