



Paroisse catholique romaine

SAINT HYACINTHE

Roman Catholic Parish

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November 13, 2025

Fall Drive 2025

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The Trustees, Pastoral Council and your Pastor would like to express to you heartfelt thanks for your generous support this year. St. Hyacinthe Parish is fortunate to have considerate people like you!

Our parish has a Fall Drive each year for parishioners to top up their Sunday Offerings and to ensure that we have the necessary funds in our capital budget for building or cemetery maintenance. Currently, Sunday Offerings fall short of covering our main expenditures, namely payroll, utilities, maintenance, diocesan levy, property insurance and worship. We have managed our expenses based on our revenues, but we are still falling short as some expenses are fixed regardless of monies coming in. Both our Spaghetti Dinner and Fall Supper were great successes, but raised less funds than in the previous year. Overall, we are anticipating a deficit of approximately \$12K this year before any Fall Drive donations.

Our long-term capital project is for the potential repairs or new roof for the church. Our reserve for capital funds includes some monies for the roof repairs that we anticipate we will require in the next 5-10 years. In the cemetery, we have recently installed a columbarium. Once paid, we will look at doing maintenance work in the cemetery.

The Fall Drive appeal is about stewardship. It's about participating in a sacred action that is an integral part of our celebration of the Eucharist.

There are two Options for you to "top up your donation" for the year. One option is to support our annual Fall Drive, and the other is to increase your weekly Sunday offerings. Either option would be greatly appreciated and help our parish close the gap this year. For perspective, as long as you have income tax owing after your personal exemptions deduction, you will have a combined federal and provincial tax savings from your charitable donations as follows:

Total annual charitable donations

From \$0 to \$200 ---- \$25.80 / \$100 of donations

From \$201 + ----- \$46.40 / \$100 of donations

Therefore, if you have already contributed at least \$200 to charitable organizations during 2025, you will have a savings of \$46.40 for every \$100 of your donation when you file your 2025 income tax return. Please be reminded that this is a refund that will be returned to you once you file your return.

If you are interested, we can set you up for automatic withdrawal contributions. With Pre-Authorized Debit, contributions can be made weekly/bi-weekly/monthly through your bank account. This option is a convenient way for you to faithfully support the financial well-being of our Parish. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Rachel Cahill (dnrcah@mymts.net). If you are already on automatic withdrawal and want to increase your contribution, this can also be arranged.

Donations can be mailed to the Parish or put in the collection basket. For the Fall Drive, please identify the capital donation as "building fund (capital)", or "cemetery". New this year is that we are required to pay 4% clergy fund on any capital donations. If the donations are to top up your Sunday offerings, indicate "regular" on your cheque.

In order to receive a tax receipt for the year 2025, the donation must be received on or before December 31, 2025.

Thank you very much for your consideration of this appeal.

Blessings and peace in Christ Jesus,



Father Gabriel Levesque, Pastor

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