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# Saint Benedict Roman Catholic Church

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## ALL ARE TO BE WELCOMED AS CHRIST

( 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 and fourth 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 Adults (RCIA). Please see Father Larry 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.

### 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](http://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' website: <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](mailto:lparent@hamiltondiocese.com))  
Rev. Mr. Leonard Gallant, Deacon  
Rev. Mr. Joseph Murphy, Deacon  
Mrs. Karen Vilorio-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.

### PARISH SCHOOLS

<u>Guardian Angels Elementary</u>	905-876-2386
Christopher Hawken, Principal	
<u>Lumen Christi Elementary</u>	905-636-9692
Daniela Attardo, Principal	
<u>Our Lady of Fatima Elementary</u>	905-864-0720
Viviana Varano, Principal	
<u>St. Benedict Elementary</u>	289-851-9353
Mark Witter, Principal	
<u>St. Scholastica Elementary</u>	905-864-0344
Erin Sweeney-Hurd, Principal	
<u>St. Francis Xavier Secondary School</u>	905-636-8799
Adriano Perusin, Principal	
<u>St. Kateri Tekakwitha Secondary School</u>	289-878-2038
Kevin Wong, Principal	

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Readings	Liturgy	Intention	Please Pray for
<b>Sunday, March 12</b> <b>Third Sunday of Lent</b> Exodus 17.3-7 Romans 5.1-2, 5-8 John 4.5-42	<b>Masses</b> 9:00 a.m.  10:30 a.m.  12 noon	Our Parish Community  Xavier D'Souza & Louis D'Almeida  Francisco & Gloria Fagundo	
<b>Monday, March 13</b> 2 Kings 5.1-15a Luke 4.24-30	<b>NO MASS</b>	NO MASS	Rev. Mark Sullivan
<b>Tuesday, March 14</b> Daniel 3.25, 34-43 Matthew 18.21-35	<b>Mass</b> 9:00 a.m.	Adele Quinn & Alfie Lambe	Rev. David Wilhelm
<b>Wednesday, March 15</b> Deuteronomy 4.1, 5-9 Matthew 5.17-19	<b>Mass</b> 9:00 a.m.	Deceased members of Pinto & D'Souza families	Lay Parish Ministers
<b>Thursday, March 16</b> Jeremiah 7.23-28 Luke 11.14-23	<b>Mass</b> 9:00 a.m.	Benjamin Barretto	Rev. Peter Tuyen Nguyen
<b>Friday, March 17</b> <b>St. Patrick</b> Hosea 14.1-9 Mark 12.28b-34	<b>Mass</b> 9:00 a.m.	Jacque Parent	Rev. Stephen Gilbert
<b>Saturday, March 18</b> <b>St. Cyril of Jerusalem</b> Hosea 5.15b-6.6 Luke 18.9-14	<b>Mass</b> 5:00 p.m.	Lorna Fernandes Eduardo Pineda Oscar Banting Jr. Marjorie Fernandes & George Valentine	Rev. George Stortz

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



**PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER:**  
***FIRST COMMUNION*** OR visit the Parish website to access the link (*Deadline April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023*)



### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION at ST. BENEDICT PARISH**

Eucharistic Adoration is an infinite source of grace! We are pleased to announce that we are starting Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on the **First Friday of every month, beginning in May**. As a prelude, the first whole day of Eucharistic Adoration will be on **March 31<sup>st</sup>**, a week before Good Friday. **The Blessed Sacrament will be solemnly exposed right after 9am morning Mass until 9pm** with a solemn benediction. There will be sign-up sheets in the narthex of the Church. We invite you to spend an hour with the Lord Jesus as your gift of adoration, reparation, and consolation to His most Sacred Heart.

### **SPECIAL MASSES at ST. BENEDICT PARISH**

**Feast of St. Joseph**  
 Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 9am  
**The Annunciation of the Lord**  
 Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 9am



### **MEN'S MINISTRY OUTREACH** **Men's Clothing for Inmates discharged from Maplehurst Prison**

Our newly founded men's group at St. Benedict, has graciously accepted the responsibility of collecting used men's clothing to help inmates at Maplehurst Correctional Complex, who are discharged from the prison. Sometimes, these men enter the prison with little or nothing and often don't have much upon leaving the complex. Items should be wearable i.e. washed, with no rips or holes. Categories include: Pants; Coats; Socks; Underwear; Shirts. **PLEASE, IT IS NOT A DROP OFF FOR ANYTHING ELSE - NO CHILDREN'S OR WOMEN'S CLOTHING.** Our men's group is building a drop off bin that will be accessible inside the church for you to put appropriate men's clothing items into.

Thank you to our men's group and thank you for your kindness and God bless the people of Maplehurst Correctional Complex!

Fr. Larry



### **SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR TURKEY AND SYRIA**

Deadline for Donation is **March 12<sup>th</sup>**.  
 All funds collected will be sent to the Diocese for proper distribution.



### LENTEN EVENING OF PRAYER

The Diocesan World Youth Day Delegation will be hosting a Lenten evening of Taize Prayer here at St. Benedict's Parish on Thursday, **March 30, 2023 at 7pm**. We warmly invite all families of the parish to come away to pray as we continue our journey towards Holy Week. The prayers and song will be led by the young people representing the Diocese of Hamilton on our international pilgrimage to World Youth Day. Come and meet our Diocesan delegates, and pray with us for the success of World Youth Day 2023!



### EVENINGS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY

Bishop Wayne Lobsinger invites everyone to join him for "Evenings with His Excellency". This is an opportunity to learn more about our Catholic Faith based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Class is the second Friday of each month, at 7pm - 8:30 p.m. at St. Ann Church, Ancaster. This month we will begin our look at The 10 Commandments. It is also available by livestream on St. Ann's YouTube channel. No cost, no homework, just an opportunity to learn about our faith, all are welcome.



### SHARE LENT: CREATE HOPE, STAND FOR THE LAND

With the help of our 11,000+ volunteer members, we inform Canadians about the root causes of impoverishment and mobilize them to act for change. Our Lenten campaign, **Stand for the Land** focuses on people's defence of their territories in Colombia and Honduras.

Colombia is home to nearly 10 per cent of the planet's biodiversity, yet it is also one of the most dangerous countries for people defending their land and territory against exploitation. Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's partner, the Asociación Campesina de Antioquia (ACA, Peasant Association of Antioquia) supports peasant communities affected by armed conflict in defending their lives and territories and in building a culture of peace through filmmaking and art.

Share lent envelopes will be available starting this weekend, **March 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup>**. Please make any cheques payable to St. Benedict Parish. Deadline for donation is **March 26<sup>th</sup>**. All funds from the Share Lent collection will be sent to Development and Peace/Caritas.



### CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP

Moms, join the Catholic Moms Group to catch up with prayer, fasting and almsgiving during this lent! During our March meeting we are going to be learning more about the Stations of the Cross and praying them together. And instead of our social around snacks, this time we are going to be organizing a donation for a local charity,

thus doing a bit of fasting! Subiaco Room; Wednesday, **March 15<sup>th</sup> ; 8 to 9 pm**. We gather in person every 3rd Wednesday of the month. New moms are always welcome. For questions, contact Nelcy Lopez at [stbenedictsh@catholicmomsgroup.com](mailto:stbenedictsh@catholicmomsgroup.com)



### HCDSB BUDGET SURVEY

The Halton Catholic District School Board (HCDSB) is currently reviewing their budget for the 2023-2024 school year, and are looking for feedback from our parish community! Please take a few minutes to complete the 2023-2024 HCDSB Budget Consultation Survey: [hcdsb.info/Budget-Survey](https://hcdsb.info/Budget-Survey)

The survey will remain open until Wednesday, March 15, 2023. For more information, please visit the HCDSB website at: [www.hcdsb.org](http://www.hcdsb.org).



### JOIN THE REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL

Join the Reel Justice Film Festival for our fun family screening of **Coco March 23, 2023 at 6:30 PM!** This delightful film follows young Miguel as he dreams of becoming an accomplished musician, despite his family's generations-old ban on music. Themes of Family and Community, Dignity of the Human Person, Forgiveness, and Cultural Diversity are explored. The screening will be hosted online. R.S.V.P. and view our full schedule of events at [www.reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/](http://www.reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/). A partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace, the Reel Justice Film Festival shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and economic injustice.



### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Please join the Catholic Women's League for their next general meeting on **Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm**. Our guest speaker for the evening will be Dr. Faraj Haddad. Faraj is an assistant professor at Western University in London, ON. He completed his Bachelor of Medical Sciences degree at Western University and then pursued a graduate degree in Neuroscience. His topic will be on Alzheimer's disease. Dr. Faraj Haddad is a passionate educator who loves teaching and sharing the joy of scientific discovery with the public. All women of the parish are invited to attend.

### SENSORY FRIENDLY MASS

Mary Mother of God Parish in Oakville is offering a monthly sensory friendly mass for Catholics young and old with Autism, Down Syndrome, ADHD or others with sensory sensitivities. Expect lower lights, softer music and the freedom to move or stim as necessary. Feel free to bring weighted blankets, headphones or additional supports you may need. The mass takes place the second Sunday of each month at 3:00 pm. for more info, visit [www.mmogp.ca](http://www.mmogp.ca)



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