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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 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 Mrs. Rosanna LoPresti, Principal	905-876-2386
<u>Lumen Christi Elementary</u> Mr. Patrick Mayne, Principal	905-636-9692
Our Lady of Fatima Elementary Mr. Kevin Brady, Principal	905-864-0720
Saint Benedict Elementary Mr. Josey Guerin, Principal	289-851-9353

905-636-8799

Jean Vanier Secondary

Mr. Gino Montanari, Principal

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Readings	Liturgy	Intention	Please Pray for
Sunday, March 5	Mass – Our Lady of Fatima	Our Parish Community	
First Sunday of Lent	School		
Genesis 2:7-9, 16-18, 25; 3:1-7	9:00 a.m.		
Romans 5:12-19	11:00 a.m.		
Matthew 4:1-11			
Monday, March 6	No Mass		
Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18			
Matthew 25:31-46			
Tuesday, March 7	Mass- Jean Vanier High School	Intentions of	Rev. Jozo Grubisic,
Sts. Perpetua and Felicity	Chapel - 9:00 a.m.	Yasmeen Farooqui	O.F.M.
Isaiah 55:10-11	_	_	
Matthew 6:7-15			
Wednesday, March 8	Mass- Jean Vanier High School	Manuel D'Souza	Sister Adorers of the
St. John of God	Chapel - 9:00 a.m.		Precious Blood
Jonah 3:1-10	1		(R.P.B.)
Luke 11:29-32			, ,
Thursday, March 9	Mass- Jean Vanier High School	Fr. Herculan Silveira	Rev. Marko Puljic,
St. Frances of Rome	Chapel - 9:00 a.m.		O.F.M.
Esther 14:1, 3-5, 12-14	Mass – Birkdale Retirement	Felizarda Coutinho	
Matthew 7:7-12	611 Farmstead Drive – 10:30 a.m.		
Friday, March 10	Mass- Jean Vanier High School	Thanksgiving	Rev. Jason Kuntz
Ezekiel 18:21-28	Chapel - 9:00 a.m.		
Matthew 5:20-26	-		
Saturday, March 11	Mass – Our Lady of Fatima	Carmen Muscat	Rev. Steven Costello,
Deuteronomy 16:16-19	School		L.C.
Matthew 5:43-48	5:00 p.m.		

Rectory Office Hours

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

SUPPORT REPORT			
February 26			
Sunday Collection (146) Envelopes	\$2026		
Loose Collection	612		
Seminary Education	<u>922</u>		
Total	\$3560		

COME AND SEE RETREAT

Men interested in the vocation to the priesthood are invited to the Come and See Retreat at St. Augustine's Seminary in Toronto on the weekend of March 17 – 19. This is a unique opportunity to spend time with those studying for the priesthood, hear their stories, and pray for your vocation. More details at www.HamiltonVocations.com

WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The Catholic Women's League of St. Benedict Parish invite all women from the age group of

18 years and above to join them in their monthly meeting which is on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm at Our Lady of Fatima School staff room. Membership fees are \$35.00

Next Meeting: March 7 Guest Speaker: Nancy Romic

Nancy is from Shifra Homes which is a maternity residence and homeless shelter in Burlington. They are the only maternity residence in all of Halton and area. They support young women between the ages of 16-27. Shifra Homes teaches them life skills, assists them with pre- and post-natal care and shows them how to become wonderful mothers to their children.

For more information, please contact: Lily Gall 289-878-9909

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.

PILGRIMAGE TO QUEBEC

July 17-21, 2017 (4 nights & 5 days)

Visiting Our Lady of the Cape, St. Anne de Beaupre, St. Joachim Shrine, Old Quebec and St. Joseph Oratory. You will have an opportunity to see and pass through the Holy Door in the Basilica-Cathedral in Quebec City. Fr. Jim Petrie will be the Spiritual Director on the trip.

For more info please call Tas @ 905-578-3846 or Peggy Mok @ 905-691-1105.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

March 1 - April 9 (8am to 8pm)

Pray as a family this Lent.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Saturdays @ 10am & Sundays @ 3pm - Hour of Group Prayer (Oakville Hospital)

March. 20th @ 7pm - Mass for Life with Bishop Miehm at St. Dominic's (Oakville)

April. 9th @ 3pm - Final Day Group Prayer outside the Oakville Hospital *******

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+Wedding Anniversary in the year 2017? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 25, 2017 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Please refer to the poster on the bulletin board for St. Benedict Parish at Our Lady of Fatima School for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

LOOKING AT THE 10 COMMANDMENTS FROM A NEW PERSPECTIVE"

Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. (Joshua 1:8). To be prosperous and successful, God is giving us one foundational strategy: Follow Him.

Some people today look at the Ten Commandments as 10 Suggestions. But the truth is God's commands are

unchangeable because they deal with morality, not methods. Methods, styles, approaches, paradigms can be innovated, but never morality! A million years from now, killing, adultery, stealing, disrespecting parents will still be wrong while honesty, humility, kindness faithfulness will still be right.

Want to know more? Join us, The LOJ Feast Milton, a Catholic Charismatic community, on the following dates. Experience the joy of worshipping our God, be transformed by His words and meet new friends:

MAR 11...Talk #2 COMMANDMENTS 1-4

APR 1.....Talk #3 COMMANDMENTS 5-7

MAY 6....Talk #\$ COMMANDMENTS 8-10

The Feast, a place of miracles, is held in the gym of the Holy Rosary School, 141 Martin St. Milton. It is open to all! No tickets necessary, only your open heart and open spirit. We have separate activities for youth and children so bring them along! WORSHIP STARTS AT 2:00 PM.

For more info, please call Bing/Angie Buhain at 905-462-5072 or Rey/Elvie Reyes at 647-407-3294. You can also visit our website, lojcanada.com or FB/feast.milton.

CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

Is your child in Grade 6? Did you know we celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in Grade 7 in the Diocese of Hamilton?

Confirmations at our parish are normally celebrated in the Fall of each year. Because it will come quickly upon us, we want you to be ready in advance. 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 www.hamiltondiocese.com or call Monica Verin at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238.

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 Dsouza (905-864-6489)

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