



## *Heart to Heart*

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**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11<sup>TH</sup> IS THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR OF FAITH** and marks the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council. We will mark the event with a special celebration of Evening Prayer at the Cathedral of Christ the King. Following the prayer, Dr. Michael Attridge, currently Associate Professor at St. Michael's College, University of Toronto, will speak on the importance of the Vatican II for the life of the Church. All are welcome. Make the year an opportunity to *Rediscover the Joy* of our faith!

**THIS WEEK WE WELCOMED MS. CHRISTINA RONZIO** as the new Director of the Liturgy Office. Christina began her duties on October 1<sup>st</sup>. We look forward to the important contribution she will make to our Diocese and the excellent service she will provide to our parishes.

**BISHOP GERARD BERGIE, FR. PHIL SHERLOCK AND FR. PAUL BOUCHER**, all graduates of Cathedral High School, participated at the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass at the school last Sunday. The entire weekend was a time to mark a century of excellence in Catholic education for the flagship school of the Hamilton Wentworth Catholic District School Board. We offer our congratulations and good wishes as the school moves into its second century!

**SR. CATHERINE CHILUPE** completed her second term as Delegate Superior of the Sisters of St. John the Baptist here in Hamilton. Sr. Lissy Kochakkadan was installed as the new Superior in early August for a first three-year term. The entire community was at Annunciation Parish last Saturday for the joyful Silver Jubilee celebrations of Sr. Roxanna Brode and Sr. Patricia Peters! Blessings on them all!

**FATHER DAN HINSPERGER IS RECUPERATING AT THE MOTHERHOUSE** of the Sisters of St. Joseph following a serious reaction to minor surgery last month at St. Joseph's Hospital in Hamilton. Father Bob Stainsby is covering his duties at St. Luke's Parish while he is away. We pray for a speedy and full recovery.

**ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH IN GUELPH CELEBRATES ITS 60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY** this weekend. I have been invited to celebrate the Masses in the Parish and look forward to meeting parishioners. While I have celebrated several Masses there since my arrival in the Diocese, this will be the first full weekend in the Parish. It promises to be a happy time.

**MONDAY IS THANKSGIVING DAY HERE IN CANADA** – a time to bring to mind the blessings we share with other citizens of this great country and a time to say thank you to the Lord of Creation. Although the autumn has already begun, Thanksgiving also marks the end of summer and the blessing of the harvest.

**SALT & LIGHT TV HAS POSTED TWO INFORMATIVE AND TIMELY VIDEOS** on YouTube. The first is on Pope John XXIII and the opening of the Second Vatican Council. The second is a moving reflection about Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha who will be canonized by Pope Benedict XVI on October 21<sup>st</sup>. If you have access to the internet, both are excellent programs. Father Tom Rosica, C.S.B., presented them to the Bishops at the recent meeting of the CCCB.

Our Lady of the Annunciation, pray for us!

Ex corde, + *Douglas*, OMI