



## *Heart to Heart*

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**BISHOP ANTHONY TONNOS, BISHOP EMERITUS OF HAMILTON** was honoured by St. Joseph's Health System for his remarkable tenure as Bishop of Hamilton and his long-standing relationship with and commitment to the St. Joseph's Health System. Two hospital programs were named in his honour at the event. Bishop Daniel Miehm brought greetings from the Diocese and expressed the delight of the entire Diocese for the honour given Bishop Tonnos.

**MONSIGNOR JEFFREY STEENSON, ORDINARY** of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter, visited the parishioners of The Sodality of St. Edmund, King and Martyr earlier this week. During the celebration, the small Anglican Use community was welcomed into the Deanery of St. John the Baptist, which brings together the various Anglican Use parishes and communities in Canada. As part of his visitation, Monsignor Steenson joined Mr. Gary Freeman from St. Edmunds, for a courtesy visit to the Diocesan Chancery. Father Bill Foote, who has been providing Sunday Mass for the community at St. Patrick's Parish in Cambridge on Sunday mornings, was also present. The community moves forward slowly but surely!

**FATHER DAVID REILANDER, A FOUNDING BOARD MEMBER** of the Residential Hospice of Grey Bruce, reports the opening and reception of the first palliative patient in Owen Sound. The struggle to open the hospice has taken six years of diligence by various groups to expand the continuum of care for the dying in Grey Bruce. The parishes in our northern Deanery each donated \$100.00 for the purchase of microwaves for the rooms of the hospice. Families now can stay in a suite with their loved one and heat a meal. St. Mary's Parish in Owen Sound stocks the rooms with dry foods. It is a wonderful initiative!

**IN MID-MARCH JOHN O'BRIEN, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR**, sent a memo to all Pastors informing them that in order to be compliant with Ontario Health and Safety Regulations, we have undertaken a diocesan-wide survey to determine the existence of designated substances like asbestos, lead, and other heavy metals. It also includes an inspection for mould. Maple Environmental of Hamilton has been given the contract and has begun their study. Your assistance in assuring they are welcomed in your parishes is appreciated. Please call John or Moe Kowal if you have any questions.

**THE FINAL PRIESTS' CONVOCATION DAY FOR THE CURRENT PASTORAL YEAR** takes place Thursday, June 6, at Holy Family Parish in Kitchener. The topic for this Convocation relates to employment matters and will be facilitated by Mr. Terry Carter and Mr. Barry Kwasniewski of Carters Professional Corporation. The session begins at 1:30 p.m. Please inform the Chancellor's Office before June 3<sup>rd</sup> of your intention to attend and to stay for dinner.

**DEACON TOM VERT HAS ARRANGED A TOUR OF THE DOFASCO OPERATION** in Hamilton for Bishop Daniel Miehm and me next week. Having visited the iron ore mines in Labrador, it will be interesting to visit the next step of the refining process which takes place right here in Hamilton!

**OVER 450 COUPLES HAVE REGISTERED FOR THE ANNIVERSARY MASS** which takes place on Sunday afternoon at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King! It is always a joyous occasion – during which we celebrate over 20,000 years of friendship and fidelity. Thanks to the Office for Family Ministry which sponsors the annual event.

**A REMINDER TO MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE MASS OF RECOGNITION** of the Basilica status conferred on the Cathedral of Christ the King. The Mass begins at 4 p.m. on Sunday, June 23, 2013.

Our Lady of the Annunciation pray for us.

Ex corde, + *Douglas*, OMI