

CATHEDRAL BASILICA of CHRIST the KING

714 King Street West Hamilton, Ontario L8P 1C7 905-522-5744 www.ctkbasilica.ca Welcome to the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King - the "mother" church of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hamilton. The Cathedral is the Bishop's Church as it is home to the *cathedra*, or Bishop's Chair. Pope Benedict XVI bestowed the title "basilica" on February 25th, 2013 in recognition of the architectural significance and importance of the Cathedral.

SUNDAY MASS

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

RECONCILIATION

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

DAILY MASS

Tuesday through Friday 8:00 a.m. (Marian Chapel)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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PARISH REGISTRATION

To register with the Parish and to request Sunday Offering envelopes, or for information about pre-authorized giving, please complete a *Registration Form* which can be found in the Tower entrance, or on our Parish website.

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.

CARE OF THE SICK

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

RCIA

Adults who desire becoming members of the Roman Catholic Church may inquire about the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*. The Rite prepares adults who wish to celebrate Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Please contact the Parish Office.

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

Please visit our website of call the Parish office for information regarding the baptism of infants or young children.

MARRIAGE

Engaged couples may visit our Parish website for information on getting married at the Cathedral Basilica. We ask for one year's notice of marriage in order to accommodate the necessary steps in preparation.

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MASS INTENTIONS

OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS

Intentions for each Daily Mass are noted below. (+) denotes an intention for a deceased loved one or parishioner.

Wednesday, December 26, 2018	No Mass
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St. Stephen, the first Martyr

Acts 6.8-7.54-59; Matthew 10.17-22

Thursday, December 27, 2018

8:00 a.m.

St. John, Apostle, Evangelist

1 John 1.1-4; John 20.2-8

+Jose Moniz

Friday, December 28, 2018

8:00 a.m.

The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

1 John 1.5-2.2; Matthew 2.13-18

+Maureen Walsh

Saturday, December 29, 2018

Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

Vigil- Feast of the Holy Family

Sirach 3.2-14; Colossians 3.12-21; Luke 2.41-52

+Silvio Piccini; +Domenico & Rosa Sergi; +Jerry Sorbara; +Tony & Lucy Leone; +Jose Moniz; +Joyce

Junker; +Nick Ramacieri

COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday December 9, 2018

Regular (296 Envelopes/\$29.74 avg)	\$8,767.60
Loose Offerings	\$1,610.40
Stained Glass Windows	\$3,137.00
Cathedral Charities	\$423.00
Total	\$14,033.00

We appreciate the great financial support of our parishioners and visitors to the Cathedral Basilica. Your contributions assist us in care for the spiritual and physical needs of the Parish community. Stewardship also involves gifts of time and talent. If you are not currently using Sunday Offering envelopes, or if you would like to sign up for preauthorized giving, please New Parishioners are welcome! contact us. Please complete a Parish Registration form either on-line or using forms found at the entrances of the Church. Pre-authorized monthly debits are a great way of supporting the Parish, and you don't have to worry about putting cash in an envelope. Contact our office for more information.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS 2018 Christmas Eve – Monday, December 24th

5:00 p.m. Christmas Family Mass

11:30 p.m.
"Carols from the Cathedral"
Televised live on Salt+Light TV

Christmas Day - Tuesday, December 25th

12:00 Midnight

Solemn Midnight Mass with Bishop Crosby Televised live on Salt+Light TV

11:00 a.m. Christmas Family Mass

New Year's Eve - Monday, December 31st

5:00 p.m.

Mass for the Feast of Mary, Mother of God

New Year's Day - Tuesday, January 1st, 2019

11:00 a.m.

Mass for the Feast of Mary, Mother of God with Bishop Crosby

OFFICE HOURS FOR CHRISTMAS

Please note our Christmas Office hours. The Parish Office will close at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, December 21st and re-open on Wednesday, January 2nd, 2019. Telephone messages will be checked regularly.

WELCOME SALT+LIGHT

Welcome to Father Thomas Rosica and the Salt+Light crew who will be with us to televise our Christmas Midnight Mass. CHCH-TV will also broadcast Midnight Mass, with a repeat on Christmas morning. This annual broadcast is a Cathedral tradition going back more than 60 years. Thanks to Father Rosica, and Salt+Light, for their support with this effort. Salt+Light is Canada's Catholic broadcaster – it is available on Cogeco & Rogers – call your cable supplier to subscribe. They carry excellent Catholic programming all year.

INTERESTED IN WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Want to know about the programs offered by the Pastoral Offices of the Diocese of Hamilton? Visit the Diocesan website – www.hamiltondiocese.com and sign up for the newsletter.

PARISH OFFERING ENVELOPES

Boxed sets of Sunday Offering Envelopes have been prepared for pick up between the King Street doors. Please take your boxed set for use in 2019. Please do not begin using the envelopes until January. If you would like to become an envelope user please contact our Parish Office or complete a Registration form found at the entrances of the Church or online. An alternate method of offering your financial sacrifice for the Parish is through *pre-authorized bank debits*. PAD forms are available at the entrances of the Church. Income Tax receipts are offered for all donations to the Parish offered through the envelopes or by PAD donations.

YEAR-END DONATIONS

CRA regulations prevent us from accepting 2018 donations in 2019. If you would like to make a "year-end donation" please do so before or by December 31, 2018. Donations received or dated after December 31st must be credited for 2019. Your cooperation and understanding is appreciated.

PARISH RECORDS

Have you moved in the past year? Changed your phone number or email address. It is important that our parish records are kept up to date so we have a way to reach out to you and also have an accurate address to send your income tax receipt. If you made any of these changes please call our parish office or send us an email so we can update our records.

WELCOME SEMINARIANS!

Our Diocesan Seminarians will gather with Bishop Crosby for the celebration of Mass on Wednesday, January 2nd at 11:00 a.m. in the Cathedral Basilica. Please pray for our Seminarians in formation and for all those discerning the Lord's call to Church ministry. We currently have 21 Seminarians at various levels of formation in 4 Seminaries.

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.

Blessing 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.

THANK YOU!

Thanks to all who participated in our Christmas food drive. Your kind gifts of non-perishible food items for the Good Shepherd food bank. Our recent Cathedral Charities collection will be shared with Good Shepherd ministries to support their annual Christmas dinner for struggling families and individuals.

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