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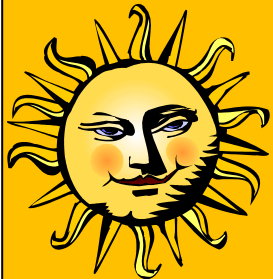


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Our parish weekly bulletin continues to be available digitally on our parish website:

www.stbenedicts.ca

WEEKLY BULLETIN



2023 Summer Mass Schedule July 2 to September 3 inclusive

Saturdays 5:00 pm

Sundays 8:00 am

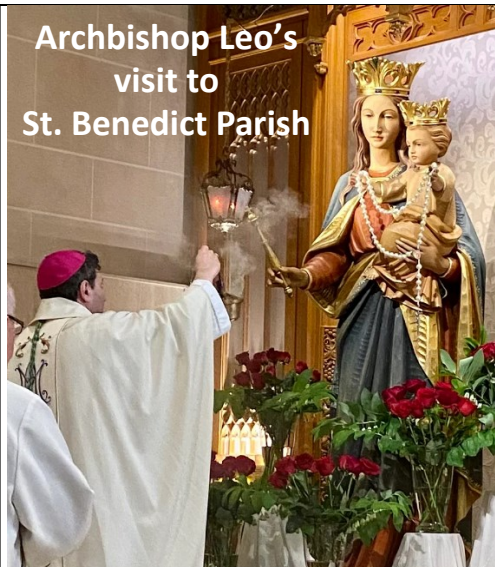
9:30 am (English in hall)

9:30 am (Italian in church)

11:00 am

12:45pm not scheduled

Archbishop Leo's visit to St. Benedict Parish



In his ongoing efforts to meet the faithful of the archdiocese, Archbishop Francis Leo traveled to St. Benedict parish to commemorate the Feast of Mary Help of Christians on May 24. Archbishop Leo had the opportunity not only to celebrate Mass but also to meet with parishioners of the parish.

"As a Salesian Cooperator," said Rosina Di Felice, who

is also the social media administrator at St. Benedict's, "it was so meaningful to hear that Archbishop Leo has a strong admiration of St. John Bosco and the Salesian charism."

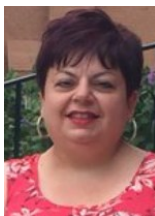
St. Benedict parish was established in the Archdiocese of Toronto in June of 1955. The physical church building was completed in 1957 under the guidance of the founding pastor, Fr. Gerald Breen. The parish remained an archdiocesan parish until 1983 when the parish began to be served by the Salesians of St. John Bosco. Rev. James Berning S.D.B. was the pastor at the time of this special occasion. On July 1, Rev. Sean McEwen S.D.B. began his ministry as pastor of this parish where Mass is celebrated in English and Italian.

This article featured in this archdiocesan link:

<https://www.archtoronto.org/en/outreach/news/archdiocesan/archbishop-leo-visits-st-benedict-parish-in-etobicoke/>

Special Thanks to Rosina!

Thanks to parishioner, Rosina Di Felice, who provided photos for this archdiocesan post. Grateful also for sharing her gifts in her role as Parish Social Media Coordinator. Her talent, dedication, enthusiasm and work in her role are much appreciated!



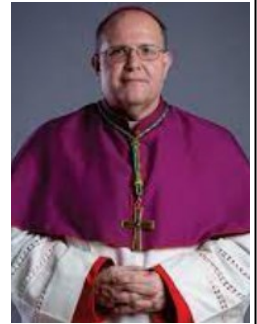
Save the Date

Bishop Ivan Camilleri visits our parish
to install Fr. Sean McEwen as our new pastor:

Saturday July 22

5:00 pm mass

Reception with light refreshments
follows in parish hall



Sweet or Savory?

Consider providing
a sweet or savoury treat
to help make this occasion more festive!

To inform us of the tasty treat
you will bring, contact:

Doreen

colantoni@rogers.com

647- 201-8631



St. Benedict Parish History

A Living History that Includes Every Parishioner

For the full story, go to: <https://www.stbenedicts.ca/parish-history>

Since 1983, St. Benedict has been served by the Salesians of St. John Bosco. The Salesian Society, founded by Don Bosco (Italian for Fr. Bosco) in 1859, was named after St. Francis de Sales who was known for his kind and gentle manner, a trait which Don Bosco wanted his Salesians to acquire. The Salesian Society represents the congregation which Don Bosco personally established to launch new approaches in new initiatives for the education of youth.



The special mission of the Salesians entrusted with the pastoral care of the St. Benedict parish community is to witness to, share, nurture and develop Don Bosco's educational method popularly called 'the preventive system'. It is not a system at all, but a lifestyle, an educational approach, a pastoral method, and a spiritual heritage. In exercising their ministry to the young, the poor, the vulnerable, the Salesians inspire a Gospel lifestyle which leads to holiness of life. The Salesians are committed to collaborative ministry among all members of the Church.

Over the years, St. Benedict has had a fine string of pastors, each with his own distinct style, all of them dedicated to the leadership role entrusted to them. Let us never tire of praying for our priests, and praying also for new vocations to the priesthood who will continue the good work these men have begun.

St. Benedict, pray for us.

Pastor	Tenure	Pastor	Tenure
Msgr. Gerard Breen	1955 – 1980	Fr. Michael Pace S.D.B.	2007 – 2016
Fr. Bill Harding	1980 – 1983	Fr. Mario Villaraza S.D.B.	2016 - 2018
Fr. Nino Cavoto	1983 – 1993	Fr. Dave Sajdak S.D.B.	2018 - 2021
Fr. Allan Dec S.D.B.	1993 – 1995	Fr. Jim Berning S.D.B.	2021 - 2023
Fr. Frank Kelly S.D.B.	1995 – 2007	Fr. Sean McEwen S.D.B.	2023-



Our parish goal for
this year's campaign
is \$52,600.

Your generous donations feed the hungry and save lives

Canadian Food for Children is one of the agencies you support through your generous donation to ShareLife.

Across the globe, thousands of families continue to struggle to put food on the table. Those in developing countries remain vulnerable, lacking access to adequate and nutritious food.

Thanks to your compassionate response to their needs and your generous donations to ShareLife, agencies like Canadian Food for Children provide for the poorest of the poor in developing countries throughout the world.

With the donations they receive through ShareLife, they are able to feed thousands of families with nutritious food, shipped in 40 ft long containers.

To continue the good work that they do, please give generously once again this year. You can give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Monthly Pre-Authorized Giving is a convenient way to spread your ShareLife contribution throughout the year.

You can learn more about PAG by visiting our website at https://www.stbenedicts.ca/files/ugd/eb5354_d06702cab52745d1af7024732ca445cf.pdf



Blessings on your Marriage
As a parish community,
we keep in prayer

Juliana Moretti & Justin Arrunda
who will be married on July 14, 2023

&

Haley Crotty & Jude Sivapalan
who will be married on July 15, 2023

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient,
bearing with one another in love. Ephesians 4:2



Our faith community welcomes
Angela Maria Cercione Ledo
Kylie Ayuk Belle

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

Offertory Envelopes

Please do not use envelopes from previous years
as this number may have been reassigned to another family.
Thank you.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

The Collection amount for July 1 –2
will be published in next week's bulletin.

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

To request a mass intention, contact Susan:
speresso@archtoronto.org /416-743-3830 X0

Monday, July 10

8:00am Living Intention for Tavares Family by Mira

Tuesday, July 11

8:00am Living Intention for Maria Mesic by Dragica Mesic
7:30pm St. Benedict Feast Mass

Wednesday, July 12

8:00am Living Intention for Maria Mesic by Dragica Mesic

Thursday, July 13

8:00am Franco Giacometti by Marisa & Aldo D'Andrea

Friday, July 14

8:00am Maryann D'Souza by D'Souza family

Saturday, July 15

8:00am Deceased members of the Sala & Fellegara families by Sala family
5:00pm Clarence Halge by Jackie Halge

Saturday, July 15

8:00am Deceased members of the Di Mario family
by Giuseppe & Tina Simone
9:30am Antonio & Maria D'Andrea by Aldo & Marisa D'Andrea (Ital/Ch)
9:30am For the People (Eng/Hall)
11:00am Lillian Chicorli by Tammie Cancelli by family

Next Weekend July 15-16

Missionary Speaker

Rev. Fr. Jonathan A. Yabiliyok
Catholic Diocese of Zaria, Nigeria

This mission appeal in our parish is to raise awareness of the plight of the vulnerable population in the diocese of Zaria who live on the margin of society and cannot afford basic necessities of life such as food, medicine, water, and clothing. Through our diocesan office of Justice and Peace, we have identified such families at parish levels and helped alleviate their humanitarian concerns. However, the number of people in dire need has increased tremendously. The recent onslaught of the extremist Islamic sect, Boko Haram, has exacerbated the problem. Many families continue to flee conflict zones, leaving vast uncultivated lands that hitherto had served as the source of livelihood.

Most of those suffering from hunger and malnutrition are smallholders or landless people, mostly women and girls living in rural areas without access to productive resources. In children, hunger slows physical and mental development and leaves them vulnerable to many preventable diseases such as blindness, diarrhea, and respiratory infections, while adults become weakened, less creative and imaginative, and affect even their offspring, as in the case of women giving birth to unhealthy babies. Malnutrition is an underlying cause of 35% of the 1 million under-five deaths in Nigeria annually. Many people are hungry and incapable of meeting their daily dietary needs and food preferences, living an active and healthy lifestyle.

We ask you to support us in cash and in kind donations to assist us in expanding our humanitarian service to these vulnerable populations. Your generosity will alleviate the situation and enable such people to live fruitful and flourishing lives.

Warmest regards,

Rev. Fr. Jonathan Yabiliyok

Mission Coordinator, Catholic Diocese of Zaria, Nigeria

Special envelopes are in the pews today.
Sunday envelope users are kindly asked to
enter their envelope number in the space indicated.