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Ilaria Paletta, Office Administrator
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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

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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 (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.

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ROSARY 30 mins before All Masses	Confession 30 mins before All Masses	SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2024 MASS INTENTIONS: July 1-7, 2024	Diocesan Vocation Prayer Intentions
MONDAY	9:00 AM	Y ENZO MARTINO & DAVID DIDIODATO — Family ************************************	Rev. Gregory Merkley
	6:00 PM	CHANTED MASS	
TUESDAY	7:00 PM	FOR THE INTENTIONS OF FR. TOMY FOR THE INTENTIONS OF LISSA & BABY —Family FOR THE INTENTIONS OF LARRY & ILARIA PALETTA FOR THE INTENTIONS OF GEORGE & ANGELA & JADWIGA ZYCHOWICZ & FAMILY FOR THE INTENTIONS OF BISHOPS CROSBY & LOBSINGER & ALL THE PRIESTS OF THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON - Bernadette	Most Rev. Matthew Ustrzycki
WEDNESDAY	9:00 AM	▼ GUNI SAPRA - Tony & Billie Filice	Congregation of the Sisters of St. Anne
THURSDAY	9:00 AM	FOR THE INTENTIONS OF MATTHEW MASLANKA — Walter & Teresa Rzseztoko	Rev. Andrew Quarshie
FRIDAY	9:00 AM	IN REPARATION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS —Teresa R.	Rev. Ross Campbell
SATURDAY	5:00 PM	# EMIDIO TIRABASSI — Family # ANNA NERI — Mrs Caltagirone & Miss Szarek # RENO CORTIULA — Family # TERESA VERTICCHIO — Luisa # MARIA LEDONNE — Theresa Sapra # HAROLD O'HAGAN — Cusick Family # ADA CALCAGNI — Ada Dilorio # PINA & GASPARE SCIARRA — Julie Cascio # DECEASED OF CAPPELLO FAMILY — Kathleen Whyte # CHRISTINA MOSSEY & DECEASED OF REES — Family HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY — Kunkel Family FOR THE INTENTIONS OF FI. GREG — Kathleen Whyte FOR THE INTENTIONS OF SISTERS STRIVING TO BE SAINTS — Ariana Falasca FOR THE INTENTIONS OF LUISA VERTICCHIO FOR THE INTENTIONS OF MARY AGNES AUER — Mary Soltes	Single Catholics
SUNDAY	9:00 AM	¶ JOE CAUCCI & DECEASED OF FORLINI & CAUCCI FAMILIES — Palmira	
	11:00 AM	FOR THE INTENTIONS OF FR. BILL — Kathleen Whyte	
	4:00 PM	PRO POPULO	



Dear Parish family,

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 Wednesday, 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 that time in your calendar to come so you can be present for this very special occasion! Perhaps we will have a gathering to honor the occasion afterward! This

weekend also marks one whole year since I've been appointed to this beautiful parish. I am very happy to be with you all!

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

On this Canada Day weekend, let us also be grateful for all the blessings being in this country provides us. Let us pray fervently in thanksgiving, and for all our leaders at all levels to be led by the Holy Spirit!

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, so if you haven't already, 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!

This weekend marks the resignation of both our music coordinator, Francine Regaudie-McIsaac, and our youth minister, Billie Filice. Both have discerned their decision, aware that we are very grateful for all their contributions to the life of our parish over the last years. Francine may continue to do music ministry here in the future,

and Billie will continue to assist in Sacramental preparation with our schools. We are grateful and blessed, as we thank God for them and ask His greatest blessings upon them.

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 can bring your own chairs, tables, and food to share! All are very welcome!

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 2nd until the morning of July 13th, 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!

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!

May God bless you abundantly! Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us!

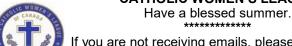
Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us! Fr. Gregory Merkley



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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





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learn more about Hamilton Right to Life www.HamiltonRightToLife.org or by calling 905-528-3065.



WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR CHILD TO **EXPERIENCE THE CULTURE, TRADITIONS** AND LANGUAGE OF THEIR HERITAGE OR OTHER COUNTRIES? The HWCDSB offers inperson 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 will gather virtually on Wednesday afternoons in July (3,10,17,24) from 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 Tuesday evenings on 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

STEWARDSHIP **JUNE 23, 2024**

Envelope Donations: \$3,414.10 Loose Donations: \$775.90 Online (June 20): \$877.16 Total: \$5,067.16

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: Thank you to our wonderful volunteers for the great meal that they prepared for DeMazenod Door. Guests were really happy as they ate their meal. THANK YOU.



A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP CROSBY: JUNE 28 **IS MY 75th BIRTHDAY!** Even as I write it, I wonder where the time has gone. I know that I have been blessed over the years: from my early years with my loving family, through the years of formation with the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, the parishes I served as Associate Pastor and Pastor,

EVERYONE WHO RETURNED THEIR the six years I served as Provincial Superior of St. Peter's Province, the years as Bishop of Labrador City-Schefferville, St. George's Diocese (Newfoundland), Corner Brook and Labrador Diocese, and for the past 14 years as Bishop of Hamilton. Over those years I have met the finest people who have encouraged and supported me, helped me through difficult challenges, and inspired me to excel! As I pray in thanksgiving, all will be remembered! Thank you for your many kindnesses. You have blessed me richly!

> 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 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 and follow them 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 under Upcoming Events, or 905-528-7988 Sarah at ext. 2249. 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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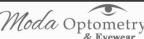
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