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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

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Readings	Liturgy	Intention	Please Pray for
Sunday, January 12 The Baptism of the Lord Isaiah 42.1-4 Acts 10.34-38 Luke 3.15-16, 21-22 OR Isaiah 40.1-5, 9-11 Titus 2.11-14; 3.4-7 Luke 3.15-16, 21-22 <i>"God seeks out the sinner and loves us unconditionally"</i>	Masses 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Our Parish Community +Virginia Te Sp. Intentions of Ossie & Family	Baptism of the Lord
Monday, January 13 St. Hilary Hebrews 1.1-6 Mark 1.14-20	NO MASS		Rev. Allen Varlaki
Tuesday, January 14 Hebrews 2.5-12 Mark 1.21-28	Mass 9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Adam Hyziak	Rev. Rajesh Dsouza, O.C.D.
Wednesday, January 15 Hebrews 2.14-18 Mark 1.29-39	Mass 9:00 a.m.	+Constance Hotham	Sisters of St. John the Baptist, C.S.J.B.
Thursday, January 16 Hebrews 3.7-14 Mark 1.40-45	Mass 9:00 a.m.	+Hilary D'Souza	Rev. Jerzy Tomon
Friday, January 17 St. Anthony, Abbot Hebrews 4.1-5,11 Mark 2.1-12	Mass 9:00 a.m. <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i> <i>9:30am-10:30am</i>	Special Intentions of Eduardo Gallardo	Rev. Peter Tuyen Nguyen
Saturday, January 18 Hebrews 4.12-16 Mark 2.13-17	Mass 5:00 p.m. <i>(Livestreamed)</i>	+Margielou Masangky +Cristalina Moralita Special Intentions for Christian +Sousai Perien Deceased members of D'Souza, Fernandes & Chopdekar Families	Rev. Pierre Luc, S.J. Prayer for Christian Unity 18-25

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

2025 DONATION ENVELOPES

Thank you to all parishioners who have already picked up their donation envelopes. If you haven't done so yet, the envelopes are located in the hallway, just outside the parish office. Unclaimed envelopes by **February 28th** will be reassigned.

PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

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



ST. BENEDICT PARISH SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Saturdays from 3:30pm to 4:30pm or by appointment



SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION

& FIRST COMMUNION. Click this [LINK](#) or scan this QR CODE. Deadline for registration: **February 14th 2025**



CCC (CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES)

Do your children attend public or private school or do you home-school? If you are wondering how to support their ongoing formation in religious education, the Diocese of Hamilton offers Catechetical Correspondence Programs for every age and stage from Kindergarten through to High School including programs specially designed to assist children preparing for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation. Click [HERE](#) for more information or contact Matthew at 905-528-7988 x2339 or email: catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com



SHE SHALL BE CALLED WOMAN- SESSION 2

All women are welcome to join us for food, fellowship, and faith as we start session 2 of SHE Shall Be Called Woman, on Monday, **February 3, 2025**. Join us for vibrant conversations, authentic speakers, and enriching prayer experiences, to get equipped with the tools to embark on a profound spiritual journey. Register online at <https://programs.paradisusdei.org/join/A1A01B>



RETREAT FOR COUPLES 4 HABITS TO NOURISH HAPPINESS IN MARRIED LIFE

This retreat is fruit of a partnership between St Benedict Parish and Regnum Christi. During the event, we will explore 4 habits that help increase happiness and how they can be lived in the beautiful vocation to married life. The content is based on cutting-edge scientific research and in the Gospel. It applies to all facets of life. Fr. Pierre Caouette LC will be leading it with a team of collaborators. The retreat will consist of fellowship, Mass, talks, personal prayer & one-on-one dynamics. Saturday **February 8th, 2025, 9am – 3:00 pm**. For more information, please see the parish website : [COUPLES RETREAT](#)

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples planning to marry at St. Benedict Parish, should contact the parish office **ONE** year in advance of the desired wedding date. Kindly note that we require one year's notice of marriage to allow time for marriage preparation and the completion of the necessary documents. This requirement also applies to couples from Milton who are planning marriages outside the Diocese of Hamilton. St. Benedict Parish serves the area South of Derry Road in Milton.



THAT MAN IS YOU (TMIIY)

Do you want to be part of a dynamic group of men in our parish? St. Benedict Catholic Men's Group is continuing with the spring semester of TMIIY (That Man Is You), **beginning February 1**. The free program 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 the second year's fall sessions and benefitted. Come and experience a gathering that helps men fulfill their holy calling in an atmosphere of fellowship, community and camaraderie in faith. For registration and details – <https://programs.paradisusdei.org/join/00195E>

SPECIAL MASS – FEAST of ST. BLAISE

A special mass will be celebrated on **Monday, February 3, 2025** at 9am. All are welcome!

BECOME A VOLUNTEER at ST. BENEDICT PARISH!

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](#)

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

Have you considered taking advantage of the opportunity to give to the parish through our pre-authorized giving program? Pre-authorized giving replaces weekly cash or cheque offerings with monthly transfers from your bank account directly to the parish. Not only is this method of giving helpful to the parish, it is also more convenient for you – and, most importantly, it encourages us to give in a way that is intentional, faithful, and sacrificial. You are encouraged to prayerfully reflect on whether this method of giving is right for you. Pre-Authorized forms can be found in Church Narthex or our website: [PAD Form](#)



YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations on **Saturday, February 1st**. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, February 1st at the St. Michael's Church (80 University Avenue West, Waterloo, ON). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/> For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com



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