



Heart to Heart

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A FINE PARTNERSHIP HAS DEVELOPED between *Cathedral High School* and the *DeMazenod Door at St. Patrick Parish*, Hamilton, over the years. More recently, that partnership has intensified. Food grown in the high school greenhouse, planted by Cathedral students, was donated to the DeMazenod Door Farm. In 2021, all 200 seedlings – beans, tomatoes, zucchini and more – were transplanted to the farm where they grew to provide food for those who come to DeMazenod Door. This year the horticulture class will transplant the seedlings themselves and tend the farm on a weekly basis, providing hands-on opportunities to learn about regenerative and low impact farming methods. Add hens and bees and you get eggs and honey! A mutually beneficial partnership indeed!

THE VATICAN HAS CONFIRMED that the Pope Francis will visit Canada July 24th to 29th and will have three hubs for his visit: Edmonton, Quebec City, and Iqaluit. Given his age, the limited time frame, and the size of the country, the host communities will minimize travel for the Pope and allow for events to take place in close proximity to the hub cities. The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is committed to ensuring Indigenous participation from across the country and will be working with Indigenous partners on programming and other key elements of the visit. We pray for improved health for the Holy Father.

VICE-CHANCELLOR FRANCIS DOYLE, his wife Janine and their four children are featured in a short and compelling video prepared by the *Standing Committee for Family and Life* of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. The video was commissioned in preparation for the 10th *World Meeting of Families* (WMF), which takes place in Rome, June 22nd-26th. The WMF coincides with the closing of the Year of *Amoris Laetitia* Family and has the theme “*Family Love: Vocation and Path to Holiness*”. The Doyle family video helps bring the theme to life. Watch it [here](#). A second video en francais, is available [here](#).

THE FINAL PERMANENT DIACONATE FORMATION WEEKEND of the year for the second and fourth year candidates occurs this weekend. Two candidates from the Hamilton Diocese and one from St. Catharines Diocese have completed their four years of preparation. *Mr. Paul Klaassen and Mr. Sean Meaney* will be ordained for service in the Diocese of Hamilton at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 4th. Their retreat prior to the Ordination takes place next week. Keep them in your prayers.

THE CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE OF CANADA – *Diocesan Council* begins its first “in person” annual convention in three years! The opening Mass will be celebrated tonight in St. Mary Parish in Hamilton. Frances Lovering, first Diocesan President became the second National President of the League 100 years ago. She is buried at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Burlington. Shari Guinta, National President-elect, from St. Michael Parish, Waterloo, is following in her footsteps! May the convention be blessed!

“IN PERSON” CEMETERY MASSES are taking place once again this year. Father Peter Tuyen Nguyen celebrated Mass at Resurrection Cemetery in Ancaster. Bishop Wayne Lobsinger will celebrate Mass at Holy Cross Cemetery in Paris, and I will celebrate Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Burlington. Outdoor Masses always present weather-related challenges. If you join us to remember your loved ones in prayer, be advised to dress according to the weather!

JAQUELINE COLE, a 22-year old from Kitchener, currently in Wiarton, served as a missionary with the *National Evangelization Team (NET) Canada* over the past year. She served in the Diocese of Whitehorse in Yukon Territory. It was a transformative experience for her! [NET](#) Canada is a Catholic ministry that sends out teams of young adult missionaries to provide opportunities for young Catholics to encounter Christ, experience His love, and embrace the life of the Church. If you are a young person, and want to experience your faith in a deeply Catholic environment, consider a year with NET Canada!

MOON WATCHERS TAKE NOTE: A *l-o-n-g* total eclipse of the moon begins at 9:32 p.m. on Sunday night and continues through midnight and longer. If it is not cloudy, it might be worth a look!

Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!

Ex corde, +*Douglas*, OMI