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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 Viloría-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> Tania Kayemba, 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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 15 th to March 21 st	SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION	NO INTENTIONS	
READINGS	LITURGY	INTENTION	PLEASE PRAY FOR
Sunday, March 15th Fourth Sunday of Lent 1 Samuel 16.1b, 6-7, 10-13 OR Exodus 13.21-22 Ephesians 5.8-14 John 9.1-41 John 9.1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38 <i>"The man who was blind washed his eyes and came back able to see"</i>	Masses 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Sp. Int. of Marie Ellen Kocunik Our Parish Community +Eduardo Sideco	
Monday, March 16th Isaiah 65.17-21 John 4.43-54	Mass 9:00 a.m.	+Joseph Toconne	Rev. Deaha (John) Kim
Tuesday, March 17th St. Patrick Ezekiel 47.1-9,12 John 5.1-16	Mass 9:00 a.m.	+Benjamin Barretto and +Custodio Fernandes	Rev. Marian Gil, O.M.I.
Wednesday, March 18th St. Cyril of Jerusalem Isaiah 49.8-15 John 5.16-30	Mass 9:00 a.m.	Deceased Members of Pereira, Britto, Sequiela & Lobos Families	Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada, C.S.J
Thursday, March 19th St. Joseph, Spouse of Blessed Virgin Mary, Principal Patron of Canada, Patron of the Universal Church 2 Samuel 7.4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Romans 4.13, 16-18,22 Matthew 1.16, 18-21, 24a OR Luke 2.41-51a <i>"Your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety"</i>	Mass 9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	+Hollman Moreno-Cespedes +Margaret & +Danny Martins	St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday, March 20th Wisdom 2.1a, 12-22 John 7.1-2, 10, 25-30	Mass 9:00 a.m. <i>Friday Eucharistic Adoration</i> <i>9:30am to 10:30am</i> 7pm Stations of the Cross Lenten Evening Friday Mass 7:30 p.m.	Sp. Int. of Teresa Simons Souls in Purgatory	Rev. Luis Inacio
Saturday, March 21st Jeremiah 11.18-20 John 7.40-53	Mass 5:00 p.m. <i>(Livestreamed)</i>	Sp. Int. of Canon Seal Gilligan +Marjorie Fernandes Sp. Int. of Josephine & Family Sp. Int. of Jaworski Family +Laurie Heath	Rev. Kazimierz Tyberski, O.M.



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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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/>



SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD MASS SCHEDULE- WEDNESDAY MARCH 25TH

Masses will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
All are warmly invited to attend.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL POOR BOX COLLECTION



On the weekend of **March 21/22**, the Saint Vincent de Paul Society will be at the doors after Mass to accept your donations. Your generosity is most appreciated, and we thank you on behalf of society and the needy of our community.



2026 LENTEN EVENING OF RECONCILIATION

On **Thursday, March 26th**, there will be a communal celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation for both parishes in Milton. **It will take place at Holy Rosary Parish (139 Martin St.) at 7pm.** Several priest confessors from the region will be available for the celebration of the individual confessions at that time. Please do not wait until the last minute to celebrate the Sacrament. Reconciliation is a wonderful way to prepare ourselves for the celebration of Easter.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS- Fish and Chips Sunday

Sunday, March 22, 2026 \$ 15 per order

Join the Knights of Columbus for our annual Fish And Chips Sunday fundraiser. Enjoy a delicious meal while supporting our parish and charitable initiatives. Tickets will be available after mass. We look forward to serving you!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX PROGRAM

**March 22, April 12 and April 19 | 10am to 12pm
SUBIACO Room**

Knights of Columbus-St. Benedict Council is running a **FREE** Volunteer tax program clinic for low-income seniors and pensioners, persons with disabilities and social assistance recipients **within our Parish community.**



MATER BONI CONSILII ACADEMY (MBCA)

Want to learn more about a private school option in Halton? Mater Boni Consilii Academy (MBCA) is the first and only private Catholic school in the Halton Region, offering Kindergarten through Grade 8 programming. Our curriculum focuses on Integral Formation, concentrating on 4 dimensions: Intellectual, Human, Spiritual (including sacramental preparation) and Apostolic Formation. If you don't have school aged children we welcome your support by way of your prayers, time or monetary donation. You are also invited to attend our 3rd annual Mother of Good Counsel gala on April 24th. Visit our website to learn more: www.mbcahalton.com

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: <https://stbenedictparish.ca/ministries-organizations/>

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. In addition, the public is reminded to avoid parking or blocking the main front of the church, as this area is a **DESIGNATED FIRE ROUTE AND MUST REMAIN CLEAR AT ALL TIMES for emergency access.** To ensure smooth traffic flow, safety, and fair parking for all, please park your vehicle only in designated parking spaces. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

SHARE LENT 2026 – ON TRACK FOR JUSTICE

March 22nd Fifth Sunday of Lent

Building a world of justice

"Lent is a time of fasting, prayer and sharing. For Development and Peace — Caritas Canada, it is an opportunity to call on your generosity in solidarity with our sisters and brothers in the Global South. Your contributions create a bridge of solidarity between our mobilization in the Global North and our partners' transformative work in the Global South. This Lent, join us On Track for Justice, walking hand in hand with communities in the Global South that are mobilizing so that their rights and the environment may be respected."

SOURCE: <https://devp.org/en/campaign/on-track-for-justice/>

ReSTART: Moving Forward (New Dates)



Have you experienced a divorce or separation? Are you looking to learn ways to cope, for support from others and to gain a feeling of moving forward? Our 10-week program offers education and support to anyone seeking to heal or simply learn more. The sessions will run Tuesdays from April 6– June 16 from 7-9 pm and are held at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in person. Cost is \$35 for materials, but no one is turned away. Registration online can be found by going to hamiltondiocese.com an looking for the date under Upcoming Events, or by contacting Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

ENHANCING SELF-ESTEEM (New Dates)



This program provides the opportunity to increase awareness of yourself and to learn specific skills for building positive self-esteem. It can help you to feel stronger in all areas of your life. Issues covered during the course include taking responsibility for your own thoughts and feelings, positive ways to behave assertively and setting realistic goals for your future. The program will run Tuesdays from April 6 – June 9 from 7-9 pm and are held at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West Hamilton. Cost is \$35 for materials. Registration online can be found by going to hamiltondiocese.com and looking for the date under Upcoming Events, or by contacting Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com

HOPE AFTER AN ABORTION



Are you struggling with an abortion decision – either your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is a ministry of healing for any person suffering pain or problems from an abortion experience. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS



Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2026? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Dabrowski and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, May 31, 2026 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm.** (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at hamiltondiocese.com or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE- PAUPER'S MEAL



The CWL will be hosting our first Paupers' Meal on **Friday, March 27** following the Stations of the Cross and Mass. We will be serving a simple meal of sweet corn vegetable soup and bread for \$5. All are warmly invited to stay, share in fellowship, and support this Lenten tradition.



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