

Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King

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**Most Reverend D. D. Crosby, OMI, D.D.
Ninth Bishop of Hamilton**

Rector

Reverend Monsignor Edward House

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

Our Lord's Day Liturgies

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.

Confession

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Catholic Funeral Rites

Contact Holy Sepulchre Cemetery at
905 522-7727 or visit their website
www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca

Religious Vocation Office

905 528-7988

Cathedral Perpetual Care Fund

Contact Parish Office.

New Parishioners - Welcome! Please introduce Yourself to the Rector and complete a Registration Form found in the book rack.

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Dedicated 1933

"We will have the finest church in Canada," said Bishop John McNally when he announced the construction of a new Cathedral for the Diocese of Hamilton in 1931. The Cathedral of Christ the King dominates the western entrance to the City of Hamilton. From its excellent location on King Street West, along side Highway 403, the Cathedral serves as a beacon attracting parishioners, pilgrims and visitors from across Canada and the world. In 1933, this exquisite Gothic structure was dedicated to Christ, the King of Kings, and the first Cathedral so dedicated in the world. Measuring 235 feet in length and 72 feet in width, the exterior of the Cathedral is stately, solid and serene. It is built of limestone, quarried in Indiana and Georgetown, Ontario. In the tower is a carillon of 23 bells. The largest bell, the Bourdon, was donated to the Cathedral by the Prime Minister of Canada. The Stations of the Cross were sculptured from a single block of Carrara marble; the kind used by Michelangelo for the Pieta. There are 82 stained glass windows made in Munich.

WELCOME TO THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF CHRIST THE KING

We welcome our parishioners and visitors of the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. Msgr. House wishes to thank parishioners for their assistance with the visit of the Relic of Saint Andre Bessette to the Cathedral. The Relic has been returned to St. Joseph's Oratory in Montreal. St. Andre Bessette, pray for us.



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

Tuesday, May 27	Peter Golino
Wednesday, May 28	Guiseppina Di Stafano
Thursday, May 29	Mary Alfano
Friday, May 30	Msgr. Vincent Kerr
Saturday – 5:00 p.m.	Josef Leuser Emma Somaggio- Bill Royle

C.W.L. – JUNE LUNCHEON

Our Catholic Women's League Annual June Luncheon will take place on Sunday, June 9th immediately following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Tickets will be on sale for this event throughout the month of May. Tickets for Members - \$10 and Non-Members - \$15. In addition to having great food and company of friends, Aaron Pataracchia (one of our Altar Servers) will give a presentation on the humanitarian work he and schoolmates from Cathedral High School accomplished while in Haiti earlier this year. If you wish to help out by selling tickets after Masses in May, please contact Georgina Minnes at Georgina.Minnes@hamilton.ca.

PILGRIMAGE TO MARTYR'S SHRINE

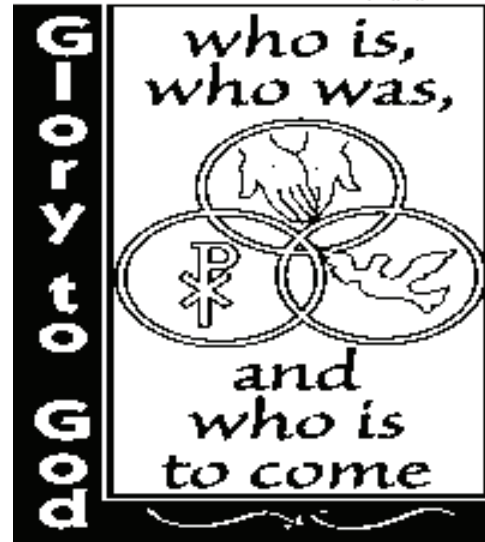
The Knights of Columbus have organized a pilgrimage to the Martyr's Shrine in Midland for Saturday, June 1, 2013. The coach bus will be leaving the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 7:00 a.m. and return time 5:00 p.m. The cost is \$30.00 per person, with lunch included. For tickets, please contact Steve Murphy at (905) 522-7111 or e-mail at gus1ellie2@sympatico.ca.

ADOPTION INFORMATION NIGHT

Have you ever considered building your family through adoption or by becoming a foster parent? Please join the Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton for an information night on Tuesday, June 11, 2013 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. at Cardinal Newman Catholic Secondary School, 127 Grays Road, Stoney Creek. Please contact Megan Dunlop-Elms at (905) 525-2012, ext. 3257 or visit their website at www.hamiltonccas.on.ca.

The Most Holy Trinity May 26, 2013

Proverbs 8:22-31; Romans 5:1-15; John 16:12-15



If you sometimes find the Church's teachings incomprehensible, be encouraged by today's Gospel. Recognizing how bewildered his disciples have become, Jesus says, "I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now." Then he promises that "the Spirit of truth" will come to make things clear. Even with the coming of the Spirit, we never fully understand. Today we hear the ancient poetry of the book of Proverbs, singing of God's wisdom "playing on the surface of his earth," delighting in humankind. We hear Paul boasting of his joy—not only in the blessings God sends, but even in "our afflictions." Theologians wrestle with the mystery of the Trinity; with the help of the Spirit they make that divine mystery a little more clear to the Church. We understand a little. But mostly we listen, we pray, and we ask the Spirit for more clarity.

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DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	Rev. Todd Arsenault
Tuesday	Rev. John Gannon
Wednesday	Oblates of Mary Immaculate (O.M.I.)
Thursday	Rev. Thomas Murphy (L.C.)
Friday	Rev. Nathan Wayne (L.C.)
Saturday	Rev. John Van Hees

HOLY SEPULCHRE MASS

Most Reverend Daniel Miehm, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Hamilton, will celebrate the annual Memorial Mass on Saturday, June 1, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. All are invited to attend. For more information, please call (905) 522-7727 or (800) 661-5985, or visit www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca.

PERMANENT DIACONATE MEETING

A Permanent Diaconate information session will be held at St. John's Church, 45 Victoria Road North, Guelph, on Sunday, June 23, 2013, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Men interested in learning more about the Diaconate and the formation process are invited and encouraged to attend. At the present time, there are 35 deacons serving in the Diocese of Hamilton, and nine men are currently in formation. Essentially a ministry of service and charity, the deacon serves the Church and the diocese in a designated service in a hospital, or prison, or other forms of charitable outreach. In addition, the deacon is assigned to a parish, as his liturgical base, where he assists the pastor, as needed, in liturgical ministry which may take the form of assisting at mass, preaching, baptizing, presiding at weddings or funerals, or in other capacities within the parish. Deacons may be married, and spouses of deacons are invited and strongly encouraged to be involved in the vocation and ministry of their deacon-husband. Diaconate formation lasts for four years. The next formation session begins in September 2014, and applications for admission into the formation program are being accepted at this time. For more information, please contact Deacon Peter Gittens at diaconateformation@hamiltondiocese.com or at (905) 528-7988, ext. 2258.

BROTHERS PROVIDE PALLIATIVE CARE

The Brothers of the Good Shepherd are pleased to introduce parishioners to a new initiative in providing much needed supportive palliative care service to families in the Hamilton West area (including Dundas, Flamborough and Carlisle). Our goal is to provide quality end-of-life care to those who wish to remain at home for the duration of their life-limiting illness. At the request of families, our inter-professional Shared Care Outreach Care Team will provide medical and spiritual support in the home to both clients and their families. Our Clinical Navigator, Kerry Ann, will be pleased to serve families by helping to assess care needs and to coordinate other needed community resources. Kerry Ann can be reached at (905) 308-8401, ext. 284 or by e-mail at kerryannb@goodshepherdcentres.ca.

THE PRIESTS IN CONCERT

In celebration of *The Year of Faith*, The Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton is proud to present *The Priests in Concert* on Wednesday, November 23, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. at Hamilton Place Theatre, Hamilton. A trio of Irish Roman Catholic clergy, *The Priests*, have played to sold-out audiences in major cities around the world since their debut in 2008. Tickets will be on sale beginning May 10, 2013, and are available by calling the box office at 905-546-4040, or online at www.ticketmaster.ca. Be sure to mark your calendar and join us for an evening filled with beautiful spirit-filled music.

THE POPE SPEAKS

Pope Francis spoke to over 80,000 pilgrims who gathered in St. Peter's Square on May 14. He said: "Catholics can't put their faith on a part-time schedule or rely on it just for the moments they choose; being Christian is a full-time occupation. If people don't open their hearts to the Holy Spirit to let God purify and enlighten them, then, 'our being Christian will be superficial'. Knowing and doing what God wants is not possible with mere human effort – it takes the transformative action of the Holy Spirit."

CRITICAL SHORTAGE OF FOSTER HOMES!

If you have ever considered fostering, the time is now! The Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton is experiencing a critical shortage of foster homes for infants and adolescents. Foster families come in all shapes and sizes, and they receive ongoing assistance from C.C.A.S. through training and financial supports for the children in their care. They provide temporary care to children and youth for a few days, a week, several months or possibly years. If you are interested in fostering, please call (905) 525-CARE (2273, or e-mail marden.hewitt@hamiltonccas.on.ca).

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today's feast, extending a dimension of Easter joy into Ordinary Time, reminds us that every aspect of worship centers on the mystery of God in three persons. At baptism, we are initiated into Christ *and* the Spirit. The Creed we recite at Mass every Sunday has its roots in the ancient celebration of baptism, when a new believer was questioned at the edge of the waters of the font with three questions: Do you believe in God, the Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit? Three questions, three affirmations, three immersions into the saving waters. Because every liturgy abounds with references to the Trinity, not only in words but in blessings by the sign of the cross, this feast was not easily accepted into the calendar. Pope Alexander in the eleventh century remarked that the liturgy is so laden with praise of the Trinity that there was no need for a special feast. Two hundred years later, while in exile in France, Pope John XXII proclaimed the feast, but it was not until 1911 that Pope St. Pius X gave it status as a solemnity. A favorite image in art for today is the Icon of the Trinity, showing three glorious winged men seated at a table laden with bread and a cup of wine. It recalls Abraham's hospitality to angels and gives expression to the inner life of God, a life lived in relationship, a life poured out in abundance whenever Christians gather at the table of the Eucharist to give praise to the Father, in Christ, in the embrace of the Spirit. —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



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