

Heart to Heart

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204 PRIESTS, DEACONS AND SEMINARIANS HAVE INFORMED US that they will be present for the dinner and the celebration of the Mass of Chrism on Monday evening at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. During the Mass, the Priests renew the promises made at the time of their Ordination, the Oil of Catechumens and the Oil of the Sick are blessed, and the Sacred Chrism is consecrated for use at the Easter Vigil and throughout the coming year. All are welcome to join us for this uniquely Diocesan event!

WAKE UP THE WORLD! YOUNG ADULT RALLY (FOR AGES 18-35) is a gathering of young adults as part of the Year of Consecrated Life. The special rally is being held on Sunday, May 3rd, at Mount Mary Retreat Centre in Ancaster, beginning at 9 a.m. and continuing until 5:30 p.m. Father Wojciech Kuzma, Father Toby Collins, CR, and Sister Miriam are the primary facilitators, Chris Bray will provide the music, and Bishop Daniel Miehm will preside and preach at the Eucharist. Please advertise the event in your Parishes. For more information, check out our website.

THE GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION SUPPORTS THE HOLY LAND, and in particular the sacred places and faith communities there. The collection is coordinated by the Congregation for Eastern Churches and has an increased importance this year following the many attacks experienced by the Christian communities over the past year. Cardinal Leonardo Sandri, Prefect for the Congregation, has written to encourage parishioners to be generous as a sign of solidarity with those who have suffered so grievously!

THE 2015 PERSONNEL CHANGES ARE BEING PUBLISHED LATER TODAY. They are effective at noon on June 24, 2015. Profound thanks to the Priests who will retire after long and faithful service! Thanks also to Priests who have accepted new or additional assignments. Welcome to Priests who are coming to the Diocese from other Dioceses or Religious Communities to take on ministry here. We are blessed by your service! Father David Reilander will be serving in the Diocese of Whitehorse (Yukon). We pray in a special way for his ministry there.

THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC BROADCASTING COUNCIL will broadcast Mission 2015, *Beware the Holy Spirit* at both 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. of Monday March 30th, and Tuesday March 31st, on Vision TV. It is a helpful way to complete the Lenten season and prepare for the Easter Triduum.

THE BELLS OF THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA ARE RINGING ONCE AGAIN! Testing of the recently renewed clappers and computer programing is over and the bells will be fully operational on Sunday, in good time to welcome everyone for the Chrism Mass on Monday. Another job well done!

THE EX CORDE FOUNDATION DISTRIBUTED GRANTS THIS WEEK, responding to many requests from Parishes and other Catholic organizations in the Diocese of Hamilton. Thanks to Monsignor Daniel Hinsperger, Chairman, and other Directors of the Foundation for their time and careful consideration of so many important requests. Thanks also to staff support from Chancery personnel. It is all for the proclamation of the Gospel!

AN EASTER MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOP WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE on Monday.

Our Lady of the Annunciation, pray for us.

Ex corde, + Douglas, OMI