

Let's Grow our Ministry of Hospitality



Ushers and greeters serve the assembly in a variety of ways. Perhaps the most important way can be summed up in the word hospitality.

Having ushers and greeters in a ministry of hospitality is not simply a desire to be sociable or friendly. Rather, as Christians, we believe that Christ reveals his presence to us in the Eucharist in various ways including his presence in the assembly

itself. And this presence of Christ in the assembly may be the one least recognized by Catholics today. It is not stretching things to say that the tabernacle which Jesus chose as his primary dwelling place was not a metal box in a church building. His primary dwelling place is in each of us. We are each a tabernacle where he dwells.

Hospitality is reverence of Christ

Hospitality at worship, therefore, is an expression of reverence of the presence of Christ in each member of the assembly. To ignore those who gather with us to celebrate the liturgy is irreverent; it is to ignore Christ himself. To welcome them into our lives is to welcome Christ.

As we thank our present ministers of hospitality for their continued service, we invite parishioners to help grow this ministry at St. Benedict by joining the ministry.

Please review the qualities of a minister of hospitality and respond either by volunteering yourself or recommending a parishioner who is suited for the ministry. **Training provided.**

A minister of hospitality is a man or woman who:

- Has a gift for welcoming with genuine warmth and joy
- Is at ease with one-to-one social encounters, and can put others at ease
- Can look people in the eye and converse easily
- Has skills, knowledge, and temperament to deal with the unexpected
- Can recognize the presence of Christ in the gathering community
- Sees service in this ministry as an outgrowth of their day-to-day life as a baptize person.

Who me? Yes, you!

Please complete and return to parish office.

I am interested in serving as a minister of hospitality at our parish.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Day Phone: _____

Email: _____

I recommend this person as a minister of hospitality in our parish:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Day Phone: _____

Email: _____

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

WEEKLY BULLETIN

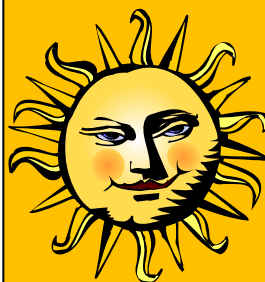
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St Benedict Parish



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2024 Summer Mass Schedule July 7 to September 1 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

Celebrating St. Benedict

Join us on for our parish's patronal celebration:

Thursday July 11

Mass: 8:00 am & 7:30 pm

With opportunity to venerate the relic of St. Benedict following Mass



Message for Canada Day

His Grace Most Reverend Francis Leo
Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Happy Canada Day to all. As we celebrate Canada's founding in 1867, we welcome the opportunity to give thanks to God for His abundant blessings from sea to sea and pray that He continues to bless, protect, and guide us.

The *Collect* (Opening Prayer for our Canada Day Liturgy) acknowledges God's reign in our country and His care for us, reminding us that God not only creates, but He also sustains (cf. Catechism of the Catholic Church/CCC 301). It is through the very act of creation that God reveals Himself to us, giving us access through the "natural light of reason" to come to know, love and serve Him faithfully and fruitfully.

The *Collect* continues, praying for "wisdom for those who govern...respect for human life and dignity for every citizen," it ends with the desire for justice, unity, and peace in our country. Contained within these two triplets: wisdom, respect and dignity, justice, unity, and peace, there is an important insight into Catholic Social Doctrine; namely the close connection between life ethics and social ethics. For justice, unity and peace to exist, good governance, respect for life and the dignity of Canadians is necessary; this is a foundational principal of the Church's social teaching. Pope Francis puts it succinctly writing: "Issues relating to life are intrinsically connected to social questions. When we defend the right to life, we do so in order that each life, from conception to its natural end, may be a dignified life, one free from the scourge of hunger and poverty, of violence and persecution. The interconnectedness of issues surrounding life and the complexity of social ills can never be separated. Historically the denial of human rights and dignities has led to social upheavals and in some cases the catastrophic loss of human life.

For full text, click: <https://www.archtoronto.org/en/outreach/news/archdiocesan/archbishop-leos-message-for-canada-day/>

ShareLife Your love paves the way for second chances in life

Through your support, ShareLife agencies are able to provide people struggling with homelessness, mental illness and substance use challenges with specialized care.

Your generosity brings them hope for a second chance in life. Thank you for living the Gospel!

Thus far we have raised **\$32,434** toward our goal of **\$55,500**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



Our faith community welcomes
Emilio Francisco Enero
I have called you by name, you are mine. Is 43:1



TORONTO SERRA CLUBS
'Vocation Seeds'

Jesus healed Jairus's daughter by saying "Talitha cum" which means "little girl, get up!". Has the Lord called you to get up and walk?

Perhaps Jesus wants you to help others get up and walk. If you feel God is calling you to priesthood, religious life or the diaconate, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.



Dear Parishioners,

Our Saint Vincent De Paul cupboard is in need of non-perishable foods to help the needy of this parish.

Our stock is low and needs replenishing.

Please remember those in need when you go shopping and place your food donation in the box (next to the holy water spigot) at the front entrance of the Church.

Thank You for your ongoing kindness.
Saint Vincent De Paul

Bundle Up

For the
Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

We are collecting your donations at

St. Benedict
2194 Kipling Avenue, Rexdale
On
July 6 - 7, 2024

WE DO NOT ACCEPT
appliances, baby or regular furniture,
books, mattresses, dishes,
construction material or video tapes
For more information visit
www.ssvptoronto.ca






MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

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

Monday, July 1 - PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
8:00am Mrs. Mak Tang & family by Savio Mak

Tuesday, July 2
8:00am Francesco & Maria Pinelli by Tony Pinelli
7:30pm Maximo Bolido by wife and family

Wednesday, July 3
8:00am Alex Jamieson by Betty

Thursday, July 4
8:00am Riccardo Sala by Sala family

Friday, July 5
8:00am Maria Fung by Clara
7:30pm Franco Porretta by family

Saturday, July 6
8:00am Mrs. Mak Tang & family by Savio Mak
5:00pm Palma Masini by Jackie Halge

Sunday, July 7
8:00am For the People
9:30am Goffredo & Giulia Stanizzo by Stanizzo family (Ital/Ch)
9:30am Maria LoRusso by LoRusso family (Eng/Hall)
11:00am Angelina Bettencourt by family



Pray for the Dead
Maximo Bolido & Raynor Track

58^{esimo} Festa Annuale di SAN GABRIELE DELL' ADDOLORATA

58th Annual Celebration in Honour of St. Gabriel
Under the Direction of the Passionist Community

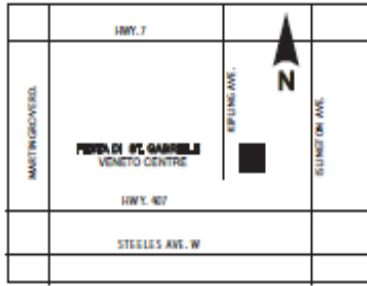
SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2024
From 1:00 p.m. onwards

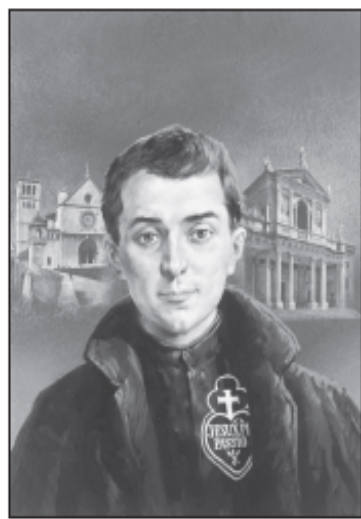
- Visita al Santo e Confessioni 1:00 p.m. Con le sue Relique nell'Urna. With the Relics of San Gabriel in the Urn.
- Processione con L'URNA 2:30 p.m.
- Segue la Santa Messa con Omelia Concelebrata (all' aperto) da Monsignor Giovanni Iverinci
- Porchetta - Servita da Vicentina Meats

DOMENICA, 25 AGOSTO 2024
Dalle ore 1:00 p.m. in poi

- MELODIE ITALIANE
- MARIO CARIATI E DOLCE VITA BAND

Presso il
Veneto Centre
7465 Kipling Ave. Woodbridge, Ontario





Last Week's Collection

Sunday Offering (envs & loose only): **\$5,273**
PAG (MONTHLY Pre Authorized Giving) June 20, 2024 **\$6,921**
Thank you for your ongoing generous support!