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St Benedict Parish



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

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Homemade Specialty Easter Cookies

In time for Easter, a group of talented parishioners will be baking their best cookie recipes for you! Cookies will be assorted and packaged.

A perfect gift for yourself or for a friend!

For **\$15**, you will receive a box with at least two dozen of a variety of homemade specialty cookies.

Cookie Sales, after Masses on March 16 and 17
Prepayment: Cash ONLY

Pick-up in the afternoon on March 23 & 24

Only a limited quantity of boxes available so first come, first served!

You can pass them off as your own – We won't tell!

All proceeds benefit the Valdocco Retreat FUNDRAISER.

The Valdocco Retreat provides high school-aged youth the opportunity to encounter Jesus and to experience a deeper understanding of Salesian spirituality in an overnight retreat weekend. The experience includes Mass, Reconciliation, Adoration, community building, sharing, witness talks, formation, and recreation with peers from across the province. The Valdocco Retreat brings together about 50 young people with youth who serve as young team leaders, and committed lay people and religious in the joyful spirit of St. John Bosco. The Valdocco Retreat empowers youth to see themselves as active members of the Church and the world, called to serve others.



St. Benedict Catholic Moms Group hosts Dr. Moira McQueen speaking on the topic of MAiD, Medical Assistance in Dying. This is a heavy and difficult topic; one that Canadians do well to be informed about.



Dr. Moira McQueen, LLB, MDiv, PhD is a moral theologian and bioethicist teaching at St Michael's Faculty of Theology, U of T. Her writings focus on bioethics and Catholic social teaching.

March 20, 2024

7:00 pm

St. Benedict Parish Hall

For information and to RSVP contact Rema:

rema@catholicmomsgroup.com

Please RSVP to give an idea of how many people will attend.



Saint John Bosco is a jewel in our history, a model of piety and a ferocious warrior against the enemies of the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. In the videos on this YouTube Channel, we'll attempt to analyze all the facets of his pious life. Prophet, diplomat, miracle worker, counselor, visionary, devotee of Our Lady, prolific writer, role model for wayward boys, founder of the Salesians, priest, warrior against heresies... It all can be summed up by the phrase, "Christianus alter Christus" -- he was Christ-like. He's the patron saint of apprentices, editors, publishers, teachers, schoolchildren, magicians, and poor and abandoned youth. An attempt was made by the Salesians to document his daring deeds for Christ, which resulted in a 19 volume biography. This Salesian treasure is the primary resource for our channel. St. John Bosco is a veritable font of interesting anecdotes and inspiring stories. The more we learn of and admire the saintly aspects of Don Bosco, the more we'll be like him in our own lives.

Click this link to view the videos of St. John Bosco on this YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@donboscostories>

Easter Vigil Reception Share Your Treats

Following the First Mass of Easter
Saturday March 30
Parish Hall



Parishioners are invited to bring savoury finger foods such as sandwiches, sliced pizza, samosa etc.,

Bring your homemade or store bought goodies to the hall from 7:00 pm - 7:45 pm on March 30.

Remember to label your platter with your name & phone number if you'd like it back. Hot and cold beverages provided.

To ensure variety and quantity, please let Janet know what you are bringing.

Also, contact Janet if you are available to help with set up or clean-up.

Janet: 416-201-0780 / jhuitema@sympatico.ca

Friday Lenten Schedule Stations of the Cross & Sacrament of Reconciliation

March 15	Mass followed by Stations of the Cross & Sacrament of Reconciliation	7:30 pm
March 22	Mass followed by Stations of the Cross & Sacrament of Reconciliation	7:30 pm

Let this Lent be the season you give up who you've been for who you can become.

Blessed Lent!

In Loving Memory: Easter Flowers

As Easter approaches, plans are in place for decorating the church and the Adoration chapel. An offering may be made towards the flowers and decorations that will adorn our church in memory of our loved ones. Your name and the name of your loved one will be **published in the bulletin on Palm Sunday, March 24th**. **All memorials should be in by MARCH 18th**.

**KINDLY ENCLOSE THE INFORMATION BELOW
WITH YOUR DONATION IN AN ENVELOPE**

My Easter Gift in Memory of a Loved One

(please print clearly)

Name of Loved One _____

Your First and Last Name _____

Donation: ___\$10 ___\$15 ___\$25 ___Other **Env #** _____

Payment Options

- Cash or cheque payable to "St. Benedict Church":**
Deposit in collection basket at mass or drop off at parish office
- Cash or cheque payable to "St. Benedict Church":**
St. Benedict Website: www.stbenedicts.ca
Click on "DONATE NOW"

Here's what you will see when you click Donate Now:

Donation Information

Amount: enter the dollar amount for your donation

Parish: in drop down box, choose St. Benedict

Additional Information

TYPE OF GIFT: click on: One-time gift

COMMENTS:

- type: "In Loving Memory Easter Flowers"
- Add name(s) of Loved One(s)
- Remember to add your ENVELOPE NUMBER

WHERE SHOULD WE DIRECT YOUR GIFT?

- Click on "Parish Special Projects"

Billing Information:

Fill in all the required fields

Payment Information:

Fill in all the required fields



March 17
ShareLife Sunday

Our parish goal for this year's campaign is \$55,500

Inspired by God's love: Support ShareLife's mission

Today, as we contemplate God's boundless generosity, may we, too, be moved by this same spirit of generosity. May this inspire all of us to be kind, compassionate, and move us to share our blessings with our brothers and sisters in need.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



Blessings on your Marriage

As a parish community,
we keep in prayer

Jean-Marc Boucher & Halle Manangan

who will be married on **March 15, 2024**

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

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

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

Monday, March 11

8:00am Barisa & Mio Susic by Anda

Tuesday, March 12

8:00am Pera & Supan Zizic by Anda

7:30pm Maria & Luigi Isopo by Clara

Wednesday, March 13

8:00am Virginia Repaci by Giuseppe & Alice Repaci & Family

Thursday, March 14

8:00am Vinko & Eva Kapular by Anda

Friday, March 15

8:00am Michael, Maria & Romana Lopez by Lopez family

7:30pm Cristina Alberton by Delfina & Luigi Alberton

Saturday, March 16

8:00am Jelson Jose by Deepa

5:00pm Rose Gill by Emily Jackson

Sunday, March 17

8:00am For the People

9:30am Mirko Rustja by Dennis (Ital/Ch)

9:30am Palma Facciola by Giuseppina Sellitto (Eng/Hall)

11:00am Patricia & Sammy Rampersaud by Gary Rampersaud & family

12:45pm Living Intention for Ajandan Ariaratnam by Cinthiya & Jaykumar

BAPTISM

Our faith community welcomes

Jacob Giuseppe Fiorini

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

St. Patrick's Dinner Dance

MARCH 16TH
ST.BENEDICT PARISH HALL
\$30/TICKET.
6PM-11PM
IRISH STEW/SALAD
COFFEE,TEA DESSERT.
PROCEEDS TO THE PARISH BUILDING FUND.

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KINDLY PICK UP YOUR 2024 SUNDAY ENVELOPES
at the main church entrance
AVAILABLE & SORTED IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER

Last Week's Collection

Sunday Offering (envs & loose only): \$7,074

Initial Offering (envs only): \$ 156

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!