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ADVENT

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 21st to December 27th	SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION	JESSICA CAMPOLI & FAMILY	
READINGS	LITURGY	INTENTION	PLEASE PRAY FOR
Sunday, December 21st	Masses		
Fourth Sunday of Advent	9:00 a.m.	Manuel & Mary Correia	
Isaiah 7.10-14	3.00 d.m.	Wander & Wary Correla	
Romans 1.1-7	10:30 a.m.	Our Parish Community	Fourth Sunday of
Matthew 1.18-24	10.30 a.m.	Our ransii community	Advent
"Jesus was born of Mary, who was engaged	12:00 p.m.	+John Lekarczyk	
to Joseph, son of David"	12.00 β.π.	130111 EERGI CZYK	
Monday, December 22 nd	Mass		
1 Samuel 1.24-28	9:00 a.m.	Int. of Regina D'Mello	
Luke 1.46-56			Rev. Richard Dordunu
	Mass -Simbang Gabi	+Priscilla Aquino Concepcion	
	7pm		
Tuesday, December 23 rd	·		
St. John of Kanty	Mass		
Malachi 3.1-4; 4.5-6	9:00 a.m.	Int. of Caroline Glaessel	Rev. Robert Kiffman
Luke 1.57-66			
Wednesday, December 24 th	Mass		
2 Samuel 7.1-5, 8-12, 16	9:00 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory	
Luke 1.67-79			
The Nativity of the Lord – Vigil	4:00 p.m.	+Clint Cabio	
Isaiah 62.1-5			Consecrated Virgin
Acts 13.16-17, 22-25	6:00 p.m	+Lanti Herlina Halim	Candidates
Matthew 1.1-25	Jaco pili		
"Mary will bear a son, and you are to name	8:00 p.m.	FRENCH MASS	
him Jesus"	· ·		
	10:00 p.m.	Sp. Int. of Santiago Family	
Thursday, December 25 th	·	,	
The Nativity of the Lord -Midnight			
Isaiah 9.2-4, 6-7	84		The Medicine of The
Titus 2.11-14	Mass	. Cooperali Coopiinto	The Nativity of The
Luke 2.1-16++	12:00 a.m.	+Goenadi Soetjipto	Lord
"To you is born this day a Saviour, who is the			
Christ."			
Thursday, December 25 th	Mass		
The Nativity of the Lord -Day	9:00 a.m.	+Faily Mendoza	
Isaiah 52.7-10			The Nativity of The
Hebrews 1.1-6	10:30 a.m.	Sp. Int. of Tashi Jerome	Lord
John 1.1-18			
"The Word became flesh and lived among us"	12:00 p.m.	Sp. Int. of Kimberly Noronha	
Friday, December 26 th	Mass		
St. Stephen, The First Martyr	9:00 a.m.	+Aleyamma Mathew	Rev. Jason Kuntz
Acts 6.8-10, 7.54-59	Friday Eucharistic Adoration		nev. Jason Kuntz
Matthew 10.17-22	9:30am to 10:30am		
Saturday, December 27 th	Mass	+Chris Gillis	
St. John, The Apostle	5:00 p.m.	+James D'Costa	
1 John 1.1-4	(Livestreamed)	Souls in Purgatory	Rev. Andrew Lopatniuk
John 20.2-8		Thanksgiving	
		Sp. Int. of Tagu family	
For more information: please visit: Jubilee 2025			



Our parish bulletin is also available online. For more information, updates and events, please visit our

parish website: <u>www.stbenedictparish.ca</u>

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 Narthex , from the website or by scanning this code.



2025-2026 ST. BENEDICT PARISH CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR SCHEDULE THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD			
Holy Family			
Saturday, Dec 27 th	5pm		
Sunday, Dec 28 th	9am 10:30am 12pm		
MARY, THE MOST HOLY MOTHER OF GOD			
New Year's Eve Wednesday, Dec 31st	5pm 8pm (French)		
New Year's Day Thursday, Jan 1 st	9am 10:30am 12pm		
Epiphany of the Lord			
Saturday, Jan 3 rd	5pm		
Sunday, Jan 4 th	9am 10:30am 12pm		
OFFICE HOURS			
Dec 24 th & 31 st : 9am to 12pm			
Dec 25 th , 26 th & Jan 1 st : Office Closed			
Dec 27 th & 28 th : Weekend (Office Closed)			



WHEN LIFE CHANGES PART ONE (1) GRIEF RELIEF

Dec 29th & Dec 30th : 9am to 4:30pm

Jan 2nd – Regular office hours resumes

Jan 3rd & Jan 4th: Weekend (Office Closed)



you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? You are not alone! The Hamilton Diocese offers a sixweek grief program for your support. Facilitated by Deacon Leonard Gallant, part one of the program will be offered on Thursdays from January 8th to February 12th from 7:00-8:30pm and will be held at St. Benedict Parish Hall. Registration is required. Please click this link to register.



2026 SUNDAY DONATION ENVELOPES

The **2026** Sunday Donation envelopes are now available for pick-up. Please note:

- ✓ Envelopes are arranged alphabetically by last name.
- ✓ Take only the box with your name and address.
- ✓ Envelopes will be available for 3 months; unclaimed sets will be returned to inventory. Contact the office for a new set if needed.
- ✓ Please do not use old envelopes, as IDs may have been reassigned.
- ✓ Write your name on the first few envelopes to ensure donations are posted correctly.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support!

CCC (CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES)

Do your children attend public or private school or do you home-school? If you are wondering how to support their ongoing formation in religious education, the Diocese of Hamilton offers Catechetical Correspondence Programs for every age and stage from Kindergarten through to High School including programs specially designed to assist children preparing for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation. Click HERE for more information or call 905-528-7988 x2339.



Wishing you a Blessed and Joyful Christmas!

Father Parent, Father Reitzel,
Deacon Joe, Deacon Leonard,
and the entire staff of St. Benedict Parish

BAPTISM

BAPTISM The Catholic community of St. Benedict Parish welcomes the following children who were baptized in the month of Month 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.

Azriel Romeo Delgado Bagui, Elijah Jacob Matthew Cretzman, Derek Adam Dcruz, Luke Dean Pellegrino, Dylan Cadel De Leon Santos, Isaiah Santos, Vida Santos, Aaliyah Skye Shewell, Jenevieve Rebekah Soares, Jodie Christen Torrano

ATTENTION ALL DRIVERS

We kindly remind everyone that double parking is not allowed in our parking area. Double parking causes inconvenience to others and may lead to potential safety hazards. To ensure smooth traffic flow and fair parking for all, please make sure to park your vehicle only in designated parking spaces. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

Have you considered taking advantage of the opportunity to give to the parish through our pre-authorized giving program? Pre-authorized giving replaces weekly cash or cheque offerings with monthly transfers from your bank account directly to the parish. Not only is this method of giving helpful to the parish, it is also more convenient for you — and, most importantly, it encourages us to give in a way that is intentional, faithful, and sacrificial. You are encouraged to prayerfully reflect on whether this method of giving is right for you. Pre-Authorized forms can be found in Church Narthex or our website: PAD Form

PARENTING TIP #174

Christmas is a wonderful time of year! We see family, experience the joys of gift giving and receiving and have some time as a family just to be. It is however, more than any of these things, the celebration of the birth of Christ. In the hustle and bustle of the season we can forget to focus on this moment, where a child came into the world so that each of us could experience the profound gift of Salvation. This Christmas, enjoy all the fun stuff, but remember to focus, through stories, Mass, prayer and discussions, on the joy of Christ's birth and the real reason for the season. (From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

MARRIAGE TIP #154

Marriage is a journey that two people undertake with a plan to navigate life together. When researchers investigate what makes the journey both long and happy, many things come into play, but a strong one is repeated by most: "I married my best friend." It is good to ask yourself then, are you being a good friend to your spouse? Do you spend time together, share parts of your day, invite them to share in an event with you, watch a movie together, or even a series that can become together time? Do you call once in awhile to say hello during the time you are not together and plan time for your spouse in your agenda — everyday? Are you patient when they make a mistake, are not perfect, or let you down? Friendships thrive and last in this kind of environment, so make friendship a foundation of your marriage. (From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250).



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