

STEWARDSHIP

December 15, 2024

Offering	\$ 2334.20
Renovation Fund	\$ 180.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 605.00
Special Collections	\$ 76.00

May God reward your generosity towards the parish!

There is a black mailbox on the side of the office to drop off envelopes.

Reminder-The following are ways to remember

St. Boniface Parish:

Donation of Appreciated Security Investments,
Memorial Donations, Will Bequests or
Designating the Parish as Life Insurance Beneficiary. Please contact Accounting
(acctstbonifacemaryhill@hamiltondiocese.com) for
any questions, and to clarify personal tax deductions relating to the above.

Donations for Christmas Flowers

Please use envelopes stamped Flowers at the front and back of the church and deposit in boxes supplied. I am recycling envelopes that are no longer used but they will have the **word FLOWERS** stamped a few times on the front of them. If you would like, put your church envelope number on your flower donations and it will be recorded for income tax purposes.

Forward Together In Christ- Clergy Care -page 17-18

Conversations are needed to determine what our clergy need to help them both to remain healthy and to determine what they need to be shepherds after the Heart of Jesus in the church today.

Please take a few moments to read the pages on this topic. If you need a copy of the booklet they are available at the front and back of the church.

The 2025 Missals will be at the back and front of the church 5.00 per each, please put the money in the basket provided.

The 4th Sunday of Advent

Call the Parish 519 648-2069
Parish Secretary-Marg Drexler

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Office hours: Mon 2-4pm, Wed & Fri. 8:30-10:15am

CONFESSIONS following Friday Mass or by appointment

BAPTISM – by appointment only

MARRIAGE ARRANGEMENTS – at least 6 months before.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK - available by appointment

ADORATION – after Mass on the 1st Friday of the month

Knights of Columbus— Mark Braun

Catholic Women's League—Fran Vegh

Parish Pastoral Council— Lisa Zettel, Lisa Hodgkinson, Nick Wetzel, Tim Vegh
Angela McLean, Marg Drexler, Melissa McLean

Please contact the Parish Office first if you are in need of a funeral, including a burial.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

May God bless you and your families this Christmas Season. From my staff and I, we hope this season will bring all of us light where there is darkness. May the Lord Jesus, who we celebrate as a baby during the Christmas Season, continue to watch over us. I ask Our Lord to continue to hold and guide both you and your families.

I always appreciate your ongoing generosity for me. This Christmas I humbly ask for no baked goods or snacks this year. Only if you like to a gift card would be nice. I continue to always appreciate your prayers and support.

Fr. Peter

If anyone needs to reach the office outside of office hours, please call and leave a message. We will respond and make arrangements to meet up for assistance.



MASSES FOR WEEK OF December 23

Monday, December 23 , No Mass-Saint John of Kanty Look for Him who is above time-the Timeless, The Invisible who for our sake became visible. St. Ignatius of Antioch
Tuesday, December 24 Christmas Eve Mass at 4pm Children’s Christmas Pageant 3.45pm Christ does not cease to be divine because he became human, nor fail to be human, because he remained forever divine.-St. Hilary of Poitiers
Wednesday, December 25, Christmas Day Mass-10am-Nativity of the Lord
Thursday, December 26, No Mass- No Liturgy -St. Stephen All for God and for God’s glory. In whatever you do, think of the glory of God as your main goal. St. John Bosco
Friday, December 27, NO MASS-St. John The journey to God follows many routes. So let each person take to the end and with no turning back the way that was chosen. -St. John Cassian
Saturday, December 28, No Mass-The Holy Innocents Christmas is the joy of our homes, bringing happiness even where there are tears.-St. John XXIII
Sunday , December 29, Mass 11am -The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph + Joe Rider; Marilyn Rider and Family

Parish Duties for the week of December 23-29

Rosary- No liturgy or Mass on Friday Dec 27
 Weekly Lector-No liturgy or Mass on Friday Dec 27
 Church Cleaning-Rose and Lorne Wilson
 Counting- Helen Peacock both for Christmas Dec 24/25 and Sunday December 29th
 Coffee Sunday-Strickler Team

Eucharistic Minister

Lisa Zettel / Maria O’Drowsky

Lector

Terri-Ann Kuntz

Commentator

Hailee Kuntz

The rosary will be recited before the 11 AM mass on December 29 at 10:40. Hope you can attend- Gerry Goetz

CWL News

Thank you for your generous support to our Adult Christmas Wreath and Children’s Christmas basket draw. We raised \$355.00 to support the St. Boniface Church Children’s Programs to help pay for supplies and books used in the Liturgy and Sacrament preparations.

Winner of the Adult Christmas Scratch Wreath was Diane Strickler

Winner of the Children’s Christmas Basket was Mary Dopp

The 2025 Church Envelope Boxes will be at the back of the church please pick up your Numbered Box-it will also have your name on it.

Income Tax Receipts will not be available until mid January.

Children’s Liturgy, will happen during mass on December 29,2024. Father Peter will call the children forward with their leaders and follow to the rectory. Parents are most welcome to take their children over. There will be two leaders with them at all times. This program is for children Kindergarten to Grade 2 and will run twice a month.

The Christmas and New Years masses are as follows:

Maryhill-St. Boniface

Christmas Eve – pageant at 3:45 mass at 4:00.
 Christmas Day – 10:00
 New Years Day – 11:00

Elmira-St. Teresa

Christmas Eve – 6:00 and 8:00.
 Christmas Day – 10:00
 New Years Eve – 4:00

Scotland and Northern England Trip May 4-17,2025

Join us for an almost all-inclusive 12day trip to Stirling, Durham, Lake District, and the surrounding countryside. Open to members of the parish communities of St. Teresa’s and St. Boniface Churches and their friends and family. \$4695 , deposit is required. Organized by Joan Coutu and Father Peter. See St. Boniface website for the itinerary

JUBILEE OF HOPE, 2025 - The Diocese of Hamilton joins the celebration of the Global Church in this

Ordinary Jubilee Year, 2025, as a “Pilgrims of Hope!” We are all invited to journey through this year drawing closer to God through prayer, service and experiences of renewal. Six churches have been designated as pilgrimage sites across the Diocese, welcoming you as a visitor over the course of the Jubilee to come and pray. Resources, information and locations on the pilgrimage sites are all made available on the Diocesan Website: www.hamiltondiocese.com.

Pope Francis will open the Holy Door of the Basilica of St. Peter in Rome on Christmas Eve, inaugurating the Jubilee Year. In cathedrals around the world and in our Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, the Holy Year will be inaugurated on December 28-29,2024, the Feast of the Holy Family. The year will be officially launched in each parish in the Diocese on this same day. The Jubilee Year of Hope will conclude on January 6,2026.

“In the heart of each person, hope dwells as the desire and expectation of good things to come, despite our not knowing what the future may bring...may the Jubilee be an opportunity to be renewed in hope.”
 Pope Francis, Spes non confundit.