



# 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  
Bishop of Hamilton

Very Reverend DAVID A. WYNEN, Rector, VF  
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Sister LENA PETRUCELLI, CSJB, Sacristan

## 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  
8:30 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 celebrated in the Cathedral Basilica which will open **30 minutes before** the announced time of the Mass.

### 4TH WEEK OF ADVENT

Tuesday, December 22, 2020

1 Samuel 1.24-28; Luke 1.46-56

8:30 a.m. +Alfena DiFranco

Wednesday, December 23, 2020

Malachi 3.1-4.6; Luke 1.57-66

8:30 a.m. +Ugo Ianiri

Thursday, December 24, 2020

Isaiah 9.2-4,6-7; Titus 2.11-14; Luke 2.1-6

Friday, December 25, 2020

Isaiah 52.7-10; Hebrews 1.1-6; John 1.1-18

Saturday, December 26, 2020

5 p.m. Vigil – Holy Family

+Carmelo Messina, +Joe Partito, +Margaret Race,  
+Frank Nicolazzo, +Eleanor Rodney, +Jane Donaldson

Sunday, December 27, 2020

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Sirach 3.2-14; Colossians 3.12-21; Luke 2.22-40

## COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, December 6, 2020

PAD	95@77.39	\$ 7,352.00
Sunday Offerings	131@48.89	\$ 6,405.50
Cathedral Charities		\$ 1,263.00
Loose		\$ 1,012.50
Christmas		\$ 250.00
Stained Glass		\$ 95.00
		<b>\$ 16,378.00</b>

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. You may wish to consider making your offering using *pre-authorized debits*. All donations are receipted in the usual manner.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated on Saturday mornings at 11:00 a.m. in the Marian Chapel (Cathedral basement). In preparation for Christmas we will offer some extended hours for the celebration of the Sacrament on **Saturday, December 19, 2020:**

**9:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon**  
&  
**1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Social distance and other COVID requirements will be include the wearing of a mask during the celebration for both the penitent and the confessor.

## CHRISTMAS

Seating for Christmas Masses is by *reservation only*. Seats for all Masses have been reserved. Note that those without a reservation, and late arrivals, will not be admitted.

Our Christmas Midnight Mass will be televised on *Salt+Light* and CHCH TV at Midnight and repeated on CHCH TV on Christmas morning at 8:00 a.m.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2021

The “Mass Book” for requested Masses is now opened. You may call the parish office to request a Mass. We will do our best to accommodate your requested Masses. Masses we cannot satisfy at the Cathedral are shared with Priests in mission countries.

## 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.

Thank you for wearing a facemask/covering during Mass.

### WEDDINGS FOR 2021

We have many couples planning to marry at the Cathedral Basilica in 2021. All, but three couples from 2020 transferred to 2021 due to the COVID lockdown. Our advice to these couples is to plan their wedding based on the information we have today. It's easier to add people to the guest list, than it is to disinvite due to restrictions. Wedding ceremonies can be celebrated with 30% capacity of the Cathedral Basilica ... this does not apply to reception venues.

### DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass is usually celebrated in June each year. Due to COVID concerns and restrictions, this Mass has been cancelled for 2021. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years Anniversary starting in January online [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com). The Family Ministry Office will send you the certificate of recognition from Bishop Crosby.

### CATECHISM FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS

Programs available for children from Kindergarten through to High School not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in Catholic Schools also available. Families work through the programs at home. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or visit at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com)

### SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

First Eucharist, Confirmation and First Reconciliation for children can be celebrated at the Cathedral Basilica. Please contact Sandra Gould in our Parish Office for further information.

### BLESSINGS FOR TREE & CRIB ...

You may wish to use these blessing for your tree and creche as you prepare your home for the Christmas feast:

#### **Blessing of a Christmas Tree**

All glory and praise to you, heavenly Father:  
we thank you for sending us your Son Jesus to  
be our brother.

Bless us as we gather here,  
and bless our Christmas tree.

Let its lights remind us of Jesus,  
who came to be the light of the world  
and to save us from sin.

Father, we love you, and we praise you  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Blessing of a Christmas Crib**

Blessed are you, Lord God, king of all creation:  
we praise you for your love.

We thank you because you have loved us so  
much that you sent your only Son to bring us  
eternal life.

Bless this crib that we have prepared, and let it  
be a reminder to us of the Lord Jesus, Son of  
God and Son of Mary.

Father, we praise you through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

### CATHEDRAL CHARITIES COLLECTION

Thank you for your generosity to the Cathedral Charities collection this month and throughout the year. We are able to share more than \$2,700 from this fund with *Good Shepherd Ministries* to assist them with their annual Christmas dinner for the needy in the City of Hamilton.

### WORKBOOKS FOR LECTORS

The *Workbooks for Lectors* have arrived and may be picked up by our Parish lectors in the forward Sacristy.

### SUNDAY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

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