



Heart to Heart

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THE FIRST BISHOPS' BOWL was won by Bishop Ryan Catholic Secondary School last Friday evening. The game, between Bishop Ryan CSS and Bishop Tonnos CSS junior (Grades 9 & 10) football teams, will be played annually, next year on the field at BT. It was a hard-hitting, fast game; a lot of fun to watch! Congratulations to both teams and coaches on a game well-played!

WELCOME TO BISHOP DANIEL MIEHM, Bishop of Peterborough, who is in our Diocese for the coming week to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in many of our parishes. It will also give him the opportunity to visit with family and friends. Thank you for your readiness to help out. You will be a blessing for the young people who present themselves for the Sacrament!

FATHER DAVID LEWIS has been appointed Chaplain to the Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate, effective immediately. He is in residence at St. Patrick Parish in Cambridge. He has recovered well from his health concerns from earlier this year. We wish him all good blessings in his new service.

JIM LONG HAS BEEN APPOINTED CHANCELLOR (TEMPORAL AFFAIRS). The new appointment takes effect on November 4th, exactly eight years after he joined the Diocese. We are grateful for his hard work, wise advice, and good humour, and wish him well in his expanded duties!

SAINT AGNES PARISH IN WATERLOO celebrates their 50th Anniversary this weekend. I will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving for the many blessings over the years tomorrow evening. Thanks to the Pallotine Community for providing Priests to serve the Parish from its establishment, and to Father Aleks Mazur, S.A.C. who serves as Pastor currently.

THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CELEBRATION OF THE FIRST MASS at St. Andrew Parish in Oakville, will be celebrated there at 12 noon on Sunday, November 3rd. The recent edition of The Catholic Register published an article on the anniversary, noting several highlights in the life of the Parish over the years. The Parish has been a stabilizing presence in the community for a long time!

THE BISHOP'S DINNER for the *Halton Catholic Children's Education Foundation (HCCEF)* takes place next Wednesday at Le Dome Banquet Hall in Oakville. It is always a joy-filled, noisy, gathering. The event provides the opportunity for local businesses and educational institutions to support the Foundation which assures that all children can participate in extra-curricular school activities – a noble cause indeed!

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS IN ONTARIO sponsor *Coats-For-Kids*, providing brand new winter coats for children who need them. It is a program that has grown exponentially since it began a few years ago. Hundreds of coats will be distributed in the schools over the coming few weeks to assure that children are warm during the winter months. A worthy effort!

PASTORS OF PARISHES IN THE SECOND WAVE of the *One Heart, One Soul* campaign gathered for lunch at the Chancery Office earlier this week. They are preparing for their part in the campaign which will begin in the New Year. The very successful First Wave is in its last few weeks and will wind down by Christmas. Thanks to Francis Doyle and his team for their hard work, and to Dominic, Bob and Tom from the Steier Group for their guidance and support!

Our Lady of the Annunciation, pray for us!

Ex corde, +*Douglas*, OMI