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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 (Building is locked at 5p.m. each day)

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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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 (Please check Bulletin for modified times)

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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ROSARY 30 mins before All Masses	Confession 30 mins before All Masses	SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2024 MASS INTENTIONS: June 3-9, 2024	Diocesan Vocation Prayer Intentions
MONDAY	9:00 AM 6:00 PM	FOR THE INTENTION OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY & TRIUMPH OF HER IMMACULATE HEART - Marg ************************************	Rev. Drago Gacnik
TUESDAY	7:00 PM	★ KAY KANIA — Family ★ ELEANOR & FRANK KUNKEL — Family ★ MARY PALERMO & SPECIAL INTENTION FOR PETER & FAMILY — Paletta Family ★ ANNA POMPILIO — Anna Battista & Family ★ HENKA & PETER GLOVER & INTENTIONS FOR NANCY GLOVER — Joe Kiefer SOULS IN PURGATORY — Lou & Lisa Groen FOR THE INTENTIONS OF SEMINARIAN TIM FOR THE INTENTIONS OF DEACON JOE & NADIA & FAMILY — Ralph & Mary Fascione	Rev. Ambroise Tshiaba Ntumba
WEDNESDAY	9:00 AM	▼ HENRI THIBAULT — Sylvia & Valerio DeFaveri	Barnabite Fathers
THURSDAY	9:00 AM	FOR THE INTENTIONS OF JOHN PAUL RZESZOTKO — Walter & Teresa	Rev. Andrew Lopatniuk
FRIDAY	9:00 AM	IN REPARATION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS — Jadwiga	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus - World Day of Prayer for Priests
SATURDAY	5:00 PM	▼ ROSINA ZANTE — Maddalena D'Ignazio ▼ BIANCA CRABOLEDDA & GUNI SAPRA — Lea Marrone ▼ FREDERICK CARTER — Theresa & Mike Schneider ▼ KEN DIBARTOLOMEO — Deacon Joe & Nadia ▼ EILEEN GIANGREGORIO — Irma Tirabassi & Family ▼ GENE THERRIAULT — Tony & Daniela Giannini ▼ JANUSZ ZAGRODZKI — Family ▼ MARJORIE ELIZABETH SICARD & INTENTIONS FOR SICARD FAMILY — R & A Sherwood HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY— Kunkel Family FOR THE INTENTIONS OF TERESA VERTICCHIO — Gino & Marisa Ciarmoli FOR THE INTENTIONS OF FR. BOB BULBROOK — Kathleen Whyte FOR THE INTENTIONS OF TONY & JEANNINE FALASCA — R & A Sherwoord FOR THE INTENTIONS OF PATRICIA HUTCHINSON — Cusick Family FOR THE INTENTIONS OF JUSTIN, NICOLE, NATALIE & JACOB FERNANDES IN THANKSGIVING FOR BABY JACOB JUSTIN NIKO FERMANDES IN REPARATION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9:00 AM SUNDAY 11:00 AM 4:00 PM		▼ ROBERT MACHNEY —Kathryn Arnott ▼ GERMANO BELTRAME — Family	
		PRO POPULO	



Dear Parish family,

This Sunday, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of the Lord, or *Corpus Christi*. This weekend, following the 11 AM Mass, we will have a small Corpus Christi procession within the Church. The Eucharist will be exposed in the monstrance and processed around the Church before being placed in the adoration chapel. Our Eucharistic Lord will be present there until

3:15 PM, concluding with benediction and reposition before the usual 3:30 PM Confessions. Join us in this beautiful expression of our faith in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

As we start June, we prepare to honor the Month of the Sacred Heart. This special month is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, symbolizing His boundless love and mercy for humanity. Devotion to the Sacred Heart invites us to open our hearts to Jesus, seeking His love, and offering reparation for our sins and those of the world. Let us embrace this time to deepen our relationship with Christ, especially through the Sacred Heart, and to grow in love and compassion. Archbishop Francis Leo, the Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto (of which the Hamilton Diocese is a suffragan Diocese) has recently put out a beautiful letter on this topic. He writes, "Our life in Christ, as believers & disciples, witnesses & missionaries, takes on a particular dimension during the course of the month of June as, in Catholic devotional life, we honour in a very special way the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. I invite all the faithful of the Archdiocese of Toronto to join together in celebrating Our Lord with this

venerable devotion throughout the entire month and especially on June 7th this year, the liturgical celebration of the Solemnity. At home and in parishes, schools and different communities – let us draw closer to Christ and adore Him with deep faith and devotion." His beautiful message on the Sacred Heart is available on the internet at www.archtoronto.org.

Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, our Patroness. Next weekend (June 8/9) we celebrate the feast of our Patroness. Mary's heart was entirely dedicated to Jesus, reflecting a pure and selfless love. Mary, as the mother of Christ, is our mediator bringing our prayers to her Son. Immaculate Heart of Mary, *Pray for us*.

A heartfelt thank you to our wonderful gardeners and all who maintain our church grounds. Your dedication to keeping the shrine and gardens beautiful, and the lawns well cared for, is truly a blessing. Your work is not only a gift to our visitors but also a reflection of our stewardship of God's creation.

We are excited to host the Hamilton Vocations Young Adults Night on June 1st. This promises to be an enriching evening, and we look forward to welcoming all participants!

Thank you, and may God bless you abundantly.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us!

Fr. Gregory Merkley



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR OUR ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT, SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 1P.M. AT **SOUTHBROOK GOLF CLUB, COST IS \$160**

includes lunch, green fees, cart, dinner, prizes! Bring a foursome! For more information or to register, volunteer, or donate prizes please contact:

Guy Brucculeri - leafan299@gmail.com or 289-237-9584 Al Malvaso - gk14421@ontariokofc.ca or 905-979-2951 IHM Parish Office - ihmchurch@cogeco.net or 905-643-1637 Prize Donations can be dropped off at the parish office by Friday, May 31. We thank you in advance for your donation.

ANNUAL YARD SALE — SATURDAY, JUNE 1 8AM TO 1PM.

It's Spring time again... time to clean out your garage and basement. Please remember to donate gently used items to this fundraiser. All proceeds to the SPECIAL OLYMPICS. Drop by for a burger or hotdog and go home with a new treasure!! Please drop off your donated items at the main parking lot, under the canopy. Volunteers will be glad to receive your items from Noon to 6 pm on Friday, May 31. PLEASE NOTE: clothes, books and electronics are not being accepted



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL LUNCH IS JUNE 2

at the Mandarin 12:15pm on Barton St. Email: cwlwinona@gmail.com to RSVP or sign up after Mass in the gathering space

COFFEE SUNDAY THIS WEEKEND (MAY 26)

after the 9a.m. & 11a.m Masses.

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



ST. JOSEPH'S BROTHERHOOD — Men's Bible Study Wednesdays at 7pm. We will follow the "Men of the Word The Good News" Bible study program which consists of 12 sessions that cover the overarching story of salvation: from creation to our own lives. All men of the parish are welcome to attend. Please bring a Bible.



PRAISE & WORSHIP PRAYER GROUP THURSDAYS at 7p.m. in the Parish Hall.



CAMPAIGN: CHANGE FOR LIFE Mother's Day -HAMILTON Father's Day. You are asked to return them on RIGHT to LIFE Sunday June 16, Father's Day. Fill the bottles with your coins, paper money or cheque made out to

HRTL. Hamilton Right to Life needs your support to raise money to educate, advertise, and get the message throughout the City of Hamilton of the devastating effects of abortion and other lifethreatening issues. Please pray for families affected by abortion today. You can learn more about Hamilton Right to Life at www.HamiltonRightToLife.org or by calling 905-528-3065.



CHALICE extends their heartfelt gratitude to Fr. Merkley and Immaculate Heart parish for hosting a Child Sponsorship Weekend on May 11-12. As a result, 13 children

were sponsored, in addition to those who are usually sponsored after more time and consideration. On behalf of these children, we give thanks to God that you have revealed His love to them and have given them hope for the future! Chalice envisions a world where all children and families have the means to overcome the cycle of poverty. Please prayerfully consider a call to sponsorship, a unique way to live out your faith by providing hope for a child in need. Please visit chalice.ca or call 1-800-776-6855 for more information on our mission and to sponsor a child today.



SOCIAL ACTION: Many thanks to all who gave to the BLUE BOX. A big THANK YOU to all the volunteers who prepare and cook delicious meals. The guests continue to rave about the food that comes from IHM Parish. THANK YOU & GOD BLESS.



CHRISTIAN MEDITATION: Every Tuesday 8-9 pm from September through June. We meet in the church for a brief teaching and a period of silent meditation followed by discussion. All are welcome. "The desire to see God is what urges us to love solitude and silence.

For silence is where God dwells." Robert Cardinal Sarah



YOUNG **ADULTS** SATURDAY, JUNE 1 AT OUR PARISH! Join us for Holy Hour & Arrival 6:30-7:30p.m; Social with Food

7:30-8:00p.m; Live Band Divine Praises 8:00-9:00p.m. Compline Night Prayer 9:00p.m. This is a great evening out, make more friends.



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 This series is free of charge and all are welcome to discussion. participate! Registration can be found here: https://forms.gle/ aLzYvo1C28BJ6aw36

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!

HAMILTON RIGHT TO LIFE BABY BOTTLE 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 Fr. Ian Duffy (June 1), 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.

> 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

STEWARDSHIP May 26, 2024

Envelope Donations: \$3148.65 Loose Donations: \$778.35 Online (May 23): \$626.51 Total: \$4563.51

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.

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