

Heart to Heart

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KERRY ROBINSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR of the *National Leadership Roundtable on Church Management*, was the presenter at Wednesday's Convocation for Parish Priests and Associates. Her presentation focused on fundraising principles and maxims, giving depth and perspective to the important work of financing the Church's mission. She is a member of the Raskob Foundation, was the Director of Development at Saint Thomas More Catholic Chapel and Center at Yale University and the author of *Imagining Abundance: Fundraising, Philanthropy and A Spiritual Call to Service*. Her motivational presentation was enhanced by her moving stories and her good humour. It was another important opportunity for professional development for our Priests.

OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS CEMETERY IN STONEY CREEK and Gate of Heaven Cemetery in Burlington are venues for the annual cemetery Mass tomorrow morning. These Masses provide important opportunities to remember our loved ones who have died and to pray that they may know the fullness of life. They demonstrate our ongoing love for the deceased which "never ends". Masses are at 11 a.m.

FATHER MARIJAN MIHOKOVIC, PASTOR OF HOLY CROSS CROATIAN PARISH in Hamilton, underwent successful heart by-pass surgery earlier this week. Several Priests are replacing him during the recovery time. We welcome those who are traveling from Croatia to assist. We pray in thanksgiving for the success of the operation and for a speedy and full recovery.

MRS. PATRICIA AMOS, DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION for the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board announced her retirement effective January 9, 2015 at a Board meeting earlier this week. The process of selecting a new Director of Education for the Board begins immediately. Mrs. Amos was appointed Director of Education in July 2009. Under her direction there have been many significant developments in Catholic education including the construction of four Catholic elementary schools and a new Bishop Ryan Catholic Secondary School.

BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH IN BURFORD CELEBRATES its 50th Anniversary this weekend at all the Masses! A special banquet will be served in the Parish Centre following the Sunday morning Mass. Father Bob Bulbrook will host the happy event!

THE CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY OF HAMILTON (CCASH) celebrates its 60th Anniversary of caring for children at their Annual General Meeting on Monday evening. It is a significant achievement – an opportunity to celebrate the great good that has been done and lives that have been saved. We congratulate Ersilia DiNardo and all CCASH employees on this happy occasion. Special thanks to Mr. Jamie Anderson, President of the Board of Directors, whose term of office will be completed at this meeting.

IAN SALIBA, CHRISTOPHER TRACEY AND SCOTT WHITFIELD, seminarians for the Diocese of Hamilton, were instituted as Lectors at a ceremony at St. Patrick's Parish in Hamilton during the Sunday evening Mass last weekend. We congratulate them on another step in their formation toward the Priesthood. We pray for them and for all our seminarians!

REMEMBER TO PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR PRIESTS NEXT FRIDAY, JUNE 27th, the *World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests!*

Our Lady of the Annunciation, pray for us!

Ex corde, + Douglas, OMI