



Heart to Heart

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WE WILL THANK WILMA DUNN FOR HER SERVICE TO THE DIOCESE and to the Catholic Cemeteries at a special dinner given to honour her this evening. Wilma served as Administrative Assistant for John O'Brien, Bishop Tonno and for me in the course of her many years with us. She and her husband are planning to move to London, Ontario, where he has accepted increased responsibility in the firm where he is employed. We will have occasion to celebrate with the Chancery Staff and to thank her once again in early September.

MR. MICHAEL PAUTLER HAS BEEN APPOINTED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR of the Ontario Institute for Catholic Education (ICE), succeeding Sister Joan Cronin, g.s.i.c., who served in the position for the past 20 years. Mr. Pautler, a parishioner at Holy Rosary Parish in Burlington, retired in June as Director of the Halton Catholic District School Board. He is a recipient of the Diocesan Medal of Honour and numerous other honours. We congratulate him on this appointment and wish him well in his continued service to Catholic education!

MR. FRANK CLIFFORD (Sr.) IS THE CHANCELLOR JOHN SWEENEY AWARD recipient for 2013. The award, which recognizes Catholic leadership particularly in education, will be presented at the St. Jerome's Feast on September 27, 2013. Hearty congratulations to Mr. Clifford, a worthy recipient, whose nomination brings distinction to the award!

NOTICE OF THE DEATH OF GAIL FRANCES BROOKS ON AUGUST 4th, sister of Father Ted Hughes, was sent out earlier this month. Once again we offer our sympathy to the Hughes and Brooks families, and pray for her repose and their consolation.

TRUSTEES OF THE SEVEN CATHOLIC SCHOOL BOARDS present in the Diocese of Hamilton gather in the garden at Ardree tomorrow afternoon for a *pre-school-opening* barbeque. The annual event gives me the opportunity to thank the Trustees for their dedication and service to Catholic education. We are blessed with the quality of men and women who are elected to serve on our Boards. The weather promises to cooperate again this year!

FATHERS JEFF BERGSMA, WAYNE LOBSINGER, AND CHARLIE JORDAN have been elected to serve on the Diocesan Personnel Committee. With Bishop Daniel Miehm and Father Earl Talbot, Episcopal Vicar for Priests, they will provide important advice and assistance with priestly pastoral appointments. My thanks to Fathers Murray Farwell, Ed Henhoeffler and Wayne Lobsinger who served on the outgoing committee for the past three years!

THANKS TO FATHER IAN DUFFY AND FATHER TIM HINGSTON for accepting the appointment as Dean of Hamilton and Dean of Brant respectively. They will complete the term of their predecessors, Father Jim Petrie and Father David Wilhelm, who were transferred out of their Deaneries in the recent appointments.

FATHER CHARLIE JORDAN HAS ACCEPTED THE DUTY OF BISHOP'S DELEGATE for the Advisory Committee for Cases of Alleged Sexual Misconduct effective September 1st. Father David Wilhelm has accepted the appointment as Deputy Delegate, effective the same date. The change was required because of the new duties of Bishop Daniel Miehm.

Our Lady of the Annunciation pray for us.

Ex corde, + *Douglas*, OMI