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## WELCOME!

The Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King is the principal church of the Diocese of Hamilton and home to the Bishop of Hamilton. The word "cathedral" comes from "cathedra" or Bishop's chair located in the church. On February 25th, 2013, in recognition of the significance of its design, and its importance in the Diocese, the Cathedral was given the status of a Minor Basilica by Pope Benedict XVI. The Cathedral Basilica was completed in 1933, and is a very beautiful structure that is reflective of the lively faith of its parishioners and the entire Diocese of Hamilton.

The Cathedral Basilica's Coat of Arms presents a shield sheltered by the ombrellino, and with crossed keys representing the papal designation of basilica status. The shield has a symbol for Christ with the crown of thorns and the crown of glory. The motto in Latin - *every eye shall see him*.

## PASTORAL STAFF

The Most Reverend D. DOUGLAS CROSBY, OMI  
Bishop of Hamilton

Very Reverend DAVID A. WYNEN, Rector, VF  
Monsignor EDWARD D. SHERIDAN, In Residence  
Mrs. LISA TUCK, Parish Secretary  
Mrs. SANDRA GOULD, Pastoral Minister  
Mr. ROBERT CORSO, Director of Music  
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Sister LENA PETRUCCELLI, CSJB, Sacristan

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Closed  
Tuesday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Friday - 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

## SUNDAY MASS

(Saturday) 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

## DAILY MASS

Tuesday - Friday at 12:00 Noon

## CARE OF THE SICK

To arrange pastoral visits to the sick in hospital or at home, please call the parish office.

## PARISH REGISTRATION

To register with the Parish and to request Sunday Offering envelopes or information about pre-authorized giving ... please complete a *Registration Form* - either online (parish website) or using a form found in the Tower entrance.

## VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

For information contact the Office of Vocations (905) 528-7988.

## CATHOLIC BURIAL NEEDS

Please contact The Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton (905) 527-7727.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Third Week of Easter

*Daily Mass in McNally Hall*

Tuesday, April 25, 2023

Saint Mark, Evangelist

1 Peter 5.5-14; Mark 16.15-20

8:00 a.m. +Manuel & Maria Cordeiro

Wednesday, April 26, 2023

Acts 8.1-8; John 6.35-40

**12:00 Noon** +Matthew Cavarly

Thursday, April 27, 2023

Acts 8.26-40; John 6.44-50

8:00 a.m. +Charlie Leitis

Friday, April 28, 2023

Acts 9.1-20; John 6.52-59

8:00 a.m. +Jaime & Maria Pavao

Saturday, April 29, 2023

4 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Reconciliation

5:00 p.m. Vigil - Fourth Sunday of Easter

Intentions of the Deceased: Hugh Sullivan, Michele Sorbara, Alfonso D'Amico, Wende Baranoski, Joan Muldoon, Pasquale Conforti

Sunday, April 30, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2.14,36-41, 1 Peter 2.20-25; John 10.1-10

9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. - Intentions of the People

## COLLECTION REPORT

*No report at the time of publication.*

## PRIESTS DON'T GROW ON TREES!

...but, they do grow in families. Next Sunday is the *World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Religious Life*. The world, our Diocese, our Parish needs more Priests! Pray to the Lord of the Harvest that the seeds of vocations may be sown among our young people. These seeds are sown through the prayers, good example of Christian life, and encouragement of **parents, priests, teachers, relatives and friends**. Men and women who feel called to a vocation of ministry and service in the Church are encouraged to reach out to our Diocesan Vocation Director - Father Mark Morley. He can be contacted through our Diocesan website - [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com)

## ORDINATION OF PRIESTS

His Excellency, Bishop Crosby will celebrate the Ordination of four new Priests for service in the Diocese of Hamilton on Saturday, May 6, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. All are welcome. Congratulations to the Ordinandi and blessings on their ministry. Ad multos annos!

## CLERGY ASSIGNMENTS

Bishop Crosby recently announced the annual Priest assignments which can be found on the Diocesan website - [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) Congratulations to the Pastors and Associates who have accepted new assignments which take effect on Wednesday, June 28, 2023.



## CWL GENERAL MEETING

Members of the Catholic Women's League are invited to meet on Saturday, April 29, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. in McNally Hall. This meeting will focus on unity and is part of a National exercise for the CWL. Join us.

## RENOVATION UPDATE

Pew re-finishing is nearing completion and once the tile and new broadloom arrive work will begin in the Cathedral ... likely by the end of May.

## MASS INTENTIONS

We offer Masses for specific intentions on weekdays and Saturday 5:00 p.m. You may request a Mass Intention for a minimum offering of \$10. The intention of our Sunday morning Mass is *Missa pro populo* - Mass for the People which the Rector is required by Church law to offer each week. To arrange for a Mass Intention contact our Parish Office. Our weekly Wednesday (12 Noon) and Saturday (5 p.m.) Masses are *multi-intentional* meaning that several intentions can be remembered at these liturgies.

## RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Three important elements help us prepare to receive Our Lord in Holy Communion at Mass:

**FAST** – we are encouraged to fast from food and drink (except water) for one hour before receiving Holy Communion.

**DISPOSITION** – we should recognize the immense gift given to us in the Eucharist and the privilege we have of sharing in it.

**CONFESSION** – if we are aware of serious, or even mortal sins, we should celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

## HOW TO RECEIVE?

The reception of Holy Communion is governed by particular law established by the Canadian Conference of Bishops and by the local Bishop. In his Pastoral Letter on the celebration of the liturgy in the Diocese of Hamilton, Bishop Crosby reminds us of how we are expected to receive Holy Communion at Mass. Namely, as we approach the minister distributing Holy Communion – usually as the person in front of us is in the act of receiving Holy Communion – we make a *simple* bow of the head in reverence for the gift we are about to receive. There is no need to genuflect, or make a profound bow. Then, standing before the minister, there are two ancient ways for receiving Holy Communion – in the hand or on the tongue. The minister, holding up the Sacred Host says, *The Body of Christ*, and we say - **audibly** - "Amen." Then we either open our hands or our mouth to receive. If we receive in the hand, we immediately take the Sacred Host and place it in our mouth. We do not take the Sacred Host with us to our pew.

## COMMUNION TO THE SICK

If you wish to take Holy Communion to a relative who is sick at home please speak with Father Wynen prior to Mass – there is a special container and prayers for Communion to the Sick.

## REVERENCE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

When we pass in front of the Tabernacle, or go into our pew, it is customary to *genuflect* or bow in reverence. At the Cathedral Parish we have the custom of the whole assembly standing as the Blessed Sacrament is reposed in the Tabernacle after the distribution of Holy Communion. All are seated when the Tabernacle doors close.

## WHO CAN RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION?

Catholics who have already received their first Holy Communion, and who have the proper disposition, may receive Holy Communion at Mass. The reception of Holy Communion is a sign that the one receiving is in *communion* with all that the Catholic Church believes, professes, and proclaims to be revealed by God. Christians of other denominations are welcome to attend the celebration of the Eucharist, but may not receive Holy Communion because their denomination is not in *communion* with the Catholic Church. Non-baptized individuals may not receive Holy Communion. Adults who wish to become Catholic may inquire about the *RCIA* process which prepares adults for the celebration of Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the parents of several children who will be Baptized in our Parish in the next few weeks. Congratulations also to Grade 2 children who will receive their First Holy Communion in our Parish. We also congratulate young people who will be Confirmed by Bishop Crosby on Saturday, May 6 at 5 p.m. Mass. The celebration of these Sacraments are a wonderful opportunity for our Parish to celebrate the faith in the lives of these families, children and young people. May the Lord Jesus, who desires to be close to us all, lead these children and young people and keep them close to His Sacred Heart. May Mary, our Mother, spread her mantle of love over them to protect them.



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