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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

PALM SUNDAY OF LORD'S PASSION

March 29 th to April 4 th	SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION	CHMURZEWSKI & FAMILY	
READINGS	LITURGY	INTENTION	PLEASE PRAY FOR
Sunday, March 29th Palm Sunday -The Passion of the Lord Procession with Palms Matthew 21.1-11 <i>"Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!"</i> Isaiah 50.4-7 Philippians 2.6-11 Matthew 26.14-27.66 or Matthew 27.11-54 <i>"The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ"</i>	Palm Sunday Masses 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Our Parish Community +Francesco Di Poce & +Dino Tersigni +Renee Ampuero	The Passion of the Lord
Monday, March 30th Isaiah 42.1-7 John 12.1-11	Daily Mass 9:00 a.m.	+Jaydon Burger	Rev. David Mowat, C.R. Chrism Mass
Tuesday, March 31st Isaiah 49.1-6 John 13.21-33, 36-38	Daily Mass 9:00 a.m.	+Mario Patrck	Rev. Gregory Merkley
Wednesday, April 1st Isaiah 50.4-9a Matthew 26.14-26	Daily Mass 9:00 a.m.	Int. of Gavin D'Mello	Oblates of Mary Immaculate, O.M.I.
Thursday, April 2nd Exodus 12.1-8, 11-14 1 Corinthians 11.23-26 John 13.1-15	Holy Thursday Mass 7:00 p.m. <i>*no 9am Daily Mass</i>	Living and Deceased priests of the Diocese of Hamilton	Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday, March April 3rd Isaiah 52.13-53.12 Hebrews 4.14-16;5.7-9 John 18.1-19.42	<i>*no 9am Daily Mass</i> <i>*no Friday Eucharistic Adoration</i> Good Friday Service 11:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. Living Stations of the Cross 7:00 p.m.	No Intentions No Intentions	The Passion of the Lord
Saturday, April 4th Genesis 1.1-2.2 Genesis 22.1-18 Exodus 14.15-31; 15.20, 1++ Ezekiel 36.16-17a, 18-28 Epistle Romans 6.3-11 Matthew 28.1-10	<i>*no 9am 1st Sat. Mass*</i> <i>*no 5pm Mass*</i> Blessing of Easter Food 10:30 a.m. Easter Vigil Mass 8:00 p.m. (Livestreamed)	No Intentions	Holy Saturday



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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CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP



Wednesday, April 8th | Subiaco Room
 Social 7:30pm to 8pm; Meeting 8pm to 9pm
 Moms, come, learn about and receive Divine Mercy. Then, go back home and be a merciful mom to your children. For more information contact Nelcy Lopez stbenedictsh@catholicmomsgroup.com

HOLY WEEK

"Holy Week is the week which precedes the great Feast of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday: it includes the last days of Lent and the beginning of the Easter Triduum. During Holy Week, the Church celebrates the mysteries of salvation accomplished by Christ in the last days of his life on earth, beginning with his messianic entrance into Jerusalem"



LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Living Station of the cross will take place on Good Friday, **April 3rd at 7 pm** in the church. Come and support our parish teens as they present a prayerful and moving reenactment of Jesus' final journey to Calvary. All are welcome!

ATTENTION ALL DRIVERS

We kindly remind everyone that double parking is not allowed in our parking area, as it causes inconvenience to others and may lead to potential safety hazards. In addition, **THE PUBLIC IS RESPECTFULLY 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 TO ENSURE EMERGENCY ACCESS.** Especially during this Holy Week, we ask for your kind cooperation in avoiding the staff parking area, as our staff and deacons generously volunteer their time to serve at the Masses and services. To help ensure smooth traffic flow, safety, and fair parking for all, please park your vehicle only in designated parking spaces. Thank you very much for your cooperation, understanding, and continued support.



SHE SHALL BE CALLED WOMAN
SESSION 4: RESTORED TO RADIANCE

All women are invited to join us on **Monday, April 13, 2026**, to embrace the light of Christ through encounter and fellowship. Each session includes a powerful message, small group discussions and social time. Register at:

<https://programs.paradisusdei.org/join/A1A01B>



GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

APRIL 3, 2026



The Good Friday Collection helps to maintain the Church of the Holy Land by providing educational, pastoral, and social support of Catholic youth and families committed to living their faith in the land where Christ lived, and by maintaining the Holy Sites that are so important to the faith of the Christians everywhere. At the request of the Holy See, this Pontifical Collection will be taken during the Good Friday celebration on April 3, 2026. Those who are unable to attend the service, or who prefer to contribute online, may use Credit Cards, Interac, or CanadaHelps, accessible at: www.commissariat.ca in the "Support Us" link.



PROTECT MENTAL HEALTH, PROTECT LIFE

SUPPORT BILL C-218

You are invited to visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca to quickly and respectfully contact your Member of Parliament and ask for their support of Bill C-218 (The Right to Recover Act). This proposed legislation would amend the Criminal Code to ensure that Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) is not extended to individuals whose sole underlying condition is mental illness. A vote is expected by mid-April 2026. If the law is not amended, MAiD will become available for those suffering from mental illness alone beginning in March 2027. Many of us know someone living with mental illness — a loved one, friend, neighbour, or colleague. As Catholics and Canadians, we are called to respond with compassion, accompaniment, and genuine care, safeguarding the dignity and lives of those who are vulnerable. Visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca today and ask your MP to support Bill C-218.



PARENTING TIP

Parenting is a profound vocation, one that requires great stamina and loads of love. Fortunately, God has provided parents with both! Character is at the forefront of all parenting because our kids are watching more than listening! The task of parents, once they bring life into this world, is to center themselves on guiding their child(ren) to maturity. It is a job that requires ongoing learning, teaching and always witnessing to our faith. No one has a greater influence on a child than their parents. Embrace your vocation with dedication and perseverance. Ask God for guidance and support and be confident that your children, by observing you, will learn to be wonderful, faith filled adults whose lives will be find joy and success! (Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

EASTER SUNDAY - THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

April 5th Mass Times

6:30 am <i>Solemn Sunrise Celebration</i>	8:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	12:30 p.m.
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PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

Join us October 11–21, 2026 for a life-changing pilgrimage to Medjugorje with Father Jonathan. Experience peace, prayer, and renewal. Contact: Angela Mazza | Light of Hope Pilgrimages | 416-277-2758 | lightofhopepilgrimages@rogers.com



BAPTISM

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

Ethan Aayu De Silva, Kallie-Rose Commisso Di Francesco, Gianni Di Stefano, Ava Isabella D'Paiva, Declan James DSouza, Otitodilichukwu Eliana Ezikanyi, Isabella Maria Ferreira, Declan Michael Philip Joseph, Xavier Franklin Kemp, Mia Angelina Martini, Sienna Giuliana Puopolo, Alexander Veljko Radenic, Liam Alexander Wright, Lillianna Hope Wright



We remember in prayer, **Vincenzo Audino**, whose funeral was held in our parish this March. May God grant them eternal rest and surround their families with comfort, strength, and peace.



CELEBRATING THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION FOR FR. JOHN VAN HEES

You are welcome to join Holy Rosary Parish in celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the Ordination of Father John Van Hees on Sunday, May 3rd. An Anniversary Mass will be celebrated at Holy Rosary at 11:00 am. The Anniversary Dinner will be held at the Milton Banquet Centre (3090 Steeles Ave W) with a reception at 5:00 pm and dinner at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$65.00 and the deadline is April 19th. For more information or to order your tickets, please visit:

<https://www.holyrosaryparish.ca/may-3---fr-johns-30th-anniversary.html>



VOCATIONS RECOGNITION DINNER 2026

The Serra Club of Hamilton warmly invites you to attend the 23rd Annual Vocations Recognition Dinner on Wednesday, April 29, 2026, at Liuna Station to celebrate the dedicated service of our Priests, Deacons, Religious Brothers and Sisters, and Consecrated Virgins in the Diocese of Hamilton. Milestone anniversaries will be honored and we will hear the inspiring faith journeys of this year's ordinandi and candidates. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$90 per person. For more information and to order tickets, visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>. This event is co-sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton.



JUBILEE YEAR OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

From Jan 10, 2026 to Jan 10, 2027, the Church marks a special Jubilee Year of Saint Francis of Assisi on the 800th anniversary of his death. During this year, the faithful may obtain a plenary indulgence by fulfilling the usual conditions (confession, Communion, prayer for the Holy Father, detachment from sin) and engaging in acts inspired by the Franciscan spirit, such as pilgrimage, prayer, works of charity, and humble service. To learn more about this Holy Year, visit <https://bit.ly/yearoffrancis>

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