

Amazing Grace: The Story of Sara Elizabeth

You are invited to a special screening of *Amazing Grace: The Story of Sara Elizabeth*, a film by Joseph Smith, presented by LifeLens.

The film shares the story behind the Sara Elizabeth Centre, a program of Blue Veil Charity, and the journey that inspired its mission of care, dignity, community, and hope.

As Blue Veil Charity celebrates its 20th anniversary this year, this evening offers an opportunity to learn more about the Centre and the families it serves.



Friday, May 22
6:30 pm
\$20

Proceeds support
the Sara Elizabeth Centre.

Please check the QR code
for details.



Novena to Mary Help of Christians

May 15-23

May 15 marked the first day of the **Novena to Mary Help of Christians**. Many consecrated and lay people of the Salesian Family will pray this novena as their spiritual journey toward the Feast of Mary Help of Christians; a feast very dear to Don Bosco.



For parishioners wishing to join in the novena or to share the 9 episodes of the Novena with your friends and family, the daily videos of this world-wide novena are available on the various language channels of the Salesian Youtube Channel called [ANSChannel](https://www.youtube.com/@ansmedia-english5594/) found on this link: <https://www.youtube.com/@ansmedia-english5594/>



Celebrate the feast of
Mary Help of Christians
with

Living Rosary & Mass
followed by

Fun Food & Family Fun Outdoors

Saturday May 23

Begins at 4:00 pm
with

Living Rosary Outdoors at front of church in
Mary Help of Christians Courtyard

Bring food to share and a lawn chair

Fun Food by Last Name

- A-D:** Desserts (cookies, cake, squares, fruit, etc.)
- E-G:** Sandwiches (deli, cheese, tuna, egg, etc.)
- H-L:** Samosas, Perogies, Pizza
- M-P:** Appetizers (samosas, spring rolls, pizza, etc.)
- Q-T:** Drinks (pop, juice boxes, etc.)
- U-Z:** Ice Cream Bars, Munchies

Bring your food to parish hall 3:45 pm—4:00 pm.
Label your platter with your name and phone number
if you want it back.

Help Needed:

Got musical talent?

Can you sing, play an instrument: a song or two?
We also need help with games and tattoos,
set up and clean up.

Contact Rosina:

rosinadifelice@hotmail.com / 416-994-1140

Join us for a Mini Mission
on

Build Your Body. Build Your Faith.

Talk by Deacon Michael Carrera
followed by Adoration & Benediction

When you build your body, you build your faith
in God, others and self.

You become more human and fully alive.

You become a better you,

as you make room for the Holy Spirit to work in you,
with you and through you.

Tuesday May 26

8pm - 9pm

(Following 7:30 pm Mass)

The body is the Temple of the Holy Spirit.

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St Benedict Parish



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Sunday May 17 2026 - The Ascension of the Lord



He Makes the Clouds His Chariot

Preaching the Ascension of Jesus Christ

Reflection by Fr. Branden Gordon SDB

Forty days after his Passion, Jesus was lifted up and taken from his apostles' sight by a cloud (Acts 1:9). While the apostles were gazing into the sky, two white-robed men appeared and told them that Jesus had been taken up into heaven (1:10-11). Many thoughts and questions must have been racing through the apostles' minds as they experienced this mysterious event. They may have recalled Psalms 68 and 104, which describe God as riding upon the clouds as upon a Chariot (68:4; 104:3). They may have thought of the other great ascension event in the Sacred Scriptures — that of Elijah, who is taken up into heaven in a chariot of fire (2 Kgs 2:11-12). Perhaps they asked themselves what Jesus' physical absence meant in light of his promise to remain with them always (Mt 28:20). Jesus' ascent into heaven may also generate questions in the mind of the modern reader. With the advent of the telescope and space travel, we may wonder exactly how Jesus got to heaven after he was enveloped by the cloud. We may also ask what Jesus' existence is like in heaven, in this current age between the Ascension and the Parousia.

To read the full article visit:

<https://www.hprweb.com/2021/05/he-makes-the-clouds-his-chariot/>

Join us for our 52nd

Magnificat Breakfast

hosted by Mary, Cause of our Joy Toronto Chapter

Saturday May 30, 2026

9:30 am – 12:30 pm

St. Benedict Parish Hall

Speaker: Rachel Martinez

Doors open at 9:00 am

SEATS NOT SOLD AT THE DOOR

Registration \$35

Register Online

until May 19

CREDIT and DEBIT cards accepted:

Added service fee applies

<https://www.stbenedicts.ca/magnificat-breakfast>

Register by Mail

Send cheque, payable to Magnificat to:

Magnificat, c/o 11 Watercliffe Rd M9W 4E5

include with your cheque, your:

name, address, phone number, email

and full name of other guests you are registering

Inquiries: Kathy: 647-969-9352 /

magnificat.toronto.chapter@gmail.com



Blessings on your Marriage

As a parish community, we keep in prayer

Vittoria Vittori

&

James Mayle

who will be married on May 23, 2026

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 the parish office:
office@stbenedicts.ca / 416-743-3830 X0

Monday, May 18

8:00am Anne Misquitta by Albert & family

Tuesday, May 19

8:00am Rino Pellegrina by Adele Pascolo & family

7:30pm Leila Bedros by Nathalie & Andy D'Andrea

Wednesday, May 20

8:00am Bernie O'Hara by family

Thursday, May 21

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

Friday, May 22

8:00am Benito Soscia by Pasqualina Soscia & family

Saturday, May 23

8:00am Mae & Ken Sutton by Sutton family

5:00pm Frank Losiggio by Maria Lossigio

Sunday, May 24

8:00am Maria Anna Freitas & Maria Olinda De Sousa by family

9:30am Peter Garito by Garito family (Ital/Ch)

9:30am Joe Caira by Angela Caira & family (Eng/Hall)

11:00am For the People

12:45pm Lidia Scaccia by Antonella Scaccia



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SINGLES ENCOUNTER

#26

A weekend away from the busyness of life
and into peace of mind with the Lord.



**12-14
JUNE 2026**

Valley of the Mother of God
Orangeville, ON

» **Unmarried
Young Adults**

» **Ages 19 (as of
2026) and up**

» **Registration fee:
\$200**



Scan to
register!

bltorontosingles@gmail.com

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Victoria Day

Monday, May 18

Last Week's Collection

Sunday Offering (envs & loose only):

\$6,810.00

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!