



CATHEDRAL BASILICA of CHRIST THE KING

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Lord's Day Eucharist

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

Daily Eucharist

Tuesday through Friday
8:00 a.m. (Marian Chapel)
Weekly schedule in the Bulletin

Reconciliation

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturdays 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Pastoral Staff

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Bishop of Hamilton

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Cathedral Basilica Office Hours

Monday Office is closed
Tuesday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Care of the Sick

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

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*.

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 provided in the Tower entrance.

Vocations to the Priesthood or Religious Life

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.

4th Week of Advent	Time	Announced Mass Intention or Celebration	Vocation Prayer Intention
Sunday, December 18, 2016 <i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i> <i>Isaiah 7.10-14; Romans 1.1-7; Matt. 1.18-24</i>	9:00 a.m.	Sunday Eucharist	
	11:00 a.m.	Sunday Eucharist	
	4:00 p.m.	Sunday Eucharist	
Monday, December 19, 2016 <i>Judges 13.2-25; Luke 1.5-25</i>	No Mass		Fr. Link
Tuesday, December 20, 2016 <i>Isaiah 7.10-8.10; Luke 1.26-38</i>	8:00 a.m.	Mass with the intentions of +Helen Dillon	Fr. McHugh
Wednesday, December 21, 2016 <i>Zephaniah 3.14-18; Luke 1.39-45</i>	8:00 a.m.	Mass with the intentions of + Giulio Campanelli	Consecrated Men & Women
Thursday, December 22, 2016 <i>1 Samuel 2.1-8; Luke 1.46-56</i>	8:00 a.m.	Mass with the intentions of Souls in Purgatory	Fr. Sullivan
Friday, December 23, 2016 <i>Malachi 3.1-6; Luke 1.57-66</i>	8:00 a.m.	Mass with the intentions of + All Souls	Fr. Punnassery, C.M.I.
Saturday, December 24, 2016 Vigil – Nativity of the Lord <i>Isaiah 62.1-5; Acts 13.16-25; Matt. 1.1-25</i>	5:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Mass Mass with the intentions of <i>Parishioners of the Cathedral Basilica</i>	Fr. Bergsma
	11:30 p.m.	Carols from the Cathedral	
Sunday, December 25, 2016 Nativity of the Lord <i>Isaiah 9.2-7; Titus 2.11-14; Luke 2.1-16</i>	12:00 Midnight	Solemn Midnight Mass with Bishop Crosby – televised on S+L & CHTV	NOTE: No 9:00 a.m. or 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, Dec 25th
	11:00 a.m.	Christmas Day Mass	

COLLECTION REPORT

The Collection report was unavailable at the time of publication and will return after Christmas.

Thanks to all those who help support the parish with their financial gifts. New boxed sets of envelopes for 2017 are available for pick up. **Please do not begin using the 2017 envelopes until January.** If you would like to become an envelope user, please contact Lisa in our Parish Office.

SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES 2017

Boxed sets of 2017 Sunday Offering Envelopes are available this week. In 2017 we have added a monthly *Stained Glass Restoration* envelope. These funds will be used for the restoration of our stained glass windows. The proceeds will not be assessed Diocesan Tax and will be on deposit with the Chancery Office. The CWL Membership envelope is not included in 2017. CRA regulations prevent the Parish (registered charity) from collecting funds for a non-registered charity.

YEAR-END DONATIONS

All are reminded that donations received by December 31st, 2016 qualify for a 2016 Income Tax receipt which will be sent out by the end of February 2017.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

No Confessions or Adoration on December 24 & 31.

PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBITS

Another way to offer financial support to the Parish is through *pre-authorized Bank debits*. You determine the amount that is automatically debited from your Bank account each month. This way of supporting the Parish is growing in popularity. To “sign up” please complete both sides of our Parish Registration form found in the Tower entrance of the Cathedral Basilica.

UPDATING PARISH RECORDS

If you have moved, changed your phone number, or email address in the past year, please contact the parish office so we can update our records.

CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS

A long-standing tradition at the Cathedral Basilica is the televising of Christmas Midnight Mass. This year we are very happy to announce a new collaboration between the Cathedral Basilica, CHTV and *Salt+Light* – Canada’s Catholic Broadcaster. Christmas Midnight Mass will be televised by Salt+Light and we anticipate that it will be carried on CHTV, and live-streamed on Salt+Light. Father Thomas Rosica, of Salt+Light will be the commentator for the Mass. You can subscribe to Salt+Light TV through your cable company ... ask for it ... it provides great Catholic programming!

HAMILTON BULLDOGS

Join us for a Parish outing to cheer on our Hamilton Bulldogs on Friday, January 20th! Sign up will take place after all the Masses on January 7 & 8. Tickets will be sold for \$14. For more details contact Sandra Gould in the office at (905) 522-5744 or sgould@hamiltondiocese.com

CONCERTO NATALIZIO

A Christmas Concert to support the Central Italy Earthquake recovery. Domenica 18 Dicembre 2016 ore 3:00 p.m. Chiesa de S. Antonio di Padua (165 Prospect Street, Hamilton). Ingresso gratis. Durante il concerto ci sarà l'opportunità di donare a favore del recente terremoto che ha colpito il centro Italia. Qualsiasi somma sarà benvenuta. Se desiderate una ricevuta per l'income tax sarà necessario donare almeno \$20 dollari usando una busta con il Vostro nome e indirizzo complete.



CWL RE-BOOT

All Catholic Women's League members of the Cathedral Basilica Council, and any interested ladies, are welcome to join us for our first "reboot" session with a pot-luck lunch on **Sunday, January 22** following the 11:00 a.m. We'll

meet in McNally Hall (Cathedral Auditorium). Our agenda is simple ... where are we at, where are we going, how are we going to get there. More details to follow.

EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS

A mandate workshop for our Parish's extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will take place on **Saturday, January 14th, 2017 at 10:30 a.m.** Our extra-Ordinary ministers are mandated by the Bishop for a three year term which ended on December 31st - this workshop is required for all currently serving and new ministers. We'll review some minor changes and our general practices. Thanks to all who serve in this important Sunday ministry.

OFFICE HOURS DURING CHRISTMAS BREAK

Please note that the Cathedral Basilica office will be closed on Thursday, December 22 at 4:30 p.m. and will re-open with regular hours on Tuesday, January 3rd, 2017. Daily Masses will be celebrated in the Marian Chapel according to the schedule found in the weekly bulletin. Voicemail and email messages will be monitored and returned in a timely manner. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

CHRISTMAS AT THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA

Please note carefully the times for our Christmas Masses at the Cathedral Basilica:

CHRISTMAS EVE – Saturday, December 24

5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass

11:30 p.m. Carols from the Cathedral

12:00 a.m. Solemn Midnight Mass

Bishop Crosby presides and the Mass is televised on Salt+Light & CHTV

CHRISTMAS DAY – Sunday, December 25

11:00 a.m. Christmas Day Mass

Note: No 9 a.m. or 4 p.m. Mass on Christmas Day

NEW YEAR'S EVE – Saturday, December 31

Feast of Mary, Mother of God

5:00 p.m. New Year's Eve Mass

NEW YEAR'S DAY – Sunday, January 1, 2017

11:00 a.m. New Year's Day Mass

Bishop Crosby will greet all present following this Mass in the Cathedral Basilica.

4:00 p.m. New Year's Day Mass

Note: No 9 a.m. Mass on New Year's Day.

Regular schedules resume on Sunday, January 8th.

BLESSING OF A CRÈCHE

*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,
Lord for ever and ever.*

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.*

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