

Heart to Heart

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ST. KATERI STUDENT CENTRE at Canadian Martyrs Parish, Hamilton, had their Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimage to the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King on Tuesday evening. Led by Father Grzegorz Ogorzalek, the group walked from the Student Centre to the Cathedral, passing under Highway 403. Father David Wynen, Cathedral Rector, welcomed the students to the Cathedral and shared a bit of its history. The students prayed together and met in McNally Hall to share a pizza meal! Many groups have visited our pilgrimage churches this year and got their Jubilee Year passports stamped!

FATHER MARK MORLEY, DIRECTOR OF PRIESTLY VOCATIONS for the Diocese is promoting a *MONTH OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS* in October. His publication, *Hamilton Priest – Fall 2025*, provides helpful resources for Pastors and parishioners to use privately or when praying together. Homily hints, bulletin announcements, intercessions, Rosary intentions and videos of a vocation testimony, and information about the Men's Discernment Group can be found <u>here</u>. He invites young adult parishioners to the Young Adults Night at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph this Saturday, October 4th.

THE CATHOLIC REGISTER, Canada's oldest Catholic newspaper, is taking its next step into the digital age with the launch of its first podcast, REGISTERED. It will go beyond the headlines to provide listeners with weekly insights into the stories shaping the Catholic World that were carried over all of its platforms, with a special focus on issues that matter most to Canadian Catholics. Check out the podcast here for a weekly release!

SAM MERCANTI'S DOCUMENTARY, *RISEN*, has been selected for the 20th Annual Hamilton Film Festival. It will be screened on October 25th at 1 p.m. at the Ancaster Memorial Arts Centre, 357 Wilson Street East. Tickets are available online. His impressive life story has touched hearts. Don't miss it!

ST. JOSEPH'S HEALTHCARE announced a new \$10 MILLION donation to help the Catholic healthcare giant in Canada to care for millions of Canadians living with age related macular degeneration and diabetic retinopathy! Thank you to Thomas Kevill for supporting the great work of St. Joseph's!

SALT AND LIGHT MEDIA has released several videos of last week's *Plenary of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops*, found here . Bishop Pierre Goudreault, Bishop of Sainte-Anne-de-la-Pocatiere Diocese, is the new CCCB President. Archbishop Donald Bolen, from Regina, is the new Vice President. Bishop Mark Hagemoen, Saskatoon, and Bishop Christian Rodembourg, from Saint-Hyacinthe, are Co-Treasurers.

ST. JEROME'S UNIVERSITY celebrates their annual *St. Jerome's Feast* tomorrow evening! The event begins with Mass in Notre Dame Chapel, followed by a reception and festive meal in the Atrium! *Dr. Mark McGowan* is the recipient of the Chancellor John R. and Kay Sweeney Award for Catholic Leadership. Dr. McGowan is Principal Emeritus at St. Michael's College and University of Toronto. See you there!

THE FINAL FIRST SATURDAY MARIAN DAY MASS for this year will take place at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph tomorrow morning beginning with Mass at 10:30, followed by a Rosary Procession. Thanks to Father Ian Duffy for sponsoring these Marian Days.

CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF ONTARIO gather for their Fall Plenary next week in Toronto. The meeting provides opportunity for the Bishops to discuss matters of mutual concern and coordinate schedules and programs. Please pray for us!

OUR LADY OF THE ANNUNCIATION, pray for us.

Ex corde, + Douglas, OMI