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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 IN ORDINARY TIME

January 18 th to January 24 th	SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION	KAREN AKAM & FAMILY	
READINGS	LITURGY	INTENTION	PLEASE PRAY FOR
Sunday, January 18th Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 49.3, 5-6 1 Corinthians 1.1-3 John 1.29-34 <i>"Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"</i>	Masses 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	+Cristalina Moralita +Virginia Ezikanyi Our Parish Community	Prayer for Christian Unity Jan 18-25
Monday, January 19th 1 Samuel 15.16-23 Mark 2.18-22	Mass 9:00 a.m.	+Lina Gennacaro Pillegi	Rev. Donald Wilhelm
Tuesday, January 20th St. Fabian ; St. Sebastian 1 Samuel 16.1-13 Mark 2.23-28	Mass 9:00 a.m.	+Armando Dela Parra	Rev. Arpee Nicolas Urquico
Wednesday, January 21st St. Agnes 1 Samuel 17.32-33, 37, 40-51 Mark 3.1-6	Mass 9:00 a.m.	Sp. Int. of Randa Sasha Isthephan	Hospitaller Order of St. John of God, O.H.
Thursday, January 22nd St. Vincent 1 Samuel 18.6-9; 19.1-7 Mark 3.7-12	Mass 9:00 a.m.	Sp. Int. of Katerine Sterenczak	Rev. Guillermo Diaz
Friday, January 23rd 1 Samuel 24.2-20 Mark 3.13-19	Mass 9:00 a.m. <i>Friday Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am to 10:30am</i>	+Juliet D'Rozario	Rev. Paul Edmondstone
Saturday, January 24th St. Francis de Sales 2 Samuel 1.1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27 Mark 3.20-21	Mass 5:00 p.m. <i>(Livestreamed)</i>	+Ignatio Viegas Sp. Int. of Maisam & Mina Al-Rais Sp. Int. of Tom Evora Sp. Int. of Victoria & Kelechi +Ryszard Leszczewski	Rev. Grzegorz Ogorzalek



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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PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY – Jan 18-25

The week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated around the world on January 18-25, which are also the dates recommended by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. However, there has also been a long-standing practice by a number of communities to celebrate the Week of Prayer on optional dates, in order to include two Sundays. This universal week of prayer encourages Christians of all denominations to meet, to participate in various liturgical and other community activities, and to pray together that all may be one, as Christ desires. The importance of unity among Christian and the responsibility of the people of each parish to work for this unity should be emphasized throughout the week. All members of the parish should seek to have a deeper understanding of ecumenism.



TMII – SPRING SESSION

Are you ready for The Fight of Faith? St. Benedict Catholic Men's Group is continuing with its third year of TMII (That Man Is You). The Spring sessions begin on **January 24**. The free, interactive program focused on the development of male leadership will unfold in 13 enriching sessions held on Saturdays - 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. Each session includes fellowship and coffee, video and small group discussions. Scores of men attended and benefitted from the second year's fall and spring sessions. Experience the power of transformation and equip yourself to engage in the cosmic, spiritual battle raging in our world. For registration and details visit the parish website.



SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JANUARY 18, 2026

St. Paul tells us that we have been sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be a holy people. Could it be that you or someone in your family is being called to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister? Contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, vocations@hamiltondiocese.com hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/



INSTALLATION OF THE 10TH BISHOP OF HAMILTON

The Installation of His Excellency, Bishop Joseph Dabrowski, as the 10th Bishop of Hamilton will take place on Monday, February 2, at 11:00 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton. This is an **invitation-only** liturgical celebration. For those unable to attend in person, the Mass will be livestreamed (link to come), allowing the wider diocesan community to participate prayerfully from home. We invite the faithful of the Diocese to keep our new Bishop in prayer as he begins his episcopal ministry among us, asking that he be warmly welcomed and supported in this new chapter of service. A few weeks following the Installation, Bishop Dabrowski will celebrate Mass with the diocesan community on the First Sunday of Lent. Further details will be shared in the coming weeks. (taken from Diocese of Hamilton website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2026/01/installation-of-the-10th-bishop-of-hamilton/>)



SYNOD WORKSHOP SERIES: ALL ARE WELCOME!



The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis invites you to join our three-part workshop series on Synodality and its applications in local parish settings. This seminar is encouraged for those involved in parish councils, pastoral planning, and leadership at all levels of Catholic community living. There will be 2 locations for each 3-part session series: Hamilton (with a Zoom option) and, Guelph. Please only register at 1 location. For more information, please see <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2025/12/speaking-synodality/>

CONTACT INFORMATION CHANGE

If you recently change your address or contact information, please notify the parish office so we can keep parish records up to date. Thank you.



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Anointing of the Sick is a sacrament offering God's healing grace to those who are dealing with serious illness or surgery. It's for anyone seeking spiritual and physical healing, not solely those at life's end. General instructions for parishioners: **How to Request:** Contact the parish office early to arrange for a priest, rather than waiting for emergencies.

For Hospital Patients: Let hospital staff know a priest is needed or contact the parish office. Provide the patient's location and d



STAY HOME OR MASK UP: HELP US STAY HEALTHY THIS FLU SEASON



During this flu season, we kindly ask everyone to stay home if you're feeling unwell, or to wear a mask when attending mass to help prevent the spread of illness. Your cooperation is crucial in keeping our parish community safe and healthy. Thank you for your understanding and support. Stay well!

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.



2026 SUNDAY DONATION ENVELOPES

The **2026** Sunday Donation envelopes are 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!

BECOME A VOLUNTEER AT ST BENEDICT

We are truly blessed to have such a caring and devoted community, and we are inviting you to become a volunteer at our parish. Our parish thrives on the dedication and generosity of volunteers like you. Your time, talents, and compassion can make a significant difference in our parish and the wider community. Whether you have a few hours to spare each week or are looking for a one-time commitment, there are numerous ways you can contribute. Volunteering is a wonderful way to deepen your connection with our faith community, develop new skills, and experience the joy of giving. Every act of service, no matter how small, has a profound impact. For more information please visit our website: : [Parish Ministries – Saint Benedict Parish & Parish Organizations – Saint Benedict Parish](#)



SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

"The word of Christ dwells among you" (Col 3:16)

The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time marks the celebration of Bible Sunday in the Diocese of Hamilton. At the conclusion of the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis encouraged every Christian community to choose one Sunday a year to renew its efforts to make the Sacred Scriptures better known and widely diffused. Our celebration of Bible Sunday is a call to listen to how #TheBibleSpeaks in our hearts and within our communities of faith. This is the seventh annual celebration of this special day in the life of the Catholic Church. The Pastoral Offices of the Diocese of Hamilton have prepared a wide variety of resources for your celebration of **Bible Sunday 2026**. Visit our website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks/> for more information.



2026 LIFE TALKS CONFERENCE

March 28, 2026 9am

Life Talks is a conference aimed at promoting community and helping you take your pro-life knowledge and advocacy to the next level. Join us for a day packed with Canadian speakers and break out sessions that will inspire, educate, and equip. This is will be an in-person, indoor event held at St. George's Church 4691 Palladium Way Burlington, ON.



HOLY FAMILY CEMETERY

Holy Family Cemetery is the newest diocesan cemetery in the Diocese of Hamilton. Address: 2523 Lower Base Line Milton, ON L9T 2X5 . Phone Number 905-636-4219. <https://thecatholiccemeteries.ca/cemeteries/holy-family/>

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