



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.

Eight Week in Ordinary Time	Mass Intention		
Tuesday, March 4, 2025 Sirach 35.1-15; Mark 10.28-31	8:00 a.m +Leonardo & Mimma Fazari		
Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2025	8:00 a.m. Intention of Donor		
Joel 2.12-18 2 Corinthians 5.20-6.2; Matthew 6.1-6, 16-18	12:00 Noon		
All Masses in the Cathedral Basilica. Ashes will be imposed during each Mass.	+ Wende Baranoski		
	+ Luigi & Annunziata Raso		
	7:00 p.m. Intention of Donor		
Thursday, March 6, 2025	8:00 a.m. – + Jose & Maria Graca		
Deuteronomy 30.15-20; Luke 9.22-25			
Friday, March 7, 2025	8:00 a.m. Intention of Donor		
Isaiah 58.1-9; Matthew 9.14-15	7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross		
Saturday, March 8, 2025	4 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. – Sacrament of Reconciliation		
	5:00 p.m. Vigil – 1st Sunday Lent -Bert Wynen, Alex		
	& Madeline Gall, Charles Muli; Marco & Teresa		
	Altomare, Deceased Altomare family		
Sunday, March 9, 2025	9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass		
First Sunday in Lent	11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass		
Deuteronomy 26.4-10; Romans 10.8-13; Luke 4.1-13	1:30 p.m. <i>Rite of Election for those to be Baptized</i>		

COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, February 16, 2025					
Regular Collection	46x\$23.46	\$	1,079.00		
Loose Collection		\$	155.00		
Cathedral Charities		\$	795.00		
Seminary Collection		\$	200.00		
Stained Glass		\$	260.00		
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You will recall the storm the weekend of February 15/16. Hamilton certainly took a "hit." Many of our parishioners were not able to be present for the Masses that weekend. You may wish to bring your offering for that Sunday in the coming weeks.

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.

THANK YOU

On behalf of my family, thank you to all who have expressed prayers and sympathies on the recent death of my father. God bless you for your kindness.

Father Dave

THE CREED

Our annual Lenten Retreat will continue this **Wednesday**– at 7:00 p.m. - with a video series and small group discussion. **The Creed** is a series by Bishop Robert Barron, and we are happy to feature it this Lent.

FORMED

FORMED is a trusted Catholic streaming service. With our Parish subscription, you have access to great variety of quality Catholic video productions on the Sacraments, moral life, and many other aspects of Catholic life. Appropriate videos for families and children, as well as Catholic movies are available. For access, contact Sandra Gould in our Parish Office for sign-in credentials and further information.

SEASON OF LENT

ASH WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, March 5 is the beginning of the Season of Lent. We begin these 40 days by receiving the mark of ashes on our heads as a sign of repentance. Ashes will be imposed only during Masses in the Cathedral Basilica at the following Masses:

8:00 a.m. 12:00 Noon 7:00 p.m.

Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence from eating meat. Note that Catholics – in good health – who have begun their 14th year to the conclusion of their 59th year are to fast. All Catholics, regardless of age, are to abstain from eating meat today. In Canada, the laws of fast and abstaining from eating meat, also apply to the Fridays of Lent.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Communal celebration of the *Stations of the Cross* will be held on the Fridays of Lent at 7:00 p.m. in the Cathedral Basilica beginning Friday, March 7.

RITE OF ELECTION

His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will preside at the *Rite of Election* during which RCIA candidates from across the Diocese will present themselves as the Elect for baptism at Easter. The celebration takes place Sunday, March 9 at 1:30 p.m. in the Cathedral Basilica.

WHAT TO "GIVE UP" FOR LENT?

While it is good to "give up" sweets and junk food for Lent, it is also a good idea to consider "taking on" some good habit. Perhaps during Lent, we might intentionally look for opportunities for charity in our talk and thoughts. We might look for opportunities to be of service to others. Bad habits are easy to get into, good habits take work!

HOW TO FAST

Fasting can take different forms. People who are in good health may consider cutting back on

the amount of food they consume at their meals on a fasting day, or two small meals may be taken and one full meal for a fasting day. Others may be able to fast completely or have only bread and water. Which ever manner of fasting works for you, it is important to fast in the context of prayer. Also, it is important to fast with an intention in mind - perhaps for the millions of people in our world who go without food due to poverty and lack of food. The penance of fasting is not just about deprivation, but more importantly, to fast with intention. Then we can recognize our spiritual hunger for God who calls us to deeper conversion of heart during Lent.

SHARELENT

The Canadian Catholic Organization for Development Peace sponsors the annual *ShareLent* collection on Sunday, April 6. Our Parish has been very generous with this collection, and we encourage your continued support. As a suggestion for those who are able, consider an offering of \$1/per day of Lent (\$40) as a donation for *ShareLent* on April 6.

LENTEN PRACTICES

We journey through Lent with *prayer, fasting,* and *works of charity.* Maybe this is a good time to evaluate our daily prayer. Can we adjust our daily routine to include some time of prayer, maybe some time to reflect on the daily Scriptures (included with the bulletin), perhaps we might consider the family Rosary for Lent.

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS FOR 2024

Income Tax receipts for recorded donations received by the Parish for 2024 have been sent through regular mail. They were posted before February 28. The mailing of the receipts was delayed due to the Federal Government's extension of the charitable giving period. Thanks again to all who support the Parish with their sacrificial giving. Receipts are given for donations received in offering envelopes, pre-Authorized bank debits, or by cheque. Note that donations through CANADAHELPS are receipted by that organization.

