THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT December 10, 2023

Tuesday, **December 12**, **Fr.Don Sanvido** 7:00pm

Wednesday, December 13, Philip Renaud 9:00am

Thursday December 14 Special Intentions 9:00am

Friday December 15, Fr. Special Intentions 9:00 am

Saturday December 16 Patrick Gonsalves, Cecil& Anne Fulcher, Joan McCann, Berkery Family, Marilena Rodriguez, Pietro & Maria Speranza

Sunday December 17 9:30 am Our Faith Community 11:30 am All Souls in Purgatory

SANCTUARY LAMP GIACINTO & INES DIDOMENICO

Requests accepted by placing an envelope with the name of your loved one, your contact information and \$10 in the collection basket

PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

Isaiah 61.1-2a, 10-11, 1 Thessalonians 5.16-24, John 1.6-8, 19-28

Weekly Collections

December 3, 2023

Envelopes: 3,240.00 Loose: 840.55 Building Fund 30.00 Missals 10.00

Total \$4,455.55

Thank you for your generosity and sacrifice.

HOW TO DONATE TO ST BASIL

DONATE

The Diocese of Hamilton has helped all their Parishes set up a giving page whereby parishioners can support their Church during this difficult time. The link for this giving page is on the first page of our website. You can visit our website www.stbasilparish.ca. and just hit the red donate button on the home page and it will take you to the Canada Helps secure donation. Just complete the St Basil's Parish Donation form and you are finished. Thank you for your support!

NEW 2024 OFFERATORY ENVELOPES

Are available at the back of the Church. If your name or address is incorrect, please notify the office. Also. if you don't have envelopes and wish to begin using them or we have missed you, please sign the sheet on the table at the back of the church with your name and address and we will be sure to have a box assigned to you. These envelopes should **NOT** be used before the Jan.1, 2024. When you start using your 2024 envelopes, please put your name and address on the first few envelopes. Please consider switching to "Pre-Authorized Debit" - less paperwork; less work for our counters; more security for our Parish! Forms can

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be found on the "Welcome Desk" at the back of the Church.

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Receipts will be issued for offerings in 2023. If you wish a receipt, please put a self- addressed envelope with, if possible, your envelope number and put it into the collection basket. This will facilitate getting a receipt to you.

Just a reminder the St Basil's Church year-end for income tax purposes is December 31st 2024.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

If you wish to make a donation towards the cost of flowers in the Church at Christmas, please place your donation in an envelope marked "Christmas Flowers" with your name or envelope number placed on the front and deposit it in the collection basket.

BAMBINELLI SUNDAY

SUNDAY DECEMBER 17th



For the past several decades, the Pope has blessed the Baby Jesus figurines from Nativity Scenes that belong to families, and

the families themselves, in St. Peter's Square in Rome. The blessing takes place on Gaudete Sunday, the third

Sunday of Advent December 17th, and is known as Bambinelli Sunday. The blessing of the 'Bambinelli' – as they are known in Rome – reminds us that the Nativity scene is a school of life where we can learn the secrets of true joy. Please bring your baby Jesus from your Nativity scene to Mass so Fr. Kevin can Bless them and they can be wrapped and unveiled Christmas day.

ENVELOPE INFORMATION MISSING



If you have envelope number 473 or 274 please record your name and address on the front of the envelope for

the next few weeks so we can make sure you receive your tax receipt. Thank you.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

In your charity, please remember in your prayers all those who have died, especially Michael Poag, may they rest in the peace of Christ and rejoice in the glory of heaven.

Confirmation Packages are at the back of the Church for anyone who does not go to one of our Feeder Schools.

Confirmations will be taking place on February 7th & 8th,

Packages have been sent out to the schools to send to parents and candidates for completion.

Kindly return by December 22nd.