



CATHEDRAL BASILICA of CHRIST *the* KING



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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
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday Closed
Tuesday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.
4:00 p.m.

Seating is limited to 30% capacity. Masks are recommended during Mass.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 11 - 11:30 a.m.

Marian Chapel

DAILY MASS

Tuesday through Friday
11:45 a.m. (Cathedral Basilica)

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 Father King at 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

*Daily Masses are open to the public. Masses will be celebrated in the Cathedral Basilica which will open **30 minutes** prior to the celebration. Note that Daily Mass will be celebrated at 11:45 a.m.*

TWENTY-FIRST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Tuesday, August 25, 2020

2 Thessalonians 2.1-17; Matthew 23.23-26

11:45 a.m. +Nancy Raso
+Jaime & Maria Medeiros Pavao

Wednesday, August 26, 2020

2 Thessalonians 3.6-18; Matthew 23.27-32

11:45 a.m. +Norina DeClara
+Aldo Danieli

Thursday, August 27, 2020

Saint Monica

1 Corinthians 1.1-9; Matthew 24.42-51

11:45 a.m. +John Maxwell

Friday, August 28, 2020

Saint Augustine, Bishop, Doctor

1 Corinthians 1.17-25; Matthew 25.1-13

11:45 a.m. +Deceased Rao family

Saturday, August 29, 2020

11:00 a.m. Reconciliation (Marian Chapel)

5 p.m. Vigil - Ordinary 22-

+Barbara Blake, +Antoinette Campanelli, +Jose & Maria Graca, +John Maxwell, +Josefa & Julius Ricanek, +Alicia Moraleta Reyes

Sunday, August 30, 2020

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 20.7-9; Romans 12.1-2; Matthew 16.21-27

COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, August 9, 2020

Regular Collection	137@ \$37.61	\$ 5,152.50
Loose Offerings		\$ 478.00
Stained Glass		\$ 900.00
Cura Pastorum		\$ 125.00
Total		<u>\$ 6,655.50</u>

Thank you for your ongoing support of the Cathedral Basilica with your weekly offerings. If you would like have a set of Sunday Offering envelopes or sign up for pre-authorized giving - please contact our Parish Office.

NEW DAILY MASS TIME

On Tuesday, September 8, 2020 our Daily Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral Basilica at **8:30 a.m.** Tuesday through Friday. The Cathedral will open for prayer by 8:15 a.m. and will close immediately after Mass so that the pews can be sanitized. This earlier time accommodates the other activities that regularly take place with the start of the new Pastoral Year.

RCIA

The *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* will begin its catechetical sessions in **January 2021** - rather than September this year. Interested adults who desire to be full initiated into the Catholic Church should contact our Parish Office for an appointment with Father Wynen.

MASS ETIQUETTE DURING PANDEMIC

If you are sick, or if you have a cough, sniffles, or other symptoms, please stay home and recover. Please practice good hand hygiene and physical distancing. Note that we are asked to leave Church immediately at the end of the Mass so that our volunteers can begin disinfecting the pews. Anyone who would like to assist in this task, please speak with the ministers of hospitality.

Kindly wear a facemask/covering during Mass.

THANK YOU, PATRICK!

Patrick Ohl, a Seminarian of our Diocese, assigned to our Parish this past summer, is concluding his time with us. On behalf of our staff and parishioners, thank you Patrick for your presence and your assistance these past several months. He has been a great help in coordinating our re-opening and assisting with our Mass volunteers. Patrick will resume his final year of studies at St. Peter Seminary, London. Be assured of our prayers and support.

POPE FRANCIS – GENERAL AUDIENCE

Wednesday, 12 August 2020

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

The pandemic has highlighted how vulnerable and interconnected everyone is. If we do not take care of one another, starting with the least, with those who are most impacted, including creation, we cannot heal the world.

Commendable is the effort of so many people who have been offering evidence of human and Christian love for neighbour, dedicating themselves to the sick even at the risk of their own health. They are heroes! However, the coronavirus is not the only disease to be fought, but rather, the pandemic has shed light on broader social ills. One of these is a distorted view of the person, a perspective that ignores the dignity and relational of the person. (la sua refers to person, not his or her) At times we look at others as objects, to be used and discarded. In reality this type of perspective blinds and fosters an individualistic and aggressive throw-away culture, which transforms the human being into a consumer good (cf. Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium*, 53; Encyclical *Laudato Si'*, [LS], 22).

In the light of faith we know, instead, that God looks at a man and a woman in another manner. He created us not as objects but as people loved and capable of loving; He has created us in His image and likeness (see *Gen* 1:27). In this way He has given us a unique dignity, calling us to live in communion with Him, in communion with our sisters and our brothers, with respect for all creation. In communion, in harmony, we might say. Creation is the harmony in which we are called to live. And in this communion, in this harmony that is communion, God gives us the ability to procreate and safeguard life (see *Gen* 1:28-29), to till and keep the land (see *Gen* 2:15; *LS*, 67). It is clear that one cannot procreate and safeguard life without harmony; it will be destroyed. We have an example of that individualistic perspective, that which is not harmony, in the Gospels, in the request made to Jesus by the mother of the disciples James and John (cf. *Mt* 20:20-38). She wanted her sons to sit at the right and the left of the new king. But Jesus proposes another type of vision: that of service and of giving one's life for others, and He confirms it by immediately restoring sight to two blind men and making them His disciples (see *Mt* 20:29-34). Seeking to climb in life, to be superior to others, destroys harmony. It is the logic of dominion, of dominating others. Harmony is something else: it is service.

Therefore, let us ask the Lord to give us eyes attentive to our brothers and sisters, especially those who are suffering. As Jesus's disciples we do not want to be indifferent or individualistic. These are the two unpleasant attitudes that run counter to harmony. Indifferent: I look the other way. Individualist: looking out only for one's own interest. The harmony created by God asks that we look at others, the needs of others, the problems of others, in communion. We want to recognise

the human dignity in every person, whatever his or her race, language or condition might be. Harmony leads you to recognise human dignity, that harmony created by God, with humanity at the centre.

The Second Vatican Council emphasises that this dignity is inalienable, because it "was created 'to the image of God'" (Pastoral Constitution *Gaudium et Spes*, 12). It lies at the foundation of all social life and determines its operative principles. In modern culture, the closest reference to the principle of the inalienable dignity of the person is the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which Saint John Paul II defined as a "milestone on the long and difficult path of the human race", [1] and as "one of the highest expressions of the human conscience". [2] Rights are not only individual, but also social; they are of peoples, nations. [3] The human being, indeed, in his or her personal dignity, is a social being, created in the image of God, One and Triune. We are social beings; we need to live in this social harmony, but when there is selfishness, our outlook does not reach others, the community, but focuses on ourselves, and this makes us ugly, nasty and selfish, destroying harmony.

This renewed awareness of the dignity of every human being has serious social, economic and political implications. Looking at our brother and sister and the whole of creation as a gift received from the love of the Father inspires attentive behaviour, care and wonder. In this way the believer, contemplating his or her neighbour as a brother or sister, and not as a stranger, looks at him or her compassionately and empathetically, not contemptuously or with hostility. Contemplating the world in the light of faith, with the help of grace, we strive to develop our creativity and enthusiasm in order to resolve the ordeals of the past. We understand and develop our abilities as responsibilities that arise from this faith,[4] as gifts from God to be placed at the service of humanity and of creation.

While we all work for a cure for a virus that strikes everyone without distinction, faith exhorts us to commit ourselves seriously and actively to combat indifference in the face of violations of human dignity. This culture of indifference that accompanies the throwaway culture: things that do not affect me, do not interest me. Faith always requires that we let ourselves be healed and converted from our individualism, whether personal or collective; party individualism, for example.

May the Lord "restore our sight" so as to rediscover what it means to be members of the human family. And may this sight be translated into concrete actions of compassion and respect for every person and of care and safeguarding of our common home.

[1] *Address to the General Assembly of the United Nations* (2 October 1979).

[2] *Address to the General Assembly of the United Nations* (5 October 1995).

[3] Cf. *Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church*, 157.

[4] *Ibid.*

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