



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 - Friday 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 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 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
Christmas Season

Tuesday, January 3, 2023
1 John 2.29; 3.1-6; John 1.29-34
12:00 Noon Bishop Crosby

Wednesday, January 4, 2023
1 John 3.7-10; John 1.35-42
12:00 Noon +Maria & Michael Dombay
+Marco & Teresa Altomare
+Lillian Misale

Thursday, January 5, 2023
1 John 3.11-21; John 1.43-51
12:00 Noon Maura O'Mahony

Friday, January 6, 2023
1 John 5.5-13; Mark 1.4-5, 7-11
12:00 Noon Mass of Thanksgiving

Saturday, January 7, 2023
5:00 p.m. Vigil - The Epiphany of the Lord
Intentions of the Deceased: Maria & Josef Leuser;
Kay McNaughton; Harry Meyerink; Lois Balfe;
Norma Helwig

Sunday, January 8, 2023
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
Isaiah 60.1-6; Ephesians 3.2-3, 5-6; Matthew 2.1-12

COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, December 18, 2022

Regular Offerings	157x\$53.19	\$ 8,351.00
Loose Offerings		\$ 1,236.00
Christmas		\$ 1,180.00
Stained Glass		\$ 335.00
Cathedral Charities		\$ 475.00
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		\$ 11,577.00

Thank you for your continuing and generous support of the Cathedral Basilica. New boxes of 2023 offering envelopes have been distributed. If you would like to become a weekly offering envelope user, or support the Parish with pre-authorized debits, please contact our Parish Office. Receipts for donations made in 2022 will be mailed soon.



FROM THE RECTOR ...

Thank you! Thanks to all who have dropped off treats and gifts for us at the Rectory. Thanks to all who have helped us celebrate Christmas with great joy - our choir and musicians under the direction of Robert Corso; our liturgical ministers and Altar Servers; those who have offered hospitality on behalf of the Parish. Thank you to our Parish Staff for all their extra efforts in this busy season. May the joy of Christmas be yours throughout the coming year!

WELCOME CARDINAL ROCHE

His Eminence Cardinal Roche will visit the Diocese (December 26 - January 4) to participate in the celebrations of Bishop Crosby's anniversary. His Eminence is the Prefect of the Dicastery for Divine Worship and Discipline of the Sacraments in Rome.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

A very happy new year to all our Parishioners! May God bless us abundantly in 2023 as we offer our worship to Him and service to our neighbour.

MARY MOTHER OF GOD

Today the Church honours Mary under her principal title, Mother of God. We seek her intercession and the protection of her mantle of grace. May our Blessed Mother, our model of holiness, lead us to her Son.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE

Pope Saint Paul VI established this annual observance on January 1, 1968. We pray for peace - not just once a year, but every day - the peace for which we pray is not just the absence of war. True peace comes with development of peoples, justice for all, and conversion of hearts from violence to friendship.



BISHOP CROSBY'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to His Excellency, Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI as he celebrates the 25th Anniversary of his Ordination as a Bishop. On January 2, 1998 – the Feast of the Epiphany that year – he was ordained Bishop of Labrador City-Schefferville. In 2003 he was appointed the Bishop of St. George's, Newfoundland while remaining Bishop of Labrador City-Schefferville. A process of uniting the two Dioceses was initiated and on May 31, 2007 he was named Bishop of Corner Brook and Labrador. On November 8, 2010 Bishop Crosby was installed the Bishop of Hamilton. In addition to his Diocesan responsibilities, the Bishop has served on ICEL (International Commission for English in the Liturgy), various other committees of Provincial and National Conferences of Bishops. He has served as co-Treasurer, Vice-President and President of the Canadian Conference of Bishops. At his installation in November 2010, Bishop Crosby said, "I want gratitude to mark my time as Bishop of Hamilton." On this milestone anniversary, we all express our gratitude to God for the gift of Bishop Crosby and his ministry in the Church. May God continue to bless you and grant you health, joy and peace for years to come. *Ad multos annos!*

POPE FRANCIS MESSAGE FOR THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE 2023

Pope Francis' complete message for the 56th World Day of Prayer for Peace (January 1) can be found on the Vatican website – vaticannews.va – in his message he reflects on the impact of the COVID 19 pandemic. The Pope concludes, "... we are called to confront the challenges of our world in a spirit of responsibility and compassion. We must revisit the issue of ensuring public health for all. We must promote actions that enhance peace and put an end to the conflicts and wars that continue to spawn poverty and death. We urgently need to join in caring for our common home and in implementing clear and effective measures to combat climate change. We need to battle the virus of inequality and to ensure food and dignified labour for all, supporting those who lack even a minimum wage and find themselves in great difficulty. The scandal of entire peoples starving remains an open wound. We also need to develop suitable policies for welcoming and integrating migrants and those whom our societies discard. Only by responding generously to these situations, with an altruism inspired by God's infinite and merciful love, will we be able to build a new world and contribute to the extension of his kingdom, which is a kingdom of love, justice and peace."

CHRISTMAS FEASTS

As the Christmas Season continues, we look forward to the celebration of the Epiphany of the Lord and the Baptism of the Lord. The feast of the *Epiphany* in Canada is celebrated on the Sunday nearest January 6th – this year Sunday, January 8th. This allows more of the faithful to be present for the celebrations of the manifestation of Christ as the light of the nations. Epiphany recalls the visit of the *magi*, the foreigners who followed the light of the star and found Jesus, Mary and Joseph in Bethlehem. There they presented gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Epiphany invites us to reflect on our own journey, guided by the light of Christ, and the gifts that we bring in return for his goodness to us.

This year, the feast of the Baptism of the Lord is observed on Monday, January 9 because Christmas fell on a Sunday. The Baptism of the Lord recalls Jesus' baptism in the Jordan by John the Baptist. The waters made holy by the one who was baptized. This moment is recognized as the start of his public ministry. Rising out of the waters, the Father's voice is heard, "this is my Son, the Beloved, listen to him." May this feast inspire us to listen for the voice of the Beloved in his word proclaimed in Church, in the Eucharist and in our service of one another in love.

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