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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. Joseph DiGrado, Deacon
Mrs. Janis Asdrubolini, Parish Secretary

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
Wojciech Kuzma, 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. Patrick Mayne, Principal

Our Lady of Fatima Elementary 905-864-0720
Mr. Kevin Brady, Principal

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

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

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Readings	Liturgy	Intention	Please Pray for
Sunday, December 4 Second Sunday of Advent Isaiah 11:1-10 Romans 15:4-9 Matthew 3:1-12	Mass – Our Lady of Fatima School 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Our Parish Community	
Monday, December 5 Isaiah 35:1-10 Luke 5:17-26	No Mass		Rev. Janusz Roginski, S.A.C.
Tuesday, December 6 St. Nicholas Isaiah 40:1-11 Matthew 18:12-14	Mass- Guardian Angels School 9:00 a.m.	Erlinda Datuin	Rev. Robert Love
Wednesday, December 7 St. Ambrose Isaiah 40:25-31 Matthew 11:28-30	Mass- St. Benedict School 9:00 a.m.	Marcial Musngi	Order of Preachers (Dominican)
Thursday, December 8 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Genesis 3:9-15, 20 Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12 Luke 1:26-38	Mass- Our Lady of Fatima School 9:00 a.m. Mass – Seasons 760 Bronte Street South 10:30 a.m.	Thanksgiving Don Ward	Rev. Andrew Lopatniuk
Friday, December 9 St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin Isaiah 48:17-19 Matthew 11:16-19	Mass- Lumen Christi School 9:00 a.m.	Patsy Day Morris	Rev. Francis Trzupiek
Saturday, December 10 Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11 Matthew 17:10-13	Mass – Our Lady of Fatima School 5:00 p.m.	Thanksgiving	Rev. Mark Sullivan



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

*order to help our world of today to truly “prepare the way of the Lord”? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988
 Email mking@hamiltondiocese.com*

SUPPORT REPORT	
Sunday Collection (135) Envelopes	\$1938
Loose Collection	587
Building Fund	976
Total	\$3501



UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Tuesday, December 6th – Dessert pot luck - Members are invited to bring and share their favorite dessert
Saturday, December 10th – Advent Retreat – Theme, “Preparing for the Lord”
 All ladies of the parish are welcome to attend!



BLESSING FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS

If you are having a child in the near future, you are welcome to join Fr. Jim after the masses this weekend to take part in a blessing for expectant mothers.

“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.” Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister in

Ladies – It is Membership renewal time! Please remember to renew your CWL membership for 2017. We also invite all ladies of our parish to join us as new members to help in serving our Parish community. Our annual dues remain at \$35. If you are an envelope holder, the blue CWL envelope is in with the January 2017 envelopes and can be put in the collection basket at Mass or dropped off at the parish office.

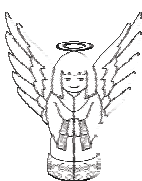
CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

Programs available for children from Kindergarten through to High School not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in Catholic Schools also available. Families work through the programs at home. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or check out our website at www.hamiltondiocese.com and click on the Catechesis Office for more information, printable registration forms or to register online.

Jean Vanier Catholic Secondary School Council along with St. Benedict's Parish welcomes all parishioners to an **Adult Faith Formation Series Talk and Social Night** at Ned Devine's (corner of Derry and Ontario Street) on **Thursday, December 8th 2016**. Socializing and a chance to order meals at 7:00 pm and talk begins at 7:30 pm. The talk will be given by Fr. Jim Petrie and the topic is "What Catholics Believe". Please RSVP at jvcscmilton@gmail.com

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 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. Home visitations started in May, to arrange a home visitation please contact Cherry Muller (647-470-0385) or Lorna D'souza (905-864-6489)



"Each year at Christmas Saint Vincent de Paul helps families in need to have an enjoyable Christmas. This year we shall be giving gift cards and food vouchers to needy families within our community of Milton.

Our Angel program will commence on Saturday November 12. Returns will be the weekends of November 19/20 and November 26/27. Donations will be distributed on December 11. Thank you for your support."

2016 WHITE MASS – DEC. 12

7 p.m. at St. Gabriel Parish

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 ACTheals, Hamilton Region (formerly the Association of Christian Therapists) as we welcome Fr. Ted Slaman, who will celebrate this year's **WHITE MASS** on the **Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Monday, December 12th at 7 p.m. at 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.

PROLIFE FUNDRAISER

"Campaign Life Coalition is launching its annual fundraiser for PROLIFE with the sale of Christmas fruitcakes. These fruitcakes come from the *Monks of Val Notre-Dame Abbey* in Quebec and are scrumptious, rich and exquisitely delicious. The traditional bar cakes weigh 600g for \$15.00, while the larger deluxe cakes weigh 1000g at \$25.00

This year the monks have added an "Abbey Gift Basket" composed of 2 boxes of premium chocolates (maple and caramel-filled) a mini fruitcake and a jar of Oakaramel Maple Spread for \$25.00.

They make wonderful gifts for family and friends or corporate gifts.

They will be on sale after every Mass starting this Sunday.

To place an order, you may contact Ivan Dsouza at 647-899-6478 or email ivandsouza2001@yahoo.com

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE

The Milton Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual food drive. As our community continues to grow there is an increasing demand on our local food bank. Help support families in need by bringing non-perishable food items to mass. The Knights of Columbus will be at the back of the church or in the parking lot collecting donations after every mass. The drive will run every weekend from November 26th to December 18th. Please donate a item or a few, with your support we can all make a difference in our community.

EUTHANASIA/ASSISTED – DID YOU KNOW?

Now that Canada has legalized assisted suicide/euthanasia, did you know that doctors in Ontario are forced to provide direct referrals for patients seeking to end their lives? Doctors who object to helping to kill their patients see a direct referral as being an accomplice to assisted suicide. No foreign jurisdiction in the world that has legalized euthanasia/assisted suicide has forced health care workers or facilities to act against their conscience. 8 other provinces in Canada have adopted protocols to protect doctors and institutions. Visit www.CanadiansforConscience.ca to learn more and to write directly to the Ontario government.

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