



Heart to Heart

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CONGRATULATIONS TO FATHER PATRICK OHL AND FATHER PETER ROBINSON who will be ordained Priests at a Mass celebrated at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King tomorrow morning. The Ordination was to have taken place on May 1, 2021, but the pandemic restrictions made that impossible. We had planned to proceed with two Ordinations, but the recent easing of restrictions made it possible for both to be ordained at the same ceremony in the presence of fellow Priests, family and friends. Still, because of the limited restrictions, only invited guests will participate at the event. Both Priests will celebrate their Masses of Thanksgiving this weekend. Pray for God's blessing on them and their ministry!

ON THURSDAY, JULY 1ST, at Masses throughout the Diocese, we will pray the *Act of Entrustment to St. Joseph*. You are invited to pray the prayer as part of your daily prayer. It can be found on our [website](#). During this year dedicated to St. Joseph, we turn to him, Protector of the Holy Family, Patron of the Universal Church and of Canada; we entrust ourselves to him as our inspiration and guide in living an authentic Christian life!

2021 MARIAN DAYS take place at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate Church, Guelph, on the first Saturday of every month, the first being Saturday, July 3rd. Bishop Wayne Lobsinger will be the visiting Bishop. Confessions from 8:30-9:30 a.m. Mass and homily from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament – with Rosary from 11:00 to 12:00 noon. Angelus and Benediction at 12:00 noon. I will be the guest Bishop on August 7th; Bishop Gerard Bergie on September 4th; and Bishop Ustrzycki on October 2nd. Thanks to Father Ian Duffy, Rector of the Basilica for organizing these times of prayer.

SUNDAY PAST WAS WORLD REFUGEE DAY, a day designed by the United Nations to honour refugees around the globe. This year's theme – *"Together we heal, learn, and shine"* – is particularly fitting given the disproportionate impact that the COVID-19 pandemic continues to have on our global community of 80 million forcibly displaced brothers and sisters. Not too late to consider what actions each can take to help serve and address this global crisis. Thanks to Erin Pease and Rita Balla in our Diocesan Refugee Office for their excellent work in providing safe passage for refugees coming to Canada. Thank you for your saving work!

TWO GRADUATING STUDENTS AT ST. JEROME'S UNIVERSITY have received the Diocese of Hamilton Award. Congratulations to Brad Bruder and Meaghan Hymers who will receive the honour at their graduation! Well deserved indeed. Blessings on your plans for a future filled with hope.

DAVE BORSELLINO, CHAIR OF CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES, announced the appointment of a new Executive Director for the agency. Karen Candy, a collaborative, compassionate, and approachable leader is committed to strengthen services for those who turn to CFS for assistance. She began her service on June 7, 2021. We wish her well in this newest chapter in a life given to caring for people in vulnerable times in their lives!

THE SPIRIT GARDEN TO BE INSTALLED AT NATHAN PHILLIPS SQUARE in Toronto is another step closer to realization. Tenders for the project went out last week. The plan is to have shovels in the ground in September, with completion expected by September 2023! The multi-faith partners of the Restorative Relations Working Group (RRWG) meet regularly with Toronto Council Fire Native Cultural Centre who are overseeing the project. They ask the faith communities for prayers for the success of the project!

Our Lady of the Annunciation, pray for us!

Ex corde, +*Douglas*, OMI