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St Benedict Parish



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WEEKLY BULLETIN

All Saints Day
Wednesday
November 1

Mass
8:00 am
7:30 pm



All Souls Day
Thursday
November 2

Mass
8:00 am
7:30 pm



Calling Forth New Gifts

Our parish family will be as vibrant and attractive as each of us allows it to be. We all have different gifts and talents, different ways in which God empowers us and invites us to share in the mission of the church according to our own real possibilities. St. Benedict Church is everyone's spiritual home. Are you ready to help? If so, please fill in the sheet below and return it to the Parish office. THANK YOU!

Check off below as many gifts as you wish to share

Check	Your Gift to Share
☐	Social Committee Member: Assist with various parish social celebrations
☐	Fundraising: Plan and coordinate fun family events to "fun-d raise" for our parish.

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Day Phone _____

E-mail _____



The beginning of the end of abortion

Daily Until November 5 / 7 am—7 pm

Dufferin & Lawrence /

St. Charles Borromeo Parish / 811 Lawrence Ave. West

To Register: <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/toronto>

Called to a Life of Mission

In light of last week's World Mission Sunday, Sr. Colette, a second year novice with the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal, reflects on her time as a student missionary while at the Newman Centre, University of Toronto, as well as her discernment into religious life, serving the poor and destitute in the heart of New York City.



For the full interview:

<https://www.archtoronto.org/en/outreach/archdiocesan-blog/archdiocesan/called-to-a-life-of-mission/>

While attending University of Toronto you were involved in campus ministry. You also served as a Totus Tuus missionary. How did your experience in Toronto impact you in your discernment when contemplating your vocation?

Growing up I had never envisioned myself having a religious vocation because I wasn't Catholic and I didn't have a concept of what a nun was. I had grown up an atheist but in God's providence went to a Catholic high school where I had a major conversion and was baptized. My first encounter with Religious sisters was on a retreat offered through the [Newman Centre at the University of Toronto](http://www.newmancentre.org). I was struck by the radiant joy and love these young sisters were filled with; my heart was captivated. Also through the Newman Centre, I was able to go on mission trips to Kingston, Jamaica to serve the poor alongside a religious community. Both in the poor we ministered to, and with the Religious sisters we served with, I encountered a joy I had never experienced before. It was something I knew the world couldn't offer; it was from God and my heart longed for it.

Despite these initial encounters and attraction to religious life, I pushed the thought of a religious vocation aside in pursuit of my own hopes and plans for my life. Over time, I grew in my faith and became more involved in campus ministry at the Newman Centre. Surrounded by other young Catholics pursuing a life of virtue and holiness was a source of encouragement for me in my journey of faith. My prayer life was deepening as I was serving and receiving formation; the Lord was preparing the soil of my heart to be able to receive His call.

Before my fourth year of university I served as a [Totus Tuus](http://www.totustuus.org) missionary facilitating youth camps across the Archdiocese of Toronto. In Eucharistic adoration, I felt an invitation from the Lord to give myself totally to Him – *Totus Tuus, Totally Yours*. Despite all that I was *doing* for God, He didn't want that, He wanted me. He wanted my heart to be undividedly His. With prayer and discernment I had clarity that the Lord was inviting me to give myself totally to Him in religious life. I was filled with a deep joy that didn't wane with time; I knew that God's plans for my life were better than any plan I could have conceived.

With faith and trust I began actively discerning a call to religious life and reached out to the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal to come and see if this was where God was calling me. In God's perfect timing, one door after another opened up, ... and I entered into community with the CFR Sisters on October 3, 2021.

I see God's providence: all my experiences of ministry and Catholic community in Toronto, each in a unique way, brought me into a deeper relationship with Jesus. ...

Fundraiser Bazaar

Saturday November 4

9:00 am - 2:30 pm

Our very own parish Sewing Ladies have handmade quilts, shopping bags, knitted hats, scarves, kid's sweaters and face masks, and more...

...including Religious Items, Jewelry, White Elephant and fabulous homemade pies and baked goods to go.

PRE-ORDERS: HOMEMADE FOOD

Meat Lasagna \$ 50 / serves 8
Party Size Pizza \$ 28 each

Place orders by October 29th
call Silvana: 647-237-4264

Pizza Pick Up: Saturday November 4

12 noon – 2:30 pm in the parish hall

Lasagna Pick Up: Tuesday November 7

12 noon – 6:30 pm in the Savio Room

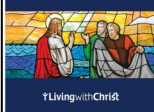
9am - 2 pm in the parish hall

Plan to have lunch while you shop at the bazaar!
Hot Italian home-made pizza and home baked apple pie will be served at the lunch hour and early afternoon.
or stay for a quick snack...
Enjoy a muffin with coffee, tea, or refresh with bottled water.

Come and enjoy good company and good food in a festive atmosphere where Christmas shopping gets done.

Bon appetit!

SUNDAY MISSAL
2023 – 2024



**SUNDAY MISSALS
ON SALE AFTER ALL
MASSES**

\$5.50 ADULTS - \$10 YOUTH
NOVEMBER 4/5 & 11/12

proceeds benefit
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SQUIRES

The liturgical year ends with the Feast of Christ the King later in November and the new church year begins with Advent. **You'll need a new missal for the start of Advent: December 2/3.**

The Sunday Missal is intended to be a tool used at home to prepare for the weekly Sunday Mass. Parishioners are encouraged to purchase a missal for themselves for personal prayer during the week by reading and reflecting on the gospel and readings for the upcoming Sunday. This prayer style better prepares us to listen to God's Word as it is proclaimed on Sunday.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Sunday Offering (envelopes & loose only): **\$5,688**
World Mission Sunday (envelopes & loose only): **\$2,500**

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, October 30

8:00am Annama Rajendram by family

Tuesday, October 31

8:00am Living Intention for the Macchio family by The Paties family

7:30pm Michael & Irene Glebocki by Roman & Wladzia Slugocki

Wednesday, November 1

8:00am Janina Bzoma by Bzoma family

7:30pm Zork & Josip Mladijan by Hilda & family

Thursday, November 2

8:00am Deceased members of the Pascolo & Pellegrina families by family

7:30pm For All the Faithful Departed

Friday, November 3

8:00am Alex Jamieson by Betty & family

7:30pm Michael & Irene Glebocki by Roman & Wladzia Slugocki

Saturday, November 4

8:00am Riccardo Sala by Sala family

5:00pm Jim Smith by Eleanor Smith & family

Sunday, November 5

8:00am For the People

9:30am Giovanni Di Marino by Concetta & family (Ital/Ch)

9:30am Deceased member of the Sellitto & Capone families by Sellitto & Capone families (Eng/Hall)

11:00am Maria Fung by Clara

12:45pm Deceased Benefactors & members of the Salesian family by S.D.B.

Pray for the Sick

Frank Losiggio, Mary Lynne Gallagher, Lois McDowell, Fr. Frank Kelly, SDB, Fr. Joseph Ho, SDB, Lidia Scaccia, Dan McKinnon, Cathy Proietti, Vincent Sguassero, Alessio Firreia, Steve Cawthorne, Assunta Di Felice
Parishioners wishing prayer from our parish family are asked to call Susan Peresso: 416-743-3830



BAPTISM

Our faith community welcomes

Klay Desmond DeGuzman
Santiago & Zyaire Kani Jackson

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



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

Hector V. Romeo & Elizabeth Prado
who will be married on November 4, 2023

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

World Mission Sunday 2023
October 22nd



Your Generosity
Ignited Change on
World Mission Sunday

Thank You! Your active participation on World Mission Sunday has been heartwarming! By extending your generosity to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, you've ignited change, supported missionaries worldwide, nourished the hungry, and aided the building of the Church in the Pope's mission territories. Your gifts, combined with countless others, was the spark that set "hearts on fire"! God's blessings be upon you for embodying the true missionary spirit!