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SAINT BENEDICT ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

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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 prebaptismal 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 Holv Rosarv 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

<u>Guardian Angels Elementary</u> Mrs. Rosanna LoPresti, Principal	905-876-2386
<u>Lumen Christi Elementary</u> Mr. Joe Jurus, Principal	905-636-9692
<u>Our Lady of Fatima Elementary</u> Mrs. Viviana Varano, Principal	905-864-0720
Saint Benedict Elementary Mr. Josey Guerin, Principal	289-851-9353
<u>Saint Scholastica Elementary</u> Mrs. Erin Sweeney-Hurd, Principal	905-864-0344
<u>Jean Vanier Secondary</u> Mr. Gino Montanari, Principal	905-636-8799

Readings	Liturgy	Intention	Please Pray for
Sunday, December 2	Mass – Our Lady of Fatima School	Our Parish Community	
First Sunday of Advent	9:00 a.m.		
Jeremiah 33:14-16	11:00 a.m.		
1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2			
Luke 21:25-28, 34-36			
Monday, December 3	Mass – St. Scholastica School	Krys Binkley	Rev. Octavio Cidadao
St. Francis Xavier	9:15 a.m.		
Isaiah 2:1-5			
Matthew 8:5-11, 13			
Tuesday, December 4	Mass- Guardian Angels School	Loreto Reboredo	Rev. Jose Edson Moreira
St. John Damascene	9:00 a.m.		
Isaiah 11:1-10			
Luke 10:21-24			
Wednesday, December 5	Mass- St. Benedict School	Intentions of	Discalced Carmelite Sisters
Isaiah 25:6-10	9:30 a.m.	Colin Smith	(O.C.D.)
Matthew 15:29-37			
Thursday, December 6	Mass- Our Lady of Fatima School	Don Gibbons	Rev. Peter Raymond
St. Nicholas	9:00 a.m.		
Isaiah 26:1-6	Mass – Seasons	Kol Marku	
Matthew 7:21, 24-27	760 Bronte Street South		
	10:30 a.m.		
Friday, December 7	Mass- Lumen Christi School	Jackson Mok	Rev. George Nowak,
St. Ambrose	9:00 a.m.		C.R.
Isaiah 29:17-24			
Matthew 9:27-31			
Saturday, December 8	Mass – Our Lady of Fatima School	Madeline Dewling	Rev. Pawel Szymanowski,
The Immaculate Conception	9:00 a.m.	8	C.R.
of the Blessed Virgin Mary		Paul Bondin	
Genesis 3:9-15, 20	5:00 p.m.	Hilary D'Souza	
Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12	1	5	
Luke 1:26-38			

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

SUPPORT REPORT Nov 25		
Sunday Collection	\$ 2799	
Loose Collection	2925	
Building Fund	1545	
Total	\$ 7269	



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.

THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, December 4th 7:00 pm Christmas Potluck *All are Welcome!* ADVENT RETREAT

The Catholic Women's League of St. Benedict's Parish is hosting an Advent retreat and invites all women 16 years and older for the retreat on *Saturday, December 8th 2018* from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at Our Lady of Fatima School Gym.

The theme for the retreat is – An Advent Journey – Welcoming Jesus in our lives once again.

The speaker for the retreat is Fr. Jim Petrie – Spiritual Leader of the Catholic Women's League. Please RSVP at cwlmilton@gmail.com

BLESSING FOR EXPECTANT PARENTS

If you are having a child in the near future, you are welcome to join Fr. Jim after the masses this weekend, December 1st & 2nd to take part in a blessing for expectant parents.

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ON THE WAY TO BETHLEHEM

The 17th Annual "On the Way to Bethlehem" is an interactive outdoor pageant. Volunteers are needed in all

capacities: set up, take down, refreshments, greeting and roles of every description - kings, little angels, big angels, shepherds, Mary(s) Joseph(s), pages, singers, a Hebrew family - you name it! Start a family tradition of participating as a family. Volunteers are still needed as cast and/or set-up crew. This year's dates are **Friday**, **Saturday and Sunday evenings Nov 30th**, **Dec 1st & 2nd**. Admission - **\$5.00 for adults; Children are \$2**. For more information call Andrea (905) 875-0839 or Willi (905) 878-2200.

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

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.

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.



PRAYER OF LIFE

The protection of life is a sustained prayer intention of the Church, and in particular

the Knights of Columbus. Knights remain firmly committed to defending the right to life of every human being – from the moment of conception to natural death. To commemorate and bolster this important cause, St. Benedict's Knights of Columbus council invite all to join and promote a novena, nine days (Dec 4th – Dec 12th) of prayer, to build up a culture of life in our parishes, homes and wider community. Prayer Cards are available. Please collect after Saturday and Sunday Masses.

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).

Advent Hymn Festival - The Hamilton Diocesan Choir will present an Advent Hymn Festival at St. Augustine Church, 58 Sydenham Street, Dundas, on Sunday December 2, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Join us for this joyous evening to celebrate the Advent season, and to hear and sing along with some of your favourite Advent hymns. All are welcome! A reception with refreshments will follow in the Church Hall and there will be the opportunity to get an up and close and personal view of *The Saint John's Bible* during the event.

Coping with the Holidays...when you have lost a loved one - Join the Family Ministry Office for an afternoon of reflection and for strategies for coping throughout Christmas. The session will be facilitated by Dr. Wendy Hofman and is being held at Chancery Office, 700 King St. W, Hamilton. The session will take place on Sunday, December 2nd from 1:30 - 3:00 pm. The event is FREE of charge. Call to reserve a seat 905-528-7988 ext. 2249. (If you haven't registered prior to the event you are still welcome to attend).



