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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

VISIT:

www.formed.org

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.

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

"Donate to our Parish" through our website. Mail/Drop Off Donations to the Parish Office. We thank you for your generosity & support.



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REGISTER WITH OUR PARISH:

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

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Please check one: Envelopes ___ Pre-authorized giving ___ (form will be emailed to you)

EMAIL: _____ E-Bulletin yes/no

ROSARY 30 mins before All Masses	Confession 30 mins before All Masses	SUNDAY, JULY 14, 2024 MASS INTENTIONS: July 15-21, 2024		Diocesan Vocation Prayer Intentions
MONDAY	9:00 AM 6:00 PM	✠ ELEANOR & FRANK KUNKEL — Kunkel Family ***** CHANTED MASS		Rev. Gary Schlack
TUESDAY	7:00 PM	✠ ISOBEL ALBERGHETTI — Jack Bidinost ✠ DAVID BLACK — Pat & Family ✠ MARIO & ELISA DIMARTINO — Family ✠ KIT WHITE — John & Edna White SOULS IN PURGATORY - Jadwiga FOR THE INTENTIONS OF ADELE VANTROOST FOR THE INTENTIONS OF DEACON JOE & NADIA —Theresa Sapra FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THE DIPIETRO FAMILY —Filice Family FOR THE INTENTIONS OF AGNES MORGAN - Walter & Patricia Tymchuk FOR THE INTENTIONS OF DANNY & TERESA CIVITARESE — St. Therese Healing Team		Rev. Bradley Markus
WEDNESDAY	9:00 AM	✠ ANDREW NOWAK - Alice & Mitch Szrajber & Family		Institute of Kkottongnae Sisters of Jesus
THURSDAY	9:00 AM	FOR THE INTENTIONS OF RUZA STIPIC - Jadwiga		Rev. Khalid Karomi
FRIDAY	9:00 AM	✠ LUIGI SCALAMBRA - Family		Rev. Edward Henhoeffler
SATURDAY	5:00 PM	✠ VANGIE BARROW — G. Manes, A. Racanelli, T. Russo-Rocha ✠ LIAM CANTY — D. Giannini ✠ DONATO CORE — Palmira Caucci ✠ EILEEN GIANGREGORIO — Marta & Luigi Visocchi ✠ JOSEPH HALLAL — Family ✠ MARIA LEDONNE — Tony & Daniela Giannini ✠ ROSANNE MOSSEY & RAMONA MOSSEY — Family ✠ MARY PALERMO — Antonette, Brent, Michaela & Marisa ✠ MARZIO POMPEANI — The Duffield Family ✠ FULVIA SALCICCIOLI — Pat & Rosa Ciarmoli ✠ GUNI SAPRA — Romero & Carmelina Medina ✠ TERESA VERTICCHIO — Theresa Sapra FOR THE INTENTIONS OF MARIE BUCCELLA — Daniela Caltagirone FOR THE INTENTIONS OF CARMELINA MEDINA		Rev. Joe Selvanayagam
SUNDAY	9:00 AM 11:00 AM 4:00 PM	✠ DECEASED OF CARLESSO & GIGLIOTTI FAMILIES - Deacon Joe & Nadia ✠ GERMAN GARZON — Family PRO POPULO		



Dear Parishioners,

July 28th is World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly. On Sunday, July 28, 2024, we will celebrate the 4th World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which was initiated by Pope Francis. This year's theme, "Do not cast me off in my old age" (Ps 71:9), reminds us of the loneliness many elderly people face. We are called to value and honor grandparents and the elderly in our community. We invite you to put effort into continuing to honor, love, and serve our beloved elderly, and

to reach out to those who may feel isolated or alone. Your phone calls, visits and presence can make a world of difference, showing them that they are cherished and valued. Especially in today's world where MAID is offered to a population increasingly fearful of "becoming a burden", we can honor the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death by always reassuring the elderly that we love them, care for them, and that they are never a burden. The honor we show them also honors God. The time we spend with them will leave us finding that we have received more than we have given, if we have approached them with a Christian spirit of love and service. Thank you for your support of the elderly in our parish and community. May we see Christ in every single human person, now matter their age or location.

Join us for a family potluck picnic on Saturday, July 27th. We will have a 9 AM Mass, and then a picnic outside (weather permitting) behind the Church. This will be a wonderful parish gathering, where there will also be a chance to meet families who participate in our parish's Family Catechism program. The Family Catechism program allows families and children to come together, and share enjoyable times as they build community, learn about our faith, and enjoy refreshments together. You may bring your own chairs, tables, and food to share! All are welcome!

The annual Winona Peach Festival is approaching, taking place August 23rd to 25th. Please keep an eye open for volunteer opportunities both in preparation and at our parish's booth at the festival itself. Thank you to our committee for their dedication and continued hard work throughout the year in preparation for this major parish fundraiser, which functions as an excellent community outreach effort! May God reward you for all your work!

Several parish groups are on summer break, but will begin again in the fall. We are grateful and blessed by all the many wonderful groups in our parish! If you are not in any parish groups yet, please pray and ask the Holy Spirit to guide you to any group He'd like you to join! A special thank you to our parish and finance councils for their dedication!

Do you want to get involved in the parish, but don't know how? I'd love to chat with you! Come say hello to me after Mass, or make an appointment to chat, and I'll love to see how God may be moving in your life and how you can be involved in our wonderful parish!

Interested in becoming Catholic? Is someone you know interested? We would love to hear from you or them, as we begin looking to RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) to begin in the fall. May the Holy Spirit draw all into the one flock of Christ's Church!

Bishop Crosby will come here to install me as pastor at the parish on Sunday, October 6th, at the 11 AM Mass. As of this past June 26th, my appointment as pastor here at the parish is officially in place. Up until now I was technically appointed as *administrator*, but now the Bishop has made my title *pastor*. Please mark this event in your calendar so you can be present for this very special occasion! We hope to have a gathering afterward as well!

May God bless you abundantly!
Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us!
Fr. Gregory Merkley



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Wishing our Members a Blessed and Restful Summer. See you in September



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Have a blessed summer.

If you are not receiving CWL emails, please let us know by **emailing: cwlwinona@gmail.com**



WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR CHILD TO EXPERIENCE THE CULTURE, TRADITIONS AND LANGUAGE OF THEIR HERITAGE OR OTHER COUNTRIES? The HWCDSB offers in-person and online classes to all elementary school-age children **free** of charge. No previous knowledge of the target language is necessary.

Classes run once a week for 2.5 hours. To view the languages offered, sites, and how to register, please visit www.stcharles.ca. **Our Lady of Peace Elementary School** will offer Italian July 2 to 26, Monday to Friday, 9:30 am to 12:00 pm.



CHRISTIAN MEDITATION: is on hiatus for the months of July and August and will resume on Tuesday evenings in September. We will begin the introduction series again at that time and warmly welcome anyone interested in joining us.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SHARING THE WORD OF GOD?

Then we have a Ministry for you! We are looking for Lectors for our 4p.m Mass. If this is something you would like to do, **please email the parish office: ihmchurch@cogeco.net**

CLC YOUTH—is hosting a summer pro-life movie night featuring Abby Johnson's latest film, **on Friday July 12th Unthinkable, which is a shocking exposé of the abortion industry.** If you are between the ages of 13-29, join CLC at the Hamilton office for pizza, jeopardy and fellowship at 6:00 pm followed by the film screening at 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$10 each to help subsidize the cost of the screening and food. **The address and QR code for the Eventbrite ticket link can be found in the poster on the bulletin board!**

STEWARDSHIP JULY 7, 2024

Envelope Donations: \$2918.00

Loose Donations: \$813.30

Online (July 4): \$115.80

Total: \$3,847.10

Thank you for your generosity.

If you would like to go "Green" please visit our website: www.ihmchurch.ca click the link "Donate to our Parish" and fill in the attached form and email or drop it off to the parish office. **Thank you for your continued support of our Parish.**



SOCIAL ACTION: Next weekend (July 20/21) is BLUE BOX weekend and your generosity will be much appreciated as we continue to provide delicious meals to DeMazenod Door every month. The daily average of meals served in the last 2 months were 475 and 465 meals respectively. Your generosity is needed if we are to meet the growing number of people who come to the Door for food and drink. **Thank you.**



FROM OUR DIOCESE: LISTENING TOGETHER: MEDITATIONS ON SYNODALITY

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis is pleased to offer a summer book club to anyone who would like to explore the meditations of Father Timothy Radcliffe from the Synod gatherings in October 2023. This series of presentations helps us better understand the true meaning of synodality and the importance of discernment in this process. Offered over four sessions, the book club will gather virtually on Wednesday afternoons in July (17,24) from 1:00-2:00pm for prayer and discussion. This series is free of charge and all are welcome to participate! Registration can be found here: <https://forms.gle/aLzYvo1C28BJ6aw36>

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT - SATURDAY, AUGUST 3RD – HAMILTON

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, August 3rd 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: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

THE CATHOLIC DATE NIGHT: Hosted by Kathleen and Jesse LeBlanc of Found Together. Are date nights with your spouse (or future spouse!) turning into Netflix binge nights? Do you want to grow in faith and prayer together? Do you wish you had a community of Catholic couples to truly journey with? It's time to level up your marriage vocation with The Catholic Date Night! Enjoy the LIVE monthly date nights from the comfort of your own home. Subscribe at www.wearefoundtogether.com/datenights and follow them on Instagram @TheCatholicDateNight for date night inspiration and more!

DIOCESAN MARIAN DAYS: The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, the Diocesan Marian Shrine, will be hosting the Diocesan Marian Days on the first Saturdays from June to October. The day begins at 9:00 a.m. and concludes at noon. The presiders for these days will be Bishop Matthew Ustrzycki (August 3), Bishop Douglas Crosby (September 7) and Bishop Daniel Miehm (October 5). For more information, see the Diocesan website.

RESTART: MOVING FORWARD: Our 10 week program offers education and support to anyone seeking to heal and move forward after divorce or separation. The sessions will begin again this fall and are held at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in person, or you are welcome to join our zoom classroom. Cost is \$35 for materials, but no one is turned away. **Registration will be online soon, so look to register at hamiltondiocese.com under Upcoming Events, or contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, e-mail: familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.**

STRUGGLING AFTER AN ABORTION? Either your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry and in need of support? Project Rachel is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, to find hope and healing. **Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.**

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