



# CATHEDRAL BASILICA of CHRIST *the* KING



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## 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  
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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday Closed  
Tuesday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Friday 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

## SUNDAY MASS

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

Seating is limited to 30% capacity. Masks are recommended during Mass.

## RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 11 - 11:30 a.m.

Marian Chapel

## DAILY MASS

Tuesday through Friday  
8:30 a.m. (Cathedral Basilica)

## 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 pre-authorized 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 Father King at 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 Masses are celebrated in the Cathedral Basilica which will open **30 minutes before** the announced time of the Mass.

### 1ST WEEK OF ADVENT

Tuesday, December 1, 2020

Isaiah 11.1-10; Luke 10.21-24

8:30 a.m. (I) Bernie Pataracchia

Wednesday, December 2, 2020

Isaiah 25.6-10; Matthew 15.29-37

8:30 a.m. +Luis Cordeiro

Thursday, December 3, 2020

Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

Isaiah 26.1-6; Matthew 7.21-27

8:30 a.m. +Leonardo, Giuseppe & Pasqualina Fazari

Friday, December 4, 2020

Isaiah 29.17-24; Matthew 9.27-31

8:30 a.m. Mass of Thanksgiving

Saturday, December 5, 2020

5 p.m. Vigil – Advent 2

+Amelia Spicuzza, +Antonio Fiorenzo, +Msgr. Victor McNamara, +Maria & Anthony Nguyen, +Mary Patricia O'Connell

Sunday, December 6, 2020

Second Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 40.1-11; 2 Peter 3.8-14; Mark 1.1-8



## NEW AUXILIARY BISHOP

His Holiness, Pope Francis, has appointed Father Wayne Lobsinger as Auxiliary Bishop of Hamilton. The Bishop-elect, ordained in May 1994, currently serves as Pastor of Saint Ann Parish, Ancaster and is the Episcopal Vicar for Consecrated Life. We look forward to the Bishop-elect's Episcopal Ordination which will be celebrated in the Cathedral Basilica in the new year. Congratulations and *ad multos annos!*

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2021

The "Mass Book" for requested Masses is now opened. You may call the parish office to request a Mass. We will do our best to accommodate your requested Masses. Masses we cannot satisfy at the Cathedral are shared with Priests in mission countries.

## SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES

The 2021 Sunday Offering envelope sets are available for pick-up between the King Street doors. If you are unable to pick them up in McNally Hall after Mass, please contact the parish office to make arrangements to pick them up at a more convenient time. Once you have your new envelopes, please don't use them before January 2021. In January please destroy all unused envelopes from the previous year.

## COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, November 15, 2020

Regular Collection	112@\$43.03	\$ 4,819.55
Special Collection		\$ 20.00
Loose Offerings		\$ 810.95
Stained Glass		\$ 174.00
Total		\$ 5,824.50

Thank you for your ongoing support of the Cathedral Basilica with your weekly offerings. If you would like have a set of Sunday Offering envelopes or sign up for pre-authorized giving - please contact our Parish Office. You may wish to consider making your offering using *pre-authorized debits*. All donations are receipted in the usual manner.

## MASS ETIQUETTE DURING PANDEMIC

If you are sick, or if you have a cough, sniffles, or other symptoms, please stay home and recover. Please practice good hand hygiene and physical distancing. Note that we are asked to leave Church immediately at the end of the Mass so that our volunteers can begin disinfecting the pews. Anyone who would like to assist in this task, please speak with the ministers of hospitality.

Thank you for wearing a facemask/covering during Mass.

## WEDDINGS FOR 2021

We have many couples planning to marry at the Cathedral Basilica in 2021. All, but three couples from 2020 transferred to 2021 due to the COVID lockdown. Our advice to these couples is to plan their wedding based on the information we have today. It's easier to add people to the guest list, than it is to disinvite due to restrictions. Wedding ceremonies can be celebrated with 30% capacity of the Cathedral Basilica ... this does not apply to reception venues.

## CHRISTMAS RESERVATIONS ...

This year, those planning to attend our Christmas Masses will need to reserve their seat in advance. You may reserve your seat, and seating for your family, beginning on the Feast of Christ the King (November 22). A further opportunity to reserve seats by use of an on-line form will be available on **December 6**. Reservations must be submitted by December 17. This year, due to COVID restrictions, there will be no standing at any of the Masses. Our seating will be limited and the doors will close once Mass has begun. Upon reservation you'll receive an email with your suggested arrival time. Please note reservations will not be taken over the phone or through email.

Your seating reservation, Mass time and arrival time will be confirmed with you by email. There will be no overflow seating.

Christmas Masses will be celebrated on **Thursday, December 24<sup>th</sup>** -  
5:00 p.m.; 8:00 p.m.

**Friday, December 25<sup>th</sup>** -  
12:00 Midnight - televised on S+L & CHTV  
10:30 a.m. & 12:00 Noon

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated on Saturday mornings at 11:00 a.m. in the Marian Chapel (Cathedral basement). In preparation for Christmas we will offer some extended hours for the celebration of the Sacrament on **Saturday, December 19, 2020:**

**9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon**  
&  
**1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Social distance and other COVID requirements will include the wearing of a mask during the celebration for both the penitent and the confessor.

## SEASON OF ADVENT

Today we begin the Season of Advent a time of hope and joy. We begin by looking forward to the return of Christ Jesus in the fullness of time and then we focus on His birth in straw poverty in Bethlehem 2,000 years ago. Our days grow shorter and colder during this time, but the light of the Advent Wreath burns more strongly with each passing week, a sure sign of the dawning of Eternal Light. Soon after we have the shortest day of the year (December 21) daylight overwhelms the night darkness. The same is true in our human history. For generations the chosen people hoped for the promised Messiah and then on that great night, after a long journey, a young couple settled down to rest. Among the barn animals the Eternal Word was born in human form. The bright promise of this new babe's life changed our world and all of us. May these Advent days prepare our hearts once again to welcome Jesus Christ - the Eternal Word - light from light - to transform our darkness with the bright light of his glory. Draw us to this Light, O Lord, enliven us with new hope and fresh energy to proclaim your Good News in our world today.

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