



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, Thursday & Friday at 8:00 a.m. Wednesday 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 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) 522-7727.

| Fourth Week in Ordinary Time | Mass Intention | Meeting/Event |
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| Tuesday, January 30, 2024 2 Samuel 18.9-10, 14, -26, 30-19.3; Mark 5.21-43 | 8:00 a.m. – +Catherine Quimby | |
| Wednesday, January 31, 2024 Saint John Bosco, Priest 2 Samuel 24.2, 9-17; Mark 6.1-6 | 12:00 Noon (Cathedral) – +Giuseppe Altomare + Nelson Chico | 7:00 p.m. RCIA |
| Thursday, February 1, 2024 1 Kings 2.1-4, 10-12; Mark 6.7-13 | +Pasquale Lentini 8:00 a.m. +Giuseppe Raso | |
| Friday, February 2, 2024 The Presentation of the Lord Malachi 3.1-4; Luke 2.22-40 | 8:00 a.m. + Alonzo Richard Ellis | |
| Saturday, February 3, 2024 | 2:00 p.m Wedding of Ezra Campanelli & Chrisha Gnananuthu | |
| | 5:00 p.m. Vigil – 5th Sunday – Mass with the Intentions: Antoniette Caruso; Elvira & Ottorino Piccini; Deceased Carreiro & Jacome family; Leonardo & Pasqualina Fazari; Aiello Edda; Jerry Creedon; Anna Sorbara | 4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation |
| Sunday, February 4, 2024 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Job 7.1-4, 6-7; 1 Cor. 9.16-19, 22-23; Mark 1.29-39 | 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass | |

COLLECTION REPORT

| Sunday, January 14, 20 |)24 | |
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| Regular Offering | \$ | 3,806.00 |
| Initial Offering | \$ | 115.00 |
| Solemnity of Mary | \$ | 210.00 |
| Stained Glass | \$ | 1,311.17 |
| Loose Offerings | \$ | 1,120.60 |
| | \$ | 6,567.77 |

Thank you for your generosity to the Parish at Christmas and throughout the past year. Income Tax receipts will be sent by mail before the end of February. New Parishioners may request offering envelopes or Pre-authorized debits by completing a Parish Registration form found in the Tower entrance.

BISHOP'S CHARITY GALA

Tickets are available for this annual dinner & dance sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. The Gala takes place on Saturday, February 10 at Carmen's Banquet Centre. Michael Marion – usher at the 11:00 a.m. Mass and our Grand Knight – has tickets and more information.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2024? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday**, **May 26, 2024** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is now available online at hamiltondiocese.com. FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST EUCHARIST We have some children preparing to receive these Sacraments in our Parish this Spring. If your child is in Grade 2, or older, and has not celebrated 1st Reconciliation or 1st Eucharist, please contact the Parish Office for more information.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION FOR CHILDREN

Parents of children enrolled in Public or Private School and wish to offer Catholic religious instruction to the children should contact our Parish Office. The Diocese of Hamilton offers an excellent course of religious instruction at the appropriate grade level of the child. The program is by correspondence and helps children and parents complete the catechesis needed for the Sacraments and for an understanding of the Catholic faith.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples planning to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage at the Cathedral Basilica in 2025 should contact our Parish Office – we require one year's notice of marriage. Couples may marry at the Cathedral if the bride and groom live in the Diocese of Hamilton and are free of any prior bond of marriage – prior civil or church wedding.

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION Catholics who receive Holy Communion at Mass must consume the Sacred Host in front of the minister of the Eucharist. Please do not walk away with Sacred Host without consuming it.

FR. DAVE IN ROME

I will be away February 4 – 10 as I accompany Bishop Crosby to Rome, Italy. His Excellency is attending meetings of the Dicastery for Divine Worship, of which he was appointed a member by Pope Francis. Please note that there will be no Daily Masses that week at the Cathedral – St. Joseph Parish (Herkimer & Locke) has Mass at 8:00 a.m.

SEASON OF LENT

The Season of Lent – 40 days of *prayer, fasting,* and *almsgiving* – begins on Ash Wednesday. Please join us for our Lenten observances.

Ash Wednesday - February 14, 2024

Ashes (from last year's palm branches) will be imposed during the celebration of Mass in the Cathedral Basilica:

> 8:00 a.m. 12:00 Noon 7:00 p.m.

Ash Wednesday is a penitential day for Catholics. This means that all Catholics are bound to **abstain from eating meat**. Further, Catholics between the ages of 14 to 59, who are in good health, are bound by the **law of fasting**. This means that we might have one large meal instead of three on this day. It may also take the form of three, significantly smaller meals. Some go as far as not eating on Ash Wednesday. Fridays of Lent are days of fast and abstinence from meat for Catholics in Canada.

Stations of the Cross

A traditional devotion praying at the 14 steps of Jesus' journey to the Cross with a different meditation each week. The Stations will be preceded by a reflection on the Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Stations at **7:00 p.m. each Friday of Lent**. A brief talk will precede the Stations:

| February 16th | Reality of Sin |
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| February 23rd | Signs of Slippage |
| March 1st | Examination of Conscience |
| March 8 th | Celebrating Reconciliation |
| March 15 th | The Father of Mercies |
| March 22 nd | Go, your sins are forgiven |

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

Saturday, March 23 - 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

