# Sunday March 16, 2025 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

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**WEEKLY BULLETIN** 

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On the first Sunday of Lent, the adults and children from our parish to be baptized at the Easter Vigil gathered with their sponsors, with Bishop Ivan Camilleri and the elect from many parishes in our pastoral region. Following mass, Bishop Camilleri signed our parish Book of the Elect which now remains in our church as a reminder for us to pray for them.

#### We keep in prayer:

Brian, Sarah, Cameron, Everly and Benjamin.

Absent from the photo and included in our prayers are

Joshua, Diana and Nathan.

"You did not choose me, but I chose you." In 15:16

# **Lenten Schedule**

Stations of the Cross & Sacrament of Reconciliation



March 21	Sacrament of Reconciliation	7:00 pm
	Mass followed by Stations of the Cross & Sacrament of Reconciliation	7:30 pm
March 28	Sacrament of Reconciliation	7:00 pm
	Mass followed by Stations of the Cross & Sacrament of Reconciliation	7:30 pm
April 4	Sacrament of Reconciliation	7:00 pm
	1 <sup>st</sup> Friday Mass followed by Stations of the Cross & Sacrament of Reconciliation	7:30 pm
April 11	VISITATION with Stations of the Cross & Sacrament of Reconciliation	7:00 pm

Join us for a Three-Part

Parish Lenten Mission



# I Matter because God Created me to Matter

Tuesdays March 18, 25 7:30 pm

Mass with Mission Talk during Homily Sacrament of Reconciliation Available

A free-will offering will be collected each evening.

March 18 Mass with Talk 2: Hostility to Hospitality March 25 Mass with Talk 3: Illusion to Prayer

#### **Donate Socks for the Homeless**



The Squires will be accepting donations of **NEW SOCKS** 

for distribution to the homeless for their street patrol on Sunday March 30.

The deadline for donations of new socks is Saturday March 29 at 5:00 pm.

You can make your donation of new socks either directly to the Squires after Sunday Masses on March 22 and 23, or drop them off at the parish office Mon-Fri by 4:45 pm.

Thank you for your generosity.











Come join us for a cup of tea or coffee, prayer and fellowship

Wednesday, Mar 19, 2025 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. St. Benedict Parish Hall

Combining February and March topics:

Advice for a Good Marriage: Love is Shaped Like a Cross, Not a Heart

St. Joseph: Father, Husband, Worker

This mtg will be a snack potluck.

Please **RSVP to <u>sbmg.lead@gmail.com</u>** as soon as possible, and let us know what you plan to bring!

# **SL** ShareLife

## You extend the hands of Christ to those in need

ShareLife Sunday is March 30. Our parish goal for this year's campaign is \$66,000.

Through your support of ShareLife, you extend the hands of Christ to those in need: the poor, the vulnerable, and the marginalized in our community. Because you care, more than 40 agencies provide strength to people of all ages in their weakest moments. You've been there for young parents as they worried about their next meal, isolated seniors yearning for companionship, teenagers seeking guidance in a confusing world, refugees longing to rebuild their lives, and people with special needs striving for dignity and acceptance. Thank you for living the Gospel through your compassion.

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

# 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, APRIL 13th. All memorials should be in by APRIL 7<sup>th</sup>.

> 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**

- 1. Cash or cheque payable to "St. Benedict Church": Deposit in collection basket at mass or drop off at parish office
- St. Benedict Website: www.stbenedicts.ca (IF DONATING ONLINE, MEMORIALS SHOULD BE IN NO LATER THAN MARCH 28, 2025. 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

#### MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

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

#### Monday, March 17

8:00am Jane & Marko Kapular by Anda

#### Tuesday, March 18

8:00am Mara & Martin Brkic by Anda 7:30pm Benjamin Holowaty by Nancy Holowaty

#### Wednesday, March 19

8:00am Albert Griffith by Desiree Griffith

Thursday, March 20 8:00am Leon Seymour by Betty Seymour

#### Friday, March 21

8:00am Pera & Stiven Zizic by Anda 7:30pm Pastor's Intention

#### Saturday, March 22

Tomislav Tomljenovic by Natalia Ramnauth 5:00pm Albert Kevin Francisco by Francisco family

#### Sunday, March 23

For the People 9:30pm Rosa Di Francesco by Santina Di Francesco & family (Ital/Ch)

9:30am Martha Fernandes by David and Cathy Fobler (Eng/Hall) 11:00am Arnaldo Rodrigues by family

12:45pm Patricia & Sammy Rampersaud by Gairy Rampersaud



**STEPAWAY STEPINTOFAITH** LIVETHECALL

Open in Spirit to God / **Bukas Loob sa Diyos** 

**Singles Encounter** Age 19 & up

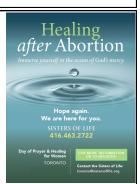
May 2 - 4, 2025

**MMI Retreat Centre** 437 Wilson St. E. Ancaster, ON

\$180

# **Healing after Abortion:** The Sisters of Life

Do you know someone who is carrying the grief of a past abortion? There is always hope. The pain and sorrow of abortion does not need to endure for a lifetime. We offer ongoing accompaniment and retreats to women seeking healing after abortion.



A "Day of Prayer and Healing" offers the

opportunity to experience the love and mercy of God and to respond to His invitation to begin the journey of healing the wound of abortion.

#### Upcoming dates are: April 5 and July 12, 2025

For more details, locations, and confidential registration, or to simply talk to a Sister, please call the Sisters of Life at (416) 463-2722 or email us at toronto@sistersoflife.org

#### **Last Week's Collection**

Sunday Offering (envs & loose only): \$6,414 \$1,456 Ash Wednesday (loose only):

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!