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WEEKLY BULLETIN

### Farewell Fr. Dave Photo Gallery

Photo gallery of Fr. Dave's Farewell on our parish website  
<https://www.stbenedicts.ca/2021farewellfrdave>



### Deacons' Corner

Check out the Deacons' Corner on our parish website: [www.stbenedicts.ca/deacons-corner](http://www.stbenedicts.ca/deacons-corner)



## Greetings from Fr. Jim Berning our New Pastor

Beginning this week and continuing for the next several weeks, I will offer a biography with the hoped for outcome that parishioners have a better understanding of who it is that is taking up the reins of pastor. While each week is meant to highlight another segment of my life, I encourage that parishioners do the same--with each other!



By revealing more about your lives in the course of the last seventeen months, together we develop an attitude of openness, such that, becoming acclimated to life that looks to move beyond the pandemic, we proceed with renewed faith, energy and vigor to live St. Benedict's mission "as signs and bearers of God's love".

#### How was the journey coming to Canada?

My Canadian experience began when I was fifteen when our baseball team played in a regional tournament in Trails British Columbia. We flew into Seattle, Washington and then took a breathtaking scenic chartered bus into Canada. Then we were paired up to live with host families. I still remember this familial experience; the couple's playful young children, the inspiring first-time experience of a professional hockey game, and the luxury of eating well since our host father was a butcher. Although our team did not advance to the next level, our coach arranged for us to take a private tour of an iron ore plant. This experience brought about a realization of Canada's prosperity with its rich resources.

My second experience of Canada happened when I was assigned there as a Salesian in 2015. When I moved to Etobicoke, two events really stood out for me. First, having flown into Toronto with Fr. Mike Pace, our first stop was a welcoming luncheon hosted by his parents Salvina and John, and his sister Antoniette. This was a most hospitable way to ease the pinch of crossing the border and starting life in a new country.

Earlier that month Fr. Mike featured me with seven missionaries working for the mission appeal that summer at the Salesian formation house. The posting had a catchy quote which read: "Fr. Jim Berning, missionary to Canada," then, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me" (Psalm 22.1).

While this brought us a good laugh, the truth of the matter was that I made application to the missions in 1985, but this was the closest I would get! Moving across the border, however, has never made me feel like a missionary, rather there have been ongoing friendly encounters providing me with a felt sense of reassurance, so much so, that I am in the final stages of securing the status as a permanent resident.

The second event that fell into suite with the initial friendly encounter to St. Benedict was the annual parish pilgrimage to St. Patrick's Parish (St. Michael's Cathedral was still under construction that year). Many parishioners joined in this long excursion which gave me a good feel for being part of St. Benedict, and I suppose it gave parishioners a feel for me. Those relationships were the beginning of many wholesome and fruitful relationships that have taken shape. That pilgrimage must have been absorbed into my bones, since in 2018, for my 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary to the priesthood, I felt summoned to make The Camino del Norte in northern Spain—"The Way of St. James, Apostle". That pilgrimage was a bit longer, some 265 kilometers in nine days, and will be a story to develop and tell at a later date.

Stay tuned for the next segment of my biography, "What preceded the Canadian experience"?

## Celebrating St. Benedict

July 11<sup>th</sup> marks our parish's patronal celebration of St. Benedict. The Benedictine life can be traced back to Pachomius from the fourth century, who living simply as a monk in the desert while reflecting on scripture, became a spiritual master and subsequently lived with a community of monks in a monastery. Later, when Benedict of Nursia founded the Benedictine religious order during the sixth century, they grounded their lives in the practices of silence and listening so that they could grow in their relationship with the world. When these practices are exercised over the course of a lifetime, the result is an ongoing conversion to model the likeness of Christ.



To celebrate our parish patron on

**Sunday July 11**

**we will have the opportunity after all the weekend masses to venerate the relic of St. Benedict.**

Additionally, following the 11:00 am Mass this day, we will have the opportunity to practice silence with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in church.

*The Adoration Chapel opens as usual at 2 pm for the regular hours of Eucharistic Adoration.*

*On Sunday July 11 the regular mass readings in your Sunday Missal will be replaced with the readings associated with the feast of St. Benedict.*

*Blessings Fr. Enzo*

on your  
65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
of Ordination



## 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/UCY8MWUNQLCqEILmb9kFtRA>

### TO REQUEST A MASS INTENTION FOR THE REMAINDER OF THIS YEAR

Contact Susan: [speresso@stbenedicts.ca](mailto:speresso@stbenedicts.ca) /416-743-3830 X0

#### Monday, July 5

8:00am Jacques Roberts by Lee

#### Tuesday, July 6

8:00am Living Intention for Fr. Frank Kelly by Cathy Proietti & family

#### Wednesday, July 7

8:00am Deceased members of the Nguyen family by Thiep Nguyen

#### Thursday, July 8

8:00am Living Intention for David Clarke by Fernandez, Gocotano & Clarke families

#### Friday, July 9

8:00am Diego & Paola Ballone by Deacon Diego & Diane Maratta

#### Saturday, July 10

8:00am Living Intention for Staff & Students at Humber College by Ivan Canjar

5:00pm Clarence Halge by Jackie Halge

#### Sunday, July 11

8:00am Living Intention for Fr. David Sajdak by Sala family

9:30am It. Vincenza & Gaetano Maratta by Deacon Diego & Diane Maratta

9:30am Eng. Christopher Hasbun by Josephine Hasbun

11:00am Barbara Pascua by Arsenia Cagasca Reyes BCHSAN 47

## Updated Daily and Sunday Mass Schedules

As our province moves into Step 2 with the guidance of our provincial government and our Toronto Archdiocese, kindly note the updated Weekday and Sunday Mass Schedules:

### Daily Mass

8:00 am Monday through Saturday  
7:30 pm Tuesdays (resumes July 13)

### Sunday Mass

Saturdays 5:00 pm

Sundays 8:00 am, 9:30 am Italian in church,  
9:30 am English in hall (resumes July 11), 11:00 am,  
12:45 pm (cancelled: July 11-Sept 5 inclusive, summer schedule)

Join us for a fun-filled day:

**Saturday  
September 11**

Register to play or support our charities by sponsoring our event, or by making a donation by e-transfer to [stjohnbosco14327@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnbosco14327@gmail.com)

REGISTRATION AND SPONSORSHIP FORMS at  
<https://www.stbenedicts.ca/kofc> under Upcoming Events!

CONTACT US:

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### Pray for the Dead

Elizabeth Ann Bekum

Eternal rest, grant unto her, O LORD and let



Our faith community welcomes

Amelia Rose Worboys

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

Sunday Offering

\$ 4,274

St. Benedict Debt to the Archdiocese:

\$116,445

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!



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Blessings on your  
Marriage

As a parish  
community,  
we keep  
in prayer



**Jason Tome & Kimberley Frias  
&**

**Andre Watson & Dafne Nicole Cerda**

who will be married on Friday, July 9, 2021.

God grant them happiness, good health  
and a long life together.