



Heart to Heart

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CONNIE CRAMAROSSA has worked at the Chancery Office of the Diocese of Hamilton for 40 years! She began on September 8, 1981, in the Religious Education Office with Gerry Woodman and Carol Daly. In 1984, she moved to the Printing and Mail Room. There she has served the Church assuring the mail was prepared and sent, received and delivered! Thank you Connie for your happy and helpful presence and service! The Chancery staff offered congratulations and good wishes at a celebration in McNally Hall yesterday afternoon.

LAST DECEMBER 8th, POPE FRANCIS ANNOUNCED A YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH marking the 150th Anniversary of the proclamation of St. Joseph as Patron on the Universal Church. The year continues to December 8, 2021. Check out our Diocesan [website](#) to learn more about St. Joseph, download the special prayer card, and view the Diocesan parishes named after St. Joseph.

SAINT JEROME'S UNIVERSITY celebrates the 20th Anniversary of the annual Saint Jerome's Feast on October 2, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Since we cannot gather in person, we are invited to celebrate online! The Honourable Graydon Nicholas is the special guest speaker this year and the 2021 Chancellor John R. Sweeney Award for Catholic Leadership will be presented to Steven Lubczuk. Tickets are now available! For more information and to register click [here](#). Proceeds from the event support student scholarships and bursaries at the University.

THE LEGION OF MARY worldwide celebrated the 100th Anniversary of prayer and service on September 7th! The Legion of Mary in the Diocese of Hamilton is an exemplary arm of the association, praying for the Diocese and reaching out to provide solace and care for many in need. May the association thrive as it moves into its second century!

THE SERRA CLUB OF HALTON gathers next Thursday night to celebrate its *Charter Night Mass*. The Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Rosary Church, Burlington. The Serra Club gathers to pray for and nurture vocations to the Priesthood for the Diocese of Hamilton, invoking Saint Junipero Serra's intercession. The Diocese of Hamilton has 17 men studying to be Priests this year. We pray for them!

ERIN PEASE AND RITA BALLA serve in our Office for Refugees. They have been hard at work with sponsoring teams across the Diocese in order to meet the government's evolving refugee sponsorship program requirements due to COVID-19. They have officially received confirmed travel details for two sponsored families. On September 28th, a husband, currently living in Iraq, will finally reunite with his wife and son after 10 years of separation. On October 26th, a 15 year-old girl will finally be reunited with her parents after 10 years of separation. Pray for their safe arrivals and happy reunifications!

SATURDAY MARKS THE 20th ANNIVERSARY OF 9/11! We pray for those who died on that tragic day, and those whose lives were forever changed. May the God of all consolation pour out the healing power of love!

Our Lady of the Annunciation, pray for us.

Ex corde, *+Douglas*, OMI