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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 we begin a week like no other: Holy Week. **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

MASS OF CHRISM

The Cathedral Parish welcomes the clergy and laity of the Diocese of Hamilton who will celebrate with Bishop Douglas Crosby the **Mass of Chrism 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 sacrament 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.

Palm Sunday March 24, 2013

Luke 19:28-40; Philippians 2:6-11; Luke 22:14

by Annela Nelson



In all the readings for this Sunday we can look at the face of Jesus. There are two Gospel passages, both from the Gospel of Luke. The first tells of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem on the back of a donkey. Crowds greeted him with shouts of "Hosanna!" The second tells of Jesus' departure from Jerusalem, carrying the cross on his back. The same crowds derided him and shouted for his crucifixion. We first see a face shining with glory, but in a few short days a face dark with blood and sorrow. Set between these two contrasting Gospel passages are equally contrasting readings from the Hebrew and Christian scriptures. Isaiah describes a suffering servant who willingly submits to beating and humiliation, not even turning away his face. He knows he belongs to God and will not be put to shame. Paul writes to the Philippians of Christ Jesus, the true Suffering Servant, who willingly emptied himself to become human. But this man, with a very human face, has now been exalted by God above all others.

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THE LORD WELCOMES YOU

On Passion and Easter Sundays, many hundreds of people will come to the Cathedral and other parishes to celebrate with the Catholic community. Many will come to celebrate Christ's life in His gift to us, the Eucharist, as they do each Sunday. For others, this is one of the few occasions in the year to be visibly identified with the Catholic community, or it may be the beginning of even the first tentative steps on a new spiritual journey. Perhaps with the Passion celebration, you have sensed a renewed interest in your Catholic faith. Now, for reasons not entirely understood, your Catholic faith may seem to you somehow more important. Whatever the case may be, we welcome Catholics who have been away from the Church. This is your home. Life for all of us is a very complex reality. Perhaps you find yourself arguing with God or feeling that the events of life have almost destroyed your will to believe. Yet, despite the difference, you may have found yourself drawn to the Cathedral in quiet conversation with God. **Rejoice! The Lord is with you.** This may be a good time to speak to one of the priests. We are happy to have you here.

YEAR OF FAITH

With this being the Year of Faith, everyone who reaffirms their baptismal promises at the Easter Vigil and at Mass on Easter Sunday will receive their own button. Here is an explanation of the symbols used: The central place of the Cross in the design reminds us that the source of our joy is our encounter with Jesus Christ who gave us new life by his death on the Cross. It is also a reminder that all baptized have been claimed by his cross and share in the mystery of his death and resurrection. The baptismal roots of Christian faith are further signified by the water flowing from the shell and the blue background. The shell is often used in the celebration of Baptism and is also a symbol of pilgrimage. Our celebration of the Year of Faith is but one privileged moment of grace as we, the People of God, make our pilgrimage to our heavenly homeland where we will see God face to face and enjoy the blessedness of eternal life. This button, which reproduces our diocesan logo for the Year of Faith, was designed by Amanda Teilinger, a member of St. Patrick Parish in Burlington.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60th+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2013? On June 2, 2013 at 1:30 p.m. Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of Christ the King in Hamilton. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only) – those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest). Please register by May 1 to be sure your name is included in the program. Details are available on the poster located in the bulletin board.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	Most Rev. Matthew Ustrzycki
Tuesday	Rev. Msgr. Joseph Sach, PH
Wednesday	Salesians of Don Bosco (S.D.B.)
Thursday	Rev. Arthur Scidmore
Friday	Rev. Michael Sullivan
Saturday	Rev. Mervin Perera

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.

PILGRIMAGE TO MARTYR'S SHRINE

The Knights of Columbus have organized a pilgrimage to the Martyr's Shrine in Midland for Saturday, June 1, 2013. The school bus will be leaving the Cathedral of Christ the King at 7:00 a.m. and return time T.B.A. The cost is \$25.00 per person, with lunch included. For tickets, please contact Steve Murphy at (905) 522-7111 or e-mail at gus1ellie2@sympatico.ca.

ANNUAL MASS FOR NEW CATHOLICS

Each year, the bishop invites those who are baptized or received into the full communion of the Catholic Church to a celebration of the Eucharist at the Cathedral of Christ the King, Hamilton. This year's celebration will take place on **Sunday, April 7 at 4:00 p.m.** All are invited to participate in this special liturgy as a sign of welcome to the newest members of Christ's Body in our Diocese of Hamilton.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Later this week, the Chrism Mass is celebrated in every cathedral in the world in preparation for the Easter Triduum. Only a bishop can consecrate chrism, pure olive oil infused with rich fragrance, so 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 in our parishes in the coming year. Chrism is also used in the ordination of priests and bishops and the consecration of new altars. Two other sacramental oils, the unscented olive oil for catechumens and for the sick, will be blessed in the same liturgy and transported carefully to every parish by the beginning of the Triduum. Remember when Noah's dove returned with the sign of the world's rebirth? The dove carried an olive branch, a pledge that God was breathing the world to life again. Yet olives require human nurture. Olives are inedible unless they are cured by human labor. Olive trees grow on sunny slopes, away from the shade of city walls, so they can only be properly tended, cured, and laboriously pressed in peace time. The Chrism Mass with its olive oils expresses God's deepest desires for us, and our resolve to place our lives in service to God's saving, healing, loving plan. —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

"YEAR OF FAITH" ON VISIONTV

Tomorrow the National Catholic Mission 2013, "The Year of Faith," Part 1 will be broadcast on VISIONTV ON Monday, March 25th (Pt. 1) and on Tuesday, March 26th (Pt. 2) at 6:00 p.m. and repeated at 10:00 p.m. It will feature Fr. Ron Rolheiser, O.M.I. on trusting God and Fr. Anthony Gittins, C.S.Sp. on remembering Jesus. Fr. Pat Fitzpatrick, C.S.Sp. will be our host.



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