



# IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH

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## PASTORAL TEAM

**FR. GREGORY MERKLEY**, Pastor  
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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

**Tuesday to Thursday**

9:30a.m – 4:30p.m.

**Friday**

9:30a.m-12:30p.m

**Closed: Saturday, Sunday, Monday**

## PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday 10a.m. until Saturday 9a.m

## CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Tuesday evenings 8p.m in the church  
(September to June)

## PRAISE & WORSHIP PRAYER GROUP

Thursdays 7p.m - Parish Hall  
(September to June)

## HOSPITAL VISITS/SHUT-INS

Call/Email the Parish Office.

## SCHOOLS

Immaculate Heart of Mary  
905-523-2332  
St. Gabriel  
905-523-2468

## VOCATIONS

Fr. Mark Morley  
905-528-7988 ext. 2341  
<https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

## ELECTRONIC BULLETIN

[ihmchurch@cogeco.net](mailto:ihmchurch@cogeco.net)

**VISIT:** [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org)

**SOCIAL MEDIA:** @ihmchurchsc

## OUR PARISH'S VISION STATEMENT:

*The Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish is a welcoming place of joyful worship where one finds grace, refuge, serenity, strength and compassion.*

*Empowered by the Holy Spirit, with the love of the Father, the parish offers outreach, understanding and hope to a diverse community in a meaningful way.*

*Prayerfully, openly and lovingly, the Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish provides a faithful witness to our Lord Jesus Christ.*

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## PARISH PRAYER:

*Come Holy Spirit, Come by the means of the powerful intercession of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Your well beloved spouse upon the Parishioners of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish. Amen*

## LORD'S DAY MASSES

SATURDAY 5:00p.m; SUNDAY 9:00a.m; 11:00a.m; 4:00p.m

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 9a.m; Tuesday 7p.m; Wednesday-Friday 9a.m

## CONFESSION TIMES

Tuesday 6-7p.m; Saturday 3:45-4:45p.m  
30 minutes before all other regularly scheduled Masses  
(including Sunday Masses)

## BAPTISMS

Call/Email the Parish office to book.

## MARRIAGE

Call/Email the Parish Office at least 6 months in advance

## R.C.I.A

(Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) Call/Email the parish office

## SPECIAL NEEDS

Families with children that have special needs are always welcome in our parish.  
Please contact us to show us how we can help you.

## STEWARDSHIP

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We welcome you to our Parish! Please introduce yourself to Fr. Greg.  
Kindly complete the information below and place it in the collection basket.

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| ROSARY<br>30 mins before<br>All Masses | Confession<br>30 mins<br>before All<br>Masses | <b>SUNDAY, JULY 6, 2025</b><br><b>MASS INTENTIONS: July 7-13, 2025</b>  |  | Diocesan Vocation<br>Prayer Intentions |
|--|---|---|--|--|
| MONDAY                                 | 9:00 AM<br><br>6:00 PM                        | † DECEASED OF CIURYSEK FAMILY — Jadwiga<br>*****<br>CHANTED MASS  |  | Rev. Ireneusz H. Koziak                |
| TUESDAY                                | 7:00 PM                                       | † FIDELA EVANGELISTA & VICTORIANA ASILO - Driz Family<br>† DECEASED OF THE FERNANDEZ & CERVANTES FAMILIES — Alberto & Iliana Fernandez<br>† GUNI SAPRA<br>† MARIA ROMENEO<br>SOULS IN PURGATORY - Joe Kiefer<br>FOR THE INTENTIONS OF MARY FASCIONE<br>FOR THE INTENTIONS OF MATTHEW MASLANKA - Walter & Teresa Rzesotko<br>FOR THE INTENTIONS OF LUISA VERTICCHIO<br>FOR THE BLESSING AND GIFTS AT THE HOLY SPIRIT FOR EVA, ANNA, TOM, JEFF & HIS FAMILY<br>FOR PRESERVING THE DEPOSIT OF FAITH UNSPOILED BY HERESY AMONG THE SHEPHERDS OF THE HOLY CHURCH<br>FOR PRIESTS LIVING & DECEASED, THOSE INCARCERATED, THOSE EVANGELIZING FOR THE FAITH OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH |  | Very Rev. Tim Uniak                    |
| WEDNESDAY                              | 9:00 AM                                       | † TRUDY VAN DEN ENDEN & FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THE VAN DEN ENDEN FAMILY - Paletta Family   |  | Holy Ghost<br>Congregation             |
| THURSDAY                               | 9:00 AM                                       | FOR THE INTENTIONS OF MICHAEL MASLANKA — Walter & Teresa Rzesotko   |  | Rev. Stephen Murrin                    |
| FRIDAY                                 | 9:00 AM                                       | FOR THE INTENTIONS OF FR. GREG ON THE OCCASION OF HIS BIRTHDAY — Jadwiga  |  | Rev. Michal Kruszewski                 |
| SATURDAY                               | 5:00 PM                                       | † RONALD RENE BLENDMAN — Frank & Catherine Tam & Family<br>† BRUNO BORTOLOTO — Palmira Caucci<br>† TOM IVEZIC JR — Grace Ivezic<br>† GABBY MCILVEEN — Tony & Daniela Giannini<br>† ANNETTE SPATAZZO — Juliana & Blaise<br>† SHARON & SHEILA STACEY - Kunkel Family<br>† IVAN TURCIC — Katerina<br>† TERESA VERTICCHIO — Pat & Rosa Ciarmoli<br>FOR UNBORN CHILDREN — Asha Joseph<br>FOR THE INTENTIONS OF FR. GREG<br>FOR THE INTENTION OF SALVATORE PARISE<br>FOR THE INTENTIONS OF ANGELINE SETUNGE — Kunkel Family<br>FOR THE INTENTIONS OF LUISA VERTICCHIO   |  | Most Rev. Anthony<br>Tonnos            |
| SUNDAY                                 | 9:00 AM<br>11:00 AM<br>4:00 PM                | FOR THE INTENTIONS OF ADELE VANTROOST<br>† JOE CAUCCI & DECEASED OF CAUCCI & FORLINI FAMILIES - Palmira Caucci<br>PRO POPULO  |  |  |



My dear parishioners,

**This weekend we continue *Ordinary Time*.** Ordinary, from the word *ordinal*, means sequential. We will sequentially read the Bible and allow it to permeate our ordinary way of life, encouraged to ‘move ahead’ and ‘grow’ by the green colors which are a sign of the *new life* Jesus wishes to give us. The constant question posed by this season is, “how can each part of my daily, ordinary life be more and more ordered by God?”

**Our parish is happy to have Salvatore Parise, a seminarian who will begin seminary formation this upcoming year at St. Augustine’s seminary in Toronto, with us for the month of July.** It is always a privilege to have seminarians around. Their love for God is a beautiful witness in our midst of how each of us is called to love God with all of our heart, mind, soul and strength. May the Holy Spirit grant us many holy priests to lead us in the ways of our Lord!

**Thank you to all our volunteers and various committee members for their dedication to our parish; you make amazing things happen!**

**After some prayerful discernment, our Monday night chant Masses will become monthly beginning September, coinciding with the monthly men’s retreats (“recollections”) taking place here.** That said, they will remain weekly for the months of July and August!

**My participation in the production of a *docudrama* about the Canadian Martyrs is something I’ve shared with you in the past.** If you want to learn more about the project, and see a trailer which includes myself, please check out <https://ofbloodandwater.com>. I have the honor to play St. Isaac Jogues, and was cast likely both because I am friends with the producer (Kevin Dunn),

and even moreso as I apparently look a lot like the saint! May St. Jean Isaac Jogues and all the Canadian Martyrs pray for us!

**Our parish has applied for and received a summer job grant from the Canadian government, and so this summer we expect to have a young lady named *Rain* helping us here at the parish with various tasks.** We will be grateful for her presence and assistance – please make her feel very welcome when you see her!

**We are grateful to all those who help make amazing things happen in our parish!** We’ve had our parking lot lines repainted and brought up date. We’ve also seen substantial improvements to our grounds including grass, new planters, and other garden improvements. Furthermore, a St. Joseph statue was placed on the wall in meeting room 1, helping us to stay close to this great saint who loved the Immaculate Heart of Mary so much.

**Formed.org is a great resource, which our parish has a subscription to.** I encourage you to sign up for [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org), and explore the incredible content there! They have great reflections, movies, documentaries, kids shows, and much more!

May our Eucharistic Lord abundantly bless all of you with the graces flowing from His Sacred Heart,

Fr. Greg Merkley

**UPCOMING EVENTS: See next page for all our exciting events!**





**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:**  
Visit: [kofc.org/join](http://kofc.org/join) (Council # 14421)

**GOLF TOURNAMENT: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14! \$160/**

**Golfer** at South Brook Golf & Country Club Shot Gun Start: 1p.m Rain or Shine. Includes: lunch, green fees, cart, dinner, door prizes and lots of fun! Start putting your 4somes together!

Email: Guy, leafan299@gmail.com; Al, GK14421@ontariokofc.ca  
ihmchurch@cogeco.net

**Enjoy a Safe & Restful Summer!**



**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:**  
**Wishing you a Blessed Summer!**  
**See you in September!**



**PRAISE & WORSHIP PRAYER GROUP**  
**Will break for the summer and start up again on**  
**Thursday, September 11 at 7p.m.**



**CHOSEN - Season 4** — Saturdays at 6:15p.m.  
Meeting Room 1, Join us!



**LEARN TO SPEAK ITALIAN OR FILIPINO! Immaculate Heart of Mary School will offer Italian & Filipino classes July 2 to 26, Monday to Friday, 9:30 am to 12:00 pm.** If you are interested, please contact Mary at [anilowskim@hwcdsb.ca](mailto:anilowskim@hwcdsb.ca)



**READ, WRITE, MATH WITH ART CAMP: SK to Gr 6**

This camp focuses on reading, writing, and math using art and inquiry based on learning!

**CAMP DATES & TIME: July 21-25 & August 18-22 9AM to 12:30 PM**

**at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church**

**Register: [daniella.albano123abc@gmail.com](mailto:daniella.albano123abc@gmail.com)**

**Cost: \$175 per student/week**



**PARISH PEACH FESTIVAL NEWS:** The Peach Festival is around the corner and we will be looking for volunteers to help with food prep at the parish, set up and serving at the festival. **We will begin prepping the week of August 18-24 including the Festival days.**

Save the dates if you are looking to help out!

**UPCOMING EVENTS** (Apart from Mass and Confessions)

**July 5<sup>th</sup> - 6:15 PM** — Chosen Series 4, Meeting Rm 1

**July 11<sup>th</sup> - 6:30 PM** — Youth Group, Parish Hall

**July 12<sup>th</sup> - 6:15 PM** — Young Adults, Church/Parish Hall

**July 12<sup>th</sup> - 6:15 PM** — Chosen Series 4, Meeting Rm 1

**July 16<sup>th</sup> - 9:30 AM** — St. Patrick's Cooking Team, Parish Hall

**July 23<sup>rd</sup> - 9:30 AM** — St. Patrick's Cooking Team, Parish Hall

**July 21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>—9 AM—12:30 PM** - Read, Write, Math, Art Camp, Mtg Rm 1

**July 26<sup>th</sup> - 6:15 PM** — Chosen Series 4, Meeting Rm 1

**July 26/27<sup>th</sup> - World Day of Grandparents & Elderly**



**SOCIAL ACTION:** If you, your family, place of employment, service or faith organization would like to sponsor a meal feeding up to 500+ people at DeMazenod Door, you can call Crystal at 905-522-9828. Everyday of the week

there are opportunities should you wish to honour a special person or organization, by sponsoring a meal. The meals are prepared by the Chef and volunteers at DeMazenod Door; Soul Food Sundays, Healthy Mondays, Pizza Tuesdays, Casserole Wednesdays, Throwback Thursdays, BBQ Fridays and International Saturdays. The meals are almost as good as those we cook here in our parish kitchen! Please see the poster on the bulletin board in the narthex and in the back entrance to the church for more details on sponsoring a meal.



**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION MEETING:** will break for the summer and **will resume Tuesday October 7 at 8pm** in the church."



**FRASSATI LEADERSHIP PROGRAM CALLING ALL THOSE ENTERING GRADE 10 IN SEPTEMBER 2025!**

Are you looking to grow in your faith? Do you want to explore what it means to be a Catholic leader? The Frassati Leadership Program may be for you. Join us as we reflect on the foundations of Catholic leadership and foster opportunities for you to grow in your own faith and leadership skills. For more information and to register please visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/youth-ministry/frassati/>

**JUBILEE YOUTH PILGRIMAGE DAY THE OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY**

is excited to welcome young people in grades 7-12 to join us for a Jubilee Youth Pilgrimage Day on August 3rd, 2025 hosted at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph. The pilgrimage day will run from 1:00pm – 7:00 pm. Those interested in attending are encouraged to register with a parish group! For more information and to register please visit: <https://bit.ly/youthpilgrimage2025>

**YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT IN JULY—Fr. Mark Morley** invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations.

The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, July 5th at St. Catherine of Siena Church (620 Rymal Road East, Hamilton, Ontario). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/> For more information, please contact: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

**STEWARDSHIP**

**JUNE 29, 2025**

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