

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

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Pandemic Restrictions Gradually Being Lifted

Below are important changes and reminders related to the lifting of restrictions implemented on March 1:

- Places of worship may offer 100% seating capacity with no physical distancing restrictions.
- The use of hand sanitizer upon entry to the church remains a best practice and is encouraged.
- The offertory collection in the pews has resumed.
- Holy Communion on the tongue may resume: those wishing to receive Holy Communion on the tongue are asked to receive Communion at the end of the Communion line.
- Wearing a mask is still required for those over the age of two.
- Parishioners are encouraged to continue to self-screen for Covid-19 symptoms and to stay home if they have any symptoms.

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.

WINDOW MAINTENANCE

Plaster and paint window sills and sidewalls in church: \$4,000

Amount received: \$1,930 / **Amount remaining: \$2,070**

UTILITIES & MECHANICAL MAINTENANCE

Replace inline backwater valve: \$4,500

Amount received: \$1,100 / **Amount remaining: \$3,400**

Annual boiler maintenance: \$1,500

Amount received: \$75 / **Amount remaining: \$1,425**

PARKING LOT MAINTENANCE

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

Amount received: \$1,500 / **Amount remaining: \$23,500**

Parking lot crack sealing: \$2,500

Amount received: \$700 / **Amount remaining: \$1,800**

Below are the items and the costs that are fully covered:
to upgrade the Internet with upgraded router: \$1,250
Replace storage room windows under front stairs of church: \$500
Replace floor tiles in Rectory laundry room: \$1,000
Boiler water treatment: \$1,000
for parking line marking: \$500

Thanks...Your Generous Donations are making a difference!

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.

VISITATION

Led by Youth and Young Adults

with Stations of the Cross & Sacrament of Reconciliation

Friday March 11 / 7:00 pm

Full Capacity Seating - No registration required - All are Welcome!

Ukrainian Humanitarian Relief



Ukraine has been plunged into war after the Russian military invaded the country last week, resulting in widespread violence and a looming humanitarian crisis. In response to the request of parishioners, the Archdiocese of Toronto has launched a humanitarian relief effort to help the Ukrainian people.

Hundreds of thousands of Ukrainian civilians have already fled their homes and are trying to find shelter in neighbouring countries. The United Nations estimates that there could eventually be up to five million Ukrainian refugees, depending on how the war transpires.

At the request of Pope Francis, many of the faithful marked Ash Wednesday as a day of prayer and fasting for peace in Ukraine. In this season of Lent, a donation to help Ukrainians who are suffering due to this war is a most appreciated gift.

The Archdiocese of Toronto will channel donations to support the **Office for Refugees, Archdiocese of Toronto (ORAT)** and the **Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA)**. CNEWA is a papal agency with a long history of humanitarian relief; it is currently working in Eastern Europe, providing Ukrainians with food, shelter, medicine and transportation to safe locations. ORAT is Canada's largest private Sponsorship Agreement Holder, which helps bring hundreds of newcomers to our country each year; it will use donations to bring Ukrainian refugees to Canada as soon as possible.

Your donation will help Ukrainians who are beset by violence in Eastern Europe and it will help some of them find a new home in Canada.

TO DONATE

Select your preferred donation option:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: www.archtoronto.org
- By phone through the Development Office: 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to: St. Benedict Parish /Ukrainian Relief /Humanitarian Relief

Please continue to pray for the Ukrainian people and all those who suffer under the human tragedy of war.
Thank you for your continued assistance.



Thank you
from Cardinal Thomas Collins
for your support of the successful
2021 ShareLife campaign

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As the prolonged pandemic continues to place a great stress on many of us – financially, physically, emotionally – I am heartened by the pure generosity by which you have “lived the Gospel” by being there for the most vulnerable in our community through your support of ShareLife.

At the onset of this year’s campaign, I was drawn to Jesus’ plea to his disciples as he prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane to “*Remain here, and stay awake with me.*” Those words from the Gospel of Matthew capture so much of what it means to be a disciple and be there for one another.

And now that the 2021 ShareLife Parish campaign has come to a close, it is abundantly clear how you have been there for your neighbours in need. From the elderly person living alone, feeling scared and isolated during this prolonged pandemic, to the young man searching for a reason to keep on living, to a teen mother needing love and support, these are just a few of the people who have benefited from your kind generosity.

This year, the ShareLife Parish Campaign raised \$13.9 million. Given how our parishes were not able to allow full capacity due to public health protocols, it is a testament to your desire to help others. Thank you to our pastors, parish staff and volunteers who continue to find innovative ways to respond and assist in these challenging times. Most of all, thank you for saying yes to Christ’s call to “*remain here, and stay awake*” with Him as we bear witness to those in need.

May God bless you for your faithfulness and compassion.

St. Benedict's Mother's Group
March 10, 2022 at 7:30pm on zoom

What are you
doing for Lent?

Reflecting on the Passion through
the eyes of a mother with
featuring guest speaker

Elizabeth Tan

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Magnificat
A Ministry to Catholic Women



Zoom Rosary Blanket of Prayer
Friday March 11th / 2:00 PM
All are welcome!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3355996295?pwd=VGZOR3ISejZuUERLa0VBSDZOUTIPZz09>

Meeting ID: 335 599 6295 / Passcode: MotherMary

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/UCy8MWUNQLcQELmb9KfTRa>

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 7

8:00am Pera & Stipan Zizic by Anda Zizic

Tuesday, March 8

8:00am Jane & Marko Kapular by Anda Zizic
7:30pm Elena Napolitano by husband & children

Wednesday, March 9

8:00am Vinko & Lubica Kapular by Anda Zizic

Thursday, March 10

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

Friday, March 11

8:00am Susan Almonte by D'Andrea family
7:30pm Visitation led by the youth

Saturday, March 12

8:00am Living Intention for Christopher Sisca by grandmother
5:00pm Owen Doherty by Vera Doherty & family

Sunday, March 13

8:00am For the People
9:30am Genoveffa & Giuseppe Formica by Stanizzo family (Ital/Ch)
9:30am Rufina Palmenco by Paul Palmenco (Eng/Hall)
11:00am Deceased members of the Pettigrew & Romano families by Pettigrew family
12:45pm Anthony Duckbury by Clara

Pray for the Sick

Lois McDowell, David Sartor, Lidia Scaccia, Joe Ryan
Dan McKinnon, Tom McGlynn, Cathy Proietti,
Vincent Sguassero, Alessio Firreira, Steve Cawthorne
& Assunta Di Felice



Our faith community welcomes

Dasimi Christabel Olaitan

Eazon Cody Dela Cruz Cuevillas

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



Blessings on your Marriage

As a parish community, we keep in prayer
Sandra Furguele & Marco Molella
who will be married on March 12, 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



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
ST. JOHN BOSCO COUNCIL

Cannoli Sale

FOLLOWING ALL MASSES IN ALL
WEEKENDS FROM MARCH
5TH/6TH TO APRIL 2ND/3RD

Cost - \$5 per two fresh & delicious cannoli
Proceeds to youth activities in our community



Sunday Offering (envelopes only): \$ 4,736

St. Benedict Debt to the Archdiocese \$ 109,000

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!

