

# **IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH**



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#### **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.

### PASTOR: FR. WILLIAM TRUSZ

SEMINARIAN INTERN: Daniel Naim

PASTORAL ASSISTANT: Ilaria Paletta

YOUTH MINISTER: Billie Filice

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday to Thursday 9:30a.m. to 4:30p.m.; Friday 9:30a.m to 12:30p.m. Closed: Monday, Saturday & Sunday

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

**CONFESSIONS:** Tuesday 6-7p.m; Saturday 3:45-4:45p.m

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Monday & Tuesday: 10a.m. - Midnight; Wednesday: 10a.m. to Saturday 9a.m.

**BAPTISMS:** Please call the Parish office to book. *Prep 1st Sunday of month (Sept-June)* 

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) Speak with Fr. Bill

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: 11A.M. Mass – JK to Grade 2 only. (Sept to June)

HOSPITAL VISITS/SHUT-INS: Please call the Parish Office

**VOCATIONS:** Rev. M. King 905-528-7988 ext. 2246 visit: www.hamiltonvocations.com

SCHOOLS: Immaculate Heart of Mary 905-523-2332 St. Gabriel's 905-523-2468

**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.

HEALING VIGILS: 3rd Friday of Each Month from 7-9p.m. (Sept to June)

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION:** Tuesday evenings 8pm in the church (Sept-June)

**ROSARY PRAYER GROUP:** Tuesday evenings 6:30p.m. followed by Mass

CHOIRS: Music Ministry Director: Teresa DiFalco Ken Bates (Tuesday 7p.m);

Marisa Ciarmoli (11a.m. Youth Gr 3-) Teresa DiFalco(5p.m); Luigi Visocchi(9a.m); Emidio Martino(11a.m)

ELECTRONIC BULLETIN: Email: ihmchurch@cogeco.net

SOCIAL MEDIA: fihmyouth\_

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#### **KEEP THIS PRAYER & RECITE EACH DAY:**

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.

#### **NEW PARISHIONERS:**

We welcome you and your family to our Parish, please introduce yourself to Fr. Bill. To register with our Parish; kindly complete the following and place it in the collection basket.

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NAME	
ADDRESS	
TELEPHONE:	
Please check one: Envelopes _	Pre-authorized giving
EMAIL:	E-Bulletin yes/no
(form wil	l be emailed to you)
Envelopes are availa	ble from January to June only

Envelopes are available from January to June only and will be in the sacristy the weekend after your registration is received by the parish office. *Thank you* 

	SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2020		
		MASS INTENTIONS ~ JANUARY 20-25, 2020 ~Please Pray for the Sick in our Parish~	Diocesan Vocation Prayer Intention
MONDAY	9:00A.M	<b>†</b> STANISLAW BIALACH & DECEASED OF BIALACH FAMILY—Elizabeth	Rev. Godwin Pinto
TUESDAY	7:00P.M	<ul> <li>MICHAEL KLEIN—Deacon John Girolami</li> <li>DECEASED OF CASIO FAMILY</li> </ul>	Rev. Ronald Hodara
WEDNESDAY	9:00A.M	SPECIAL INTENTION FOR MARTIN HOBBS—Kathleen Whyte	Carmelites of Mary Immaculate
THURSDAY	9:00A.M	<b>†</b> TED ZYCHOWICZ, CZESLAW, MARIANNA & MITCH CIURYSEK	Rev. Edward Henhoeffer
FRIDAY	9:00A.M	SPECIAL INTENTION FOR IVAN	Rev. John Schnurr
SATURDAY	5:00P.M	<ul> <li>BORIS DRENSKI - Family</li> <li>MICHELE PRESTA—Family</li> <li>SHELDON GOMES—Family</li> <li>PIO GIARDINO—Family</li> <li>GIUSEPPE MAZZETTI—Family</li> <li>SETTIMIO GIANCATERINA—Family</li> <li>RINA &amp; GETULIO BALDELLI—Family</li> <li>STEFANIA &amp; JOSEPH BURY—Family</li> <li>ROSINA &amp; LEONARDO DOMANICO &amp; PAULINA LICATA—Carmela Domanico</li> </ul>	Rev. Jacek Kryn

## MATTHEW: A WORK OF ART



The Catechism of our Catholic Church defines "faith" as being both acceptance of Jesus as the son of God and acceptance of His teachings. It might aptly be said that Matthew's Gospel fulfills this dual nature of faith exceptionally well. In fact, it might be maintained that Matthew's Gospel was purposely written to address this need.

Please permit me to explain. The scholarly community largely agrees that the Gospel of Mark was the first of the four gospels to come upon the scene. Scholars say that Matthew relied heavily on Mark in compiling his own gospel. As well, though; Matthew had recourse to other sources of "Jesus material" to draw from. Scholars have, through much patient work, derived a source of Jesus material that is mostly comprised of sayings and of parables attributed to Jesus. Matthew relied on this source almost as heavily as he relied on Mark.

Because the majority of Bible scholars over the last 150 years wrote in German , and because the German word for "source" is "Quelle", the scholarly community gave the shorthand designation "Q" to this source. They maintain the Matthew's Gospel is, to a great extent, a masterful interweaving of material from Mark and from "Q".

In his book "A Rabbi looks at the Gospels" Rabbi Abraham Sandmel claims, persuasively, that Mark's Gospel focussed largely on the person of Jesus, the Son of God; however there is not much, relatively speaking of Jesus' teachings in Mark. Remember, "faith" includes **both** acceptance of Jesus as son of God **and** acceptance of His teachings. Sandmel suggests that Matthew might have been written expressly to correct this "imbalance" in Mark, by adding much more of Jesus' teachings, as found in the "Q" document.

This is important for us today because, at times, people promote what might almost be called a "personality cult" of Jesus. They seem to say: "All we need to do this to believe in Jesus, but we don't really need to integrate his teachings in our lives - especially when those teachings are challenging!"

This year: Listen to "Jesus the Teacher" in the Sunday Gospel proclamations"

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #14421 CORNER: www.kofc14421.com

ANNUAL BISHOP'S DINNER—SATURDAY, MARCH 7 at Carmen's Banquet Centre, tickets \$70/person. Please contact John vanTroost 905-662-7583 for tickets.

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IF YOU ARE A KNIGHT AND VOLUNTEERED DURING 2019, whether for Council activities, around the church, or in the community, please let me know how many hours you volunteered and in what way, ASAP. We are tallying our volunteer hours as a way to show people how we are involved in the church and the community.

**MEMBERSHIP FEES**—if you haven't given your membership fees in, please use the envelope in your 2019 box and drop it in the collection. Thank you to those who have already paid their dues!

SAVE THE DATE!! OUR PARISH GOLF TOURNAMENT is scheduled for SUNDAY, JUNE 14 at Southbrook Golf & Country Club! Start polishing your golf clubs and join us for a day of fun, food and fellowship! This tournament is open to all parishioners, family and friends! \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Check our website from time to time to find out what is happening!

CHARITY - UNITY - FRATERNITY - PATRIOTISM JOIN THE KNIGHTS and make a difference. Joe van Troost, Grand Knight (joevantroost@Hotmail.com)



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: We invite the ladies of the parish to join us for our CRAFTING DAY—TUESDAY, JANUARY 21 beginning at 1p.m. in the parish hall All ladies of the parish are invited to join us!

MEMBERSHIP FEES are due this month, please use the envelope in your box and drop it off in the Sunday Collection.
We would also love to have new members join! Ask a Friend! Thank you to all the ladies who have already paid! \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

**100YR QUILT** will be in the gathering space for our members to sign this weekend and the next. Please see our Executive for a pen!



GRADE 7 TO 12, Interested in some food, fellowship and fun while confronting life's difficult questions and choices? Join Us on SUNDAY'S, FEBRUARY 23; APRIL 19, immediately following Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish's 4pm Mass.

Dinner will be provided. Let's Grow Deeper, Stand Taller and be Unshakeable, let's be ROOTED in CHRIST! All three sessions are \$25 or \$10 per session.

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B'TWEENS: GRADE 2-6 - FRIDAY, JANUARY 24 FROM 7-8:30P.M. These sessions will be held throughout the year and the cost for all 6 sessions is \$30 or \$5 per session.

Interested in joining email: Billie Filice at ihmyouth@cogeco.net to reserve your spot.

Let's Stay Engaged, Excited and Craving More in Christ's Love.



SOCIAL ACTION MINISTRY: This past week we prepared another great meal for those coming to The DeMazenod Door to be fed and given drink. Next week our second group of volunteers will prepare a delicious meal. Both these meals and all the meals that our parish volunteers have prepared since February 2017 are only possible

through our parishioners' generous donations to the **BLUE BOX**. Thank you for helping us care for the poor in Hamilton. Thanks also to both groups of parishioners who, every month, prepare and cook these meals. Your selfless dedication to this ministry is a blessing and you can Registration, shared A/C accommodations, 6 meals plus \$100 CDN for be assured that the people who are fed at The DeMazenod Door love the food that you prepare.

Thank you to those who donated to the **Blue Box** this weekend and to those who remembered to bring staples and drop off in the bins in the narthex. Please remember we can only use those items that are listed in the bulletin and on the bins.

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DO YOU FEEL A CALL TO PRAY FOR OTHERS? Please, join us in a weekly prayer group, "PRAYERS FOR THE DYING" on THURSDAY'S AT **3P.M**. in the church, Booklet will be provided.

THE APOSTOLATE FOR THE SICK, is a small group who is dedicating itself to the service of others. We would like to extend our services to our parish community. If you know someone who is homebound, hospitalized, sick and unable to attend mass and would like us to visit, bring communion, pray the rosary, please call the parish office and leave your name and phone number and we will call to make arrangements to visit you.



ATTENTION ALL MARRIED COUPLES! An invitation is extended to all married couples to a potluck supper after the 5p.m Mass on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15 IN OUR **PARISH HALL.** In the Exhortation Amoris Laetitia Pope

Francis offers guidance on how to enhance love in our marriage and our families. As part of the supper four couples will briefly share on how the Holy Father's advice, contained in his teaching, has boosted their relationship. Please drop off your dish(es) prior to the Mass in the hall. We invite you to just come out and join us no registration needed!



CONSULTATION ON MEDICAL ASSISTANCE IN **DYING** The Canadian Department of Justice is having a Medical Assistance in Dying consultation, since the government is considering expanding the euthanasia law to those not dying. Let the government know that as a Catholic, you believe that the current safeguards

and eligibility requirements need to be increased not lessened. You will be given the opportunity to provide written comments about the safeguards, the morality of the directives, and other factors of Canada's euthanasia law. This is your chance to influence how we move forward in this country with MAID. Please make your voice heard by filling out the survey at https://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/cons/ad-am/index.html.



#### DON'T MISS THIS RARE OPPORTUNITY! Our Parish will be hosting a Lenten Retreat with

Rwandan Genocide Survivor 's message of FORGIVENESS, HEALING & HOPE. Immaculee will share her powerful journey through remarkable personal testimony. Witness the life-saving power of faith and the Rosary, as she huddled with seven

other women in a cramped bathroom for 91 days while killers lurked just outside the door. FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 4-9PM; SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 8:30AM -12:30 PM. Registration: www.immaculee.com; click on "shop/events" then select "Retreats"



**PRAISE & WORSHIP** Join us on Thursday evenings beginning at 7p.m. in

the parish hall for prayers, praise and worship, meditation, teachings and fellowship. We should always give praise and worship to our Lord and this evening gives *you that opportunity!* 

#### **"DEFENDING THE FAITH"**



Steubenville, Ohio Conference JULY 24-26, 2020 "Live the Gospel with joy and boldness" \$340U.S. funds- Adult over 30 (early bird rate before Feb28) \$370 after Feb 28, 2020;\$290U.S. funds- Youth 18-30 (early bird rate before Feb28) Above includes:

coach bus transportation there and back (Bus fee is non-refundable) Bus leaves July 24 from IHM 8am, Returns July 26 apprx 8pm. To register contact; Nadia Gigliotti at precisecarservice@bellnet.ca 905-643-4460; Billie Filice ihmyouth@cogeco.net



WE ARE AN ALPHA ZONE!!! OUR NEXT ALPHA SESSION BEGINS on TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2020 until TUESDAY, JUNE 30 from 6:30-8:30p.m and every **Tuesday** in **between**. Each week we will share a meal and conversation. Want to find out more? Want to have a stronger relationship with God? Do you think you are

interested? Email: ihmchurch@cogeco.net

ALPHA-BITS: "Most Heroes Wear A Cape But Mine Wore A Cross "



EUCHRE MONDAYS! RUNS EVERY MONDAY AT 7P.M. IN **OUR LARGE MEETING ROOM**. Join us for an evening of fun and fellowship for \$3. Everyone is Welcome!!!



**IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH ALL YOU CAN EAT PASTA DINNER!** FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2020 FROM 3-8P.M Meal includes: all you can eat pasta, 2 meatballs, salad, buns, dessert, coffee, tea, juice Adults \$12; Children (5-13yrs) \$6

Tickets available after Mass or the parish office.



WEDDINGS BANNS: There is a Promise of Marriage Between **BENIAMIN WEBBER & IULIANNA IANICAS** 

SCRIPTURE READINGS: SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2020 1st Reading: Isaiah 9:1-4 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 10-13, 17-18 Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23

STEWARDSHIP — JANUARY 12, 2020 - \$4877.00 The foundation of stewardship is a generous heart. Please note on the 15th & 30th of each month the pre-authorized figures are included. Thank you for your continued generosity.