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WEEKLY BULLETIN

Deacons' Corner

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



Congratulations

to the boys and girls of our parish who celebrated their first Holy Communion in recent weeks.

I am the living bread that came down from heaven.

If anyone eats of this bread, he will live *forever*.

And the bread that I will give for the *life* of the world is my flesh.

John 6:51



Celebration of Life Mass

Tuesday May 17 / 7:30 pm



All parishioners are invited to a Celebration of Life Mass with families who celebrated a Mass of Christian burial or a Memorial Mass for a loved in our parish since the start of the pandemic.

"I am the resurrection and the life.
Whoever believes in me will live, even though they die"
Jn 11:25

Archdiocese of Toronto Hosts an Ontario Election Debate from a Catholic Perspective



With the official start of the 2022 Ontario general election campaign, the Archdiocese of Toronto is pleased to announce that we will host another "Election Debate from a Catholic Perspective":

Wednesday, May 18 / 7:30 pm

Anyone can watch the debate live on the **Archdiocese of Toronto's YouTube channel** or **Facebook page** or on **Salt+Light TV**.

The debate will also be available for catch-up viewing on the Archdiocese of Toronto's social media channels.

As we did during the 2019 Federal Election Debate from a Catholic Perspective, this will be an opportunity for representatives from the major political parties to share ideas on how they will address some of the Catholic community's major policy concerns.

Our goal is to help Catholics discern their vote on June 2, 2022 through non-partisan materials that explain how Catholic Social Teaching understands the common good in our society. Members of the Archdiocese of Toronto represent among the largest demographic groups in all of the 57 provincial ridings found in the archdiocese's borders, so it is important that Catholics are engaged and informed during this election. The Catholic vote matters in every Ontario election.

To see some of those resources, please visit:

www.archtoronto.org/election

Voting in the Ontario general election happens on **June 2, 2022**.

We ask you to reflect on your vote and to support the party or representative that you think will best serve all the people of this province.

Share your thoughts using the hashtag **#CatholicVote2022**.

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. As we emerge from the isolation of the pandemic, you are invited to help. Please fill in the sheet below and return it to the Parish office. THANK YOU!

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Day Phone _____

Email _____

Check off below as many gifts as you wish to share

CHECK	Your Gift to Share
☐	Photography: Photograph various parish events and send pics to another person to post on parish social media.
☐	Social Committee: Be part of a newly created team that plans and coordinates various parish events.
☐	Kipling Acres Long-Term Care Home: assist senior residents at weekly mass on premises. Training provided.



**June 5
ShareLife Sunday**

Our parish goal for this year's campaign is \$50,000.

"Our goal can be met, but only with your help. I invite you to join today's generation of heroes by making a sacrificial gift to ShareLife. As you contemplate the blessings God has entrusted to you, please join me in giving to ShareLife to the best of your ability."

– Cardinal Thomas Collins

We each have a part to play in supporting those in need in our community. And for that reason, each parish, and the archdiocese as a whole, has a fundraising goal for ShareLife. Reaching this goal means Catholic agencies can continue providing care to those who turn to them for help.

Thank you for "living the Gospel" through our parish ShareLife campaign. If you have not contributed to date, please consider doing so.

Parishioners can contribute to ShareLife online via the parish website or at sharelife.org.

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

Thank you very much for supporting our parish's ShareLife campaign.

The Pope's Pastoral Works - May 22, 2022

A disastrous flood or earthquake strikes a nation at the other end of the world. Immediately many countries rush in food, medicine, blankets, money, and trained people. Prominent among such aid is the financial help offered by the Holy Father to people in need. The annual Pope's Pastoral Works collection makes these funds available for distribution. In the name of Catholics everywhere, he displays Christ's love and compassion for those who suffer. Please give generously!

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.

PARKING LOT MAINTENANCE

Parking lot curb repair and patching: \$25,000

Amount received: \$7,245 / **Amount remaining: \$18,055**

OTHER- NEW QUOTE

Replace floor tiles in Rectory laundry room: 3,500

Amount received: \$2,115 / **Amount remaining: \$1,385**

Thanks...Your Generous Donations are making a difference!
So far, donation amounts total \$24,760.50.
and cover the cost of several different projects.

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.

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/UCy8MWUNQLCqEILmb9kFtRA>

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 16

8:00am Neil Fernando by Sweeni & Children
7:30pm Memorial Mass - Pietro Bucciarelli

Tuesday, May 17

8:00am Michele Bafundi by Sala Family
7:30pm Bernadette Hartley by Joyce Ruberto

Wednesday, May 18

8:00am Living intention for Rosemary McDonald by Family

Thursday, May 19

8:00am Edward & Andrew Shmakov by Mira

Friday, May 20

8:00am Americo & Maria Zavagno by Aldo & Marisa D'Andrea

Saturday, May 21

8:00am Trieste Marcelli & Mafalda Giovannoni by Marcelli family
5:00pm Neil Fernando by Sweeni & Children

Sunday, May 22

8:00am Rita David Ignacio by Teresa & Jake Villahermosa
9:30am Giovanni Di Marino by Wife & Family (Ital/Ch)
9:30am For the People (Eng/Hall)
11:00am Jose & Leotina Braz by Paolo & Esther
12:45pm Maria Isopo by Clara



Pray for the Dead

**Vincenzo Isidori, Shanta Ann Persaud
& Marie Roberts**



Blessings on your Marriage

As a parish community,
we keep in prayer

Mario Montoya & Nicole Rose Garcia

who will have their marriage blessed on May 20, 2022.

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



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

MAY GENERAL MEETING - NIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Knights, our next General Meeting takes place on **Wednesday, May 25** in the parish hall beginning at 7:00 PM with Holy Mass. We will also be electing our officers for the upcoming fraternal year, so please join us to cast your votes. If you are interested in being nominated for an officer role, it's not too late! Let us know by email to Pat Loduca at stjohnbosco14327@gmail.com.

Sunday Offering (envelopes only):

\$ 5,587



St. Benedict Debt to the Archdiocese

\$ 100,105

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!