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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  
([lparent@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto: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	coming soon
<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

## THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings	Liturgy	Intention	Please Pray for
<b>Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <b>St. Elizabeth of Hungary</b> Daniel 12.1-3 Hebrews 10.11-14, 18 Mark 13.24-32 <i>"The end of the world is coming; let us prepare"</i>	<b>Masses</b> 9:00 a.m.  10:30 a.m.  12:00 p.m.	+Sandra Iannaci  Our Parish Community  +Domenica & Francesco Scaramozzino	<i>World Day of the Poor</i>
<b>Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter &amp; Paul, the Apostles</b> Revelation 1.1-4, 2.1-5a Luke 18.35-43	<b>NO MASS</b>		Rev. Archange Kebe
<b>Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup></b> Revelation 3.1-6, 14-22 Luke 19.1-10	<b>Mass</b> 9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Christopher Bastiampillai & Theresa Christopher	Rev. Fernand Pierre
<b>Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup></b> Revelation 4.1-11 Luke 19.11-28	<b>Mass</b> 9:00 a.m.	+Francisco Da Silva	Deceased Consecrated Brothers and Sisters
<b>Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup></b> <b>The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> Revelation 5.1-10 Luke 19.41-44	<b>Mass</b> 9:00 a.m.	+June Marleau	Catholic Young Adults
<b>Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup></b> <b>St. Cecilia</b> Revelation 10.8-11 Luke 19.45-48	<b>Mass</b> 9:00 a.m.  <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i> <i>9:30am-10:30am</i>	+Cecilia Oliveros	Rev. Godwin Pinto, O.C.D.i
<b>Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup></b> <b>St. Clement I ; St. Columban</b> <b>Blessed Miguel Augustin</b> Revelation 11.4-12 Luke 20.27-40	<b>Mass</b> 5:00 p.m. <i>(Livestreamed)</i>	+Maria Sultana +Aris Rassam & +Harith Aziz +James Meyler +Jose Venezuela Jr. +Felizarda Coutinho	Rev. John Schnurr



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)



### CONGRATULATIONS CONFIRMANDI!

Warmest Congratulations to all the students receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this November. May the gifts of the Holy Spirit deepen their spiritual journey and bring them closer to the core values that guide their lives.



### SPECIAL MASS – IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 9am & 7pm  
All are welcome!



### HORIZONS of HOPE

Would you like to learn more about how our Faith in Christ helps us to



understand the human experience of dying and death while journeying with our loved ones nearing the end of life? We invite you to join the four-part program, entitled "Horizons of Hope: A Toolkit for Catholic Parishes on Palliative Care". **Beginning on November 21st** we will host parishioners on **four Thursday evenings from 7:00 until 9:00 PM** to share and discuss the importance of palliative care. Learn more about how we can respond to our Christian call to provide compassionate care for our loved ones at the end of life. All are welcome!



### ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

ALL Altar servers will have a training on **Saturday, November 30th from 9:30am to 1:30pm**. 5pm mass is looking for new volunteers. If your child is in GR3 (and above) and wishes to join the 5pm mass, please complete a volunteer form and submit it to the parish office or on the day of the training.



### ADVENT EVENING OF RECONCILIATION

On **Wednesday, December 11th**, there will be a communal celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation for both parishes in Milton.

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. Reconciliation is a wonderful way to prepare ourselves for the celebration of the Birth of our Lord. Additionally, confessions will still be available on Saturdays from 3:30pm to 4:30pm.



### 2025 SUNDAY DONATION ENVELOPES

The new 2025 Sunday Donation envelopes will be distributed starting the weekend of Nov 30/Dec 1.

### 2025 SUNDAY MISSALS

The **2025 Sunday Missals** have arrived and will be effective on the First Sunday of Advent (Dec 1<sup>st</sup>). If you wish to own a copy, they are available for purchase at **\$5 each**. Sales begin this weekend, November 16th and 17th.



### MEN'S RETREAT – BE STRONG IN THE LORD

This retreat is fruit of a partnership between St Benedict Parish and Regnum Christi. During the event, we will discover St Paul's story and how he found his strength in Christ. Fr. Pierre Caouette, LC will be leading this initiative with a team of collaborators. The retreat will consist of fellowship, Mass, talks, personal prayer & small group sharing. Lunch & snacks will be provided. Saturday, November 30, 9am – 3:00 pm. St Benedict Parish, Milton. The registration fee of \$30 will cover the expenses and serve as stipend for the preacher. Space is limited RSVP:

<https://www.regnumchristionario.org/event-details/mens-retreat-be-strong-in-the-lord>. If you have any questions please contact Tima at [events@regnumchristionario.org](mailto:events@regnumchristionario.org).



### MOUNT MARY OPEN HOUSE

All are welcome to the annual Come Home for Christmas Festival at Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre on **Sunday December 1st, 2024 from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm**. There will be activities for children including cookie decorating, face painting, and ornament making. We will also have refreshments and local vendors selling small items. There is no entry fee; however, we are accepting donations of unused socks, gloves, hats, scarves and soap for the DeMazenod Door Outreach Centre. For more information please visit [www.mountmary.ca](http://www.mountmary.ca). We look forward to seeing you there!



### STAY HOME OR MASK UP: HELP US STAY HEALTHY THIS FLU SEASON

During this flu season, we kindly ask everyone to stay home if you're feeling unwell, or to wear a mask when attending mass to help prevent the spread of illness. Your cooperation is crucial in keeping our parish community safe and healthy. Thank you for your understanding and support. Stay well!



### ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING SIGN-UP: SHARE THE LIGHT WITH YOUR FAMILY

If your family wishes to light the Advent candle(s), a sign-up sheet will be available on the table in the Narthex starting this weekend (November 16th and 17th). To give more families in our parish an opportunity, each family can sign up for only one of the weekend masses during the four Sundays of Advent.



### 8TH ANNUAL WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

On the weekend of **November 16/17th**, the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul at St.



Benedict Parish will be commemorating the 8th Annual World Day of the Poor, a day that "challenges every believer to listen to the prayer of the poor, becoming aware of their presence and needs" as declared by Pope Francis in his annual message. Members of the SSVP - St Benedict Conference will be present at all masses to speak with you about the work of our ministry. We will be kicking off our 2024 Angel Tree campaign which will provide Christmas giving for the 60 plus low-income families currently served by SSVP. Please stop by our table, have a chat, pick an angel, take our Christmas card and a blue envelope. Cash/cheque/online donations are welcome. Together we can make a difference in the lives of our neighbours. Should you wish to join our outreach ministry, new members are very much welcome and needed.



### ADORATION WITH TAIZE-STYLE PRAYER INTER-PARISH YOUNG ADULT GATHERING

**Sat. Dec. 7th from 6:30 - 9:30pm**



Holy Rosary, 287 Plains Rd. East, Burlington. An hour of Adoration accompanied by the simple, meditative-style music and prayer originating from the Taizé Community in France. Simple sung refrains, prayerful silence, and short scripture readings will guide this evening of prayer in the Advent season. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available. Refreshments and social to follow at 7:30pm. All young adults (18 – 39) welcome – students, young professionals, parish groups, and young families. For more info or to RSVP contact Cristian: [clecanda@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:clecanda@hamiltondiocese.com) or <https://bit.ly/m/SetTheWorldOnFire>



### ADVENT HYMN FESTIVAL

The Diocesan Choir is pleased to announce an Advent Hymn Festival at St. Joseph Parish, 260 Herkimer Street, Hamilton, ON, on **Sunday, December 1, 2024, at 7 p.m.** Registration is not required, and there is no charge—however, a goodwill offering will go to St. Joseph's Parish Neighbours in Need Program.





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