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Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Friday 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

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Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.

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YEAR OF FAITH 2012
2013

In his Apostolic Letter, *"Porta Fidei"*, Pope Benedict XVI announced a *YEAR OF FAITH* which began on October 11, 2012, the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council. The Year of Faith will end on the Solemnity of Christ the King, November 24, 2013. Pope Benedict hopes that the Year of Faith will "help Catholics appreciate the gift of Faith, deepen their relationship with God and strengthen their common faith with others." This year of Faith is meant to turn us once again to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, to rediscover our faith and to encourage us to inspire others. Catholics throughout the world and in the Diocese of Hamilton are being given a special opportunity to be renewed in faith, hope and love.

"Rediscovering the Joy" is the underlying theme of the year of Faith. There are six themes that will be promoted in the Year of Faith: The Faith We Believe (Focus on the Creed) October-November; The Faith we Live (Focus on Faith in Action), December-January; The Faith We profess (Focus on Easter) February-March, 2013; The Faith We Celebrate (Focus on Sacraments) April-June, 2013; The Faith We Savor (Focus on Rest & Reflection) July-August, The Faith We Share (Focus on Evangelization) September-November, 2013.

Be sure to get a copy of the Diocesan Booklet "The Faith We Believe - Unpacking the Creed".



WELCOME TO THE CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE KING

We welcome our parishioners and visitors of the Cathedral of Christ the King. Today, Catholics across Canada are being asked to make a Lenten Donation to the annual **SHARE LENT COLLECTION** that is taken up across the land. Monies from this collection go to the Development & Peace Office of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops and is used for assisting the poor and homeless in Developing Nations and most importantly at times of emergencies, i.e. hurricanes, earthquakes, etc. Please be generous. Last year, contributions from parishioners of the Cathedral of Christ The King amounted to \$10,278.00.



(8:00 a.m. in the Marian Chapel)

Monday, March 18	Josef Leuser
Tuesday, March 19	Giuseppe Morena
Wednesday, March 20	Pavao Family
Thursday, March 21	Intention Mary Puma
Friday, March 22	Bishop Ryan Helen Dillon - Jim Marchese Blanche Boutilier Gussie Boutilier
Saturday – 5:00 p.m.	Georgio Cotroneo Rosa Sergi - Jim Marchese Caterina Musitano Serafina Musitano

PALM SUNDAY

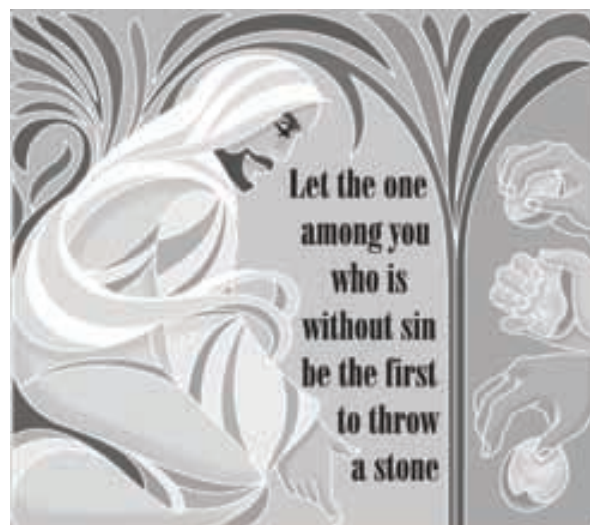
Next Sunday the Church begins Holy Week with the celebration of Palm Sunday. We receive many parishioners and visitors to the Cathedral on this Sunday. Please welcome our visitors. Palm branches will be blessed at all the Masses. Bishop Crosby will celebrate the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

MASS OF CHRISM

The Cathedral Parish welcomes the clergy and laity of the Diocese of Hamilton who will celebrate the **Mass of Chrism, with Bishop Douglas Crosby, at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 25.** At this Mass, the Holy Oils used in the administration of the Sacraments will be blessed and consecrated and distributed to all parishes in the Diocese of Hamilton. Only a Bishop can consecrate Chrism, a pure olive oil infused with a rich fragrance. Two other sacramental oils, the unscented olive oil for Catechumens and the Oil of the Sick will be blessed in the same Liturgy and taken carefully home to every parish in the Diocese of Hamilton. This liturgy is a sign of the unity of the local Church and the Bishop's ministry to all who will be Baptized and Confirmed and ordained in the coming year. Plan to attend.

Fifth Sunday of Lent March 17, 2013

Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:8-14; John 8:1-11



Today's liturgy continues the message of forgiveness and reconciliation that we heard last week. The Church seems to be doing its utmost to deliver one simple message: "Your sins are forgiven!" What good news this is! Isaiah declares that God's saving action on our behalf is not something trapped in the past, but here and now. Paul urges us to recognize that true life is not "won" by following laws, however strictly, but is a free gift of God. Thus, our focus must be on the future, not on past misdeeds. Our eyes must be on the prize of life forever with God. In the Gospel, Jesus is challenged to demonstrate that he is a law-keeper, but he knows that this is a trap. If he counsels mercy, he will be declared an opponent of the law. If he follows the law and condones its punishment, he will be denounced as an inciter to murder. Jesus decides to do neither. Instead, he turns the tables and invites the crowd to forgo "legality" for the sake of forgiveness and reconciliation. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

DIOCESAN YEAR OF FAITH CONFERENCE

This conference will be held on Saturday, April 13, 2013 at the Hamilton Convention Centre, with keynote speaker Fr. Bill Burke, with eight workshops. You can check out workshop listings (choose 2) at www.hamiltondiocese.com and click on Year of Faith. \$25.00 with lunch included.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED

The Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton is looking for responsible and caring volunteers to drive children to and from appointments, family visits, school and evening activities. An ongoing commitment is required. Times can be flexible; however, evening drivers are urgently needed! Mileage is reimbursed and a Police Vulnerable Sector Check is mandatory. Please contact Lisa Hostein at (905) 525-2012 ext. 3256 for further information.



Holy Week is the week which precedes the great feast of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday – it includes the last days of Lent and the beginning of the Easter Triduum. During Holy Week, the Church celebrates the mysteries of salvation accomplished by Christ in the last days of his life on earth, beginning with his messianic entrance into Jerusalem.

Palm Sunday March 24	Palm will be blessed at all Masses. Saturday 5:00 p.m. 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.
Mass of Chrism March 25	Mass at 7:00 p.m.
Mass of the Lord's Supper Holy Thursday March 28	7:00 p.m. Adoration until 10:00 p.m.
Good Friday March 29	Family Liturgy 11:00 a.m. Solemn Liturgy 3:00 p.m. Way of the Cross 7:00 p.m.
Holy Saturday March 30	12:30 p.m. Blessing of Food 8:00 p.m. Solemn Easter Vigil
Easter Sunday March 31	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. No 4:00 p.m. Mass

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Next weekend, many churches provide palms to be carried in the opening moments of the liturgy, as we gratefully recall Jesus' entry into the holy city of Jerusalem. The children who greeted him on that day used what was both handy and traditional, since palms were carried to inaugurate the joyful harvest feast of Succoth. To this day, faithful Jews are directed to take a beautiful palm branch, green and straight as possible, called a *lulav*, and bind it with three myrtle branches fifteen inches long, and two longer willow branches. At the end of the temple service, everyone carries the *lulav*, circling the sanctuary in a dance called the *Hoshanot*, singing hymns of joy. In other climates, Jews and Christians alike have had to make accommodations over the years. In Italy, everyone carries olive branches today, often brought from their own garden. In England, forsythia branches are preferred, a relative of the olive, sign of peace. Germans prefer pussywillows, and others look for flowering spring branches. In our part of the world, what do you think would be the best choice to express joy and welcome, and to remind us of the joy of Christ's victory even as we prepare to commemorate his passion?—James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

THE FAITH WE CELEBRATE

A Diocesan Conference on the Sacraments which will take place at Hamilton Convention Centre on Saturday, April 13 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Keynote speaker, Father Bill Burke, the Director of the National Liturgical Office, will lead us in reflections on our experience of the rituals, signs and symbols used in the sacraments. Workshops will be offered. See the Faith We Celebrate page at www.hamiltondiocese.com for registration. Deadline is March 22, 2013.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE



Blessed Sacrament Parish Committee of Development and Peace invites you to their Annual Fundraising Pasta Supper to be held on Friday, March 22, 2013 at Michelangelo's Banquet Centre, 1555 Upper Ottawa St., Hamilton. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. with supper served at 6:30 p.m. Musical entertainment by "Billy and the Boys". Speaker – Bishop Douglas Crosby, D.D., O.M.I., Bishop of Hamilton. Tickets are \$15 for Adults and \$10 for Children (grade school and under). Entrance with pre-ordered tickets only. Call (905) 385-3570 for tickets.

THE FEAST OF MERCY

Divine Mercy Apostolate of Canada will celebrate The Feast of Mercy at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish on April 7, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation – 3:00 p.m., Chaplet and Rosary – 4:00 Holy Mass. Call (905) 692-4968 for further details.

PRACTICE FOR HOLY WEEK

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for Holy Week Liturgies are reminded of the practice on Saturday, March 23 at 10:00 a.m.



DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	Rev. Mike Francis
Tuesday	Rev. Ron Cote
Wednesday	Sisters of St. Joseph of Cluny (S.J.C.)
Thursday	Rev. Neil Haight (O.M.I.)
Friday	Rev. Mike Myroniuk
Saturday	Rev. Msgr. Bill O'Brien

Tuesday, March 19, celebrates the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Patron of the Universal Church and Principal Patron of Canada. St. Joseph, pray for us. Let us pray to St. Joseph for Canada, the world and our newly-elected Pope.

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