



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
Monsignor EDWARD D. SHERIDAN, In Residence
Mrs. LISA TUCK, Parish Secretary
Mrs. SANDRA GOULD, Pastoral Minister
Mr. ROBERT CORSO, Director of Music
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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.

Octave of Christmas	Mass Intention	Meeting/Event
Monday, December 25 Nativity of the Lord <i>Isaiah 52.7-10 Hebrews 1.1-6; John 1.1-18</i>	12:00 a.m. Midnight Mass 11:00 a.m. Christmas Mass	
Tuesday, December 26 <i>Saint Stephen, First Martyr</i> <i>Acts 6.8-10, 7.54-59; Matthew 10.17-22</i>	No Mass	
Wednesday, December 27 <i>Saint John, Apostle, Evangelist</i> <i>1 John 1.1-4; John 20.2-8</i>	12:00 Noon (Cathedral) – +Calvin Moffatt +Joan McKee +Mateo Tanuan	
Thursday, December 28 <i>The Holy Innocents</i> <i>1 John 1.5-2.2; Matthew 2.13-18</i>	8:00 a.m. +Romano Piccini	
Friday, December 29 <i>1 John 2.3-11; Luke 2.22-35</i>	8:00 a.m. – +John the Baptist Phan	
Saturday, December 30	5:00 p.m. Vigil – Holy Family – Mass with the Intentions: Una & Joseph McParland; Emira Ianiro; Pietro Alessi; Michele Spadafora; Domenic Sockera;	3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Confessions
Sunday, December 31, 2023 Feast of the Holy Family <i>Sirach 3.2-14; Colossians 3.12-21; Luke 2.22-40</i>	9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass 5:00 p.m. New Year's Eve Mass	

COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, December 10, 2023

Regular Offerings	\$ 5,585.00
Christmas Offerings	\$ 130.00
Cathedral Charities	\$ 492.35
Stained Glass	\$ 1,177.00
Loose	\$ 1,550.65
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	\$ 8,935.00

ENVELOPES & YEAR-END DONATIONS

Parish Sunday Offering Envelope boxes are available for pick up. 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 1st. When using the "new" envelopes for the first few times, please mark your name on the envelope. Some parishioners make an annual "year-end" donation. Please be sure to make that offering no later than **Sunday, December 31st, 2023** for a 2023 Tax receipt. All donations made on January 1st or later, will be receipted at the end of 2024.

FEAST OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

The really good news is that we get to do it all again the following week. Sunday, December 31 is the *Feast of the Holy Family* with our regular Mass Schedule. January 1 is the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. Mass will be celebrated on New Year's Eve at 5:00 p.m. (it doesn't fulfill the Sunday obligation). At 11 a.m. we celebrate Mass for the feast on New Year's morning. The Eucharist is the *source and summit* of our Christian life. It is a privilege to gather for Mass in peace and in the joy of the Season. Let us also be mindful of the visitors who will join us our Christmas Masses – let us make them welcome among us at the Table of the Lord!

MIDNIGHT MASS ON YOUTUBE & CHTV

If you are unable to join us for the celebration of Midnight Mass, you may join us on YouTube accessible through our Parish website. Our livefeed will be carried by CHTV. We are grateful for the opportunity to share our celebration with a national audience.



CHRISTMAS 2023

Dear friends,

Today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord. What joyous good news! We celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ – the eternal Word made flesh – in Bethlehem 2000 years ago. We celebrate his birth in our hearts once again. And we celebrate his presence among us in Word and Sacrament. Our Christmas celebrations in our Parish, in our homes, and in our communities remind us of the reality of Jesus' life and ministry which continues today in the Church.

May these days of Christmas joy, inspire our faith, give us reason to hope, and compel us to excel in charity. On behalf of our Parish Staff, I am happy to wish you all a very merry and holy Christmas.

Father Dave

CHRISTMAS SEASON

The Christmas Season which begins with Midnight Mass, continues until the feast of the Baptism of the Lord (January 8). Even though the carols on radio will end on Christmas Day, despite the trees kicked to the curb on Boxing Day, and the shift of attention to New Year's, it would be good to maintain a "spirit" of Christmas for the 12 days. Consider slowly "de-decorating," spending time with the daily Scripture readings indicated in the Mass intentions in this bulletin. As our schedules are more relaxed for many, consider reaching out to those you were not able to connect with on Christmas Day. Take some time to pray, rest, and re-create.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed for several days between Christmas and New Year's. We will be open on **Thursday, December 28** and **Friday, December 29** from 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 Noon.

NEW YEAR'S MASS TIMES

In Canada, New Year's – Solemnity of Mary Mother of God – is a holy day of obligation.

New Year's Eve
Sunday, December 31, 2023
5:00 p.m.

Please note that while this Mass satisfies the obligation for New Year's – it is not a Sunday Mass.

New Year's Day
Monday, January 1, 2024
11:00 a.m.


EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
Sunday, January 7, 2024
(Saturday) 5:00 p.m.
Sunday at 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

BAPTISM OF THE LORD
Monday, January 8, 2024
12:00 Noon Mass (Cathedral)

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