



# IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH

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**Rev. Mr. Joe Gigliotti**, Deacon  
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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](http://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.*

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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

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



Scan to Donate!

## 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

ROSAARY 30 mins before All Masses	Confessio n 30 mins before All Masses	<b>SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2024</b> MASS INTENTIONS: July 22-28, 2024		Diocesan Vocation Prayer Intentions
<b>MONDAY</b>	9:00 AM 6:00 PM	FOR THE INTENTIONS OF CLAUDIA MASLANKA — Walter & Teresa Rzeszetko ***** CHANTED MASS		St. Mary Magdalene, Disciple of the Lord
<b>TUESDAY</b>	7:00 PM	✠ GIOVANNI BRIATICO — Family ✠ SOPHIE & DAVID COLTERMAN — Kunkel Family ✠ IRENE KIEFER — Joe ✠ JOHN PAUL & MARY PINSONNEAULT — Tony & Bernadette ✠ GUNI SAPRA — Vince & Marisa Ciriello SOULS IN PURGATORY - Maria FOR THE INTENTIONS OF FR. GREG — Melissa, Paul & Johanna FOR THE INTENTIONS OF JULIE CASCIO FOR THE INTENTIONS OF MRS. DIPIETRO — Sofia Filice FOR THE INTENTIONS OF ADAM JOHNSTONE FOR THE INTENTIONS OF YVONNE MACNIVEN - Marcel, Charlene & Grace		Rev. Peter Meyer
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	9:00 AM	✠ JEANNETTE MAZZA - Falasca Family		Society of Christ
<b>THURSDAY</b>	9:00 AM	HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY - Mani		Rev. Lukasz Kopaniak
<b>FRIDAY</b>	9:00 AM	FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY & FOR THE TRIUMPH OF MARY'S IMMACULATE HEART		St. Anne & St. Joachim, Parents of Blessed Virgin Mary
<b>SATURDAY</b>	5:00 PM	✠ KEN DIBARTOLOMEO — Schneider & Condari Families ✠ DOMENICO DIVINCENZO — Mario & Angela Giannola ✠ MARIA LEDONNE — Tony & Billie Filice ✠ IAN MCINTOSH & LAURA MACKISOC — Deacon Joe & Nadia ✠ JOHN IVEZIC & ALBERT MARRONE — Grace ✠ ANNA NERI—Brian & Janet Patton ✠ DECEASED OF PERONI FAMILY— Marcella Ciardelli & Family ✠ TIM PUTT — Family ✠ PIETRO, PIERINA & CORRADA SANTINI, LORENA & MICHAEL CUSIMANO — Filippo ✠ FULVIA SALSICCIOLO — Pat & Rosa Ciarmoli ✠ GENE THERRIAULT— Luigi & Marta Visocchi ✠ TERESA VERTICCHIO — Gino & Marisa Ciarmoli FOR THE INTENTIONS OF HAILEY SMITH — Wekerle & Braun Family FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THE MARCONATO FAMILY FOR THE INTENTIONS OF DOREEN ZAMPERIN & FAMILY (✠ GALIANO) FOR THE INTENTIONS OF MIKE & ROSIE RODRIGUES 25th Anniversary		Rev. Sam Restivo
<b>SUNDAY</b>	9:00 AM 11:00 AM 4:00 PM	FOR THE INTENTIONS OF VINCE & MARISA CIRIELLO - Jadwiga DECEASED OF KORCH FAMILY PRO POPULO		



Dear Parishioners,

**Here are some important updates**

**Join us for a family potluck picnic on Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup>. 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 which brings families together to 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!

**July 28<sup>th</sup> 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. May we see Christ in every single human person, now matter their age or location.

**The annual Winona Peach Festival is approaching, taking place August 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>. 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!

**Adam Johnstone has been accepted into the Hamilton Diocese's permanent diaconate formation program.** Please pray for him and his family as he continues to journey towards becoming a permanent deacon!

**Our gardens look beautiful** – thank you to all those who help improve our parish's outdoor looks!

**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!

**RCIA: 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 6<sup>th</sup>, at the 11 AM Mass.** As of this past June 26<sup>th</sup>, 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!

**Fr. Kevin Upendran is leading a Catholic pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain and Lourdes – check the posterboard for more information!**  
**We've made brown scapulars available this week (they may have run out by the time you picked up this bulletin!).** Look up the brown scapular, and I encourage you strongly to prayerfully consider having one and being enrolled in the brown scapular, a powerful way to be close to Jesus and Mary. Information can be found here: <https://www.sistersofcarmel.com/brown-scapular-information.php>

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

Join us for Coffee Sunday next weekend after the 9a.m & 11a.m Masses in the gathering space.

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If you are not receiving CWL emails, please let us know by **emailing: [cwlwinona@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://www.stcharles.ca). **Our Lady of Peace Elementary School** will offer Italian until July 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.



**LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:** to help out at our 4p.m Mass.

If this is something you would like to do, **please email the parish office: [ihmchurch@cogeco.net](mailto:ihmchurch@cogeco.net)**



**WEEKEND! SIGN UP IF YOU CAN HELP WITH OUR BOOTH!**

**FROM OUR PEACH FESTIVAL COMMITTEE:** the Peach Festival is just around the corner and we all looking for **VOLUNTEERS! SIGN UP SHEETS WILL BE IN THE GATHERING SPACE NEXT WEEKEND!**



### MISSION CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM 2024—

We extend our heartfelt thanks for your participation in the 2024 Diocesan Mission Co-operative program. **Your parish donated \$1010 for the mission group from the Teresians (Peru) and we are grateful for kindness and generosity.**

### STEWARDSHIP JULY 14, 2024

Envelope Donations: \$2793.70  
Loose Donations: \$761.30  
Online (July 11): \$583.08  
**Total: \$4,138.08**

**Thank you for your generosity.**

If you would like to go "Green" please visit our website: [www.ihmchurch.ca](http://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.**



**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAYS & FRIDAYS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST.**



**SOCIAL ACTION: This weekend (July 20/21) the BLUE BOX** will be in the narthex to receive your monetary donations to help us with the cost of providing 2 meals a month to all those who come to DeMazenod Door who are thirsty and hungry. As you read in the

newspapers or on social media the number of people who need assistance is growing all the time and with increasing cost of food the need is great. Your ongoing generosity to help our parish prepare and cook these meals is very much appreciated. The guests who come to The Door are very aware of IHM Parish and the wonderful meals that are prepared in our kitchen. They are always asking what we are cooking for them each month. **THANK YOU** very much for supporting the poor, working poor, homeless and marginalized of Hamilton.



### 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 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](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

**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.



### THE CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY OF HAMILTON

is in urgent need of foster families in the Hamilton Region. Can you open your heart and your home to a child in need? Learn more about becoming a foster parent at [hccas.ca/foster-care](http://hccas.ca/foster-care) or contact Steve at 905-525-2012 ext. 3158 or [Steve.Wiegand@hamiltonccas.on.ca](mailto:Steve.Wiegand@hamiltonccas.on.ca).



### PRO-LIFE YOUTH AGES 13-29 ARE INVITED TO CLC'S SUMMER FUNDRAISER DANCE:

The Hawaiian themed Luau for Life on **Friday, July 26th from 6pm to 10pm at the Cafe Kultura John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre in Mississauga!** Get ready for a night of dancing, music, fellowship with other pro-life young people, tasty finger-foods, treats and games! The event is also a baby item donation drive for St. Joseph's Centre of Hope for Women. If you are able to, please bring a baby item to donate. The address and QR code for the Eventbrite ticket link can be found in the poster on the bulletin board.

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