



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
Apostolic Administrator of Hamilton

Very Reverend DAVID A. WYNEN, Rector, VF
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

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.
(3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. in Advent & Lent)

DAILY MASS

Please refer to the schedule in this bulletin for times and intentions.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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.

CARE OF THE SICK

To arrange pastoral visits to the sick in hospital or at home, please call the parish office.

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
Monday, December 8, 2025 <i>Immaculate Conception</i> <i>Genesis 3.9-15, 20; Ephesians 1.3-6, 11-12; Luke 1.26-38</i>	12:00 Noon (Cathedral)	Intentions of Parishioners
Tuesday, December 9, 2025 <i>Isaiah 40.25-31; Matthew 18.12-14</i>	8:00 a.m.	+Louis Paul
Wednesday, December 10, 2025 <i>Isaiah 40.25-31; Matthew 11.28-30</i>	12:00 Noon (Cathedral)	+Souls in Purgatory +Maria Perri +Msgr. Edward House
Thursday, December 11, 2025 <i>Isaiah 41.13-20; Matthew 11.11-15</i>	8:00 a.m.	+Alfredo Osmena
Friday, December 12, 2025 <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i> <i>Zechariah 2.10-13; Luke 1.39-47</i>	8:00 a.m.	+Mildred Mabilog
Saturday, December 13, 2025	3:30 – 4:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	5:00 p.m.	Rocco Romeo, Francesco Romeo, Robert & Patricia Bell, Daniel & Marie Shields, Assunta & Pierino Altomare, Michael Broadbent, Vittorio Marini, Jerry Creedon
Sunday, December 14, 2025 <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i> <i>Isaiah 35.1-6, 10; James 5.7-10; Matthew 11.2-11</i>	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sunday Mass Sunday Mass

COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, November 23, 2025

Regular Collection	175x\$24.39	\$ 4,268.00
Loose Collection		\$ 4,262.00
Stained Glass		\$ 70.00
Cathedral Charities		\$ 50.00
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		\$ 8,650.00

Thank you for your ongoing support of the Cathedral Basilica Parish through your gifts of *time, talent, and treasure*. New Parishioners, and those returning after an absence, are welcome to request Sunday Offering envelopes, or sign up for *pre-authorized debits*, as ways to support the Parish. Annual income tax receipts are issued for recorded donations given through the weekly envelopes or monthly PAD.

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that the Good Shepherd has a program that matches families who wish to support other families with a Christmas basket and Christmas gifts for the members of the family? Contact the Good Shepherd for details of their family-to-family program.

WELCOME DEBRA

We are very happy to welcome Debra Roche as our new Parish Secretary and member of our Parish team. Debra will begin working in the office on Tuesday, December 9. Lisa Tuck retires on December 31, her final day in the office will be December 19. We wish Lisa a happy and productive retirement! We thank her for eleven years of service to the Cathedral Parish.

SPIRIT OF HOPE

The Diocese has asked Parishes, in this Jubilee Year, to dedicate a “Spirit of Hope” collection to support the poor in their community. Our *Cathedral Charities* collection taken up today will be dedicated to this purpose. We will offer support to the Good Shepherd Christmas dinner (December 14) which provides a Christmas meal for hundreds of local folks in our community who go without. Please be generous.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated as a solemnity by the whole Church on **Monday, December 8**. Here at the Cathedral Basilica, you are welcome to join us for Mass at **12:00 Noon**. This Feast recalls Mary's own conception, without sin, in the womb of her mother St. Ann. God preserved Mary from the stain of *original sin* so that her "yes" to the Father's plan be given fully and faithfully.



CLOSING OF THE JUBILEE OF HOPE

The Holy Year 2025 – Jubilee of Hope – will be solemnly concluded with the celebration of the Eucharist on **Sunday, December 28, 2025** at **3:00 p.m.** in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. This will also be an opportunity for our Diocese to offer thanks to God for the ministry of Bishop Crosby among us these past 15 years. Please plan to join us for the celebration!

SEASON OF ADVENT

Advent is a brief period of preparation for the great feast of Christmas. It is a time that passes quickly because of the busyness of the Season. Take some time to reflect on your life since last Advent. Are there areas of needed healing and forgiveness? Come, celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). Priests available each Saturday in Advent – 3:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. The light is on for you!

SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES

Boxed sets of 2026 Offering Envelopes will be available for pick up the weekend of December 14 for those who have requested. Please only begin using the *new* envelopes on January 1, 2026.

Annual donations, or year-end donations must be received in our Parish Office on or before **Wednesday, December 31, 2025** to be included on your 2025 Tax Receipt. Donations made after January 1, will be applied toward your 2026 donations.

Donation receipts for 2025 will be sent via mail (if we can) in February.

The Cathedral Basilica is a federally registered Charitable Organisation with the Canada Revenue Agency. Donations made through offering envelopes, Pre-Authorized giving, or personal cheque qualify for a donation receipt.

2026 WEDDINGS

We are concluding arranging weddings for 2026. Couples planning to marry in the late Fall of next year should contact us soon. We are accepting weddings for 2027 ... always good to plan ahead!

Couples who are parishioners of the Cathedral, and Catholics who live in the Diocese of Hamilton may request the Sacrament of Marriage at the Cathedral Basilica. Due to the volume of requests, we cannot accommodate requests from outside the Diocese of Hamilton.

Marriage preparation is required and provided. More information about marriage at the Cathedral can be found on-line at www.ctkbasilica.ca



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