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(Rule of Saint Benedict #53)

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. (en Français)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Please see inside bulletin for complete schedule

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

Saturday 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

Celebrated the second Sunday of the month at 1:30 p.m. Contact the parish office to arrange date and to arrange pre-baptismal course at least two months before preferred date.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM OF ADULTS

A period of preparation is necessary, and it is imperative that individuals complete the Rite of Christian Initiation for Please see Father Larry for more Adults (RCIA). information.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Kindly contact the parish office at least a year prior to desired date of marriage. Preparation course is essential.

CATHOLIC FUNERAL RITES

When a death occurs in your family, please contact the parish office before contacting the funeral home, and we will assist you in making liturgical arrangements. The Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton website is: www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca

PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

For more information in discerning God's call to Church ministry, contact Father Larry or contact Bishop Lobsinger, Vocation Director for the Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 or visit the Vocations Services' https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please contact the parish office of confinement to home or hospitalization, so sacramental care may be provided.

PARISH STAFF

Father Lawrence Parent, Pastor (lparent@hamiltondiocese.com) Rev. Mr. Leonard Gallant, Deacon Rev. Mr. Joseph Murphy, Deacon Karen Viloria-Miguel, Pastoral Assistant Mrs. Janis Asdrubolini, Office Administrator Mrs. Alma Paje, Office Receptionist Mr. Massimo Corrado, Custodian

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Office is closed on weekends and public holidays.

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you and your family to Saint Benedict Parish! Please introduce yourself to Father Larry. Registration forms are available on the table at the church entrance or from the website.

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| St. Benedict Elementary Mark Witter, Principal | 289-851-9353 |
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| St. Francis Xavier Secondary School Adriano Perusin, Principal | 905-636-8799 |
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Kevin Wong, Principal

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

| Readings | Liturgy | Intention | Please Pray for |
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| Sunday, December 11 Third Sunday of Advent Isaiah 35.1-6a, 10 | Masses 9:00 a.m. | Francis Abreo | |
| James 5.7-10 Matthew 11.2-11 | 10:30 a.m. | Deceased members of Pereira & Brittos Families | |
| | 12 noon | Our Parish Community | |
| Monday, December 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples Zechariah 2.10-13 Luke 1.39-47 | NO MASS | NO MASS | Rev. Michael Anderson |
| Tuesday, December 13 St. Lucy Zephaniah 3.1-2, 9-13 Matthew 21.28-32 | Mass 9:00 a.m. | Loreto Serrano | Rev. Robert Love |
| Wednesday, December 14 St. John of the Cross Isaiah 45.6b-8, 18, 21b-25 Luke 7.19-23 | Mass 9:00 a.m. | Mariana, Dimas & Edward Rego | Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (C.Ss.R.) |
| Thursday, December 15 Isaiah 54.1-10 Luke 7.24-30 | Mass 9:00 a.m. | Carlos Castejon | Rev. Robert Kavelj, O.F.M. |
| Friday, December 16 Isaiah 56.1-3a, 6-8 John 5.16-17, 33-36++ | Mass 9:00 a.m. | Thanksgiving | Rev. Marko Puljic, O.F.M. |
| Saturday, December 17 Genesis 49.2, 8-10 Matthew 1.1-17 | Mass 5:00 p.m. | Deceased members of Aynikal family Elvira & Alberto Lascasas Paul Bondin | Rev. Ilija Petkovic |

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

ST. BENEDICT PARISH 5:00 P.M. LIVESTREAMED MASS

ST. BENEDICT PARISH & HOLY ROSARY ADVENT EVENING OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday, December 14th, 7pm to 9pm

Reconciliation is a wonderful way to prepare ourselves for the celebration of the Birth of our Lord.

There will be <u>NO CONFESSIONS</u> on December 24th at St. Benedict Parish. Regular Saturday confessions will resume on **December 31**st.



KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Keep Christ in Christmas items at the end of each mass from **December 3, 2022 to December 18, 2022.**

Thank you for your support.

Thank you to **CWL** for organizing & hosting the Children's Christmas party last **December 3**rd.

PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER:



FIRST COMMUNION

OR visit the Parish website to access the link (Deadline April 17th, 2023)



CONFIRMATION

OR visit the Parish website to access the link (Deadline January 9th, 2023)

SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

This is the last weekend to return gift cards for the Angel program. Please make sure to return the Angel's and the gift cards to the baskets in the Church main entrance. Your help is needed more than ever before. Our families depend on your generosity and will be grateful for anything you can give to help them celebrate Christmas this year. You can also donate online and receive a tax receipt at www.ssvphaltonpc.org/Donate. Please make sure to select St. Benedict Milton. If you have any questions you can contact us by email: ssvp.stbenedictsconference@gmail.com or call us at 905-875-7995

From the Pastor's Desk

AN INVITATION TO ST. BENEDICT PARISHIONERS



Dear Parishioners.

As we enter the season of Advent, we prepare our hearts to welcome the Lord at Christmas. In the weeks ahead, many of us will similarly prepare our homes to welcome loved ones over the holidays. Our special holiday touches and traditions provide a warm welcome to the family and friends who will grace our homes throughout this season. After two years where this was mostly not possible, this year's celebrations will undoubtedly take on a special significance.

Just as our homes have missed the presence of loved ones these past two years, our parish community has truly missed the presence of the whole community gathered together in worship. When all the members of our parish family are not gathered with us around the Lord's table, our community is incomplete.

Please accept our warm and heartfelt invitation to join us for Mass this Christmas. If you have been away from the parish community, whether for a short time or a long time, we warmly welcome you home with open arms. If you attend Mass regularly, we thank you for your presence and we ask that you please extend this invitation to family, friends and neighbours.

Below you will find our Christmas Mass schedule. We truly hope that you will be with us this Christmas - that together we may celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ and share in the joy that Christmas gives to each generation. As your parish community, please know of our deep desire to have you join us for the celebration of Mass and know that we are praying that every member of our community may accept our invitation to Come Home for Christmas!

Father Lawrence Parent Pastor

CHRISTMAS EVE

Saturday, December 24th 4pm | 6pm | 10pm | 12mn 8pm en Français

SOLEMNITY OF THE BIRTH OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, December 25th 9am | 1030am | 12pm

There are NO AFTERNOON or EVENING MASSES celebrated on Christmas Day anywhere in the Diocese of Hamilton

COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS



We know that at Christmas our hearts will be full – we want our pews to be full

also! Throughout Advent, Parishes across the Diocese are being encouraged to invite all the faithful to Come Home for Christmas. We all know people who have fallen away from regular Mass attendance, and Christmas provides a privileged occasion to welcome them home. All parishioners are encouraged to join in this effort to extend a warm invitation to return - for more information, visit http://hamiltondiocese.com



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE: IN THE EXPERIENCE OF **INDIGINEOUS PEOPLE**



Monday, December 12th 7pm-9pm

Join us for a presentation from the Honourable Graydon Nicholas, Chancellor of Saint Thomas University, New Brunswick and former Lt. Governor of New Brunswick. This presentation will be available for attendance in person or streamed live via the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King YouTube page. No registration is necessary, however, for an event reminder, please feel free to sign up **HERE**.



REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR KINDERGARTEN AT HCDSB!

Kindergarten registration at the Halton Catholic District School Board (HCDSB) for the 2023-2024 school year is now open! Parents and guardians who are interested in registering their child for Kindergarten are invited to visit the HCDSB website for more information: https://hcdsb.info/KindergartenRegistration.



WOMEN'S RETREAT at HOLY ROSARY

Fr. Pierre & a team of collaborators are offering a repetition of the women's retreat. It will take place on Saturday January 14, 9:30am to 3pm at

Holy Rosary Parish, Milton. Women will deepen in their identity as daughters of God and reflect on the experience of Mary Magdalene. See the Parish website for more information. Space is limited.



2023 SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES

We thank those who have picked up their 2023 envelopes. A reminder that if you haven't done

so, please pick-up your envelopes at the church entrance . To make sure that your donation is posted to your name accurately, we appreciate that you indicate your name outside the envelope on the first month of January2023. Also, if you still have old envelopes from previous years, we kindly ask you not to use them. Thank you.

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