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All are to be welcomed as Christ

- Saint Benedict of Nursia -

LORD'S DAY MASSES

(all Weekend Masses are held at
Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Elementary School
709 Bolingbroke Drive in Milton L9T 6Z3)

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am and 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Please see inside bulletin for
complete schedule and location of weekday Masses.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 pm

Anytime by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

Celebrated the second Sunday of the month at 1:00 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 Adults
(RCIA). Please see Father Jim for more information.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Kindly contact the parish office at least a year prior to desired
date of marriage. Preparation course is essential. All
Weddings arranged through Saint Benedict Parish are
celebrated at Holy Rosary Parish in Milton.

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. All funeral masses are
held at Holy Rosary Church in Milton. The Catholic Cemeteries
of the Diocese of Hamilton website is:
www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca

PARISH STAFF

Father James S. Petrie, Pastor
Reverend Mr. Leonard Gallant, Deacon
Mrs. Janis Asdrubolini, Parish Secretary
Mrs. Alma Paje, Parish Rectory Assistance

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Thursday

9:30 am - 12:00 noon and 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Friday

9:30 am - 12:30 pm

**Office is closed on Mondays, weekends
and public holidays.**

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you and your family to Saint Benedict Parish!
Please introduce yourself to Father Jim. Registration forms are
available on the table at the back of the gym.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

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

PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

For more information in discerning God's call to Church ministry
contact our pastor, Father Jim Petrie or contact Father Michael King,
Vocation Director for the Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 or visit
the Vocations Services' website: www.hamiltonvocations.com

PARISH SCHOOLS

Guardian Angels Elementary 905-876-2386
Mrs. Rosanna LoPresti, Principal

Lumen Christi Elementary 905-636-9692
Mr. Joe Jurus, Principal

Our Lady of Fatima Elementary 905-864-0720
Mrs. Viviana Varano, Principal

Saint Benedict Elementary 289-851-9353
Mr. Josey Guerin, Principal

Saint Scholastica Elementary 905-864-0344
Mrs. Erin Sweeney-Hurd, Principal

Jean Vanier Secondary 905-636-8799
Mr. Gino Montanari, Principal

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

| Readings | Liturgy | Intention | Please Pray for |
|---|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Sunday, December 16 Third Sunday of Advent Zephaniah 3:14-18 Philippians 4:4-7 Luke 3:10-18 | Mass – Our Lady of Fatima School 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. | Our Parish Community | |
| Monday, December 17 Genesis 49:2, 8-10 Matthew 1:1-17 | No Mass | | Rev. Sam Restivo, C.R. |
| Tuesday, December 18 Jeremiah 23:5-8 Matthew 1:18-24 | Mass- Jean Vanier High School Chapel – 8:55 a.m. | Bill Motrich | Rev. Tim Uniac, C.R. |
| Wednesday, December 19 Judges 13:2-7, 24-25 Luke 1:5-25 | Mass- Jean Vanier High School Chapel – 8:55 a.m. | Jack Hughes | Missionaries |
| Thursday, December 20 Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10 Luke 1:26-38 | Mass- Jean Vanier High School Chapel – 8:55 a.m. | Intentions of Cheri Morrison | Rev. Stephen Murrin |
| Friday, December 21 St. Peter Canisius Zephaniah 3:14-18 Luke 1:39-45 | Mass- Jean Vanier High School Chapel – 8:55 a.m. | Intentions of Barbara O'Connor | Rev. Timothy Higgins |
| Saturday, December 22 1 Samuel 1:24-28 Luke 1:46-56 | Mass – Our Lady of Fatima School 5:00 p.m. | Margaret Zeagman Dick Tso | Rev. Romelito Guillen |

Rectory Office Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
 9:30 am – 12:00 and 1:00 – 4:30 pm
 Friday – 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

If your family member is in the hospital, please contact the parish office. For confidential reasons the hospital will not release names of those who are Catholic. Fr. Jim also offers the Sacrament of the Sick. If we do not know of your relative being in the hospital we cannot attend to their spiritual needs. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions)

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated each Saturday afternoon from 4:00 – 4:30 pm in the Prayer Chapel by the front doors of Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Elementary School (709 Bolingbroke Drive in Milton).

On December 15th and 22nd, Confessions will be heard from 3:30 – 4:30 pm to provide additional opportunities for parishioners to celebrate this beautiful sacrament.

There will be **NO CONFESSIONS** after December 22nd. Please do not wait till the last minute to celebrate the sacrament. Reconciliation is a wonderful way to prepare ourselves for the celebration of the Birth of our Lord.



SCHEDULE OF CHRISTMAS MASSES

Monday December 24th – Christmas Eve
 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm and 9:00 pm

Tuesday December 25th – Christmas Day
Solemnity of the Birth of Jesus Christ
 9:00 am and 11:00 am

Feast of the Holy Family
 Saturday, December 29th 5:00 pm
 Sunday, December 30th 9:00 and 11:00 am

New Year's Eve – Monday, December 31st
 5:00 pm

New Year's Day – Tuesday, January 1st
 9:00 and 11:00 am

All Masses take place at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Elementary School located at 709 Bolingbroke Drive in Milton.

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

All of our Christmas Masses are appropriate for children and families. To avoid large crowds and congested parking, you may wish to consider attending Mass on Christmas morning at 9:00 am or 11:00 am.

ST PETER SPORTS CLUB – a non-competitive, recreational sports club serving both Holy Rosary and St. Benedict Parishes, would like to invite all adult parishioners to join us for weekly sports. You are welcome to check it out (1 evening of sports) for free!! Sports played are badminton, pickle ball, table tennis and volleyball. All sports played are non-competitive and recreational and are self-regulated.

Sports are held every Wednesday night at St. Peter Elementary School, 137 Dixon Dr, Milton from 7-9 pm and runs throughout the school year.

Registration fees: \$60/adult/year **OR** \$100/couple/year.

For more information Contact:

Marvin Duarte: Cell 416-559-9327

Email: marvinduarte1@gmail.com

DIOCESAN NEWSLETTER

The Pastoral Offices of the Diocese of Hamilton offer a wide range of workshops and educational opportunities during the course of the year. These activities and events are open to all interested parishioners throughout the Diocese. If you would like to keep informed regarding these opportunities for growing in your faith, you are invited to subscribe to a weekly online newsletter by going to the Diocesan Website (www.hamiltondiocese.com) and click the "Subscribe to our Newsletter" button on the right side of the homepage. Your email address will be used solely to provide you with Diocesan Newsletter and will never be shared with any third party.

THE LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary at St Benedicts & Holy Rosary parishes is pleased to announce that they will bring the Pilgrim Virgin statue to the homes of families who would like to welcome Mary into their homes as a way of increasing family prayer & bring blessings to families. The Legionaries will accompany the statue to the home & will pick up the statue in a week at an appointed date & time. These visits normally take place in the evenings. To arrange a home visitation please contact Cherry Muller (647-470-0385) or Gerry Mok (905-691-1105).

2018 WHITE MASS – DEC. 12

7 p.m., St. Gabriel Church, Burlington

Consistent with the white coats and uniforms formerly worn by physicians and nurses, the **WHITE MASS** is celebrated annually for the spiritual support of healthcare professionals, clergy, chaplains and all caregivers.

Join us as we welcome **Fr. Ted Slaman**, who will celebrate this year's **WHITE MASS** on the **Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe - Wednesday December 12 at 7 p.m., St. Gabriel Church, 2261 Parkway Dr., Burlington.**

Refreshments and video of Our Lady of Guadalupe to follow. A good will offering would be appreciated to help cover expenses. For more information please call 905-335-6902.

SEEKING THE SACRED: THE SOUL'S SLOW RIPENING

- A Senior Adult Workshop Series taking place on 7 Tuesday afternoons, starting Jan. 29 2019 1:30-3:30pm at the Chancery Office in Hamilton. This 7 part workshop/study session will explore twelve unique Celtic-Christian spiritual practices. These 12 practices are intended to give practical ways for us to deepen our relationship with God and all of creation. This course will be facilitated by Sister Mary Heather MacKinnon *SSND*. **The cost will be \$35, which includes the text.** Please register by Jan. 25 2019. For further information please contact 905-52807988 ext. 2238 or check the website, www.hamiltondiocese.com

THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION

(CWLFF) is accepting applications for 2019 Leadership Program for Canadian Catholic women. The Program will be facilitated by the Providence School of Transformative Leadership and Spirituality, Saint Paul University, Ottawa. For more information about CWLFF, the Leadership Program and to complete an application form visit www.cwlffcanada.ca.

MISSION CATHOLIQUE FRANCOPHONE DE MILTON

Prions ensemble en français tous les dimanches de 13h à 14h. Messe en langue française à l'école St-Nicolas à Milton, 720 Woodward Avenue.

Curé Père: Father Fulbert Jonas

Appel à bénévoles: nous avons besoin de vous pour la mission! Contacter Père Jonas au 905-877-4373 de 14h à 17h.

Let's pray together in French. Every Sunday from 1pm to 2pm. Mass in French language at St-Nicolas School, 720 Woodward Avenue with Father Fulbert Jonas.

We need volunteers. Please contact Fr. Jonas at 905-877-4373 from 2pm to 5pm.

Could God be calling you to be a priest or religious consecrated man or woman, and announce the Good News to His People as John the Baptist did? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, **contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988**

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

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