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Saint Benedict Roman Catholic Church

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ALL ARE TO BE WELCOMED AS CHRIST

(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
(lparent@hamiltondiocese.com)
Father Jonathan Reitzel, Associate Pastor
Rev. Mr. Leonard Gallant, Deacon
Rev. Mr. Joseph Murphy, Deacon
Mrs. Karen Viloría-Miguel, Pastoral Minister
Mrs. Janis Asdrubolini, Office Administrator
Mrs. Alma Paje, Office Receptionist

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

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Readings	Liturgy	Intention	Please Pray for
Sunday, December 1st First Sunday of Advent Jeremiah 33.14-16 1 Thessalonians 3.12-4.2 Luke 21.25-28, 34-36 <i>"Prepare for the coming of the Lord."</i>	Masses 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Our Parish Community Sp. Int. of Karen Akam Sp. Int. of Tippy & Fred	
Monday, December 2nd Isaiah 2.1-5 Matthew 8.5-11, 13++	NO MASS		Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger
Tuesday, December 3rd St. Francis Xavier Isaiah 11.1-10 Luke 10.21-24	Mass 9:00 a.m.	+Archie Abaquita	Rev. Carlos Diaz
Wednesday, December 4th St. John Damascene Isaiah 25.6-10a Matthew 15.29-37	Mass 9:00 a.m.	+Rodney Fernandes	Order of Preachers (Dominican, O.P.)
Thursday, December 5th Isaiah 26.1-6 Matthew 7.21, 24-27	Mass 9:00 a.m.	+Mabel Fernandes	Rev. Fulbert Jonas Ahouansou
Friday, December 6th St. Nicholas Isaiah 29.17-24 Matthew 9.27-31	Mass 9:00 a.m. <i>1st Friday Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am-9pm</i>	Sp. Int. of Camilo Ocampo Rios	Rev. John Van Hees
Saturday, December 7th St. Ambrose Isaiah 30.19-21, 23-26 Matthew 9.35-10.1, 5a, 6-8++	Mass 9:00 a.m. <i>1st Saturday Mass</i> 5:00 p.m. <i>(Livestreamed)</i>	+Marian Paterak +Mabel Fleury +Alfredo Rodriguez +Antonio Pareja Souls in Purgatory Int. of Carruba & Mota Families	Engaged Couples



Our parish bulletin is also available online. For more information, updates and events, please visit our parish website: www.stbenedictparish.ca

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION- DECEMBER 2024

"For pilgrims of hope"

Let us pray that this Jubilee strengthen us in our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in the midst of our lives, transforming us into pilgrims of Christian hope.



ADVENT EVENING OF RECONCILIATION FOR BOTH PARISHES IN MILTON

Wednesday, December 11th.

It will take place at St. Benedict Parish from **6:30pm to 8:30pm**. Several priest confessors from the region will be available for the celebration of individual confessions at that time. Additionally, confessions will still be available on Saturdays from 3:30pm to 4:30pm.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL – ANGEL TREE



The Angel Tree Campaign is well under way; please visit our table in the narthex after Mass to pick an angel. Over 60 families in need will receive grocery gift cards so that they may enjoy the festive season with a special meal on the table. Thank you for your ongoing support of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul; your generosity brightens our neighbours' day.



SPECIAL MASS – IMMACULATE CONCEPTION Monday, December 9th at 9am & 7pm

ST. BENEDICT PARISH CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR SCHEDULE OF MASSES	
THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD	
Christmas eve Tuesday, December 24 th	4:00 p.m.
	6 :00 p.m.
	8:00 p.m. (French)
	10:00 p.m.
Christmas Midnight Wednesday, December 25 th	12:00 a.m.
Christmas Day Wednesday, December 25 th	9:00 a.m.
	10:30 a.m.
	12:00 p.m.
THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD	
New Year's Eve Tuesday, December 31 st	5:00 p.m.
	6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. (Eucharistic Adoration)
	8:00 p.m. (French)
New Year's Day Wednesday, January 1 st	9:00 a.m.
	10:30 a.m.
	12:00 p.m.



CHRISTMAS CANTATA: SING JOY TO ALL THE WORLD, A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Join us on Friday, **December 13th at 7pm** for a heartwarming evening of music and celebration as our talented Youth Choir presents a special Christmas Experience the joy and spirit of the season through beautiful carols and festive songs. Bring your family and friends to share in this magical event and support our wonderful young singers. We look forward to celebrating with you! ***Offerings at the door toward the Youth Ministry will be appreciated.*** For more information, please visit: [St. Benedict Christmas Cantata 2024](#)



SIMBANG GABI (NIGHT MASS) AT ST. BENEDICT PARISH

Simbang Gabi! or "Night Mass," is a cherished Filipino Catholic tradition consisting of Masses leading up to Christmas. Join us for Simbang Gabi Masses on **December 17th , 20th and 23rd at 7:00 PM**. Let us come together in faith and joy as we prepare for the birth of our Savior. Everyone is welcome! For more information, please visit: [St. Benedict- Simbang Gabi](#)



The Catholic Community of St. Benedict Parish welcomes the following children who were baptized in **November**. 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.

Mario Michael Boyle, Chloe Lee Bynoe, Clayton Jaehoon Bynoe, Alora Elise Dizon, Seville Abel Fernandes, Clara Elizabeth Garden, Callum William Hughes, Erin Hughes, Alora Ella Kazemeini, Serafina Marisa Leone, Gianna Isabel Linhares Acosta, Bennett Bear Lovricevic , Emilie Winter Lovricevic , Finnley Owen McConnell, Jacob Maurice Ray Santos, Cecilia Rose Satuito, James Francis Sigmaringam Diaz, Daniel Simo-Lora, Isabella Mae Willis



2025 SUNDAY DONATION ENVELOPES

The 2025 Sunday Donation envelopes are now available for pick-up. A few notes/reminders:

- Envelope boxes are arranged in Alphabetical order by **Last Name**
- Please **take only** the box of envelopes with your **NAME and ADDRESS** on them.
- Envelopes will be available for pick-up for 3 months. Any unclaimed envelopes will be returned to inventory. Please call/email the office, we will issue a new set upon request.
- As we re-use UNCLAIMED envelopes, please **DO NOT** use your **old envelopes**. Your old envelope ID may have been re-assigned to a new family.
- Please **write your name on the first couple of envelopes** to ensure that your donation is accurately posted to your name.



"KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS"

The St. Benedict Knights of Columbus are selling "Keep Christ in Christmas" lawn signs and car magnets after Mass. These signs serve as gentle reminders amidst the commercial hustle and bustle, encouraging a focus on the birth of Jesus Christ as the core of Christmas celebrations. **Lawn Signs: \$15 each; Car Magnets: \$5 each.** Payment Options: Multiple payment methods are available for your convenience. Sales will continue after all Masses through the weekend of December 8th. Thank you for your support in spreading this important message!



MONTHLY MEMORIAL MASS

The Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton hosts a Monthly Memorial Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Burlington on the second Tuesday of each month. The names of people interred in one of the Hamilton/Burlington area Catholic cemeteries during the previous month are read during the Universal Prayer, and their relatives receive an invitation to attend. The next Mass will be on **Tuesday, December 10 at 4:30pm**. All are welcome!



HANDICRAFT HOLY LAND CHRISTIANS

On the **weekend Dec 7-8** , we will welcome Sebastien Cardinal representing "Handicraft Holy Land Christians", who after all the masses will briefly address the issues and concerns regarding the Christian presence in the Holy Land. Christians in the Holy Land graciously ask your support through conscience prayers and will have many unique hand carved olive wood religious art pieces made by these families in Bethlehem available for purchase after every mass. Proceeds of the sales generate much needed employment for our Christian brothers and sisters in Bethlehem. You can visit and support us at www.HolylandChristians.ca



CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP

Dear moms, make your spirit bright this Advent! Come and learn many secrets that will illuminate your Advent, and make your Christmas a unique, special season. **Thursday, December 12th**, Saint Benedict parish, Subiaco Room **8 to 9 pm**.



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