

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 Mr. SANDOR KOLLARICH, Maintenance Sister LENA PETRUCELLI, 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 preauthorized 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.

Third Week in Advent	Mass Intention	
Tuesday, December 17, 2024 Genesis 49.2, 8-10; Matthew 1.1-17	8:00 a.m. +All the Deceased	
Wednesday, December 18, 2024 Jeremiah 23.5-8; Matthew 1.18-24	12:00 Noon +Pasquale Conforti +Gwen Hayes +Cecylia Kaspryzyk	
Thursday, December 19, 2024 Judges13.2-7, 24-25; Luke 1.5-25	8:00 a.m. – +Assunta & Pierino Altomare	
Friday, December 20, 2024 <i>Isaiah 7.10-14;8.10; Luke 1.26-38</i>	8:00 a.m+Romano Piccini	
Saturday, December 21, 2024	3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. – Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	5:00 p.m. Vigil -4 th Sunday Advent- Assunta DeVuono, Elvira & Ottorino Piccini, Assunta & Cesare Piccini, Deceased Sorbara family, Luigi & Annunziata Rao, John Michalicka, Giuseppina Altomare, Maria Romeo	
Sunday, December 22, 2024 Fourth Sunday Advent Micah 5.2-5; Hebrews 10.5-10; Luke 1.39-45	9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass	

COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, December 1, 2024

Sunday Offerings	169x\$30.11	\$ 5,088.00
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Loose Offerings		\$ 2,320.00
Monthly PAD		\$10,301.00
Cathedral Charities		\$ 1,205.00
Stained Glass		\$ 30.00
		\$18,944.00

New boxes of Sunday Offering Envelopes are available for pick up. Please do not use them until January. If you are not currently using Offering Envelopes or monthly *pre-Authorized Debits*, please consider one of these options to support the Parish through your gifts of treasure. Annual charitable receipts are issued for all recorded donations (envelopes or PAD) given in the previous year. Thank you to all who support the mission and upkeep of the Cathedral Basilica. Your weekly or monthly offerings not only help us meet our monthly commitments but also assist us in support of the Diocese and affiliated charities.

FATHER LOURDU IN INDIA

Father Lourdu has gone home to India to complete a law exam on December 22. He will take time to visit with his mother and family over Christmas and return on December 27.

RECONCILIATION IN ADVENT

Please note that the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) will be celebrated from 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. on Saturdays in Advent.



JUBILEE 2025

We are called to be *pilgrims of hope* as followers of Christ. We find our hope in Him alone. As we

encounter the Lord in his Word, in our community, and most especially in the Eucharist, we take him to all we meet. May our lives reflect the hope that is in us and bring Christ to the world.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

New boxes of 2025 Sunday Offering Envelopes will be available for pick up on the Sunday before, the Sunday before Christmas. Kindly do not use your 2025 envelopes until January 1, 2025. If you would like to become a Sunday Offering Envelope user, please contact our Parish Office. We are happy to provide envelopes to anyone who will use them in the coming year.

Some parishioners prefer to use monthly *preauthorized debits* for their offering to the Parish. You can sign up to use PAD through our Parish Office. We ask a minimum monthly donation of \$25 (or \$6.25 per week).

Others prefer to make an annual donation in support of the Parish – please note that donations for 2024 must be received by our office NO LATER than December 31, 2024 to qualify for a receipt.

ADVENT - ROSE SUNDAY

In former days, the Season of Advent had a much more sombre tone – it was like a "little Lent." Rose Sunday – 3rd Sunday of Advent – was a mood shift. The joy of Christmas (white) mixed with the purple of Advent, brings us rose which was often the colour of vesture for that Sunday.



91ST ANNIVERSARY!

On December 19th, 1933, the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King was solemnly blessed as it opened its doors to the public.

Since that time, it has served as the mother Church of the Diocese of Hamilton and a beacon of faith in our City. Blessed in 1933, it was solemnly dedicated nearly 50 years later on November 21, 1982, by Bishop Paul F. Reding, following extensive renovations necessitated by a nearly devasting fire in 1981. Our motto is "every eye shall see him" a reminder for us to pray for the multitudes who see our Cathedral Basilica each day. May they find the presence of God who heals, consoles and brings life and light.

CHRISTMAS 2024

Simbang Gabi at the Cathedral Basilica: Monday, December 23, 2024 7:00 p.m. Welcome to Hamilton's Filipino community for this festive celebration in preparation for Christmas.

Christmas Eve - Tuesday, December 24, 2024

5:00 p.m. – Christmas Mass 11:30 p.m. – Carols at the Cathedral

Christmas Day - Wednesday, December 25

12:00 Midnight

Mass During the Night

with His Excellency, Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI Bishop of Hamilton

(livestreamed on our YouTube channel at ctkbasilica.ca)

11:00 a.m. - Christmas Mass

There are no afternoon or evening Masses on Christmas Day at the Cathedral Basilica or in the Diocese of Hamilton

Sunday, December 29th, 2024

Feast of the Holy Family of Nazareth (Saturday) 5:00 p.m. – Sunday Mass 9:00 a.m. – Sunday Mass 11:00 a.m. – Sunday Mass and Opening of the Holy Year of Hope

New Year's Eve - Tuesday, December 31, 2024

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God 5:00 p.m. - Mass

New Year's Day - Wednesday, January 1, 2025

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God 11:00 a.m. – Mass

Join us at the Cathedral Basilica for the celebrations of the Saviour's birth – may we welcome our new-born King with faith and joy at his coming among us anew.

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