



# 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

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## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Bulletin yes/no

| ROSARY<br>30 mins<br>before<br>All Masses | Confession<br>30 mins<br>before All<br>Masses | <b>SUNDAY, JULY 7, 2024</b><br>MASS INTENTIONS: July 8-14, 2024   |  | Diocesan Vocation<br>Prayer Intentions |
|---|---|---|--|--|
| <b>MONDAY</b>                             | 9:00 AM<br><br>6:00 PM                        | FOR THE INTENTIONS OF MICHAEL MAZLANKA — Walter & Teresa Rzseztoko<br>*****<br>CHANTED MASS   |  | Rev. Jonathan Reitzel                  |
| <b>TUESDAY</b>                            | 7:00 PM                                       | ✠ CHARLES GRANT — Walter & Patricia Tymchuk<br>✠ GLADYS KIPPERS — Therese Domladovac<br>✠ MANUEL LINDESA — Family<br>✠ ANTONIO MANCUSO — Filice Family<br>✠ PINA & GASPARE SCIARRA — Julie Cascio<br>✠ ENRICA VIOLIN — Lou & Lisa Groen<br>DECEASED OF LEECE & BURNS FAMILIES<br>SOULS IN PURGATORY — Grace<br>FOR THE INTENTIONS OF FR. TOMY<br>FOR THE INTENTIONS OF SEMINARIAN TIM<br>FOR THE INTENTIONS OF MARIA<br>✠ TERESA VERTICCHIO & FOR THE INTENTIONS OF LUISA — Paletta Family      |  | Rev. Francis Noronha                   |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b>                          | 9:00 AM                                       | FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY &<br>FOR THE TRIUMPH OF MARY'S IMMACULATE HEART - Marg   |  | Holy Ghost Congregation                |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>                           | 9:00 AM                                       | FOR THE INTENTIONS OF FR. GREG  |  | Rev. Alberto Ferreira                  |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>                             | 9:00 AM                                       | ✠ GUNI SAPRA & FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THERESA & FAMILY — Paletta Family  |  | Most Rev. Anthony Tonnos               |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>                           | 5:00 PM                                       | ✠ IVAN TURCIC — Family<br>✠ LAURA MACKISOC —Theresia & Jason Candy<br>✠ SUC THI NGUEN — Family<br>✠ TOM IVEZIC JR — Grace<br>✠ GENE THERIAULT<br>✠ MARISA TAM & FULVIA SALCICCIOLI — Tony & Daniela Giannini<br>✠ CONNIE & JOSE ARRUDA — Vince & Sarah Santini<br>✠ TERESA VERTICCHIO — Pat & Rosa Ciarmoli<br>✠ DECEASED OF CAPPELLO FAMILY — Kathleen Whyte<br>FOR THE INTENTIONS OF ANGELINE SETUNGE — Kunkel Family<br>FOR THE INTENTIONS OF LARRY & ILARIA PALETTA — Ralph & Mary Fascione |  | Rev. Veselko Kvesic                    |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>                             | 9:00 AM<br><br>11:00 AM<br><br>4:00 PM        | ✠ DECEASED OF CARLESSO & GIGLIOTTI FAMILIES - Deacon Joe & Nadia<br><br>✠ GERMAN GARZON — Family<br><br>PRO POPULO  |  |  |



Dear Parishioners,

**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!

**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'd love to see how God may be moving in your life and how you can be involved in our wonderful parish!

**Our parish is looking for instrumentalists and singers.** Are you interested in the possibility of sharing your musical talents with us as we worship God? Do you play an instrument, or like to sing? We would love to invite local parishioners to get involved. Please ask us any questions if you have any interest at all!

**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!

**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. 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!

**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!

**Bishop Crosby has also just turned 75 years old, as of Friday, June 28<sup>th</sup>.** Please say a prayer for him on this milestone!

**Every July, I am usually away for the first two weeks or so for an annual gathering with other priests to continue to reflect on how we can be better priests.** This year, I will be away from July 2<sup>nd</sup> until the morning of July 13<sup>th</sup>, back in time for confessions and Mass on that Saturday evening. While I'm away, other priests will fill in, so our regular Mass schedule should remain the same and your Sacramental needs will still definitely be met! I am grateful for the service of the priests who fill in while I am away!

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.

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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 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](mailto: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 JUNE 30, 2024

Envelope Donations: \$3,625.50

Loose Donations: \$678.50

Online (June 27): \$96.50

Pre-Authorized (June 30) \$1865.00

**Total: \$6265.50**

**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.**



**SOCIAL ACTION:** DeMazenod Door guests were extremely happy to have received meals from IHM Parish last month and they are already asking what's on the menu this time. Thanks to our donors to the Blue Box and our volunteers who put together the meals every month. **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 (3,10,17,24) 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](mailto: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](http://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 Wayne Lobsinger (July 6), 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](http://hamiltondiocese.com) under Upcoming Events, or contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, e-mail: [familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto: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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