

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 Mr. LUKAS LAMANES, Maintenance Sister LENA PETRUCELLI, CSJB, Sacristan

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Parish Office is closed due to Provincial lockdown.



SUNDAY MASS

No public Masses due to lockdown

RECONCILIATION

By appointment only

DAILY MASS

No public Masses due to lockdown

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 905-527-7727.

MASS INTENTIONS

During this period of "lockdown" Masses are celebrated without the participation of the faithful.

FIFTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Tuesday, February 9, 2021 Genesis 1.20-2.4; Mark 7.1-13 + Eda Di Franco, +Adriana van Woudenberg

Wednesday, February 10, 2021 Saint Scholastica, virgin & martyr Genesis 2.4-9, 15-17; Mark 7.14-23 (I) Bernie Pataracchia, +Jane Donaldson

Thursday, February 11, 2021 Our Lady of Lourdes *World Day of Prayer for the Sick* Genesis 2.18-25; Mark 7.24-30 (I) Mary Tessari, +Leanne Thompson

Friday, February 12, 2021 Hebrews 13.1-8; Mark 6.14-24 (I) Donor, + Moe Kowal, +Frank Perri

Sunday, February 13, 2021 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Job 7.1-4,6-7; 1 Corinthians 9.16-19,22-23; Mark 1.29-39

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

The ministry of Jesus to the sick is central to the life of the Church. February 11 – memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes – highlights the healing ministry of the Church. It reminds us that service to the sick and suffering cannot be neglected. It recognizes the great efforts of doctors, nurses, health care institutions and pastoral care givers to restore health to those afflicted with illness and disease. The bells of the Cathedral Basilica ring out at 9 a.m.; 12 Noon, 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. each day as a call to pray for all involved in healthcare during this pandemic crisis.

BISHOP'S PASTORAL LETTER

You may view Bishop Crosby's Pastoral Letter – For the Common Good – on our Parish website or on the Diocesan website. TELEVISED MASS WITH BISHOP CROSBY

Thanks to Cable14 the celebration of Sunday Mass from the Cathedral Basilica will be televised (and available on their website) beginning Sunday, January 10th at 2:00 p.m. As in the previous lockdown, the liturgy will be tailored to meet the 30-minute requirement of the production. Thanks to the crew of Cable14 for their great assistance.

PASTORAL REFERENCES

Pastoral references for teacher applicants, and those applying for other positions with Catholic School Boards, are willingly offered for registered parishioners who are involved in the life of our Parish and who actively support the Parish through their time, talent and treasure. The Reference Pastoral is the Pastor's recommendation to the Catholic School Board that the applicant is not only a Catholic, but also someone whose active faith will be a positive influence school communities. in our Applicants may contact the Rector of the Cathedral through our Parish Office.

PARISH & DIOCESAN WEBSITES

For updates visit our Parish website <u>www.ctkbasilica.ca</u> and the Diocesan website <u>www.hamiltondiocese.com</u>

PARISH OFFICE

In light of the Province's "stay home" orders, and as our Parish staff cannot work from home, we have placed them on a temporary lay-off. Our staff will return to work once the "stay home" order is lifted by the Province. During the Provincial lockdown, our Parish Office is closed. Parishioners who require the services of the Office should Parish email basilica@hamiltondiocese.com or telephone (905)522-5744 and leave a message. The Office is closed for "in-person" appointments for the duration of the lockdown. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

CELEBRATIONS OF CONFIRMATION

The Cathedral Basilica was to host some Confirmation celebrations in the month of February – these have been rescheduled for early June.

ASH WEDNESDAY

We hope that our churches will be open for Ash Wednesday – depending on Provincial restrictions being lifted by that time. The *Congregation for Divine Worship and Discipline of the Sacraments* has specified that in light of COVID concerns, Ashes are to be imposed by sprinkling them upon the head rather than tracing a cross on the recipient's forehead.

COUNTDOWN TO LENT

The Season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 17 and lasts for forty days. Lent is an annual opportunity for us to turn our hearts toward God, who is always turned toward us. The Lenten disciplines of *prayer*, *fasting*, and *almsgiving* are guides through this movement toward God. While we may not be able to gather this Lent, we can practice the Lenten disciplines and grow in prayer and faith.

Ash Wednesday is a day of universal fast and abstinence from meat. Catholics who are older than 14 years should abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and those between the ages of 18 to 59 (in good health) are bound to fast. These are privileged forms of penance which are meant to open our hearts and minds to the presence of the Lord. These penances also unite us with the suffering of so many brothers and sisters around the world. The discipline of fasting can be continued throughout Lent as we may "give up" some treat for the 40 days until Easter. It's also a good practice to "take on" something good for Lent – acts of random kindness.

SHARELENT

The ShareLent collection will be taken on Sunday, March 21, 2021 – an offering suggestion - \$1/day of Lent = \$40 ... if you are able.

COLLECTION REPORT

Sundays, January 17 & 24, 2021

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Regular Offerings	63 x \$115.98	\$ 7,307.00
Stained Glass	10 x \$33.50	\$ 335.00
Christmas	3 x \$133.33	\$ 400.00
	Total	\$ 8,042.00

Thank you to our Parishioners who continue to support the parish with their financial gifts during the pandemic lockdown. You are welcome to mail your offering to the Parish Office or to drop it off in the mailbox at the Rectory front door - please call first to ensure that we are able to retrieve it in a timely manner. You may also wish to consider signing up for Pre-Authorized Debits from your bank account. Each month, the amount you have designated is withdrawn from you bank account. At the end of the fiscal year a receipt is issued for these offerings in the usual manner. An application for PAD can be found on our website www.ctkbasilica.ca Some are using CanadaHelps and organization that is a thirdparty recipient for charitable donations. Service fees are deducted from your donation and then sent to the Parish. Receipts for these donations are issued by *CanadaHelps* – not by the Parish. Some have not had an opportunity to pick up their 2021 box of offering envelopes - if you don't have yours - please contact us for "curbside" pick up.

Prayer for the Sick

Father, your only Son took upon himself the sufferings weakness and of the whole human race; through his passion and taught us how good cross he can be brought out of suffering. Look upon our brothers and sisters who are ill, whom we now remember in a special way. In the midst of illness and pain, may they be united with Christ, who heals both body and soul. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

