

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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 Deacon Quinto Tami

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 Brendan Shea, Custodian

Music Ministry

Joe Carere, Organist & Choirmaster
 Julian Mason, Sub-Organist

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: Laura Quick.....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.

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



MASSSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, October 19th

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
9:00 a.m. – Mass – Mary Peori, Marcia Clair-Harcourt,
Pasquale Pellegrino

Tuesday, October 20th

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
9:00 a.m. – Mass – Joan & Nancy Azzopardi

Wednesday, October 21st

7:00 a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
7:30 a.m. – Mass – John Bernard Picone
8:00 a.m. – Perpetual Help Devotions
8:30 a.m. – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
12:00 p.m. – Benediction
12:15 p.m. – Mass – Josephine Kus

Thursday, October 22nd

8:30 a.m. – The office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
9:00 a.m. – Mass – Hilary Tedoldi, Ricardo Bernardo

Friday, October 23rd

8:30 a.m. – The office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
9:00 a.m. – Mass – James Berry, Stanley Krakowiak

Saturday, October 24th

4:00 p.m. – Confessions
5:15 p.m. – Mass – Dominic Conversano, Eva Marie
DiLoreto, Nina Pellegrino, Mary Fitton, Intentions of Lee &
Tailor Gartley and intentions of Fiona Barton

Sunday, October 25th – Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. – The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer)
9:00 a.m. – Mass
10:00 a.m. – KOC Breakfast
11:00 a.m. – Mass
12:00 p.m. – KOC Breakfast

Regina Caeli Shrine Lamps

During the week beginning Sunday, October 18th, 2026, The Regina Caeli Shrine lamps will burn for the repose of the soul of the McCarron & Coulson families and burn for the intentions of Ifeanyi & Ugochi Amah and their family.

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 \$8,857.50 in support of your parish community and in gratitude for God's blessing.

ocations

"Give... to God the things that are God's" That includes you! Could Jesus be calling you to follow Him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister?

If God is calling you contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email at vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

PARISH NEWS

Church Bulletin Advertising

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in December 2026 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

Monthly Holy Hour for Vocations

" The harvest is plenty, but labourers are few. Pray, therefore, the Lord of the Harvest to send out labourers into His harvest" (Matthew 9:37-38)

You are invited to join your fellow Catholics in a Holy Hour for Vocations on the last Tuesday or each month (except December) from 7:00pm to 8:00pm at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate. Pray for an increase in vocations to Holy Orders, the Consecrated Life and Christian Marriage. Pray to discern your own vocation or ask God to strengthen you in living your vocation. We begin on Tuesday, September 29, 2026. All are welcome!

World Youth Day - August 2027

Seoul, South Korea

For any young adults (18-30 ish) interested in a pilgrimage of faith to World Youth Day in Seoul, South Korea, please reach out to Fr. Jonathan Reitzel for more information (jreitzel@hamiltondiocese.com).

Come Be Part of the Basilica Gift Shop Team!

Have you ever thought about volunteering at the Basilica Gift Shop? We're looking for friendly and enthusiastic volunteers to help in the Gift Shop after each weekend's Mass. If you enjoy meeting people, welcoming visitors, handling cash and debit transactions, and being part of a wonderful group that helps share our faith with everyone who visits the Gift Shop, we would love to have you join us! Whether you can volunteer regularly or occasionally, your time and presence can make a difference. If you're interested or would simply like to learn more, please come and see us in the Newstead Room after Mass. Police clearance is required

The Basilica Senior Choir

is welcoming new members who would like to take part in the musical life of the parish. We are especially looking for singers who have some previous choir or musical experience, are comfortable matching pitch, and can follow a vocal line with reasonable confidence. Formal training is

not required, but a basic ability to read music is certainly helpful. Rehearsals are friendly, focused, and built around preparing sacred music well for the liturgy. If you enjoy singing, value good church music, and are willing to make a regular commitment, we would be very pleased to hear from you. If you would like more information please speak to Joe after Mass, or you can email him at bach565@yahoo.com.

3rd Annual Wine Tasting Event

Mark your calendars - On Friday, October 30th, we will host our **3rd Annual Wine Tasting Social Event** from 7 pm to 9 pm, in the Parish Hall. Tickets are \$25 per person, and included in that price, we will have a selection of wines that you can try as well as a variety of finger foods specifically chosen to pair with the wines. We will also be offering non-alcoholic beverages for those who don't drink wine. Tickets go on sale after weekend masses starting on October 3/4 and will continue up to October 24/25. Cash, debit and credit are accepted methods of payment. Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy some great company, wine and food! All are welcome!

Annual Fall Memorial Mass (All Souls Day Mass)

Saturday, October 31, 2026

11:00am

Marymount Cemetery, Guelph

Principal Celebrant & Homilist:

Most Reverend Wayne Lobsinger,

Auxiliary Bishop of Hamilton

All are welcome

OTHER NEWS

Martyr Shrine Talk

Once again, we are welcoming Fr Bert Foloit, a Jesuit priest from the Martyr Shrine for an all-day talk about Joseph Chiwatenhwa and a fellow Martyr on **Saturday October 24 from 9am-3pm at St Joseph Church, Guelph**. The day will begin with Mass at 9am, discussion and a synodal spiritual discussion after. Morning snacks, lunch and afternoon snacks will be provided by our Catholic Women's League, BLD and Knights of Columbus groups. No cost to attend. RSVP required for food purposes by calling the Parish Office at 519-822-4614 or by email stjosephguelph@rogers.com by Tuesday October 20th. Good will offering would be greatly appreciated.

Catholic Mom's Group PD Day Fun (October 26th)

Hosted by Regina Caeli Academy (40 Margaret Street)

Event 1: PD DAY ACTIVITY

Monday, October 26, 2026, 9:00am - 11:00am

Free **Come dressed as your favorite Saint**

Games and Prizes

Open to children of all ages

Children under the age of 4 must be accompanied by an adult email to **Register:** info@reginacaeliacademy.ca

Event 2: PD DAY CAMP

Monday, October 26, 2026

8:30am - 3:30pm

\$50.00

Come dressed as a saint with a

change of clothing for afternoon activities.

Open to school-aged children JK to Grade 8

Pizza lunch and T-shirt provided for each child

Sports in a nearby park in the afternoon

Dress for the weather **Email to Register & E-Transfer the fee (note PD DAY SAINT CAMP) -**

info@reginacaeliacademy.ca

Alliance for Life Ontario

Is inviting all singers, songwriters, actors, storytellers, musicians, poets, writers, videographers, actors, artists and more to a wonderful workshop, "Created to Create" which will be held on Monday 19th October at 10.30am- 12.30pm in the Basilica Hall. We have the Write For Life Academy UK whose representatives will encourage and assist you to use your God-given talents to promote the dignity of every human life. The workshop is free, and everyone is invited. Please register with Jakki Jeffs at aflo@mgl.ca or 519 820 3399 Cell. We look forward to seeing you!!"

New On-Line Prayer Group Available for Moms

Would you like to pray the Rosary with a group of like-minded moms from the comfort of your own home — once you've helped the kids with their homework, cleaned up after supper and are looking for a little bit of spiritual refreshment? **And this is for EVERY Catholic mom.** Whether you belong to a live, in-person Catholic Moms Group or not, you are welcome to join us. Whether you are in the Archdiocese of Toronto or in North Pole, Alaska, you are welcome to join us! Whether you are a working mom, a stay-at-home mom, a mother of one or a mom of eight, **you are welcome to join us.** Many of our Catholic Moms Groups meet once a month, so this online prayer group can be a little "add-on" — a way to stay connected with other Catholic moms and pray together in between your regular in-person meetings.



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