



Heart to Heart

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MELISSA FARRELL IS THE NEW *PRESIDENT* of St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton! The long awaited announcement was made yesterday by Dr. Tom Stewart, President and CEO of St. Joseph's Health System and Sonny Mondavi, Chair of the St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton Board. She will assume the new position on April 29, 2019. Ms. Farrell currently serves as the Assistant Deputy Minister, Acute and Emergency Health Services, within Ontario's Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care. She is widely recognized as an expert in health system funding, quality improvement, and performance management. We celebrate her appointment and wish her well!

A HOLY HOUR OF PRAYER FOR THE HEALING OF VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ABUSE, including clergy sexual abuse, will be held in Parishes throughout the Diocese **NEXT** Sunday, March 17th. Lent is an appropriate time to pray for those who have suffered trauma. At the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, the Holy Hour will begin at 2:30 p.m. (till 3:30 p.m.). The Sunday Mass at 4 p.m. will have the same intention.

FATHER CZESLAW KOLASA, S.A.C., undergoes surgery today for the removal of a compromised kidney! He has requested prayers for successful surgery and a speedy recovery! May the surgeons' hands be guided! We pray to the Lord!

THE CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY OF HAMILTON (CCASH) looks to the Catholic community for practical help for fostering and adopting children, volunteering to drive children to appointments, assisting with the annual golf tournament and gala auction, preparing Christmas hampers for families and independent youth, supporting bursaries, or service on the Board of Directors. Wondering how you might make a difference in someone's life? Consider sharing your time, talent and treasure with the Catholic Children's Aid Society. Save a life!

ONE MILLION ROSARIES FOR UNBORN BABIES global prayer event is scheduled for May 3rd, 4th, and 5th. Interested in being part of this important prayer campaign, check out their website and register <http://www.saintmichaelthearchangelorganization.org/>

THE ANNUAL *GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION* for Christians and Churches in the Holy Land takes place on April 19, 2019. This Pontifical Collection benefits the Holy Places in the Holy Land and the pastoral, welfare, educational and social works that the Church carries out to benefit our Christian brothers and sisters and the local population. Last year the Diocese of Hamilton contributed \$175,000.00 to the Holy Land Commissariat. Thank you to all who were so generous!

ST. PAUL UNIVERSITY IN OTTAWA offers a graduate diploma in Catholic Bioethics. The program meets the educational goals of those who are interested in understanding, or who are likely to find themselves addressing contemporary bioethical issues in a manner that is consistent with ethical principles general, and with Catholic moral theology specifically. For admission requirements see: https://ustpaul.ca/study-programs_new.php

PRIESTS WILL GATHER FOR THE *PRIESTS' LENTEN DAY OF PRAYER* beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday at the Cathedral Basilica and Wednesday at Our Lady of Lourdes in Waterloo. The Opening Prayer and Presentation starts at 10:00 a.m.! It is an opportunity for prayer, adoration, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and fraternal sharing. May it be a time of blessing for all who gather!

Our Lady of the Annunciation, pray for us!

Ex corde, +*Douglas*, OMI