Sunday January 10th 2021 - Baptism of Our Lord

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

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Pastor's Page

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Deacons' Corner

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Weekend Prayer Service with Holy Communion

The Holy Communion Services held on Christmas Eve and Day provided our parishioners a fruitful opportunity for spiritual nourishment given the current lockdown restrictions. Well over 300 members of our parish family participated in those services. Thanks to Janet, Lynn, Lorenzo, Cathy and Terri who welcomed families and individuals to those services.

This week, Cardinal Collins granted permission to pastors wishing to continue the prayer services on weekends during this lockdown period. And so, prayer services with Holy Communion will continue at our parish on weekends until further notice at the scheduled times listed below.

There will be no more than 10 people inside the church including the one leading the service. In these unique circumstances, a short prayer service, approx. 10 minutes will be repeated several times in the hours listed below to allow as many families and individuals as possible to participate. The small group will stand, appropriately distanced and wearing masks in front of the sanctuary so no cleaning of pews is required.

How can I participate?

Individuals and families wishing to participate in a prayer service are invited to enter the church from the SIDE ENTRANCE, near the **chapel**. <u>Do not use the front entrance of the church</u>. Parishioners may stay in their car to keep warm until space is available for them at the next prayer service. Parishioners will be welcomed on a first-come-first-served basis by a scheduled volunteer.

> Saturdays: Beginning January 9 5 pm – 6 pm

> multiple short services within this time

Sundays: Beginning January 10 8 am - 9 am, 12 pm - 1 pm

multiple short services within these times



Massing Certificates to Milestone Anniversary Couples

To request a special blessing certificate for milestone wedding anniversaries in 2021 visit https://bit.ly/2021MS-SpecialBlessing

The deadline to order is January 17, 2021

Thanks from the Pastor

I am very thankful for the outpouring of gifts and donations to the pastoral staff and the parish this Christmas. Our parishioners are so generous. They sense the value of their parish church and are remembering to support her even though they are restricted in coming to church. Thank you everybody!

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, Christmas 2020 **Heartfelt Thanks!**

Christmas deliveries to the needy in our parish were very different this year as we had to adhere to the pandemic protocols. However, the generosity of our parishioners allowed us to provide food vouchers and gift cards to several seniors, single people, and families in our community.

Generous donations were received from the Knights of Columbus and from Holy Child School Community. Monsignor Johnson High School staff and students provided numerous gift cards for grocery stores and Walmart. We sincerely thank everyone who contributed cash and gift cards to help our neighbors in need.

Our appreciation is extended to all of the parishioners who contributed financial support during the pandemic, by dropping off their donations at the rectory. Your contributions helped us throughout the year. On behalf of the members of our Society and the many families that were helped, we extend our heartfelt THANK YOU!



Magnificat invites you to join in this month's

Rosary Blanket of Prayer

Monday, January 11 at 2:00 pm EST Led by Maddalena Volpe, Magnificat Team

This invitation is part of a Magnificat ministry-wide initiative where each chapter takes one day of the month to pray the Rosary.

The 11th day of each month is the day for our Magnificat Toronto Chapter. The Team hopes that many of you will join in.

We will pray for an end to this pandemic, for those who are sick and who have died from the virus and for those grieving the loss of loved ones, for victims of racism, violence and persecution, for family, marriage, the sanctity of life, the Church, a New Pentecost, for bishops, priests, deacons and seminarians, Magnificat and for peace in the world.

Click link below to join the Zoom Rosary:

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/7322364717? pwd=OFR6T3M0dW1pQllWTWhvVSs4a2dkQT09

Meeting ID: 732 236 4717

Passcode: 980948



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St. Augustine's Seminary Lay Formation Program: The Songs of the Angels in the Book of Revelation

> Saturday, January 23 9:30 am to 1:00 pm

A VIRTUAL EVENT OFFERED BY ST. AUGUSTINE'S SEMINARY

After a brief introduction to the Book of Revelation, this talk will explore the hymns of the Apocalypse, their role and function, and St. John's message of hope in a time of crisis. Presented by: Monsignor A. Robert Nusca.

COST: \$25

REGISTER: https://bit.ly/HymnsoftheAngels **CONTACT: St. Augustine's Seminary of Toronto**

PHONE: 416-261-7207

EMAIL: lay.formation@staugustines.on.ca

WEBSITE: www.staugustines.on.ca



Pray for the Sick

Fernando del Gaudio, Pina Palmieri, Susan Almonte, Vincent Sguassero, Alessio Firreira, Steve Cawthorne

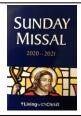
Parishioners wishing prayer from our parish family are asked to call Susan Peresso: 416-743-3830 X0

How can I go to Confession?

For parishioners wishing to go to confession, very simply...call the parish office to arrange a date and time with a priest for the sacrament of reconciliation.

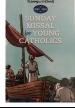
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SUNDAY MISSAL 2020-2021

\$5 ADULTS ~ \$10 YOUTH Available for purchase at the parish office





Pray for the Dead Mario Miranda, Mary Wheeler, **Dora Marcucci**

Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

All Registered Parishioners Email address update

Please help us update your contact information, especially your email address by sending an email to the parish office office@stbenedicts.ca using your current email address and place in the subject line "Email address update." Be sure to include your name, address, and telephone number in the email body.

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

As we continue to deal with the health emergency, parishioners who request a mass intention during this time of lockdown when the church is closed, are encouraged to participate in the mass of the day at home on TV: (Salt & Light, EWTN or Vision TV) or online: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChY8MWUNQLcqElLmb9kFtRA

TO REQUEST A MASS INTENTION FOR THE REMAINDER OF THIS YEAR OR FOR 2021 Contact Susan: speresso@stbenedicts.ca /416-743-3830 X0

Monday, January 11 Vincenzo & Rosetta Sgambelluri by Josie Commisso

Tuesday, January 12 Lina Nazareth Silva by L.S. Villahermosa & family, David Holowaty by family

Wednesday, January 13

Burny Mak by Savio Mak

<u>Thursday, January 14</u> Teresa Pellegrina by Adele Pascolo & family

<u>Friday, January 15</u>
Patients & Staff at Etobicoke General Hospital by Ivan Canjar

<u>Saturday, January 16</u> Gretta, Maurice & Jim Fay by Mary Fay, Leo Mariineau by Gertrude Marineau

<u>Sunday, January 17</u>

Helen MacDonald by Ralph MacDonald,

Maria Pietroniro by Aldo & Marisa D'Andrea, Roman Casillano by family

Dispensation from Sunday Mass

The dispensation announced by Cardinal Collins on June 10, 2020, regarding the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and holydays of obligation by parishioners in the Archdiocese of Toronto during the time of the COVID-19 pandemic, is not a blanket dispensation, but one that applies when the faithful encounter certain life circumstances which physically or morally impede them from attending Mass.

For the full text on Understanding The Dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and Holy Days
During this time of Pandemic

Fr. Ivan Camilleri, Chancellor of Spiritual Affairs, Archdiocese of Toronto

go to: https://48723d36-ab43-4ab1-a361-5cf0172a8714.filesusr.com/ugd/eb5354_46345b6dd3b54ab5bee63de560875f60.pdf

New Beginnings

In partnership with the Archdiocese of Toronto, Catholic Family Services of Toronto offers the New Beginnings program which is a ministry dedicated to helping those suffering a loss through separation, divorce or death. We provide inspirational talks, day retreats and assist parish peer support groups through training and resources.

New Beginnings Online Bereavement Support Group, launching on Wednesday January 13, 2021 @ 7:00 pm

New Beginnings Online Separated/Divorce Support Group, launching on Thursday January 14, 2021 @ 7:00 pm

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Sunday Offering 5,068

Mary, Mother of God (New Year's Day) 1,095

St. Benedict Debt to the Archdiocese: \$ 118.000

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!