

CATHEDRAL BASILICA of CHRIST ^{the} KING 714 King Street West Hamilton, Ontario L8P 1C7 905-522-5744 www.ctkbasilica.ca



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 8:00 a.m.

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

Daily Mass Celebrated in McNally Hall

Tuesday, January 4, 2022 1 John 4.7-10; Mark 6.34-44 8:00 a.m. +Barry & Jose Ramos

Wednesday, January 5, 2022 1 John 4.11-18; Mark 6.45-52 8:00 a.m. (I)Joyce & Mike McGowan

Thursday, January 6, 2022 1 John 4.19-5.4; Luke 4.14-22 8:00 a.m. +Frank Pere

Friday, January 7, 2022 Saint Andre Bessette, Religious 1 John 5.5-13; Luke 5.12-16 8:00 a.m. (I)Teresa & Ralph Lowry

Saturday, January 8, 2022 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Reconciliation 5:00p.m. Vigil-*Baptism of the Lord* +Kristina Merolli Peerdeman; +Maria Mantione; +Joseph DaSilva; +Nancy Mattina; +Tomo Pasalic

Sunday, January 9, 2022 Baptism of the Lord Isaiah 42.1-7; Acts 10.34-38; Luke 3.15-22

COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, December 19, 2021	
Regular Offerings	\$ 5,817.00
Christmas	766.00
Loose	585.00
Cathedral Charities	65.00
	\$ 7,233.00

Thank you to our parishioners and visitors for your generous donations. Your contributions assist with the upkeep and operation of the Cathedral Basilica. If you are new to the Parish and wish to begin using envelopes or preauthorized giving, please visit our parish website <u>www.ctkbasilica.ca</u>

COVID VACCINES

The official position of the Catholic Church is that all available COVID vaccines are ethical and all Catholics who are able are encouraged to receive the vaccine. All employees serving in the Diocese of Hamilton are encouraged to be fully vaccinated or to submit to a COVID rapid test every Monday and Thursday in order to carry out their responsibilities. Volunteer liturgical ministers are required to be fully vaccinated. Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, encourages every member of the Catholic Church within our Diocese of Hamilton to be fully vaccinated.

COVID ONGOING PRECAUTIONS

The COVID pandemic presents us with new challenges as we move into the new year, please note the following:

- We are required to maintain 6 feet (2 meters) of social distance. The Cathedral is not yet able to open to full capacity.
- Masks must always be worn inside the Cathedral Basilica and McNally Hall. The mask should completely cover the mouth and nose.
- If you have a flu or cold please do not attend Mass until you are recovered.

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2022

New boxed sets of offering envelopes for 2022 are available for pick-up between the King Street doors.

CHRISTMAS FEASTS

Today the Church celebrates the *Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord* (transferred from January 6). On this day the infant Lord is revealed as a light to the nations. The visit of the gift-bearing Magi reminds us of the gifts God has given us, and the gift we make to God in return.

Next Sunday, the Christmas Season concludes with the *Feast of the Baptism of the Lord* which marks the beginning of his earthly ministry at about the age of 30. This feast transitions us into *Ordinary Time* – 34 weeks of the coming year in which we will hear from the Gospel of Luke.

WEDDINGS

We are receiving requests for the celebration of Holy Matrimony for 2023. The Cathedral Basilica requires one year's notice of marriage. Couples who are free of any prior bond of marriage, with at least one Catholic in the couple, and who are resident in the Diocese of Hamilton, may request the Sacrament here. Couples who are not parishioners and are not supporting the Cathedral with time, talent, and treasure, are asked for a donation to support the upkeep of the Cathedral. Marriage preparation is provided and is required of all Given the ongoing issues with couples. COVID, couples should endeavour to keep things simple in terms of the number of people in the wedding party and the number of guests invited to the ceremony.

BAPTISM AT THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA

Parents of children under the age of 7 years may request the celebration of baptism here if they are parishioners of the Cathedral Parish. Families who regularly attend another Catholic Parish will be referred to the Parish for the celebration of Baptism. Depending upon COVID restrictions, we anticipate returning to our practice of Baptism during Sunday Mass after Easter. In the meantime, the Sacrament is celebrated after the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass with one or two families at a time.

FUNERALS

An important moment in the lives of those who mourn the death of a loved one is the Funeral Mass. Parishioners who have died, or deceased relatives of parishioners, may have a Funeral Mass at the Cathedral Basilica. The funeral of a Catholic is a celebration of their Parish community where they themselves have worshipped and where they are known. A deceased remembrance of loved ones (regardless of their parish) can be arranged through our Parish Office. Mass intentions can be arranged to coincide as closely as possible to one month, or one year, anniversaries of death. Family and friends may be present for the Mass.

Formed

FORMED is a Catholic streaming service with videos, podcasts, and audiobooks dealing with a wide-range of Catholic topics. Learn about the Saints, the Sacraments, Church history and a whole section for children. For more information and directions on how to access FORMED please contact Sandra Gould in our Parish Office.

FROM THE RECTOR ...

Thank you to all who dropped off gifts and goodies to the Rectory over the Christmas Season. Your kindness is very much appreciated by all here!

COVID restrictions – at the time of this bulletin's publication no further restrictions were placed on churches and places of worship. We must maintain 2 meters distance between households and individuals, and all those who attend must properly wear a face mask. If our situation changes, we'll adjust as necessary. The good news is that we have the ability to "live-stream" from the Cathedral and will do so on Sundays if we are unable to gather in-person.

Overflow in McNally Hall – to avoid having people stand at the back of the Cathedral – particularly at our 11 a.m. Mass – overflow seating is offered in McNally Hall. The Mass is simulcast downstairs and a Communion Minister will bring Holy Communion to the overflow area. Please maintain distance and wear a face mask in McNally Hall. Once we are permitted to fully open all the pews in the Cathedral, we will be able to accommodate everyone upstairs. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

Lost and found – our lost and found is accumulating items and is located between the King Street doors. Take a look for anything you may have lost. These items will be donated by the end of the month.

We are hiring ... after many years of service our Rectory cook, Solange, has retired. We are looking to hire a new cook. Contact me directly for more information about this part-time position. The ability to cook well, bake and manage the Rectory kitchen will be assets for this job.

