



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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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.

3RD WEEK OF ADVENT

Tuesday, December 15, 2020

Zephaniah 3.1-13; Matthew 21.28-32

8:30 a.m. +Teresa & Marco Altomare

Wednesday, December 16, 2020

Isaiah 45.6-25; Luke 7.19-23

8:30 a.m. +Jaime & Maria Medeiros Pavao

Thursday, December 17, 2020

Genesis 49.2-10; Matthew 1.1-17

8:30 a.m. +Luigi & Annunziato Rao

Friday, December 18, 2020

Jeremiah 23.5-8; Matthew 1.18-24

8:30 a.m. Mass of Thanksgiving

Saturday, December 19, 2020

5 p.m. Vigil – Advent 4

+Rafaele Iannone, +Jose & Maria Graca, +Aurelia & Dante Di Luca, +Cesare & Assunta Piccini, +Mary Bicanic, +Jim Falco

Sunday, December 20, 2020

Fourth Sunday of Advent

2 Samuel 7.1-16; Romans 16.25-27; Luke 1.26-38

COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, November 29, 2020

Regular Collection	153@ \$33.74	\$ 5,163.12
Loose Offerings		\$ 687.75
Cathedral Charity		\$ 95.00
Christmas		\$ 600.00
Stained Glass		\$ 130.00
Total		\$ 6,675.87

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.

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. The Family Ministry Office will send you the certificate of recognition from Bishop Crosby.

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.

CHRISTMAS RESERVATIONS ...

This year, those planning to attend our Christmas Masses will need to reserve their seat in advance. You may reserve your seat, and seating for your family, by use of an on-line form will be available on **December 6**. Reservations must be submitted by December 17. This year, due to COVID restrictions, there will be no standing at any of the Masses. Our seating will be limited and the doors will close once Mass has begun. Upon reservation you'll receive an email with your suggested arrival time. Please note reservations will not be taken over the phone or through email.

Your seating reservation, Mass time and arrival time will be confirmed with you by email. There will be no overflow seating.

Christmas Masses will be celebrated on **Thursday, December 24th** -
5:00 p.m.; 8:00 p.m.

Friday, December 25th -
12:00 Midnight - televised on S+L & CHTV
10:30 a.m. & 12:00 Noon

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 include the wearing of a mask during the celebration for both the penitent and the confessor.

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 check out our website at www.hamiltondiocese.com and click on the Catechesis Office for more information, printable registration forms or to register online.

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.

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