



## *Heart to Heart*

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**N.B.! TICKETS ARE STILL AVAILABLE FOR THE PRIESTS' CONCERT** which takes place next Wednesday evening, November 13<sup>th</sup> at Hamilton Place! The concert is sponsored by the Catholic Cemeteries as a Year of Faith activity. It promises to be an unforgettable evening of excellent entertainment. Don't miss the opportunity. *REDISCOVER THE JOY!*

**48 PRIESTS SIGNED UP FOR GOOD LEADERS / GOOD SHEPHERDS**, a program presented by the Catholic Leadership Institute out of Philadelphia. Father Gary Kastl, program promoter, spoke at the recent Priests' Seminar, encouraging our Priests to follow the sessions which will provide fresh and new skills for pastoral practice in the Parish. The first session for the 20-month program will take place in March 2014.

**IT'S MONSIGNOR PIERRE-PHILIPPE JEAN-PIERRE NOW!** Archbishop Guire Poulard of Port-au-Prince, Haiti, recently appointed him Episcopal Vicar for Priests. The new Monsignor is one of the Archbishop's closest collaborators. Monsignor Philippe sends his warm greetings to his many friends in the Diocese of Hamilton.

**THE FOURTH FORMATION DAY FOR OUR SECOND YEAR CANDIDATES** for the Permanent Diaconate program takes place tomorrow. Father David Perrin, OMI, Professor of Theology at St. Jerome's University is speaking on *Christology in the Synoptic Gospels*. Brother Richard MacPhee will also speak to the candidates on *The Ministry of the Little Brothers of the Good Shepherd*. Monsignor Murray Kroetsch is the presider and preacher at the Mass. We continue to pray for both our second year AND fourth year candidates.

**GRAND KNIGHT RUDY ALISAUSKAS OF DURHAM COUNCIL 15738** has a unique and inspired way to promote the familiar *KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS* campaign of the Knights of Columbus. He is making available white magnets with the theme printed below the design of a Christmas crèche. It is a great way to *decorate* your car for Christmas AND proclaim an important message! 200 magnets are in a box - \$330.00 (plus \$35.00 for shipping). Perfect as a fund-raiser (sell them for \$5.00 each) or for a seasonal gift! Contact GK Rudy at [magnets@ehtel.ca](mailto:magnets@ehtel.ca). Good for you, Rudy, I hope the promotion is a success.

**JUST LAST WEEK, READERS OF THE HAMILTON SPECTATOR** named Holy Sepulchre Cemetery as the Platinum Award Winner in the annual "Reader's Choice Awards 2013" under the Favourite Business/Service in the cemetery category. Congratulations to the staff of The Catholic Cemeteries!

**WOMEN AT ST. BENEDICT'S PARISH IN MILTON SIGNED THE CHARTER** to become a Catholic Women's League Parish Council. The document has now been sent to the CWL National Office for approbation. The new council has a full executive and begins with the full support and encouragement of their Spiritual Advisor, Father Jim Petrie. We wish you well, friends, and pray that the League will be a dynamic part of the new Parish!

**FATHER MICHAEL PRIEUR, FROM ST. PETER'S SEMINARY**, will be the guest speaker at the meeting of the Council of Catholic Service Organizations (CCSO) next Tuesday evening at the Chancery Office. Father Prieur chaired the CCCB Committee which reviewed the Catholic Health Ethics Guide which was published last year. The Ethics Guide has received wide acclaim and the CCSO will benefit by being aware of the content and value of the book.

**TODAY IS ALREADY THE THIRD ANNIVERSARY OF MY INSTALLATION** as Bishop of Hamilton. Thank you for your many kindnesses over those years. I feel truly blessed!

Our Lady of the Annunciation, pray for us!

Ex corde, + *Douglas*, OMI