



**THE PERMANENT DIACONATE FORMATION PROGRAM CONTINUES THIS WEEKEND** for first year and third year candidates. Bishop Daniel Miehm will present on Canon Law to third year candidates and Mr. Jerry Creedon will present on the Old Testament to first year candidates. Bishop Miehm will preside at the noon Mass on Saturday. Thanks to Father Mark Gatto and Deacon Peter Gittens for ensuring the program is so well organized!

**ANA SOUSA IS THE NEW PRESIDENT OF THE DIOCESAN COUNCIL** of the Catholic Women's League of Canada. She hails from St. Patrick's Parish in Cambridge and has been a member of the League since she was 16. She attributes many of her leadership skills to League formation. She and her Council were installed at the closing Mass of their Annual Convention. Thanks to Ana for accepting election and to Anna Brady and her Council for their service over the past two years!

**THE CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY OF HAMILTON (CCASH)** announced the appointment of a new Executive Director last week. Mr. Rocco Gizzarelli will assume the post on July 1, 2015. Mrs. Ersilia DiNardo was honoured at a reception last evening for her 35 years in social work, her 30 years with CCASH, and her 8 years as Executive Director. Once again we offer our congratulations to Ersilia, and we offer our best wishes and strong support to Rocco as he leads the Society into the future.

**L'ARCHE HAMILTON CELEBRATES 50 YEARS OF L'ARCHE** with a display of 10 prints from the *L'Arche International Jubilee On-Line Art Exhibition*. The display opens tonight at the Hamilton Public Library (55 York Blvd.) and continues through June 30<sup>th</sup>. From July 2<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> the display will be at Christ Church Cathedral in Hamilton. The art exhibition showcases the diverse and visual artistic talents of people with intellectual disabilities who live in L'Arche communities, in Hamilton and around the world.

**CONFIRMATION "SEASON" WINDS UP THIS WEEKEND** with two celebrations at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish in Stoney Creek. One celebration remains at St. Paul Chung Korean Parish in Kitchener in early July. Thanks to Bishop Anthony Tonnos and Bishop Matthew Ustryzcki for supporting Bishop Daniel Miehm and me over the past several months. Thanks also to Pastors, Lay Pastoral Associates, Grade 7 teachers, choirs, parents and sponsors for ensuring that the Confirmandi were well prepared for the Sacrament. It is always an encouragement to see young people come forward confidently to deepen their faith. We pray for all who were Confirmed during this pastoral year.

**BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH IN HAMILTON CELEBRATES ITS 60<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY** with a Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday Evening. A festive dinner will follow the Mass. Congratulations to Father Ted Slaman and parishioners for this significant Jubilee! May the Parish thrive into the future!

**FATHER JOHN CONNOR, PROVINCIAL SUPERIOR OF THE LEGIONARIES OF CHRIST**, is visiting their Oakville community these days. They visited the Chancery earlier this morning. Father Kenneth LeBlanc, local Superior, is being transferred to Houston, Texas, and Father Thomas Murphy has been appointed the new Superior and installed today. We are deeply grateful for the priestly support the Legionaries provide in many of our Parishes in the Halton Deanery – and beyond!

Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us.

Ex corde, + *Douglas*, OMI