

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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Father Ian Duffy, VF, KCHS, Rector
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 Deacon Quinto Tami

Basilica Staff

Marion Alexander, Bookkeeper
 Amy Grey, Parish Secretary
 Sue Narducci, Part Time Secretary
 Brendan Shea, Custodian

Music Ministry

Joe Carere, Organist & Choirmaster
 Julian Mason, Sub-Organist
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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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 9 McElderry Road
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Saint Paul School
 182 Clairfields Drive East
 Principal: Dawn Uliana.....519-824-9470
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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

PENTECOST SUNDAY



MASSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, May 25th – Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
9:00 a.m. – **Mass** – Guy & Rita Soligo, Maria Jesenek, Intentions of Katherine Richter

Tuesday, May 26th – St. Philip Neri

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
9:00 a.m. – **Mass** – Doris Simpson-Ouelet, Remo Finoro
6:30 p.m. – Holy Hour and Benediction

Wednesday, May 27th

7:00 a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
7:30 a.m. – **Mass** – Lionello Tami
8:00 a.m. – Perpetual Help Devotions
8:30 a.m. – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
12:15 p.m. – **Mass** – Carmen Leon, Intentions of Catherine Healy

Thursday, May 28th

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
9:00 a.m. – **Mass** – Gildo Bonaldo, Albert Elias

Friday, May 29th

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
9:00 a.m. – **Mass** – Margaret & Jerzy Showron, Paul Bighead

Saturday, May 30th

9:00 a.m. – **Mass**
4:00 p.m. – Confessions
5:15 p.m. – **Mass** – Mr & Mrs. Anthony Muthus, Carmela DiStefano, Michael Embro, Antonia Pellegrino, David Patrick Smith, Marieta Roleda

Sunday, May 31st – The Solemnity of the most Holy Trinity

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
9:00 a.m. – **Mass**
11:00 a.m. – **Mass**

Regina Caeli Shrine Lamps

During the week beginning Sunday, May 24th, 2026, The Regina Caeli Shrine lamps will burn for the repose of the soul of Janina & Stefan Paszyn and Jrena & Antoni Stankiewilz.

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 \$8,693.45 in support of your parish community and in gratitude for God's blessing.

Vocations

"God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son..." How can you best serve God in a response to that love? If God is calling you to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email at vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

PARISH NEWS

Faith and Flavours Pilgrimage to Italy - November 3-14, 2026.

You are very welcome to join in a faith and flavour filled pilgrimage to Italy from November 3-14, 2026. Visits include Siena, Assisi, Monte Cassino, and Rome, among others over an enjoyable ten-day pilgrimage. The cost of \$7,995.00 per person includes airfare, hotels, ground transportation, all admission fees, most meals, and the services of an expert English-speaking guide. Fr. Ian Duffy will be the spiritual director of this pilgrimage leading us in prayer in the footsteps of St. Catherine of Siena, Ss. Francis and Clare, Ss. Benedict and Scholastica, Ss. Peter and Paul, and many more. To register or for more information please call Edgar at 1-800-268-0900 ext. 233, or e-mail edgar@gateways-international.com. Space is limited so register soon.

Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate 200th Anniversary Logo Design Contest

In 2027, the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate will celebrate their 200th Anniversary as a vibrant and active Parish Community. A 200th Anniversary Committee is in place and is planning a year of celebrations – this is where we need your help!

We are looking for a 200th Anniversary logo design that will be used for all our printed materials, online communications, banners, promotional items etc. and this is where the creativity of our Parishioners can really shine through! We are inviting anyone who would like to participate in this creative design contest to submit a logo design. Design submissions will be reviewed and a winner selected by the 200th Anniversary Committee in June. The individual who submits the winning entry will be recognized and will also receive a cash award.

Are you interested in designing our 200th Anniversary Logo? Email us at: ourlady@churchofourlady.com and we will send you the Logo Design Briefing. Deadline for logo design submissions is May 27, 2026.

Guelph Catholic Dad's group

The next Saturday meetings are at 7:00am on May 30th and June 27th in the Lourdes Room at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate. Join us for a time of prayer and discussion of our mission as fathers. Email Paul at paul_jc@live.com for more details.

Corpus Christi Eucharistic Procession - June 4th

The Wellington Deanery is inviting you to its 2026 Corpus Christi Eucharistic Procession on June 4th, following the 6 pm Mass at St. John the Baptist Parish in Guelph. The procession will be from St. John the Baptist Parish to Sacred Heart Church. Please come dressed for the weather and bring water. For more information, please email ourlady@churchofourlady.com

Little Way Ladies Retreat – Saturday, October 17th - 9:00AM – 4:00PM

The CWL invites all women to a one-day retreat focused on prayer, rest, and renewal. Through guided reflection, meditative prayer, and Eucharistic Adoration, participants will be invited to slow down, listen more deeply, and grow in confidence in personal prayer. Facilitated by Theresa Matters, Catholic Mindset Coach. Snacks will be provided; participants are encouraged to bring their own lunch. Cost is \$35. Registration details available at <https://theresamatters.thrivecart.com/guelph-retreat/> or email Theresa with any questions: littlewayfreedom@gmail.com

CWL Father Diemert Memorial Bursary

This past year the Catholic Women's League at the Basilica reviewed the criteria and selection process for the Father Diemert Memorial Bursary that was initiated in 1987. Father Diemert was the Pastor of our Parish from 1979 to 1986. He passed away on July 1, 1986, while he was in the position of Pastor at our Parish. Our new process will focus more on Parish involvement and will include an application form for students to complete. The following criteria must be met by the student:

- must be entering the first year of an accredited college, trade school or university;
- must be a practicing Catholic as verified by Father Ian; and
- must be active in Parish activities i.e. altar server, choir member, volunteer with the Catholic Women's League, Knights of Columbus, St. Vincent de Paul, or Children's Liturgy, or any other Parish ministry as verified by the applicable member of the Basilica. A maximum of 3 bursaries are available each year. The application forms will be available in the south tower of the Basilica in the brochure holder.

The deadline for applications is June 19th, 2026. The notification of acceptance is June 21st, 2026. The presentation will be on June 28th, 2026 at the 11am Mass.

Monthly Evening Holy Hour

Join us on the fourth Tuesday of the month (May 26) from 6:30pm-7:30pm for Eucharistic Adoration. Each month the Holy Hour will be for a particular prayer intention. On Tuesday, May 26th it will be for the needs and intentions of those who are sick and suffering in our parish. All are welcome.

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 quest if you require assistance). Registration is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at hamiltondiocese.com

World Youth Day 2027: Seoul, South Korea

July 31 – August 9, 2027

Bishop Dabrowski is sending a delegation of young adults (aged 18-35) to World Youth Day in the summer of 2027. World Youth Day (WYD) is the gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth, an expression of the universal Church and an intense moment of evangelization for the world. The Diocesan Pastoral Offices welcome you to attend a **virtual information night** on Thursday, April 23 @ 7:30pm. Register here: bit.ly/WYDInfoNight
For more information about WYD in the Diocese of Hamilton please visit: wyd.hamiltondiocese.com

Vacation Bible School – Suba Diving into friendship with God - St. John the Baptist Parish

July 13th – July 17th, 2026

Join us for a week of catholic themed games, art and much more!! Offered to kids in SK to grade 6 (in September). To register or for more information please email stjohnguelph@hamiltondiocese.com.

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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, 2026.**

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