

STEWARDSHIP

December 22, 2024

Offering	\$ 1623.95
Renovation Fund	\$ 147.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 260.00
Special Collections	\$ 160.00

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
(acctstbonifacemaryill@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- Main Themes- pages 19-21

These themes come through the collected wisdom of the clergy and the people of the Diocese of Hamilton and give us clear direction for moving **Forward Together in Christ**.

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.

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

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

Reverend Father Peter frpetermeyer@gmail.com

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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

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Within an earthly family, Jesus acquired human knowledge, worked with his hands, and experienced the fullness of human society. Jesus, Mary, and Joseph make up a sacred family, the Holy Family. Today's feast continues our Christmas Day celebration, falling within the octave of Christmas that culminates January 1 with the Solemnity of the Mother of God.

January 5th is the Epiphany. It is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, Son of God and Savior of the world. The great feast of Epiphany celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (mag) from the East, together with his baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee.

Thank you for your prayers, cards, gifts and thoughtfulness over the Christmas Season. May God continue to grow and be more alive in your lives, families and other activities.

I would like to thank all those involved for putting on the Christmas Pageant this year. It was very inspiring to all attendees.



Fr. Peter

MASSES FOR WEEK OF December 30-January 5 Octave of Christmas

Monday, December 30 , No Mass Love fulfills every wish of God.-St. Hildegard of Bingen
Tuesday, December 31 No Liturgy-St. Sylvester I We shall be God's temples, and God will be the God within us.-St. Ignatius of Antioch
Wednesday, January 1, New Years Day Mass-11am The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
Thursday, January 2, No Mass- No Liturgy -St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen Prayer draws into the soul the Holy Spirit and raises us to heaven.-St. Ephrem of Syria
Friday, January 3-Mass 9am-The Most Holy Name of Jesus Every action of our daily life should be influenced by gentleness, temperance, humility and purity. St Francis de Sales +Intentions of Thanksgiving ; Diane and Dan Strickler
Saturday, January 4, No Mass If you are healthy and rich, alleviate the need of the one who is sick and poor; if you have not fallen, help the one who has fallen and lives in suffering; if you are happy, console the one who is sad; if you are fortunate, help the one who has been bitten by misfortune. -St. Gregory Nazianzen
Sunday , January 5, Mass 11am -Epiphany of the Lord + Joe Strauss; Theresa Bauer

Parish Duties for the week of December 30-January 5

Rosary- Diane Strickler
 Weekly Lector-Tim Vegh
 Church Cleaning-Maria O'Drowsky
 Counting- Sandy and Doug Zinger for both New Years Day and Sunday January 5
 Coffee Sunday-Lisa Zettel

<u>Eucharistic Minister</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Commentator</u>
TBD	TBD	TBD

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 January 12, 2025 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.

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.

A Jubilee Prayer Book -copy is added as an insert in this weeks bulletin . Please use these prayers to assist you in your pilgrimage during this Holy Year.