Sunday March 20th, 2022 - 3rd Sunday of Lent

Our parish weekly bulletin continues to be available digitally on our parish website: www.stbenedicts.ca

WEEKLY BULLETIN



Deacons' Corner

Check out the Deacons' Corner on our parish website: www.stbenedicts.ca/deacons-corner



Indoor Masking Ends on March 21

Starting on March 21, indoor masking requirements end in our churches, parish halls and offices. People who would feel more comfortable to wear a mask after March 21 are encouraged to do so. Parishioners are encouraged to continue to self-screen for Covid-19 symptoms and to stay home if they have any symptoms.

2022 Parish Wish List

This initiative invites parishioners to donate individually or as part of a group of donors to contribute toward a specific parish project. Your gift ensures the upkeep of our parish home and enables the vision of our many parish ministries to be lived.

You generous donations for window, utilities and mechanical and parking lot maintenance are making a difference: **Thank You!**A detailed update will be provided next week.

To participate in this Initiative Kindly place your donation in a blank envelope indicating:

First and Last Name / Address including Postal Code /
Phone Number / Envelope Number, if registered /
Specify the project you are donating towards

Cheques payable to St. Benedict Church
Drop your envelope off at the parish office
or in the collection basket during Mass.
A tax receipt will be issued to all donors.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Formation for Catechists

For 34 years, the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) has been offered for children aged 3-12 at St. Benedict Church.



Children gather in our Atrium, a room specially prepared for them to recollect in prayer, to hear about the gift of God's love through the Parable of the Good Shepherd, about God's mysterious and beautiful Kingdom that we are part of, and about the way the Good Shepherd continues to be with us and gives himself to us in the life of the Church, especially through Baptism and the Eucharist.

Our goal is to act as matchmaker between the child and God and to help them learn how to discern God's loving presence in their lives, and the many gifts by which He announces his presence.

The CGS helps us to answer the question, "how can we, parents and Church, help our children to fall in love with God and God's Kingdom?"

A Formation Course for Level 1 Catechists is being offered this summer, and you are invited to participate!

For more information, click on the link or contact Rosella: rlucchitti@archtoronto.org

https://www.archtoronto.org/pl/offices-and-ministries/pastoral-ministries/catechesis-of-the-good-shepherd/catechesis-of-the-good-shepherd/CGS-formation-courses/level-1-formation/

Sr. Marie-Thérèse Labranche FMA Memorial Mass at St. Benedict Church

Saturday March 26 11:00 am

Sr. Marie Therese lived with her community of Salesian sisters on Porterfield Rd. in our parish neighbourhood from 2005- 2014. During those years, many parishioners and



members of the Salesian Family had the joy of collaborating with Sr. Marie-Thérèse Labranche, FMA, who died in Montreal on February 16.

Sr. Marie-Therese had a heart for the missions. For many years, she organized a fundraiser dinner dance called HANDS FOR OTHERS at our parish. Also, with youth from local schools, she made arts and crafts to raise funds for the missions. Sr. Marie Therese is remembered for her missionary spirit which she joyfully shared with many youth and adults. Let us remember to pray for her eternal rest.

Mass followed by Stations of the Cross & Sacrament of Reconciliation Friday March 25, April 1 / 7:30 pm

Ukrainian Humanitarian Relief



The Archdiocese of Toronto is channelling donations to support the Office for Refugees, Archdiocese of Toronto (ORAT) and the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA). CNEWA is a papal agency with a long history of humanitarian relief; it is currently working in Eastern Europe, providing Ukrainians with food, shelter, medicine and transportation to safe locations. ORAT is Canada's largest private Sponsorship Agreement Holder, which helps bring hundreds of newcomers to our country each year; it will use donations to bring Ukrainian refugees to Canada as soon as possible.

Your donation will help Ukrainians who are beset by violence in Eastern Europe and it will help some of them find a new home in Canada.

TO DONATE

Select your preferred donation option:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: www.archtoronto.org
- By phone through the Development Office: 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to:

St. Benedict Parish /Ukrainian Relief /Humanitarian Relief Please continue to pray for the Ukrainian people and all those who suffer under the human tragedy of war.

Thank you for your continued assistance.

FREE WEBINAR on ESTATE PLANNING FROM A CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVE Saturday, March 26, 2022 at 9:00 am

Join this webinar and learn about the importance of a Will, Powers of Attorney & Estate Planning as well as Catholic teachings and traditions around cremation. The Archdiocese of Toronto estate planning team & Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services will share:

- How to protect your loved ones with a proper Will
- How to ensure that your wishes are legally protected
- About Powers of Attorney
- Estate Trustee selection
- Finding lawyers and estate planning advisors
- Our Catholic traditions on wills, cremation, burial and funeral

A link to the estate planning guide will be provided to all attendees.

To register, send us an email to: development@archtoronto.org

In the subject line, please include 'webinar March 26' and in the body of the message, provide your full name. Also, for the sake of our statistics, kindly let us know whether you are planning to watch this webinar alone or together with a family member. You will receive a link to the webinar on March 22nd and in a couple of email reminders closer to the presentation date.

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Virtual/Online Worldwide **Marriage Encounter Experience** March 25 – 27, 2022

Where are you in your marriage journey? Every marriage could use a boost. Learn easy to use communication tools to help enhance your relationship. Our proven program will guide you through practical and private exercises to refresh your wedding vows and to spark up your romance. Based on Catholic values, but married couples of all faiths are welcome. Are you ready to rediscover each other?

Contact: Marge & Gerard McCauley

gerard.marge@rogers.com /905-792-1925 / wwme.org



MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Parishioners wishing to participate in mass from home are encouraged to view the mass of the day at home on TV: (Salt & Light, EWTN or Vision TV) or online: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChY8MWUNQLcqElLmb9kFtRA

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 21 8:00am Ted Stefanic by Rita

Tuesday, March 22

8:00am Brother Malachi by Ben Malloy 7:30pm Natalie Clemente by Cathy

Wednesday, March 23

8:00am Mak Tang Family by Savio Mak

Thursday, March 24

8:00am Peter Tang Nguyen by Phuong Thiep Nguyen

Friday, March 25

8:00am Giuseppe Rubino by Olga

Saturday, March 26
8:00am Decame Agric Brother & Sister by Sala Family
11:00am Sr. Marie-Therese LaBranche
5:00am Marie Busei by Long Cascieli

5:00pm Maria Bucci by Lena Cascioli

Sunday, March 27 8:00am Joseph Leo Fernandez by Dignum Family

9:30am Sephitzer Frinance by Family (Ital/Ch)
9:30am For the People (Eng/Hall)
11:00am Gioulio Zangelli by Wife & Family

12:45pm Toma Sumayo Villar by Nermal Family

Pray for the Sick

Patricia Brennan, Lois McDowell, David Sartor, Lidia Scaccia, Joe Ryan, Dan McKinnon, Tom McGylnn, Cathy Proietti, Vincent Sguassero, Alessio Firreira, Steve Cawthorne & Assunta Di Felice



Our faith community welcomes

Anthony Joseph Di Dodo Ryan Ford Pepper

I have called you by name, you are mine. Is 43:1



LET'S PRAY THE ROSARY TOGETHER Rosary Prayer Night: Thursdays at 7:30 pm All are welcome.

To Join click this link:

https://utoronto.zoom.us/j/85471630863

St. John Bosco Council 14327/ Knights of Columbus



Weekly Cenacle Resumes in the Chapel

With restrictions lifted, the Cenacle in honour of our Blessed Mother resumes in our parish chapel.

The world is in great need of prayer. All are welcome! Every Thursday / 9 am - 10 am / Adoration Chapel

ADMA

Come and join The Mary Help of Christians Association (ADMA) on Tuesday, March 22 as we welcome our newest member during the celebration of mass. Also, DMA members will renew their Promise.

9:00 am / in Church / Rosary followed by Mass Reception to follow in parish hall. Everyone is welcome.

Sunday Offering (envelopes only):

7,277

St. Benedict Debt to the Archdiocese

\$ 100,105

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!