



# IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH

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**Francine Regaudie-McIsaac**, Music Director  
**Seminarian**, Timothy Kulakowsky

## 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

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  
(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

"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.

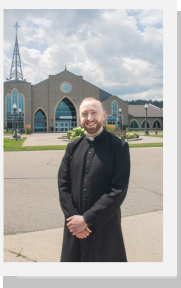
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ROSARY 30 mins before All Masses	Confession 30 mins before All Masses	<b>SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 2024</b> MASS INTENTIONS: June 24-30, 2024		Diocesan Vocation Prayer Intentions
<b>MONDAY</b>	9:00 AM 6:00 PM	FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY & FOR THE TRIUMPH OF MARY'S IMMACULATE HEART ***** CHANTED MASS		Nativity of Saint John the Baptist – Patron of French Canadians
<b>TUESDAY</b>	7:00 PM	✠ ANNA NERI - Vince & Marisa Ciriello ✠ ALFREDO & LUIGIA TAM — Verticchio Family FOR THE INTENTIONS OF FR. GREG MERKLEY FOR THE INTENTIONS CHRISTINA USYK – Family FOR THE INTENTIONS OF LISSA & BABY FOR THE INTENTIONS OF ADAM, JENNIFER & EWAN JOHNSTONE — L & I Paletta FOR THE INTENTIONS OF MARIE GIALONARDO —Ralph & Mary Fascione		Rev. Joseph Durkacz
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	9:00 AM	✠ FRANZ SCHARPF - Sylvia & Valerio DeFaveri		Comboni Missionaries
<b>THURSDAY</b>	9:00 AM	FOR THE INTENTIONS OF PAUL MARTIN—Family		Rev. Tomy Chittinapilly
<b>FRIDAY</b>	9:00 AM	DECEASED OF CAPPELLO FAMILY—Kathleen Whyte		Most Rev. Douglas Crosby
<b>SATURDAY</b>	5:00 PM	✠ KEN DIBARTOLOMEO —Tony & Daniela Giannini ✠ BRIAN DOYLE — Barbara & Bob Pfannstiel ✠ EILEEN GIANGREGORIO — Marcella Ciardelli & Family ✠ KATHY LUBERA, ALFONS & DANUTA MAZUN—Filippetto Family ✠ CARMELA MANFRINI — Gino & Marisa Ciarmoli ✠ PETER & FLORA MENEGALDO — Grace Ivezic ✠ IAN MCINTOSH — Lillian Calcagni ✠ LARRY PALETTA SR — Family ✠ LUIGIA PERAZZO — Ada Di Iorio ✠ CELESTINA & GILDO SCATTOLON — Family ✠ GENE THERRIAULT & FOR THE INTENTIONS OF LAURA & FAMILY — L & I Paletta FOR THE INTENTIONS OF MURRAY MAZZA — Ariana & Roger Sherwood IN THANKSGIVING TO ST. JOSEPH—Filippetto Family		Saints Peter & Paul
<b>SUNDAY</b>	9:00 AM 11:00 AM 4:00 PM	✠ CARLA PUGLIA-RIBEIRO — Tony & Daniela Giannini ✠ ROBERT MACHNEY — Giallonardo Family PRO POPULO		



Dear Parish family,

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

**We are still looking for feedback from parishioners about our parish's sound system.** Your input is invaluable as we explore improvements. Please fill out the survey (copies are available in the parish gathering space) and submit them to us by the end of June, so we can hear your thoughts and proceed having consulted the parish. We are also in dialogue with the Diocesan chancery office, since technically our building is owned by the Diocese of Hamilton. Thank you for your participation!

**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. I would be very happy to kindly meet with anyone who is interested. We are also willing to offer training and there is always the possibility of ministering "on rotation" to share the ministry with others. You would also be able to be mentored by those who currently do music ministry already in the parish – we would make it a smooth and easy transition for you. If you are interested at all in sharing any musical talents with our parish, please let me know or contact the parish office! We can teach you anything you need to know, and help you enjoy sharing your talents! Please ask us any questions if you have any interest at all!

**As mentioned during December, our parish's order of daily Mass missalettes has been discontinued.** The good news is that one can easily subscribe to these resources individually at [www.novalis.com](http://www.novalis.com). We encourage you to explore the missalettes from "Living with Christ," a valuable and accessible tool for personal use. Of course, we will certainly continue to provide our Sunday missals. If you have any questions at all, please always feel welcome to contact the parish office.

**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 as the same and your Sacramental needs will still definitely be met!

**During June, we honour the Month of the Sacred Heart - so a new Sacred Heart of Jesus flag is flying in honor of our Lord's merciful heart.** The flag arrived later than we expected, but better late than never! It depicts Jesus lovingly pointing to His Sacred Heart, which is on fire for love of us. Flying such a flag is something sometimes done during this month to help us remember how much the Lord loves all of us. How can your heart be closer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus?

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 emails, please let us know by emailing: [cwlwinona@gmail.com](mailto:cwlwinona@gmail.com)



calling 905-528-3065.

**HAMILTON RIGHT TO LIFE BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN: CHANGE FOR LIFE** – If you took a bottle, please return it to the church. **You can learn more about Hamilton Right to Life at [www.HamiltonRightToLife.org](http://www.HamiltonRightToLife.org) or by**



**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: 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.

*By meeting and praying together weekly we encourage and support each other, creating community and connectedness, which mirrors love of self, love of neighbour, love of God as one reality. WCCM*



Lectors

### 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)**

### STEWARDSHIP JUNE 16, 2024

Envelope Donations: \$3415.15

Loose Donations: \$809.85

Online (June 13): \$920.33

Pre-Authorized Giving, June 15): \$3145.00

**Total: \$8290.33**

**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: Thank you to all who donated to the BLUE BOX last weekend,** your generosity is much appreciated as our parish continues to support the ever-increasing number of guests who come to DeMazenod Door for their Daily Bread. Your donation allows IHM volunteers to prepare and cook delicious meals twice a month. Last Wednesday the main course was Breaded Chicken Breasts served with Roasted Peppers, Potatoes & Red Onions along with a colourful Garden Salad accompanied with a Tropical Fruit Cup. Coffee or Juice was also served. Thank you for giving so that our parish can make a difference in people's lives.



### 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>

**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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