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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 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](http://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](http://www.hamiltonvocations.com)

### PARISH SCHOOLS

Guardian Angels Elementary 905-876-2386  
Mrs. Rosanna LoPresti, Principal

Lumen Christi Elementary 905-636-9692  
Mr. Patrick Mayne, 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

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Readings	Liturgy	Intention	Please Pray for
<b>Sunday, November 27</b> <b>First Sunday of Advent</b> Isaiah 2:1-5 Romans 13:11-14 Matthew 24:37-44	Mass – Our Lady of Fatima School 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Our Parish Community	
<b>Monday, November 28</b> Isaiah 4:2-6 Matthew 8:5-11, 13	No Mass		Rev. Pablito Labado
<b>Tuesday, November 29</b> Isaiah 11:1-10 Luke 10:21-24	Mass- Jean Vanier High School Chapel - 9:00 a.m.	John Key	Rev. Robert Dunn
<b>Wednesday, November 30</b> <b>St. Andrew</b> Romans 10:9-18 Matthew 4:18-22	Mass- Jean Vanier High School Chapel - 9:00 a.m.	Michael Mathew	Society of the Catholic Apostolate
<b>Thursday, December 1</b> Isaiah 26:1-6 Matthew 7:21, 24-27	Mass- Jean Vanier High School Chapel - 9:20 a.m.	Robert Rivet	Rev. Scott Whitfield
<b>Friday, December 2</b> Isaiah 29:17-24 Matthew 9:27-31	Mass- Jean Vanier High School 9:25 a.m. Mass- Jean Vanier High School 10:25 a.m.	Special Intention  Doris Mifsud	Very Rev. Ian Duffy
<b>Saturday, December 3</b> <b>St. Francis Xavier</b> Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26 Matthew 9:35 – 10:1, 5, 6-8	Mass – Our Lady of Fatima School 5:00 p.m.	Deceased members of the DeCunha & Tavares Families	Rev. Joseph Durkacz



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



**UPCOMING EVENTS FOR  
 THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**  
**Tuesday, December 6th** – Dessert pot luck -  
 Members are invited to bring and share their  
 favorite dessert

**Saturday, December 10th** – Advent Retreat – Theme,  
 “Preparing for the Lord”

All ladies of the parish are welcome to attend!  
 Ladies – It is Membership renewal time! Please remember  
 to renew your CWL membership for 2017. We also invite  
 all ladies of our parish to join us as new members to help in  
 serving our Parish community. Our annual dues remain at  
 \$35. If you are an envelope holder, the blue CWL envelope  
 is in with the November envelopes and can be put in the  
 collection basket at Mass or dropped off at the parish office.

**CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES**  
 Programs available for children from Kindergarten through  
 to High School not currently receiving religious instruction.  
 Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for  
 children not in Catholic Schools also available. Families  
 work through the programs at home. Contact Monica in the  
 Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or check out  
 our website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) and click on the

**SUPPORT REPORT**

Sunday Collection (144) Envelopes	\$2270
Loose Collection	630
Building Fund	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2920</b>

### PARISH NEWS



### BLESSING FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS

If you are having a child in the  
 near future, you are welcome to join Fr. Jim after the masses  
 next weekend December 3 & 4 to take part in a blessing for  
 expectant mothers.



*The St. Vincent de Paul Collection  
 is this weekend.  
 Your generosity is appreciated.*

Catechesis Office for more information, printable registration forms or to register online.



The Catholic Community of St. Benedict Parish welcomes the following children who were baptized in November. We support them with our prayers and ask that their parents nurture them so they can grow up to be faith filled people of God and our Parish Community.

Sydney Ahearn, Olivia and Ainsley Bodden, Gracelynn Del Valle, Roland Etchen, Brodie and Zachary Gallagher, Drew, Scott and Todd Garven, Nevaeh Johnson, Alyssa and Jacob Khan, Lillianna Lombardi, Ava Lumbre, Savannah Norville and Sienna Yamani.

### 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 D'souza (905-864-6489)



"Each year at Christmas Saint Vincent de Paul helps families in need to have an enjoyable Christmas. This year we shall be giving gift cards and food vouchers to needy families within our community of Milton. Our Angel program will commence on Saturday

November 12. Returns will be the weekends of November 19/20 and November 26/27. Donations will be distributed on December 11. Thank you for your support."

### 2016 WHITE MASS – DEC. 12 7 p.m. at St. Gabriel Parish

Consistent with the white coats and uniforms formerly worn by physicians and nurses, the **WHITE MASS** is celebrated annually for the spiritual support of healthcare professionals, clergy, chaplains and all caregivers.

Join ACTheals, Hamilton Region (formerly the Association of Christian Therapists) as we welcome **Fr. Ted Slaman**, who will celebrate this year's **WHITE MASS** on the **Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at St. Gabriel Church, 2261 Parkway Dr., Burlington.**

Refreshments and video of Our Lady of Guadalupe to follow. A good will offering would be appreciated to help

cover expenses. For more information please call 905-335-6902.

### PROLIFE FUNDRAISER

"Campaign Life Coalition is launching its annual fundraiser for PROLIFE with the sale of Christmas fruitcakes. These fruitcakes come from the *Monks of Val Notre-Dame Abbey* in Quebec and are scrumptious, rich and exquisitely delicious. The traditional bar cakes weigh 600g for \$15.00, while the larger deluxe cakes weigh 1000g at \$25.00

This year the monks have added an "Abbey Gift Basket" composed of 2 boxes of premium chocolates (maple and caramel-filled) a mini fruitcake and a jar of Oakaramel Maple Spread for \$25.00.

They make wonderful gifts for family and friends or corporate gifts.

They will be on sale after every Mass starting this Sunday. To place an order, you may contact Ivan Dsouza at 647-899-6478 or email [ivandsouza2001@yahoo.com](mailto:ivandsouza2001@yahoo.com)

*Free delivery within the parish.*

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE

The Milton Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual food drive. As our community continues to grow there is an increasing demand on our local food bank. Help support families in need by bringing non-perishable food items to mass. The Knights of Columbus will be at the back of the church or in the parking lot collecting donations after every mass. The drive will run every weekend from November 26<sup>th</sup> to December 18<sup>th</sup>. Please donate a item or a few, with your support we can all make a difference in our community.

### EUTHANASIA/ASSISTED – DID YOU KNOW?

Now that Canada has legalized assisted suicide/euthanasia, did you know that doctors in Ontario are forced to provide direct referrals for patients seeking to end their lives? Doctors who object to helping to kill their patients see a direct referral as being an accomplice to assisted suicide. No foreign jurisdiction in the world that has legalized euthanasia/assisted suicide has forced health care workers or facilities to act against their conscience. 8 other provinces in Canada have adopted protocols to protect doctors and institutions. Visit [www.CanadiansforConscience.ca](http://www.CanadiansforConscience.ca) to learn more and to write directly to the Ontario government.

"They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks." If God is calling you to ministerial service, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

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