

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
 Julian Mason, Organ Scholar

Parish Office Hours:

Monday to Friday 9:00am - 12:00 noon
1:00pm - 4:30pm

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 519-654-3575

Elementary Schools:

Saint Michael School

9 McElderry Road
 Principal: Brian Munaro.....519-823-2455

Saint Paul School

182 Clairfields Drive East
 Principal: Sue Majer.....519-824-9470

Saint Ignatius of Loyola School

251 Colonial Drive
 Principal: Robert Furfaro.....519-822-6192

Welcome to newcomers in the parish.

Registration forms are available at the office or on our website.

Hospital Registration:

Please be sure to indicate your religion and parish when entering the hospital.

Lord's Day Masses:

Saturday: 5:15pm
Sunday: 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon

Weekday Liturgies:

See schedule inside

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Wednesday 8:30 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: Stephen Gulyas.....519-822-8502

Our Lady of Lourdes

54 Westmount Road
 Principal: Betty Farrell.....519-836-2170

Saint James High School

57 Victoria Road North
 Principal: Sandra Cummings.....519-822-4290

St. John Bosco

19 Northumberland Street
 Principal: Corey Malone.....519-824-8909

Bequests:

Please consider a bequest to the Church of Our Lady 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 nine months before the proposed date of 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



MASSSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, February 28 – Ferial - Weekday

9:00a.m. – Teresa Frongia, Terry Martini, Intentions for Jerry Bannon, and Special Intentions for Addison Hill

Tuesday, March 1 – Ferial - Weekday

9:00a.m. – Emilio Raco and Frank & Tina Raco

7:00 p.m. – **Vespers and Benediction in Church**

Wednesday, March 2 – Ash Wednesday

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

7:30a.m. – Special Intentions for Lochiel McCarthy

9:00a.m. to 12:00p.m. – Eucharistic Adoration

12:15p.m. –

6:30p.m. – The Office of Vespers (Evening Prayer)

7:00p.m. – Parish Solemn Mass

Thursday, March 3 – Ferial - Weekday

9:00a.m. – Jim Murphy, Desmond Rainey

Friday, March 4 – Ferial - Weekday

9:00a.m. – SVPD Basilica Conference 150th Anniversary – In Praise and Gratitude

1:00p.m. to 7:00p.m. – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (All Fridays during Lent)

6:00p.m. to 6:45p.m. – Confessions

7:00p.m. – Stations of the Cross – John B. Miller Band

Saturday, March 5 – Ferial – Weekday

8:00a.m. to 8:45a.m. – Confessions

9:00a.m. –

4:00pm to 5:00p.m. – Confessions

5:15p.m. – Santosh George, Special Intentions for Michael Finoro, Peter Galan, Nancy Cunningham, Wanda Batson, Dawn Batson

Sunday, March 6 – First Sunday of Lent

9:00a.m. - 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon

PARISH & OTHER NEWS

REST IN PEACE

+We offer our prayers and sympathy to all the families who have recently lost a loved one. May they, and all our deceased loved one's rest in peace with the Lord.

MEMORIAL GIVING

Making a memorial gift is a special way to honour the memory of a deceased loved one. When a deceased family member or friend was a person of faith, a gift to their Parish is a meaningful way to honour what was most special to them. Your donation is acknowledged to the family that a gift has been made in honour of the deceased; however the amount of the gift is never disclosed. Please consider the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate when making funeral arrangements and include our Parish in the Memorial Donations along with your favourite charities and causes. Thank you.

Lent 2022 Virtual Resources

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis and the Liturgy Office have prepared a variety of resources for parishes and families for the Lenten Season.

The link below brings you to the Lent 2022 Virtual Resources on the Diocesan web page. A few of these resources are highlighted below.

- Liturgy of the Word for Ash Wednesday with His Excellency, Bishop Wayne Lopsinger prepared with an elementary school participant in mind. This can be celebrated virtually in a classroom or at home.
- Tips for families celebrating the Lenten rituals of prayer, fasting and almsgiving at home.
- Resources available for purchase from the Diocese office or free on-line links to children's activities, literature for teens, and adult resources.

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/lent2022/>

Sacred Heart Parish 100th Anniversary

This June 15th, Sacred Heart Parish in Hamilton, will be celebrating 100 years. We ask former and present parishioners to please send photos of memories at Sacred Heart either by email: sacred.heart@cogeco.ca or bring them to the parish rectory. Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate Mass at Sacred Heart Church on Sunday, June 5th, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., and this will be followed by brunch at Michaelangelo's. Further details to follow.

Church Keys

We are presently conducting a security audit of the Basilica and requesting that all groups or individuals with a key(s) to the Basilica return them to the Parish Office. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated

CWL Fundraising Committee

Helpers needed! Please join us Tuesday, March 1st at 7:00 p.m. in the Basilica Parish Hall to plan some new and exciting upcoming fundraising events for this year! Looking forward to seeing everyone in person again. A friendly reminder to save the date the following Tuesday, March 8th for our monthly general CWL meeting. This meeting will also be in-person in the Parish Hall at 7:00 p.m.

McCafe Free Coffee Cards

Saint Vincent de Paul is hoping to collect the McCafe free coffee cards to give to the homeless that come up for breakfast at our Basilica steps.

As you know, due to the cold weather, the breakfast program is currently being run through the Stepping Stone (aka Drop-in Centre). We provide the shelter with the breakfast sandwiches and fresh fruit, and they help us by putting it out for those folks spending the night at the shelter. We are hoping to reinstate it at our church steps sometime mid-May.

Until then however, we were hoping to ask our parishioners to donate any full McCafe cards they may have. This will not only permit a person to enter a McDonalds to get out of the cold for a bit, but also allow them to get free coffee at the same time. If anyone wishes to help out, they can put the card(s) in an envelope marked SVDP Coffee Cards and leave it in the collection basket on Saturday or Sunday Masses. The cards will be collected and distributed to the homeless directly.

Friendly Reminder – 2022 CWL Dues

Catholic Women's League Members, if you have not already submitted your \$25.00 membership fee, please do so as soon as possible. You can place it in the collection basket, drop off or mail it into the Parish Office. Please contact Tara Bauer tbauer4444@gmail.com if you have any questions or need to make any arrangements.

If you are interested in becoming a CWL member, please contact Tara at the email address above!

Vocations

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988).

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Website: www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre

Is now open and accepting group and personal retreat bookings for 2022! With a large Chapel and acres of untouched green space Mount Mary is an ideal location for those seeking a retreat experience. Groups of all types are welcome for a day or for an overnight stay. For more information please visit: www.mountmary.ca

40 Days for Life

Save the date! 40 days of pro-life prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil will be starting around the world on March 2nd. Locally, there will be a prayer vigil in downtown Guelph. For information on how to become involved and save lives in Guelph, contact Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311 or visit 40daysforlife.com/guelph.

Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation

St. Michael's I	Thurs. Apr. 28	7:00pm
St. Ignatius	Sat. Apr. 30	10:00am
St. Paul's I	Tues. Apr. 26	7:00pm
Correspondence	Thurs. Apr. 28	7:00pm

Celebration of First Holy Communion

St. Ignatius	Sat. May 14	10:00am
St. Michaels's	Sat. May 21	10:00am
St. Paul	Sat. May 28	10:00am

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