



Heart to Heart

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WELCOME TO THE BISHOPS WHO SERVE ON THE NATIONAL LITURGY COMMISSION of the *Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops*, holding its triannual conference ***For the Praise and Glory of His Name*** in Hamilton from October 27 to 29. Bishop Wayne Lobsinger is the Chairman of the National Commission. The keynote speaker for the event is *Monsignor Enda Murphy* from the Dicastery for Divine Worship and Discipline of the Sacraments, Rome. The Diocesan [website](#) will have access to the live-streamed Evening Prayer and Keynote Address. Even better, you are invited to attend in person at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton, Monday, October 27th, starting at 7 p.m. All are welcome!

CONGRATULATIONS TO ST. LUKE PARISH, HAMILTON, as they celebrate their 50th Anniversary on Sunday morning, followed by a dinner at Carmen's Event Centre. The celebration follows some updating and renovations of the Church, including completion of new cladding for the roof! See you there!

DILEXI TE: *On Love for the Poor* is the title of the first Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Leo XIV. *It highlights the Church's love for the poor in scripture, tradition, Church teaching and pastoral practice. It calls us to listen to the cry of the poor amidst the great crises of our time, to encounter them, to walk with them. Thus, the relationship between the very mission of the Church and our personal as well as communal responses becomes clearer and stronger. (From a letter penned by Cardinal Michael Czerny, S.J., Prefect of Integral Human Development, October 2, 2025.)*

AN ARTICLE IN A RECENT EDITION of *The Catholic Register* featured the revitalization of Youth Ministry around Ontario, particularly in the Diocese of Hamilton. Please check out the encouraging article [here](#).

AT THE RECENT PLENARY MEETING of the *Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops*, a new Executive Committee was elected for the coming two-years. Bishop Pierre Goudreault, Bishop of Sainte-Anne-de-la Pocatiere, Quebec, was elected President. Bishop Donald Bolen from Regina, was elected Vice-President. Bishop Mark Hagemoen from Saskatoon, was elected Co-Treasurer (from the English-Sector); and Bishop Christian Rodembourg, was elected Co-Treasurer (from the French-Sector). Representatives on the Permanent Council include Archbishop Peter Hundt from St. John's, Newfoundland, (for Atlantic Region), Bishop Alain Faubert, Valleyfield, (for Quebec Region), Bishop Daniel Miehm, Peterborough, (for Ontario Region), and Archbishop Murray Chatlain, Winnipeg, (from the Western Region). Sectorial representatives assuring equal numbers of representatives from both English and French Sectors, are Archbishop Guy Desrochers, Moncton, and Bishop Pierre-Olivier Tremblay, Hearst-Moosonee. Ex-officio members include: Cardinal Gerald Lacroix from Quebec, Cardinal Frank Leo, Toronto, Archbishop Christian Lepine, Montreal, and Ukrainian Catholic Archbishop Lawrence Herculak, O.S.B.M., Winnipeg. We pray for them!

LAST EVENING'S HARVEST DINNER FUNDRAISER for the ***Good Shepherd Ministries*** of the Brothers of Saint John of God, held at Carmen's Event Centre in Hamilton, was a huge success. It was their largest gathering in many years, celebrating the many social services offered by the Brothers, the Good Shepherd Ministries staff and volunteers. We salute the Brothers who were invited to minister in Hamilton by Bishop Joseph Ryan. The 25th annual dinner was a milestone of community support for their important service! Thanks to parishes and parishioners who support the good works of the Brothers!

Our Lady of the Annunciation, pray for us!

Ex corde, + *Douglas*, OMI