



Heart to Heart

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MR. ROB MCGOWAN COMPLETED SEVEN YEARS of service on the Diocesan Finance Council on May 30, 2018. It has been a remarkable and generous contribution of time and talent. Earlier this year, Pope Francis appointed him a Knight of St. Gregory the Great for his service to the Diocese and his philanthropic generosity to many important projects that benefit the needy! The honour was conferred by Cardinal Gerald Cyprien Lacroix on March 4th. Thank you for sharing your many gifts, Rob!

THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL DIOCESAN CELEBRATION OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION will be hosted this year by the Halton Catholic District School Board, at Holy Cross Church in Georgetown, on September 20, 2018. We will celebrate *“the gift that is within you”* (1 Timothy 4:14). The celebration begins at 3:15 p.m. with *A Theatrical Celebration of Catholic Education in the Hamilton Diocese – Sharing the Gift Within*; continues with the celebration of the Eucharist; and concludes with a festive reception. Retired Directors and Superintendents who have served Catholic education are invited. Clergy and representatives from Religious Communities who have helped develop Catholic education in the Diocese are also invited. It promises to be a very special gathering. Mark your calendars now!

THE HAMILTON COUNCILS OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS presented a cheque for \$81K to benefit the Bishop’s Charities earlier this week! The funds are the proceeds from the Bishop’s Charities Dinner Dance which took place in February. 100% of the funds are sent to about ten charities in the Hamilton area (and beyond). Many people of all ages (including pre-born children) will benefit from this generous offering. Thanks to the Knights for their hard work and to all who were so generous in supporting the Dinner Dance this year.

GOLF BALLS HAVE ARRIVED for the Bishop’s Invitational Golf Tournament scheduled to take place on June 27th at the famed Glen Abbey Golf Club in Oakville. Thanks to Tripemco Burlington Insurance for being the principal sponsor for the event. Two brothers, a brother-in-law, and the husband of one of my nieces, will be a foursome, making it a rare family event as well! The tournament already promises to be a fundraising success, this year benefitting the DeMazenod Door – a collaboration between St. Patrick’s Parish and School! FORE!

“FATAL FLAWS” LEGALIZING ASSISTED DEATH, a film by Kevin Dunn presents the dangers of the Medical “Aid” in Dying Law. It will be shown at *Cineplex Cinemas Hamilton Mountain (795 Paramount Drive, Stoney Creek)* on the big screen on Monday, June 25th, at 7:00 p.m. The film is a “must see” for every patient, medical caregiver and person who wants to understand the difference between medical killing and medically-responsible caring. Tickets can be purchased on-line, FatalFlawsFilm.com

MASS IS CELEBRATED IN HONOUR OF ST. JOSEMARIA ESCRIVA at St. Michael Parish, Oakville tomorrow (Saturday) morning at 10:30 a.m. The Mass has a special significance this year since it is the 90th Anniversary of Opus Dei. All are welcome to participate at the Mass – and to enjoy the reception that will follow.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Catholic Children’s Aid Society of Hamilton (CCASH) takes place on Monday evening. The AGM is the opportunity to honour and award deserving young people in the care of the agency who have succeeded in studies! CCASH is yet another Catholic organization that “saves lives”! Congratulations on another year of caring!

Our Lady of the Annunciation, pray for us.

Ex corde, + *Douglas*, OMI