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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.

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Cathedral Basilica Office Hours

Monday and Friday
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday through Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Care of the Sick

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



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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*.

<i>Second Sunday of Advent December 8, 2013</i>	Time	Announced Mass Intention or Celebration	Vocation Prayer Intention
Monday, December 9 <i>The Immaculate Conception Genesis 3.9-15, 20; Ephesians 1.3-6, 11-12; Luke 1.26-38</i>	No daily Mass		Father Bill Clarke
Tuesday, December 10 <i>Isaiah 40.1-11; Matthew 18.12-14</i>	8:00 a.m.	+ Pasqualina Barilla	Father Roger Yarworski
Wednesday, December 11 <i>Isaiah 40.25-31; Matthew 11.28-30</i>	8:00 a.m.	+ Anne Chisholm	Carmelites of Mary Immaculate
Thursday, December 12 <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe Zec. 2.10-13; Luke 1.39-47</i>	8:00 a.m.	Intentions Rosana Golino	Father Michael McHugh
	7:00 p.m.	"White" Mass	
Friday, December 13 <i>Isaiah 48.17-19; Matthew 11.16-19</i>	8:00 a.m.	+ Mrs. Lagrotteria	Father Dennis Noon
Saturday, December 14 Third Sunday of Advent – A – Isaiah 35.1-6a, 10; James 5.7-10; Matthew 11.2-11	4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)	Father Piotr Golinski
	5:00 p.m.	+ Tony Spano + Rosa Spano + Cordeiro Family	

COLLECTION REPORT – DECEMBER 1

Total Sunday Offerings	\$5,839.70
Total # of Envelopes Used	277
Average Donation	\$21.08
Loose Collection	\$1,703.30
Pre-Authorized debits	\$2,505.00
Philippines Relief	\$2,792.00
Other	\$600.00
Total	\$13,440.00

Thank you for your continuing generous support of the Cathedral Parish and its ministries. Pick up your 2014 box of offering envelopes and don't forget to use them each week! Receipts for 2013 donations will be mailed in January.

PARISH MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, December 8	12:00 p.m. Pageant Rehearsal (Auditorium)
Monday, December 9	7:00 p.m. Catholic Bible Study (Mtg. Room)
Tuesday, December 10	7:00 p.m. C.W.L. – Advent Mtg. – (Mtg. Room) 7:30 p.m. R.C.I.A. (Auditorium)
Wednesday, December 11	7:00 p.m. St. Vincent De Paul
Saturday, December 14	10:00 a.m. S.V.D.P. – Christmas Program Auditorium

WELCOME
We extend a warm welcome to Bishop Ustrzycki, the Reding family, the priests and all who join us today for Bishop Reding's Memorial Mass at 4:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

Tuesday, December 24th, 2013
5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass of Christmas
(preceded by Carols & Pageant at 4:40 p.m.)

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

12:00 a.m. Solemn Midnight Mass
with Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI
(televised on CHCH-TV)

Wednesday, December 25th, 2013
9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Christmas Masses
(There are no afternoon or evening Masses on Christmas Day in the Diocese of Hamilton).

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT
A "Christmas Pageant" is being organized involving children in the parish and will be performed before the 5:00 Mass on Christmas Eve as part of a Carol service. If you would like your child (between the ages of 4 – 16 years) involved, please note that there will be a rehearsal **TODAY from 12 Noon to 1:30 p.m. in the auditorium.** Additional rehearsals will take place on Sundays, December 15 & 22 from 12:00 Noon until 1:30 p.m. For contact info, call the parish office. Thanks to Michelle Ball and Theresa Hale for taking on responsibility for the pageant.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Boxes of 2014 offering envelopes will be available for pick up in the Narthex beginning the First Sunday of Advent. If you are currently using envelopes, a boxed set has been prepared for you. If you wish to begin using envelopes or if you would prefer donating to the parish through pre-authorized debits, please contact the Parish Office.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

This year the Feast of the Immaculate Conception is observed on Monday, December 9th (rather than December 8th which is a Sunday). The Church defined its understanding of this mystery in 1854. Simply put, Mary was conceived in the womb of her mother – St. Ann – in the normal manner, but she was spared of the stain of original sin because of her future role as the mother of the Redeemer. We believe that baptism washes away original sin, so Mary shared in the grace of baptism before the Giver of baptism was born. God had chosen Mary from the world's foundation to be the "ark" through which the salvation of the world would be born. Let us rejoice in her feast.

CONFESSIONS AT THE CATHEDRAL

Saturday, December 21st from 1:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. Several confessors available; adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

BLESSING FOR A CHRISTMAS TREE

You may wish to use this blessing as you put up your 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.*

MONSIGNOR'S MAILING ADDRESS:

If you want to send Msgr. a Christmas card ...

Reverend Monsignor Edward House, PP
Holy Rosary Parish
287 Plains Road
Burlington, Ontario L7T 2C7

SERVERS' REHEARSAL FOR MIDNIGHT MASS

The Bishop's Servers who will serve at Midnight Mass are reminded of a rehearsal on Monday, December 23rd at **4:00 p.m.**

YEAR END DONATIONS

Please note that any donations received on or before December 31st, 2013 are credited toward the 2013 Income Tax receipt. Donations received January 1st and after can only be credited toward 2014.

EXTRAORDINARY SYNOD OF BISHOPS

Pope Francis has called a Synod of Marriage and Family to be held in October of 2014 which is to include Bishops from around the world – **this is your invitation to participate** in the gathering of information from the Hamilton Diocese. There are two ways that you may submit your responses: Fill in the questionnaire which can be found at www.hamiltondiocese.com. The questionnaire seeks information on the faithful's understanding of various Church teachings on marriage and family. It can be completed on line, or printed and faxed or mailed to the Family Ministry Office. **Deadline for submission is December 16, 2013.** Attend a focus group gathering where the questionnaire will be discussed and responses collected to include in the final report to be submitted by the end of December. This gathering will occur at St. Anthony Daniel Parish (Kitchener) on Saturday, December 14 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and you are asked to RRSF by phone (905-528-7988 ext. 2249) or e-mail familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com. The preparatory information being gathered will provide essential input to the Bishops as they prepare for this Extraordinary Synod. For further information, contact Teresa Hartnett at (905-528-7988 ext. 2250) or thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com.

WHITE MASS

A White Mass is celebration of prayer for Health Care Professionals, Pastoral Care Workers, the Clergy and Religious Counsellors. Since all of our lives have been touched by people who work in healthcare, we ask you to join us for the Eighth Annual White Mass which will be celebrated by **December 12th**, at the **Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King**, Hamilton. All are welcome to attend. Reception and video to follow.

ADVENT

This brief Season of the liturgical year is a time of joyful anticipation. We look forward to the coming of the Lord in the fullness of time and we prepare to celebrate his birth 2,000 years ago. Advent is an invitation to *slow down*. Often the pace of the world around us is very fast and busy at this time of the year. We can easily become more concerned with presents than *presence*. Let us use this Season of Advent to prepare our hearts and homes for the *presence* of the Lord who seeks to be born in us so that we might be his *present* to the world.

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