

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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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

Elementary Schools:

Saint Michael School
 9 McElderry Road
 Principal: Corey Malone.....519-823-2455
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 182 Clairfields Drive East
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 251 Colonial Drive
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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



MASSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, February 9th

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

9:00 a.m. – Mass – Mary Peori, Gerard Peori, Intentions of Cathie Evans

Tuesday, February 10th – St. Scholastica

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds

9:00 a.m. – Mass – Ernie Duffy

Wednesday, February 11th

7:00 a.m. – The office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)

7:30 a.m. – Mass – Antonietta Fazio

8:00 a.m. – Perpetual Help Devotions

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

12:15 p.m. – Mass – Triumfo Magpali Jr, Trudy & deceased members of the Fernandes family

Thursday, February 12th

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds

9:00 a.m. – Mass – Souls in Purgatory

Friday, February 13th

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds

9:00 a.m. – Mass – John & Christopher Idoko

Saturday, February 14th – St. Cyril & St. Methodius

4:00 p.m. - Confessions

5:15 p.m. – Mass – Eleanor Garcia, Leo Manzer, Roy & Elsie Carmichael, Harry & Violet Wilkie, Burt & Margaret Kelly, Manuel Pires

Sunday, February 15th – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds

9:00 a.m. – Mass

10:00 a.m. – KOC Pancake Breakfast

11:00 a.m. – Mass

12:00 p.m. – KOC Pancake Breakfast

1:00 p.m. – Baptisms

Regina Caeli Shrine Lamps

During the week beginning Sunday, February 8th, 2026, The Regina Caeli Shrine lamps will burn for repose of the soul all the deceased children of the Fernandes family and burn for the intentions of Eric Van Roon.

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 donations collected in the amount of \$16,077.00 in support of your parish community and in gratitude for God's blessing.

Vocations

"No eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him." If you feel you are being invited to spread the Good News of God's love as a priest, deacon, brother or sister contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905 528-7988. Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

PARISH NEWS

Volunteers Needed regarding Funeral Lunches

The Catholic Women's League offers the family of deceased members of the Basilica a buffet funeral lunch, at their request. As you can appreciate, we are only able to offer this service to families if we have Basilica volunteers to help. If you would like to volunteer, you do not need to be member of the CWL. Please call the Basilica office and let the staff know you are interested in volunteering. A CWL Executive member will then contact you. A significant amount of funds raised from this as well as our Spring Market and Christmas Bazaar are donated to assist the Basilica and other organizations that help others less fortunate than ourselves. Many thanks to those who already volunteer, and for new volunteers who are considering joining the group.

Message from the office: 2026 Envelopes

If you have not already picked up your envelopes they are now located at the Parish Office. The office is open from 9am till 4:30pm Monday to Friday. If you no longer wish to use envelopes, please let the office know so that we can update your account.

Knights of Columbus – Pancake Breakfast

Please join us on February 15th in the Parish Hall after both 9am and 11am Mass for a pancake breakfast.

Catholic Young Adult Book Study

Learn more about the saints, prayer, and more, while enjoying good food and getting to know other young adults from the parish! Young adults in their 20s and 30s are welcome to join the book study group every other Wednesday. The group is reading "In This House of Brede," a novel about Benedictine nuns, and will discuss it on Feb. 11 & 25 (Lourdes Room, starting at 6:00pm). There will also be a young adults pancake dinner on Feb 17 in the parish hall, starting at 6pm. For more info, email hannaruthcaruso@gmail.com

Stations & Soup

On Tuesday, March 3rd at 4:30pm, families are invited to pray the Stations of the Cross together in the church, with a soup dinner to follow in the parish hall. All are welcome. Children will be invited to participate in the stations through songs and by helping to lead the prayers. Please RSVP by emailing hannaruthcaruso@gmail.com

Family Fun Day Bowling and Dinner

The Basilica Stewardship Committee is pleased to host their 2nd Annual Family Fun Day Bowling and Dinner on Sunday, March 22nd, from 2-4 pm at Splitsville on Woodlawn Road. Dinner, refreshments and fun will follow at the Parish Hall starting at 4:30 until 7 pm.

The pricing for this family event is \$25 per person (\$100 Cap for families) for 2 hours of bowling with shoe rental, as well as refreshments and dinner at the Parish Hall. Bowling only is \$20 per person; Dinner only is \$10 per adult or \$5 for children 5 and under.

Tickets will be sold starting on Sunday, February 15 in the Parish Hall during the Knights Breakfast, and after weekend masses at the back of the Church starting February 21/22 until March 14/15. Get your tickets early to reserve your spot before tickets sell out!

We look forward to a great Family Fun Day of bowling, food and fun!

Regina Caeli Academy Gala

The private Catholic school opening in September 2026 will host a gala at the Italian Canadian Club on Saturday, April 11, 2026. The event will feature dinner, dancing, a silent auction, and many prizes. Vegetarian and gluten-free options are available. Tickets are \$140 each and can be purchased at the parish office. For a table of 8, tickets are \$135 each; for a table of 10, they are \$130 each. This discounted table rate applies to tickets purchased by February 12, 2026. A portion of ticket sales may be eligible for a tax receipt. Thank you for supporting Regina Caeli Academy. For more information, to pay by e-transfer, or to donate a prize, please contact info@reginacaeliacademy.ca.

CWL – Spring Market Event- April 25th, 2026

The CWL will be holding our Spring Market on April 25th, 2026. If you are interested in being a vendor, please email treasurercwlguelphabasilica@gmail.com. Thank you. We wish to thank all parishioners, vendors, visitors, and volunteers who helped us to make our Christmas Bazaar a success. We look forward to seeing you at our Spring Market.

OTHER NEWS

The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2026? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Dabrowski and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 31, 2026 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at www.hamiltondiocese.com or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

Young Adults Night

Fr. Mark Morley invites young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of Adoration, fellowship and music for Lent in support of you as you discern your vocation and as we prepare to celebrate Easter. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30pm), social with food, vocations testimony, Lenten music concert, and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, March 7th at St. Ann Church (120 Sherman Avenue North, Hamilton, ON). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/> For information, contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

SPRING BOOK CLUB: “ON LOVE OF THE POOR”

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis invite you to join us for a four-week virtual book club, exploring Pope Leo XIV's first Apostolic Exhortation, *“On Love of the Poor.”* Aligned with our Lenten journey, this series will explore the key themes and messages of our Holy Father's message on love and solidarity with those who experience marginalization. Registration can be made here: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>

Spaghetti Dinner – St. Teresa of Avila (Elmira)

The Knights of Columbus Council 8192 and the Catholic Women's League is hosting a **SPAGHETTI DINNER** on **Friday, February 13, 2026**, at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. There will be continuous seating until 7:00 p.m. Take-out will be 4:30 – 5:00 p.m. Please bring your own take-out bag as we are trying to save the environment. Cost is \$16.00 for adults, \$10.00 for Children (6-12), and Free for Children (5 & under). Purchase your tickets by calling Rick Weishar at 519-577-5928 or the Parish Office at 519-669-3387 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. (Tuesday to Friday). Proceeds will be going to reupholstering the hall chairs.

40 Days for Life – Guelph

40 Days for Life is a 40-day prayer vigil for the ending of abortion through prayer, fasting, and peaceful public witness, taking place February 18 – March 29, 2026. Mark your calendars for our 40 DFL events:

- Candlelight Opening Prayer
Tuesday, February 17, 2026, 6:00–6:30 PM
City sidewalk beside the Guelph Cenotaph (Woolwich & Eramosa Rd)
- 40 Days for Life Mass with Bishop Dabrowski
Saturday, March 14, 2026, 9:00 AM
Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, 28 Norfolk St, Guelph
- Candlelight Closing Prayer
Sunday, March 29, 2026, 6:00–6:30 PM
City sidewalk beside the Guelph Cenotaph
Learn more and sign up for prayer times at 40daysforlife.com/guelph.
For parish involvement, contact 519-836-6311 or info@guelpforlife.com.

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