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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](http://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

## THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Readings	Liturgy	Intention	Please Pray for
<b>Sunday, February 2</b> <b>The Presentation of the Lord</b> Malachi 3.1-4 Hebrews 2.10-11, 13b-18++ Luke 2.22-40 or Luke 2.22-32 <i>"Let us persevere and trust in God"</i>	<b>Masses</b> 9:00 a.m.  10:30 a.m.  12:00 p.m.	Our Parish Community  +Virginia Te  Deceased members of the D'Souza, Pereira & Fernandez Families	
<b>Monday, February 3</b> <b>St. Blaise</b> <b>St. Ansgar</b> Hebrews 11.32-40 Mark 5.1-20	<b>Special Mass</b> 9:00 a.m. Feast of St. Blaise	+Kiryakos & Julia Mamo	Rev. James Petrie
<b>Wednesday, February 5</b> <b>St. Agatha</b> Hebrews 12.4-7, 11-15 Mark 6.1-6	<b>Mass</b> 9:00 a.m.	Int. of Annie Paikeday	Rev. Charles Galea
<b>Thursday, February 5</b> <b>St. Paul Miki and Companions</b> Hebrews 12.18-19, 21-24 Mark 6.7-13	<b>Mass</b> 9:00 a.m.	+ Mary Inskter-Spencer	Hospitaller Order of St. John of God, O.H.
<b>Thursday, February 6</b> <b>St. Paul Miki and Companions</b> Hebrews 12.18-19, 21-24 Mark 6.7-13	<b>Mass</b> 9:00 a.m.	+Loreto Serrano	Parents & Guardians
<b>Friday, February 7</b> Hebrews 13.1-8 Mark 6.14-29	<b>Mass</b> 9:00 a.m. <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i> 9:30am-9pm	+Marjorie Fernandes	Rev. Pablito Labado
<b>Saturday, February 8</b> <b>St. Josephine Bakhita</b> <b>St. Jerome Emiliani</b> Hebrews 13.15-17, 20-21 Mark 6.30-34	<b>Mass</b> 5:00 p.m. <i>(Livestreamed)</i>	+Lucas Adamow & +Helena Bara Thanksgiving Int. Tresa Ratnakumar +Louis De Souza Ints. Of Pasqualino Family	Rev. William Meehan

For more information, please click this link: [JUBILEE 2025- PILGRIMS OF HOPE](#)



Our parish bulletin is also available online. For more information, updates and events, please visit our parish website: [www.stbenedictparish.ca](http://www.stbenedictparish.ca)

### **POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION- FEBRUARY 2025**

#### ***For Vocations to the priesthood and religious life***

"Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who will feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life."

### **WORLD DAY OF CONSECRATED LIFE- FEBRUARY 2**

The purpose of the day is "to help the entire church to esteem ever more greatly the witness of those persons who have chosen to follow Christ by means of the practice of the evangelical counsels" as well as "to be a suitable occasion for consecrated persons to renew their commitment and rekindle the fervour which should inspire their offering of themselves to the Lord"

### **Retreat for Couples –**

#### **4 Habits to Nourish Happiness in Married Life**

Saturday February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 9am – 3:00 pm. For more information, please see the parish website : [COUPLES RETREAT](#)



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

*Johah Araujo, Judah Araujo, Alonzo Shane Belen, Hailey Patricia Arline Colterman, Anastacia Emmie Frade-Tupe, Alejandro Jesus Laborit Abreu, Rafael Laborit Abreu, Trinity Blake Nanayakkara, Evan Nathaniel Reyes, Hannah Claire Sisti, Brielle Masih St-Onge, Eleanor Civita St-Onge, Leo Antonio Vaz*

**OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY- LAY CARMELITE SPIRITUAL GROUP**

Lay Carmelites are Roman Catholic Men and Women who “live in the following of Jesus Christ according to the traditions and spirit of Carmel”. They are called to a vocation of love, seeking God’s will in the ordinary circumstances of life. Next meeting is on Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 130pm in Holy Rosary Parish Hall. Website: [www.carmelites.org](http://www.carmelites.org) . For more information, please contact Noreen D’Souza : [noreendsouza72@gmail.com](mailto:noreendsouza72@gmail.com)



**LEGION OF MARY**

The Legion of Mary at St. Benedict & Holy Rosary Parishes is pleased to announce that they will bring the Pilgrim Virgin Statue or the Divine Mercy Image to the homes of the families as a way of increasing family prayer and bringing blessings to families. The Legionaries will accompany the statue or image to the home and will pick it up at an appointed date. To arrange a home visitation, please contact, Paula Melo at [miltonlegionofmary@gmail.com](mailto:miltonlegionofmary@gmail.com). The Legion of Mary meets at St. Benedict Parish on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Junior Praesidium meets Saturdays at 11:45am . All interested are welcome to join.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS VALENTINE and DINNER DANCE**

Saturday, February 15th. For more information or to order tickets, go to [www.holyrosaryknights.ca/valentines-gala](http://www.holyrosaryknights.ca/valentines-gala) or call Daniel Varanelli at (905) 875-6699.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. BENEDICT PARISH COUNCIL GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER**

Support our parish while shopping for your everyday essentials! Pay for your everyday shopping with gift cards purchased from KOC. Each purchase automatically includes a donation to our parish fundraiser. **How Does It Work?** \*Purchase a \$25 gift card from a participating retailer through us, you receive the full \$25 to spend.\*A portion of your purchase is donated directly to our parish by the retailer—at no extra cost to you! **Why Participate?** \*Use gift cards for your everyday shopping. \*Share them as thoughtful gifts for family and friends. **How to Get Involved:**\*Scan the QR code available in the church entrance. \*Or, connect with a Knight of Columbus member for more information.



**CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP**

Confession, a mom’s superpower! Dear moms, come and get to know better all the blessings and graces that you can get as a mom from the sacrament of reconciliation. With a better knowledge and more frequent confession, experience God’s Mercy to the fullest during this jubilee year! Wednesday, February 12, Saint Benedict Parish, Subiaco room ; 8 to 9 pm New moms are always welcome! For more information, contact Nelcy Lopez at [stbenedictsh@catholicmomsgroup.com](mailto:stbenedictsh@catholicmomsgroup.com)



**REGISTRATION NEW PARISHIONERS**

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**16TH ANNUAL DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE –**

This conference will bring together Catholic women to share in hearing informative presentations, enjoy delicious food and fellowship with all those present The event will be held on Saturday March 22, 2025 from 9:00am-4pm at the Old Mill (includes light lunch) in Toronto. For more information see [Recharge Your Spirit at the Dynamic Women of Faith Conference 2025](http://Recharge Your Spirit at the Dynamic Women of Faith Conference 2025); to register go to [Dynamic Women of Faith Conference 2025](http://Dynamic Women of Faith Conference 2025); to register go to [Dynamic Women of Faith Conference 2025 Tickets, Sat, 22 Mar 2025 at 9:00 AM | Eventbrite](http://Dynamic Women of Faith Conference 2025 Tickets, Sat, 22 Mar 2025 at 9:00 AM | Eventbrite).

**BE SOBER:**



Have you chosen sobriety or are you struggling with addiction? Or are you a family member of someone who does? The Sisters Poor of Jesus Christ offer an ongoing 12-step program to support you. The **Be Sober** meetings are held every Tuesday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the basement of St. Ann Catholic Church, 120 Sherman Avenue N. Hamilton. The evening is organized into three key components: prayer, training on the 12 steps and spirituality, and group sharing. For further information, please contact: (905) 512-8493 or e-mail: [besober.skateri@ocaminho.org](mailto:besober.skateri@ocaminho.org). **All are welcome!**



**THE REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL**

offers another crucial dialogue with **Resilient Genius February 25, 7:00 – 9:00 PM**. The film gives voice to children and youth affected by war, conflict, and political unrest. Thirteen children and youth immerse us in memories of Syria, Ethiopia, Ukraine, Rwanda, Afghanistan and Iraq, reflecting on their lives before, during, and after experiences of violence. Their raw recollections, expressions of wisdom, and transformative acts provide a powerful call to action. Film Director Joanne Hodges and Rita Balla, Director, Diocesan Office for Refugees will provide further discussion following the film. **The event will be hosted online via Zoom. Register and view our full schedule at: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/reel-justice-film-festival/>** A partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace, the Reel Justice Film Festival shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and economic injustices.



**THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2025? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Crosby and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 1, 2025 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](http://hamiltondiocese.com).

**PRISON MINISTRY**

Holy Rosary Church has an active prison ministry and has been running Roman Catholic programs at the prisons in Milton for a number of years. We are inviting members of St. Benedict’s Parish to join us. Volunteers regularly visit Vanier correctional facility for women. please call Nuala Harold at 647-405-9196.



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