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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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
(First Friday – 9:30am to 9:00 p.m.)

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 Father Mark Morley, 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
Father Jonathan Reitzel, Associate Pastor
Rev. Mr. Leonard Gallant, Permanent Deacon
Rev. Mr. Joseph Murphy, Permanent Deacon
Mrs. Karen Vitoria-Miguel, Pastoral Minister/Music Director
Mrs. Alma Paje, Office Administrator
Mrs. Rosario Pinto, Bookkeeper
Mrs. Lenie D'Souza, Office Assistant

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 Narthex or from the website.

PARISH SCHOOLS

<u>Guardian Angels Elementary</u> Nick Laratta, Principal	905-876-2386
<u>Lumen Christi Elementary</u> Daniela Attardo, Principal	905-636-9692
<u>Our Lady of Fatima Elementary</u> Kelly Stephens, Principal	905-864-0720
<u>St. Benedict Elementary</u> Mark Witter, Principal	289-851-9353
<u>St. Josephine Bakhita Elementary</u> Vince Chininea, Principal	289-878-0918
<u>St. Scholastica Elementary</u> Ann-Marie Melchionna, Principal	905-864-0344
<u>St. Veronica Elementary</u> Angelina Barden- Principal	289-878-0916
<u>St. Francis Xavier Secondary School</u> Adriano Perusin, Principal	905-636-8799
<u>St. Kateri Tekakwitha Secondary School</u> Kevin Wong, Principal	289-878-2038

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 7 th to December 13 th	SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION	MAROTTA/LASICA FAMILIES	
READINGS	LITURGY	INTENTION	PLEASE PRAY FOR
Sunday, December 7th Second Sunday of Advent Isaiah 11.1-10 Romans 15.4-9 Matthew 3.1-12 <i>"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."</i>	Masses 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	+Rodney Fernandes +Mabel Fernandez Our Parish Community	Second Sunday of Advent
Monday, December 8th The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Genesis 3.9-15,20 Ephesians 1.3-6, 11-12 Luke 1.26-38	Mass 9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Sp. Int. of Isabelle Marianne Jerome +Mitrowski Andrew	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday, December 9th St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin Isaiah 40.1-11 Matthew 18.12-14	Mass 9:00 a.m.	+Jackson Mok	Rev. Ronald Voisin
Wednesday, December 10th Our Lady of Loreto Isaiah 40.25-31 Matthew 11.28-30	Mass 9:00 a.m. Advent Confession 6:30pm to 8:30pm	+Loreto Serrano	Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, C.Ss.R.
Thursday, December 11th St. Damasus Isaiah 41.13-20 Matthew 11.11-15	Mass 9:00 a.m.	Deceased members of the Vicencio Family	Catholic Young Adults
Friday, December 12th Our Lady of Guadalupe Zechariah 2.10-13 or Revelation 11.19a; 12.1, 3-6a, 10ab Luke 1.39-47	Mass 9:00 a.m. <i>Friday Eucharistic Adoration</i> <i>9:30am to 10:30am</i>	Int. of Margaret Santiago	Our Lady of Guadalupe National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples
Saturday, December 13th St. Lucy Sirach 48.1-4, 9-11 Matthew 17.10-13	Mass 5:00 p.m. <i>(Livestreamed)</i>	+Jose Aynikal +Desiderio Calimag +Guadalupe Pintor +Felicitia Morales +John Zammit	Rev. Michael McHugh
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: www.stbenedictparish.ca



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CHRISTMAS CANTATA AT ST. BENEDICT PARISH

Join us on **Friday, December 12, 2025 at 7pm** as St. Benedict's Ensemble Choir presents its Second Annual Christmas Cantata. This year, we are excited to have children in our parish community accompany us in performing the Nativity pageant. We hope to see you there!

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER IN SOLIDARITY WITH INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

The Canadian Catholic Indigenous Council, founded by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) in 1998, proposes that the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe (December 12th) be a National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with the Indigenous Peoples. All are invited to join their Indigenous sisters and brothers in a special way this day through prayer and acts of solidarity.



CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP

Get ready for the Lord inspired by the Nativity!

December 11th, 2025 St Benedict Parish, Subiaco room. Meeting from 8:00 to 9. Tea and social from 7:30 to 8:00 pm. For more information contact Nelcy Lopez stbenedictsh@catholicmomsgroup.com

**2025-2026 ST. BENEDICT PARISH
CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR SCHEDULE**

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Christmas Eve Wednesday, Dec 24 th	4pm 6pm 8pm (French) 10pm
Christmas Midnight Thursday, Dec 25 th	12am (livestreamed)
Christmas Day Thursday, Dec 25 th	9am 10:30am 12pm
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 31 st	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 24th & 31st : 9am to 12pm
 Dec 25th, 26th & Jan 1st : Office Closed
 Dec 27th & 28th : Weekend (Office Closed)
 Dec 29th & Dec 30th : 9am to 4:30pm
 Jan 2nd – Regular office hours resumes
 Jan 3rd & Jan 4th : Weekend (Office Closed)



SPECIAL SCREENING INVITATION

We are very excited to announce that on **Saturday December 13th**, we will be hosting, "The Chosen, Holy Night Special" watch party from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm. This is a licensed viewing of a Christmas special by Dallas Jenkins the creator of the popular series, The Chosen. The evening will commence with a 6:15 pm cartoon pre-show of the animated Chosen Adventures followed by the main live-action movie of the Holy Night Special at 7:00 pm. Bring your favourite snacks and enjoy the event! Sign up for this free event on our parish website and the QR link on the bulletin and TV display.



**WHEN LIFE CHANGES PART ONE (1) –
GRIEF RELIEF**

Has someone you cared about died? Are 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 six-week 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, at 300 Yates Drive, Milton, ON



LEGION OF MARY



The Legion of Mary meets every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Nursia Room. The Junior Praesidium meets every Saturday at 11:00 a.m., also in the Nursia Room.

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!



SIMBANG GABI at ST. BENEDICT PARISH

Join us as we joyfully celebrate the spirit of Advent through Simbang Gabi, a beloved tradition that draws us closer to the joyful coming of Christ. We invite everyone to attend our special evening Masses at **7:00 PM on Wednesday, December 17, Friday, December 19, and Monday, December 22**. Come and be part of this meaningful time of prayer, hope, and community. Light refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall after each Mass, offering a warm opportunity for fellowship as we journey together toward Christmas.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Keep Christ in Christmas and Gift Card Sales

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting our annual Keep Christ in Christmas program and Gift Card Sales throughout the month of December. We invite you to stop by our table after Mass to purchase Keep Christ in Christmas lawn signs or magnets, as well as gift cards for your holiday shopping. Every purchase goes directly toward supporting parish programs, charitable works, and families in need through the Knights works.



ANNUAL CHURCH CHRISTMAS PARTY

Celebrate the Season Together!

Come join us for our annual Church Christmas Party — a joyful evening of fellowship, laughter, and Christmas cheer for the whole family! *Christmas carols and music; Fun games and activities for all ages; A surprise visit from Santa!* 🎅 Let's come together as a community to celebrate the birth of Jesus and the blessings of the season.

📅 Date: December 21, 2025 ⌚ Time: 1:30-4:30PM

📍 Location: Church Hall 💰 Price: \$15.00 (1 child and 1 adult)

CHRISTMAS YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT



During the Christmas Season, Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, January 3rd at Annunciation of Our Lord (280 Limeridge Road West, Hamilton). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/> For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

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