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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  
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 PETRUCCELLI, 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 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 the Office of Vocations (905) 528-7988.

## CATHOLIC BURIAL NEEDS

Please contact The Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton (905) 522-7727.

| Second Week of Advent   | Mass Intention   | Meeting/Event                        |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| Tuesday, December 12<br><i>Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas</i><br><i>Zechariah 2.10-13; Luke 1.39-47</i> | 8:00 a.m. –<br>+Ardea & Nicodemo Zvacno  |                                      |
| Wednesday, December 13<br><i>Saint Lucy, Virgin, Martyr</i><br><i>Isaiah 40.25-31; Matthew 11.28-30</i>                   | 12:00 Noon (Cathedral) –<br>+Sonie Nuguid<br>+ Kalman Amasics  |                                      |
| Thursday, December 14<br><i>Saint John of the Cross, Priest, Doctor</i><br><i>Isaiah 41.13-20; Matthew 11.11-15</i>       | 8:00 a.m. Souls in Purgatory   | 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal            |
| Friday, December 15<br><i>Isaiah 48.17-19; Matthew 11.16-19</i>   | 8:00 a.m. -Mary Vu   |                                      |
| Saturday, December 16   | 5:00 p.m. Vigil – 3rd Sunday<br>Advent – Mass with the<br>Intentions: Maria Estrella &<br>Serafim Machado; Dominic<br>Pullano; Alfonso D’Amico;<br>Nancy Mattina; Anna Leone;<br>Santa Romeo | 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.<br>Confessions |
| Sunday, December 17, 2023<br><b>Third Sunday of Advent</b><br><i>Is 61.1-2, 10-11; 1 Thess 5.16-24; John 1.6-8, 19-28</i> | 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass<br>11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass  |                                      |

## COLLECTION REPORT

*Sunday, November 26, 2023*

|                     |             |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Regular Offerings   | \$ 7,095.00 |
| Evangelization      | \$ 15.00    |
| Cathedral Charities | \$ 50.00    |
| Loose Offerings     | \$ 2,231.00 |
| Stained Glass       | \$ 70.00    |
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|                     | \$ 9,461.00 |

Thanks to all who choose to support the Cathedral Parish with their gifts of *time, talent, & treasure*. Boxes of 2024 Sunday Offering envelopes will be available for pick up in December. If you would like to become an offering envelope user, or support the Parish through monthly pre-authorized debits, please complete a registration form. Donations received through offering envelopes, pre-authorized debits, or by cheque receive an annual receipt for Income Tax purposes. The Cathedral Basilica is a registered charity.

## ENVELOPES & YEAR-END DONATIONS

Parish Sunday Offering Envelope boxes will be available for pick up in mid-December. If you are not currently an envelope user and would like a box for next year, please contact the Parish Office. Kindly do not use the 2024 envelopes until January 1<sup>st</sup>. Some parishioners make an annual “year-end” donation. Please be sure to make that offering no later than **Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023** for a 2023 Tax receipt. All donations made on January 1<sup>st</sup> or later, will be receipted at the end of 2024.

## THANK YOU!

Thank you to all who attended and supported our 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary gala dinner on November 24<sup>th</sup> at Carmen’s Banquet Centre. A great evening, enjoyed by all. Special thanks to the individuals and companies who offered *Silent Auction* and *Door Prize* donations. Over \$9,000 raised in Silent & Live auctions. Thanks to the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee and to Sandra Gould for all their hard work to make the evening a success!

## ADVENT & CHRISTMAS 2023

### ***Reconciliation (Confession)***

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Saturdays in Advent from 3:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. Additionally, confessors will be available on Wednesday, December 20 at 7:00 p.m.

### ***Daily Mass***

8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday  
12:00 Noon on Wednesdays.

### ***Sunday Mass***

The Sundays of Advent help prepare us for the great feast of Christmas. Please note that the Fourth Sunday of Advent is on Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>. Catholics are obliged to attend Mass for Sunday and again for Christmas.

### **Christmas Eve (Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023)**

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

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

### **Christmas Eve (Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023)**

Nativity of the Lord

5:00 p.m. Christmas Mass

11:30 p.m. Carols from the Cathedral Basilica

### **Christmas Day (Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023)**

12:00 Midnight

Solemn Pontifical Midnight Mass with His Excellency, Bishop Crosby.

[Livestreamed on our YouTube channel]

11:00 a.m. Christmas Mass

### **New Year's Eve (Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023)**

Feast of the Holy Family

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

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

### **New Year's Eve**

Feast of Mary, Mother of God

5:00 p.m. Mass

### **New Year's Day (Monday, January 1, 2024)**

11:00 a.m. Mass

## EMERGENCY PASTORAL CARE AT HHS

Please know that the Priests in Parishes around the City are assigned to provide urgent pastoral care for the sick and dying patients at Hamilton Health Science facilities. Each hospital site has a telephone number which connects directly with the Priest "on-call" it is available at the nurses' station in each section. Saint Joseph Hospital also has a Priest "on-call". If you require emergency pastoral care while a patient at St. Joe's let your nurse know and the call will be made by the hospital.



### CWL GENERAL MEETING

Members of the CWL are reminded of their December meeting today after the 11:00 a.m. The meeting will take place in McNally Hall. Donations for the SVdP truck will be gratefully accepted.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY TRUCK

Thanks to all who dropped off donations of gently used winter clothes for the SVdP Society today. Further donations can be made directly to their store on Barton Street.

## SEASON OF ADVENT


The Sacred Liturgy for the Season of Advent has a dual focus. The first two Sundays of Advent invite us to consider the coming of Christ in the fullness of time. Last week we were encouraged to "keep awake" to be alert and ready for the coming of the Lord. This week we are introduced to the last of the prophets - *John the Baptist* who come to prepare the way for the coming of the Lord. The second half of Advent focuses on immediate preparation for the birth of the Lord in time and place - 2,000 years ago in Bethlehem. In Advent we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ - both at Christmas and in the fullness of time. Our lights, presents, trees, decorations are all signs of our joy in the presence of the Lord who comes to save us and bring us life.



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