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WEEKLY BULLETIN

Celebrate

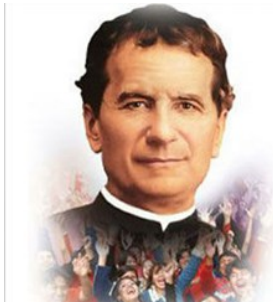
**The Feast of
St. John Bosco
Tuesday January 31**

8:00 am

Homilist
Deacon Doug McManaman,
Salesian Cooperator

7:30 pm

Presided by
Auxiliary Bishop Joseph Dabrowski,
of the Diocese of London, ON



**Rite of Illumination
for 1st Communion Candidates**

**If your child's last name begins with A-L
Saturday February 4 / 5:00 pm Mass**

**If your child's last name begins with M-Z
Sunday February 5 / 12:45 pm Mass**

The Rite of Illumination takes place after the homily.



**The Experts in Humanity
Project**

with Dr. Josephine Lombardi

For men and women, 18+

Next Course Starts on
Tuesday February 21

This course will be 100% virtual so participants can watch videos at their own pace with optional ZOOM check ins with Dr. Josephine Lombardi.



This "watch at your own pace" course covers the following topics and more:

- Factors that influence human behaviour
- Conflict and communication skills
- Trauma
- Family of origin issues/relationship dynamics
- Coping skills
- Virtuous leadership
- Faith formation

Links to videos and accompanying handouts will be sent to your in box closer to the start date.

For more information and to register:

<https://josephinelombardi.com/the-experts-in-humanity-project/>

**"Be the person you needed
when you were younger."**

Aisha Siddiqui

Mass

with the

**Sacrament of the
Anointing of the Sick
and**

Blessing Prayer for Caregivers

for those who work as health care professionals,
those who care for the sick: family members, friends

Thursday February 9 / 11:00 am

in church

Understanding the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:
The Healing Sacrament of the Living

WHAT IS THE SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK?

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is especially intended to strengthen those who are suffering serious illness. For a long time, this sacrament was celebrated only with people who were dying and for this reason came to be known as "last rites." It was meant to give them strength to face death. But today, it is offered to support, encourage and comfort all those who are seriously ill. Participation in the celebration of this sacrament offers those who are sick an opportunity to open themselves to the healing power of God's grace and to continue to grow in wholeness. In this sacrament, we meet Jesus who heals and consoles us by giving us the Holy Spirit. The Risen Lord comes to strengthen us in body, mind and spirit during our time of illness.

WHO SHOULD CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK?

Those who are elderly and whose frailty is becoming more pronounced. Those adults and children who are suffering from a major illness, are facing surgery, serious medical tests or have suffered a serious accident. Those who suffer from chronic illness such as arthritis or diabetes, or who suffer from a serious mental illness. There is a need for those who are gravely ill to have expressed a desire, or by their lives to have demonstrated, that celebrating this sacrament would be important to them. It is not enough for family members or hospital staff to desire it on the sick person's behalf. It is important to try to ensure that those who are sick and those around them understand the significance of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick as a sacrament of healing and are prepared to celebrate it well.

THE GRACES OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Those who are seriously ill may desire healing in many different ways. They may feel anguish and they may fear being abandoned by God. Prayer can become difficult. Those who are sick might feel forgotten or think that they have become a burden for others. God's grace in this sacrament brings peace and courage to those who suffer serious illness or the frailty of old age. The power of the Holy Spirit, present in this sacrament, touches the whole person, not just the body or the soul. There is no magical result. The comfort and the release of stress, which the sacrament brings, help bring healing to both body and soul. Trust and faith in God are renewed and those who suffer are reminded of their dignity and worth.

For more information, click here:

<https://www.archtoronto.org/siteassets/media/offices--ministries/sub-sites/world-day-of-the-sick/understanding-the-sacrament-of-the-anointing-of-the-sick---english.pdf>

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

- On January 29th, the squires are hosting a movie night fundraiser in the Saint Benedict church basement
- The movie is on the life of saint John Bosco, whose feast day is on January 31st.
- The time is from 6-8pm and you can purchase tickets after weekend masses or at the door during the event

PRICES

\$5 per person

\$3 Children 3-12

(under 3 are free)

- We will be selling soft drinks and Popcorn
- You may bring a lawn chair if you wish to have more comfortable seating

♥ Inviting all mothers! ♥

Please join us for our next
Mother's Group meeting



Wed. Feb. 1
7-8:30 pm
St. Benedict
Parish Hall
(basement)

Emotional Intelligence and the Christian Faith

Learn about Emotional Intelligence and how it relates to our Christian faith, how you can develop it as a mother and live it in your home

Speaker: **Nathalie Bedros D'Andrea**

Sunday Offering (envelopes & loose only): \$ 6,496

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

To request a mass intention, contact Susan:
speresso@archtoronto.org /416-743-3830 XO

Monday, January 30

8:00am Elsie Proskin by daughter & family

Tuesday, January 31

8:00am Amedeo Amato by Louisa

7:30pm Giovanni Di Marino by Concetta & family

Wednesday, February 1

8:00am Deceased Salesian Confreres by Salesians of Don Bosco

7:30pm Memorial Mass - Donata Rocco

Thursday February 2

8:00am Maurice, Gretta & Jim Fay by Mary Fay

First Friday, February 3

8:00am Alex Jamieson by Betty & family

7:30pm Sheila Ramsingh by family

Saturday, February 4

8:00am Mara Lozancic by Mirjana Barisic

5:00pm Elsie Proskin by daughter & family

Sunday, February 5

8:00am Mara Lozancic by Lozancic family

9:30am Remo Evangelisti by wife & family (Ital/Ch)

9:30am For the People (Eng/Hall)

11:00am Maria Fung by Clara

12:45pm Angiolina & Domenico Jannetta by Susan Pietrangelo



Pray for the Dead

Riccardo Colosimo & Johanna McKeown

YOU'RE ALL INVITED!

TO JOIN US ON

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2023

16th ANNUAL FUNDRAISER
GALA IN SUPPORT OF



**sara elizabeth
centre**

7412 Kipling Ave., Vaughan ON L4L 1Y4

La Primavera Event Space

77 Woodstream Blvd, Woodbridge, L4L 7Y7

5:30 PM Antipasto Bar / 7:00 PM Dinner

A NIGHT

**TO
Shine**

CHARITY GALA

BUY TICKETS OR MAKE A DONATION TO HELP SUPPORT
SARA ELIZABETH CENTRE
(an art-based youth Centre for young adults with special needs)



SCAN ME

\$150 Adult per person

\$75 Child 12 & under

\$45 SEC Participants

BLUE VEIL CHARITY - SARA ELIZABETH CENTRE

Charitable Reg. #803339340R0001

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TAX RECEIPTS YEAR 2022: Mailed to Your Home

Again, this year, St. Benedict has taken advantage of the opportunity offered by the Archdiocese of Toronto Parish Purchasing Programme to have our Tax Receipts printed and mailed to all our parishioners. **You will receive your tax receipts by mail on or before February 6th, 2023.**