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(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

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)
Father Kevin Upendran, Associate Pastor
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	

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Readings	Liturgy	Intention	Please Pray for
Sunday, March 19 Fourth Sunday of Lent 1 Samuel 16.1b,6-7, 10-13 Ephesians 5.8-14 John 9.1-41	Masses 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12 noon	Marietta & Donato Di Nardo Karen & Robert Latkolik Our Parish Community Special Intentions of Zahnaai Louis	
Monday, March 20 St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary 2 Samuel 7.4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Romans 4.13, 16-18, 22 Matthew 1.16, 18-21, 24a	Mass 9:00 a.m.		St. Joseph, Patron of Canada & the Universal Church
Tuesday, March 21 Ezekiel 47.1-9, 12 John 5.1-16	Mass 9:00 a.m.	Venacio Tomaz	Rev. Laszlo Amaszka
Wednesday, March 22 Isaiah 49.8-15 John 5.16-30	Mass 9:00 a.m.	Alvar Medeiros	Franciscan Fathers (O.F.M.)
Thursday, March 23 St. Turibius of Mogrovejo Exodus 32.7-14 John 5.18, 31-47	Mass 9:00 a.m.	Sylvia Rondeau	Rev. Piotr Golinski
Friday, March 24 Wisdom 2.1a, 12-22 John 7.1-2, 10, 25-30	Mass 9:00 a.m.	Intentions for Living & Deceased Members of the Medeiros family	Most Rev. Matthew Ustrzyck
Saturday, March 25 The Annunciation of the Lord Isaiah 7.10-14; 8.10d Hebrews 10.4-10 Luke 1.26-38	Mass 9:00 a.m. The Annunciation of the Lord 5:00 p.m.	Anis Rassam & Harith Aziz Derek Green Wiclaw Dziak Teresa & Jan Widz Teresita Ongyin Mabatid	The Annunciation of the Lord

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 17th, 2023)



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION at ST. BENEDICT PARISH

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 31st**, right after mass until 9pm.



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

Categories include: Pants; Coats; Socks; Underwear; Shirts. **NO CHILDREN'S OR WOMEN'S CLOTHING** please. Drop off is from **9am to 4pm everyday** starting the weekend of **March 18/19**. Bins are located at the staff entrance. Thank you.



ST. BENEDICT CHILDREN'S LITURGY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our parish is looking for volunteers for our Children's Liturgy. **Junior Leaders – 14 to 17 years of age**. Adult Leaders – 18 years old and above. If you are interested, please contact the parish office.



SHARE LENT: CREATE HOPE, STAND FOR THE LAND

Deadline for donation is **March 26th**. All funds from the Share Lent collection will be sent to Development and Peace/Caritas.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society will be at the doors after Mass on the weekend of **March 25/26** to accept your donations. Your generosity is most appreciated, and we thank you on behalf of the society and the needy of our community. Our conference is also always looking for new members. If you are interested, please contact ssvp.stbenedictsconference@gmail.com

MARCH 19, 2023

**PASTORAL LETTER FROM
BISHOP DOUGLAS CROSBY**

March 19, 2023

Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Dear Friends,

On the feast day of St. Joseph, we are given the perfect opportunity to reflect on our mission at St. Joseph's Health System: *Living the Legacy: Compassionate Care. Faith. Discovery.* Our Patron, St. Joseph, demonstrated the value of dedicated labour. As health care providers, we follow his example and the enduring legacy of our founders, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Hamilton, through a united system of care offering healing where possible, soothing the worried spirits of our patients, and demonstrating God's love through compassionate service "to the dear neighbour".

The past several years have pushed us beyond our comfort zone. COVID-19 swept through our communities without mercy, testing our skills, exhausting our spirits, and leaving many of us feeling unmoored in a new reality that was most often isolating, lonely, and gruelling. I am inspired by your steadfast commitment to the service of the sick and dying in our communities; even in our bleakest moments you held fast, weathered the storm, and shone as beacons of light and faith during dark moments.

As a health system, we are one of the largest corporations delivering care to our communities and within this ecosystem; you are each individually leaders and champions of our integrated care approach. Your commitment to excellence, innovation and leadership from local to international levels has yielded so many achievements to be proud of and celebrate because they distinguish who we are as a united system. A few examples come to mind:

- *Evidence-based research, education, and evaluation to support the advancement of Integrated Care across Canada*
- *COVID Care @ Home Integrated Comprehensive Care Program*
- *Integrated Comprehensive Care*
- *International outreach programs and our work in partnership with Nunavut's Department of Health promoting thought leadership, skills development, administrative guidance, and improved care.*
- *Compassionate care to patients wherever we meet them; long-term care, homecare, acute, chronic, mental health, and end of life care.*
- *Nurturing whole person care with interdisciplinary team cooperation, including our robust spiritual care team.*

We owe our gratitude to the individuals who generously volunteer their time on the member and foundation boards of our institutions, sharing their expertise, keeping us focused on our mission, vision, and values, while also ensuring good governance and stewardship throughout the year. Our leadership's teams must also be acknowledged for their unwavering dedication to the people we serve and the talented team who deliver on our promise of care daily. Your ability to work together for the benefit of all is inspiring.

As we celebrate everything we have accomplished together, we remain committed to the privilege of service embedded in our mission and vision as a health system and the values of dignity, respect, service, justice, responsibility, and enquiry that personify our leadership as healers and as people of faith.

Be assured of my continued support and that of the Diocese of Hamilton for each of you as you serve our patients and families with dedication, excellence and enthusiasm. I pray for you, sisters and brothers in Christ, in my daily prayers, as faithful leaders in our community and steadfast carers who serve those seeking help and who continually stretch out a hand of peace and love "to the more" in our communities.

Today, and everyday, as we serve in our respective roles, please remember that "we are all Sisters of St. Joseph".

Happy St. Joseph's Day!

Sincerely in Christ and Mary Immaculate,

(Most Rev.) Douglas Crosby, OMI
Bishop of Hamilton



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/. 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.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis invites all parish ministers, youth ministry leaders to join in our annual Vacation Bible School workshop in preparation for summer children's ministry. New to VBS? Looking to learn more about recruiting youth volunteers? Want a peek at new VBS kits available this year? Come and join us for this informative virtual workshop on April 19, 2023 from 7:00-8:30pm. Registration is available on the Diocesan website: www.hamiltondiocese.com.



YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT

April 1st – Guelph - Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), Social with Food (7:30pm-8:30pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, April 1st at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk Street, Guelph). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

LEGION OF MARY

Meetings at 7pm on Tuesdays. All are welcome.



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