



MASSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, December 28 – Feast: The Holy Innocents
9:00a.m. – Pedring Macadadang, Russ Abell, Intentions of Martha Mills

Tuesday, December 29 – Fifth Day of Christmas
9:00a.m. – Shelley Tighe, Zita Finora

Wednesday, December 30 – Sixth Day of Christmas
7:30a.m. – Rose Marrin, Michael & Mary Cronin

Thursday, December 31 – Seventh Day of Christmas
9:00a.m. – For Peace in the New Year

Friday, January 1 – Feast: The Nativity of the Lord; Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
9:00a.m.

Saturday, January 2 – Feast: Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen
9:00a.m. – Pastoral Intentions, Basil Krusky

Sunday, January 3 – Epiphany of the Lord
9:00a.m.

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$45,153.00 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessings.

PARISH & OTHER NEWS

COVID-19 UPDATES

Please refer to our parish website (www.basilicaofourlady.com) or the diocesan website (hamiltondiocese.com) for the current and updated directives regarding COVID-19 from Bishop Crosby and the Diocese of Hamilton.

2020 CHURCH DONATIONS

All donations for the current year must be received at the PARISH OFFICE **no later than 4:30p.m. Tuesday, December 28th, 2020** to be eligible for a 2020 income tax receipt. The Parish Office is closed, so they can be dropped into the mailbox.

PROVINCIAL LOCKDOWN BEGINNING ON BOXING DAY – RESTRICTIONS AT THE BASILICA OF OUR LADY IMMACULATE PARISH

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

As you are likely aware the Government of Ontario has ordered a province-wide lockdown in an attempt to curb the coronavirus spread in Ontario. This will affect the Basilica of Our Lady in the following ways:

- All Masses for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day will continue as planned. Please remember to bring your ticket with you for Mass.

- **Beginning on December 26th there will be no public Mass or other Liturgies, anywhere in the Diocese of Hamilton, until further notice.**

- **Any Mass intentions that have been requested will still be honoured. I will offer Mass each day for these intentions.**

- Holy Mass will still be broadcast every Sunday, and on January 1st, on our YouTube Channel (Music at the Basilica)

- **The Parish Office will be closed, but phone messages and emails will be checked regularly**

- Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals may still proceed with no more than ten people, including the priest in attendance.

- If you need a priest in an emergency situation please ask the nurse at your health facility or e-mail me directly at iduffy@hamiltondiocese.com.

I know that it is rather poor timing to ask for financial assistance at the same time that I tell you that we're shut down, but if you could continue to make your regular donations it would be very helpful and very much appreciated. Donations can either be mailed in, or placed in the Office mail box, which will be checked twice daily. Additionally I will be in the Parish Office from 10:00a.m. until 12:00p.m. on Saturdays for anyone who would like to drop off their donation in person.

Please pray for a swift end to this lockdown, and to the coronavirus, so that we may all resume our usual parish life as soon as possible. Please continue to check our parish website for any further notifications regarding the lockdown and its effects on our parish.

Faithfully yours in Christ,
Father Ian Duffy (Rector)

ONLINE DONATIONS – CANADA HELPS

For those parishioners who are choosing to make their weekly or monthly Offertory donation online (through **Canada Helps** via the parish website or directly with Canada Helps)...It would help us greatly if you would enter the word "Offertory" in the **Message** field on the Canada Helps page. Also, please note, if you opt to donate in this way you will be receipted directly through Canada Helps for these donations for tax receipt purposes and not the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate Parish.

SUNDAY (do not change anything here, we'll put a correct header each week)
