

Heart to Heart

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THE HOLY FATHER, POPE FRANCIS, has graciously granted Papal Honours to a Priest and several parishioners in the Diocese of Hamilton. The honours will be conferred on the recipients at a celebration to take place at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King on January 3, 2021, Feast of the Epiphany. COVID-19 protocols will be in effect.

His Grace, Archbishop Luigi Bonazzi, Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, recently informed me of the following appointments:

Chaplain of His Holiness

Father Martin Vallely, C.S.S., (with the title Monsignor), Pastor of Holy Rosary Parish, Burlington

Knight Commander (with Star) of Saint Gregory the Great

Mr. James Long, Chancellor (Temporal Affairs), Diocese of Hamilton

Knight of St. Gregory the Great

Mr. Vince Varga, Property Advisor to Bishops of the Diocese

Mr. Allan Beaupre, Diocesan Finance Council, Property Committee, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Waterloo

Cross Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice

Mr. Dao Hoang Pham, Parish Council President, Our Lady of Vietnam Parish, Hamilton

Mrs. Barbara Dollak, Volunteer, Diocesan Refugee Office, Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton

Mrs. Sharon Fazari, Director, Diocesan Choir, St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Hamilton

Ms. Martha Fauteux, Chaplain, St. Jerome's University, Waterloo

M. Marcel Lévesque, Catholic French School Trustee, Notre Dame de Perpetual Secours Parish, Hamilton

Benemerenti Medal

Mr. Dominic Tersigni, District Cemeterian, Marymount Catholic Cemetery, Guelph

Mr. Mario Bilich, Parishioner, Our Lady of All Souls Parish, St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Hamilton

Mrs. Ankica Juraj, Catholic Women's League, Sacristan, Holy Cross Croatian Parish, Hamilton

Mr. Martin Seregelyes, Parish Council, Scout Troop, St. Stephen of Hungary Parish, Hamilton

Mr. Rocco Valeri, Parish Council member, volunteer, St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Hamilton

Mrs. Josie Cruz, Legion of Mary member, Sacred Heart Parish, Hamilton

We congratulate the worthy recipients of these honours. Their longtime commitment to the vibrant life of the Catholic community in the Diocese of Hamilton is deeply appreciated!

FRATELLI TUTTI – On Fraternity & Social Friendship is the title of Pope Francis' latest encyclical. Copies are available through our Office of Evangelization and Catechesis. The encyclical was encouraged by a meeting in Abu Dhabi with the Grand Imam, Ahmad Al-Tayyeb, "where we declared that 'God has created all human beings equal in rights, duties and dignity, and has called them to live together as brothers and sisters' "FT#5. The encyclical can also be read online, encyclical Fratelli Tutti.

Our Lady of the Annunciation, pray for us!

Ex corde, + Douglas, OMI