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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. 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 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 Mrs. Rosanna LoPresti, Principal	905-876-2386
Lumen Christi Elementary Mr. Joe Jurus, Principal	905-636-9692
<u>Our Lady of Fatima Elementary</u> Mr. Kevin Brady, Principal	905-864-0720
Saint Benedict Elementary Mr. Josey Guerin, Principal	289-851-9353
<u>Jean Vanier Secondary</u> Mr. Gino Montanari, Principal	905-636-8799

Readings	Liturgy	Intention	Please Pray for
Sunday, June 24 The Nativity of St. John the Baptist Isaiah 49:1-6 Acts 13:22-26 Luke 1:57-66, 80	Mass – Our Lady of Fatima School 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Our Parish Community	
Monday, June 25 2 Kings 17:5-8, 13-15, 18 Matthew 7:1-5	No Mass		Rev. Malcolm Katzenberger
Tuesday, June 26 2 Kings 19:9-11, 14-21, 31-36 Matthew 7:6, 12-14	Mass- Jean Vanier High School Chapel - 9:00 a.m.	Deceased member of the Panacci Family	Rev. Frank Freitas
Wednesday, June 27 Blesseds Nykyta Budka & Vasyl Velychkovsky 2 Kings 22:8-13; 23:1-3 Matthew 7:15-20	Mass- Jean Vanier High School Chapel - 9:00 a.m.	Lula Selmani	Sisters of St. John the Baptist
Thursday, June 28 St. Irenaeus 2 Kings 24:8-17 Matthew 7:21-29	Mass- Jean Vanier High School Chapel – 9:00 a.m.	Special Intentions	Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, O.M.I., D.D.
Friday, June 29 Sts. Peter & Paul Acts 3:1-10 Galatians 1:11-20 John 21:15-19	Mass- Jean Vanier High School Chapel - 9:00 a.m.	Deceased Family Members of Jean Vanier H.S. Staff	Rev. Edward Hinsperger
Saturday, June 30 First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church Lamentations 2:2, 10-14, 18-19 Matthew 8:5-17	Mass – Our Lady of Fatima School 5:00 p.m.	Paul Bondin Anne Marie D'Amico	Very Rev. Peter Tuyen Nguyen

Rectory Office Hours

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

SUPPORT REPORT			
June 17			
Sunday Collection	\$3618		
Parish Mission Appeal	1437		
Loose Collection	719		
Building Fund	30		
Total	\$5804		

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BLESSING FOR EXPECTANT PARENTS

If you are having a child in the near future, you are welcome to join Fr. Jim after the masses next weekend, June 30 & July 1st to take part in a blessing for expectant parents.

PILGRIMAGE TO QUEBEC

July 16th - 20th 2018

You are invited to join the Hamilton Diocesan Legion of Mary Pilgrimage from **Monday July 16th until Friday July 20th**. We will be visiting Our Lady of the Cape, Saint Anne de Beaupre, Saint Peregrine Shrine, Saint Joseph Oratory. There will be an opportunity to spend some time in the Old City of Quebec. This is an excellent way to explore the rich spiritual heritage in our own country! Father Jim Petrie will be the spiritual director of the pilgrimage. For more information, please contact Gerry Mok at 905-691-1105 or Tas Binaday at 905-578-3846.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

"Save the Date" for Vacation Bible School from August $13^{th} - 17^{th}$ for any students entering JK to Grade 4. High school students interested in volunteering are welcome. This is a great way for you to earn your volunteer hours. We are needing other volunteers to help run stations and leading groups from station to station. If interested, please contact Alisha Gillen at alishagillen@gmail.com.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

As we come to the end of another school year, it is appropriate that we thank God for the gift of wisdom and learning. Also we thank God for the blessing that all people are able to be educated in our country. It is an opportunity and a blessing that many Canadians take for granted. We also thank God for the blessing of being able to attend Catholic schools in our province. This also is a blessing that many of us take for granted and we become complacent about this gift. In light of the many issues that face our provincial government, from time to time, it is suggested and even demanded, that we abolish Catholic schools, however we must be vigilant and supportive of the gift of Catholic education in our province. It is a great vehicle for our children to be educated in all subjects but especially in learning about our Catholic faith and in turn, learning about the values that Jesus taught to build a better world.

In light of this, I would like to publicly thank the administrators, teachers, support staff and volunteers of our six parish schools. They work hard to ensure that your children receive a quality education. No system is perfect and our own schools have their shortfalls but I feel that our schools try hard to make your children aware that they are loved by Jesus and that they are the hope of our future. At one of our schools, we are saying farewell to the principal. Mr. Kevin Brady (Our Lady of Fatima) is retiring from the educational field after many years of dedicated service. In light of the fact that we use Our Lady of Fatima School as our "church" on the weekends, I am grateful for the support that Mr. Brady has given to me and the parish – I wish him much happiness in the coming years. We also say goodbye to most of our vice-principals who are either going to other school or are retiring – again we wish them well in their future endeavours. We welcome Mrs. Viviana Varano as principal of Our Lady of Fatima CES in September and we welcome the Mrs. Erin Sweeney-Hurd as the principal of our new parish school - Saint Scholastica. We welcome both of them warmly to our parish community and I am confident that these individuals will continue to uphold the high standards of quality education that our schools are known for.

I would just like to ask you to please let me know if you or a loved one, are in the Milton District Hospital. I will gladly come and provide the necessary spiritual care. Very often people will say "the priest did not come and visit" but yet due to confidentiality reason, we did not know that the individual was in the hospital. Hence the priest was unaware that the person was in the hospital. Also, if you are a loved one are "homebound" in the parish boundaries, I will gladly come and bring communion. Please let the office know. As you know, Leonard Gallant of our parish, was ordained a permanent deacon of the Diocese of Hamilton by Bishop Douglas Crosby OMI on June 2nd. We congratulate Leonard, his wife Lorraine and his sons, Connor and Cameron, on this joyful event in their family's life. Deacon Leonard has also been assigned to our parish community by Bishop Crosby, so we will be seeing more of him in the future. On that same note, I would also like to thank Deacon Joe DiGrado and his wife Cathy, for the work they have done in our parish community. Deacon Joe officially has retired from active ministry. Deacon Joe and Cathy will continue to be a part of our parish community. I want to publicly say "thank you" to the ladies of the CWL, their spouses, families, Knights of Columbus and many other volunteers who worked so hard to organize and put on the wonderful reception for both Deacon Leonard and Deacon Joe. I am deeply grateful for the great work that they did and it was a wonderful event for our parish community.

Just a reminder that <u>Wednesday July 11th at 7:00 pm</u> will be the groundbreaking for our new parish church. Please mark in your calendars. More information will be forthcoming in the next two weeks.

As we come to the summer months, just a reminder that parish life continues and that Jesus does not take a vacation so we remember to support our parish (both spiritually and financially) during the summer months.

Have a great weekend!

Father Jim Petrie

EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION AND HEALING SERVICE

Eucharistic Celebration and Healing Service with Fr. Fernando Suarez, MMMP **DATE**: Saturday, July 28, 2018 11:00 am **LOCATION:** Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish 934 #8 Hwy., Stoney Creek, Ont. **TICKETS**: 905-643-4403

FALL CONFIRMATION

Is your child in Grade 6? Did you know we celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in Grade 7 in the Diocese of Hamilton? Confirmation preparation begins in the Fall of each year. If your child does not attend Catholic School, please contact the parish office as soon as possible so we can assist you. The Catechetical Correspondence Courses from the Diocese of Hamilton may be right for you. For more information on the correspondence courses, visit the website <u>www.hamiltondiocese.com</u> or call Monica Verin At 905-528-7988, ext. 2238.



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