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- 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 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 905-876-2386
Mrs. Rosanna LoPresti, Principal

Lumen Christi Elementary 905-636-9692
Mr. Joe Jurus, 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

PALM SUNDAY

Readings	Liturgy	Intention	Please Pray for
Sunday, March 25 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Mark 11:1-10 Isaiah 50:4-7 Philippians 2:6-11 Mark 14:1 – 15:47	Mass – Our Lady of Fatima School 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 noon	Our Parish Community	
Monday, March 26 Isaiah 42:1-7 John 12:1-11	7:00 p.m. Chrism Mass Cathedral-Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton		Rev. David Reilander
Tuesday, March 27 Isaiah 49:1-6 John 13:21-33, 36-38	Mass- Jean Vanier High School Chapel - 9:00 a.m.	Derek Green	Rev. Tom Moisan
Wednesday, March 28 Isaiah 50:4-9 Matthew 26:14-26	Mass- Jean Vanier High School Chapel - 9:00 a.m.	Pat Ferris	Chaplains
Thursday, March 29 Mass of the Lord's Supper Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 John 13:1-15	Mass- Our Lady of Fatima School 7:00 p.m. - Mass of the Lord's Supper	Living & Deceased Priests of the Hamilton Diocese	Holy Thursday
Friday, March 30 The Passion of the Lord Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12 Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9 John 18:1 – 19:42	Mass- Our Lady of Fatima School 12:00 p.m. Contemporary Service 3:00 p.m. Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Death		Good Friday
Saturday, March 31 Holy Saturday Genesis 1:1 – 2:2 Genesis 22:1-18 Exodus 14:15-31; 15:20 Isaiah 54:5-14 Isaiah 55:1-11 Baruch 3:9-15, 32-4:4 Ezekiel 36:16-17, 18-28 Romans 6:3-11 Mark 16:1-8	Our Lady of Fatima School 10:00 a.m. – Blessing of Easter Foods Mass – Our Lady of Fatima School 7:00 p.m. Easter Vigil	Living & Deceased Members of St. Benedict Parish	Rev. Andrew Quarshie

Rectory Office Hours

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

SUPPORT REPORT

March 18

Sunday Collection	\$2415
Share Lent	1064
Easter Flowers	91
Loose Collection	<u>725</u>
Total	\$4295

BLESSING OF THE EASTER FOODS

On **Holy Saturday March 31st at 10:00 a.m.** we will be celebrating an ancient tradition of the Church of blessing the foods that our families will be using for our Easter meal. You are invited to bring breads, meats and other items that will enhance our celebration of this great feast. This celebration will take place at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Elementary School.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated each Saturday afternoon from 4:00 pm-4:30 pm at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Elementary School in the Prayer Chapel. Due to the Easter Season extra opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be provided:
Holy Saturday March 31st 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Palm Sunday

MASS OF CHRISM

Bishop Crosby invites all Catholics to the **Mass of Chrism** on **Monday March 26th at 7:00 pm** at the Cathedral-Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton. This beautiful Mass celebrates the institution of the priesthood and all the sacred oils will be blessed for the celebration of the various sacraments throughout our diocese. All the priests of the diocese will be present to renew their vows to the Lord and the bishop. It is a beautiful way to begin Holy Week.

SCHEDULE OF HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Holy Thursday March 29th
Mass of the Lord's Supper
7:00 p.m.

Good Friday March 30th
Commemoration of the Lord's Passion and Death
12:00 noon
Liturgical Celebration for Children and Families
3:00 p.m.
Solemn Liturgical Celebration

Holy Saturday March 31st
Easter Vigil
7:00 p.m.
This is the most important liturgical celebration in the Roman Catholic Church. All are invited to be part of this beautiful ceremony.

Easter Sunday April 1st
Solemnity of the Resurrection of Our Lord
8:00 a.m.; 10:00 a.m.; 12 noon
There are no Masses anywhere on Easter Sunday afternoon or evening in the Diocese of Hamilton

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.



St Vincent de Paul will be collecting for the Poor at the end of all the masses this weekend.
Please give generously.

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 Violanta Nicholson (647-241-9607) or email vcnicholson@hotmail.com



THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

How about adding some laughter and fun in our daily hectic schedule???

We, at St. Benedict's CWL could help you. Here we come together once a month not only to pray but have some fun by laughing and joking in a Christian atmosphere of friendship and sharing.

All women 18 years and above can join the league and attend our once a month meeting which is on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm at Our Lady of Fatima School Library. Come and join us and be part of this wonderful league. Membership is an annual fee of \$35.

If you would like to get more information, please contact us at cwlmilton@gmail.com

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 3rd

CAPITAL CORNER – BUILD THE LIGHT:

Living In God's House Together

The Parish Family of Saint Benedict Parish is engaging in a Capital Campaign which will finally allow us to build our new church! We are inspired by the support of the Diocese of Hamilton and all our loyal parishioners who call Saint Benedict their home. Our newly formed Committee has named our campaign "**BUILD THE LIGHT: Living In God's House Together**". The campaign name also recognizes that our new church's architecture and design emphasises light – physically and spiritually. We are very excited about the prospect of having a church building to call our own, so that we may **Live In God's House Together**: worshipping, praying, reflecting and building community. You will hear more about our **BUILD THE LIGHT** campaign in the coming months. But, for us to be successful, we need volunteers to be Campaign Ambassadors. If interested, please fill in a volunteer form (found on chairs and at tables at the back of the church and in the lobby) or contact the office at 289-878-3118. *We really need your Help!*

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