

# 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 Monsignor EDWARD D. SHERIDAN, In Residence Mrs. LISA TUCK, Parish Secretary Mrs. SANDRA GOULD, Pastoral Minister Mr. ROBERT CORSO, Director of Music Mr. SANDOR KOLLARICH, Maintenance 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. - 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, Thursday & Friday at 8:00 a.m. Wednesday 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 preauthorized 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) 522-7727.

First Week of Advent	Mass Intention	Meeting/Event
Tuesday, December 5 Isaiah 11.1-10; Luke 10.21-24	8:00 a.m. – +Anna Phan	
Wednesday, December 6 Isaiah 25.6-10; Matthew 15.29-37	12:00 Noon (Cathedral) – +Pierino Altomare + John Tyo Sr.	7:00 p.m. RCIA
Thursday, December 7 Saint Ambrose, Bishop, Doctor Isaiah 26.1-6; Matthew 7.21, 24-27	8:00 a.m. +Mary Nguyen	7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
Friday, December 8 <i>Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Genesis 3.9-15, 20; Ephesians 1.3-12; Luke 1.26-38</i>	<b>12:00 Noon</b> (Cathedral) -Bishop Paul F. Reding 40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary	
Saturday, December 9	5:00 p.m. Vigil - 2nd Sunday Advent - Mass with the Intentions: Robert & Patricia Bell; Stefan Crnko; Frank Nicolazzo; Fred Tapping; Ugo Ianiro; Gemma Silvestri	3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Confessions
Sunday, December 10, 2023  Second Sunday of Advent  Is 40.1-5, 9-11; 2 Peter 3.8-14; Mark 1.1-8	9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass	

#### COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, November 19, 2023

Regular Offerings	\$ 5,375.00
Evangelization	\$ 20.00
Cathedral Charities	\$ 50.00
Loose Offerings	\$ 1,490.00
Stained Glass	\$ 250.00
	\$ 7,185.00

Thanks to all who choose to support the Cathedral Parish with their gifts of time, talent, & treasure. Boxes of 2024 Sunday Offering envelopes will be available for pick up in December. If you would like to become an offering envelope user, or support the Parish through monthly pre-authorized debits, please complete a registration form. Donations received through offering envelopes, pre-authorized debits, or by cheque receive an annual receipt for Income Tax purposes. The Cathedral Basilica is a registered charity.

#### **ENVELOPES & YEAR-END DONATIONS**

Parish Sunday Offering Envelope boxes will be available for pick up in mid-December. If you are not currently an envelope user and would like a box for next year, please contact the Parish Office. Kindly do not use the 2024 envelopes until January 1st. Some parishioners make an annual "year-end" donation. Please be sure to make that offering no later than **Sunday**, **December 30th**, **2023** for a 2023 Tax receipt. All donations made on January 1st or later, will be receipted at the end of 2024.

#### Thank you!

Thank you to all who attended and supported our 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary gala dinner on November 24<sup>th</sup> at Carmen's Banquet Centre. A great evening, enjoyed by all. Special thanks to the individuals and companies who offered *Silent Auction* and *Door Prize* donations. Over \$9,000 raised in Silent & Live auctions. Thanks to the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee and to Sandra Gould for all their hard work to make the evening a success!

#### **ADVENT & CHRISTMAS 2023**

#### Reconciliation (Confession)

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Saturdays in Advent from 3:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. Additionally, confessors will be available on Wednesday, December 20 at 7:00 p.m.

#### Daily Mass

8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday 12:00 Noon on Wednesdays.

#### Sunday Mass

The Sundays of Advent help prepare us for the great feast of Christmas. Please note that the Fourth Sunday of Advent is on Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>. Catholics are obliged to attend Mass for Sunday and again for Christmas.

#### Christmas Eve (Sunday, December 24th, 2023)

4th Sunday of Advent

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

#### Christmas Eve (Sunday, December 24th, 2023)

Nativity of the Lord

5:00 p.m. Christmas Mass

11:30 p.m. Carols from the Cathedral Basilica

#### Christmas Day (Monday, December 25th, 2023)

12:00 Midnight

Solemn Pontifical Midnight Mass with His Excellency, Bishop Crosby.

[Livestreamed on our YouTube channel]

11:00 a.m. Christmas Mass

#### New Year's Eve (Sunday, December 31st, 2023)

Feast of the Holy Family

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

#### New Year's Eve

Feast of Mary, Mother of God 5:00 p.m. Mass

#### New Year's Day (Monday, January 1, 2024)

11:00 a.m. Mass

#### WATERS OF ITALY

Father Mark Gatto, Pastor at Saint Catherine of Siena Parish, is leading an exciting voyage next year. Join him for the "Waters of Italy" trip October 9 – 18, 2024. For more information contact Father Mark Gatto at mgatto@hamiltondiocese.com

#### **GRIEF RELIEF**

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? Are you wondering if your feelings are normal? You are not alone! The Diocese of Hamilton will offer a six-week grief program starting January 17, 2024. The sessions are held from 1:30-3:00 pm at the Chancery Office. You are welcome to join in person or by Zoom. To register go to hamiltondiocese.com and look for the start date under upcoming events.

#### **ADVENT**

The Season of Advent is a joyful time of preparation for the Nativity of the Lord. These four Sundays of Advent help us focus on our expectation of Christ's coming in glory in the fullness of time, and his birth in poverty and simplicity in Bethlehem 2,000 years ago. We prepare our hearts, our homes, and our lives for this important reality – God-with-us – Emmanuel! With today's celebration of the First Sunday of Advent, we begin the "Year of Mark" (Year B) of the cycle of Sunday readings. Most Sundays will have passages from Mark's Gospel.

#### BISHOP PAUL F. REDING (1925 – 1983)

The 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the death of Bishop Paul Francis Reding will be observed during the celebration of Holy Mass on **Friday, December 8** – the *Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception* – at **12:00 Noon** in the Cathedral Basilica. Please note that there will be no 8:00 a.m. Mass that day. All are welcome as we pray for the repose of Bishop Reding's soul. He served as Bishop of Hamilton from 1973 till his death in 1983.

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