



Heart to Heart

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ST. PETER YU KOREAN PARISH celebrated their 25th Anniversary last Sunday. Twenty-two members of the Korean Catholic Community in Hamilton were Confirmed as a part of the day-long event. Following the Mass of Thanksgiving and outdoor photos a traditional Korean feast was prepared for parishioners and guests. Former Pastors visiting from Korea joined Father Young Hoon Kim, current pastor and Korean Priests from other Canadian communities, including Father Jung Heong Kwak from St. Paul Chung Parish in Kitchener. Korean Deacon TJ Han, who also serves at St. Anthony Daniel Parish in Kitchener, served as the Deacon for the Mass. May the Parish thrive well into the future!

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS in the Hamilton area will present the cheque representing the proceeds from the Bishop's Charities Dinner Dance, which took place earlier this year. The proceeds are then divided among eight or nine worthy charities in the Hamilton area (and one in Newfoundland and Labrador).

CHARLIE AND MARGARET JURAVINSKI ARE BEING CELEBRATED for their generous gift of \$100M to St. Joseph's Health System and to Hamilton Health McMaster. The money will be invested and the accrued interest will be divided annually between the healthcare institutions in Hamilton. It is being acclaimed as one of the largest gifts of that kind in the country! Profound thanks to the Juravinskis for their generosity and foresight!

REPRESENTATIVES FROM PRO-LIFE GROUPS IN THE HAMILTON DIOCESE gather at the Chancery Office next Tuesday for their annual sharing of information and ideas. I meet them at lunch, providing an opportunity to thank and encourage them in the important mission of protecting life from conception to natural death.

THE DIOCESAN FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETS NEXT WEEK to review the audited "financials" of the Diocese of Hamilton for the 2018 Fiscal Year. Thank you to the diligent work of Mr. Jim Long, Episcopal Director of Finance and Administration, the Finance Committee is fully informed as to the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead, and is therefore able to provide helpful advice and professional counsel! We are grateful for the committed service of the Committee members.

GRADUATION CEREMONIES FOR OUR CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS begin next week. Cathedral High School and St. Mary Catholic Secondary School in Hamilton celebrate their Graduations at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King on Wednesday and Thursday evening respectively. We offer our congratulations to all of our graduates and wish them God's blessings on their future endeavours!

THE ANNUAL DIOCESAN ANNIVERSARY MASS is all set for June 9th, beginning at 1:30 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. The Mass is sponsored by the Family Ministry Office of the Diocese and welcomes over 400 couples who will renew their matrimonial commitment, receive a boutonniere and a certificate marking the anniversary! Congratulations to the Jubilarians and thank you for your witness of the blessing of married life!

OFF TO TORONTO FOR A MEETING OF THE SOCIAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION of the Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario, on Monday. It is always an interesting meeting where social justice issues are discussed and commitments moved forward.

Our Lady of Annunciation, pray for us!

Ex corde, *+ Douglas*, OMI