

Sunday May 16th 2021 - Ascension of the Lord

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

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Pastor's Page

Check out the Pastor's Page on our parish website: www.stbenedicts.ca/pastors-page



Deacons' Corner

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On the Spectrum Support Group Meeting

For Families and Supporters of Children on the Autism Spectrum

Wednesday June 2 / 6 to 7 PM

This group is a place where we share information, stories, struggles and successes. We ask questions, learn from each other, gain resources, hold each other up in prayer and rest in the comfort of nonjudgmental support.

Online Meeting Link: <https://meet.google.com/ngv-fpwv-gzx>

Questions? Contact Cathy:

647-832-2229 / contactonthespectrum@gmail.com

Celebrating 35 Years of Priestly Ordination

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Your parish *family*
thanks you, Fr. Dave,
for your many years
of *generous service*
to the people of God.

And we pray
God's continued *blessing*
on your priestly ministry.

Consider celebrating your Pastor in one of three ways:

- ◆ Offer a mass of thanksgiving for Fr. Dave's priesthood. To do this, call the parish office and you will be guided through the simple steps: 416-743-3830 X0.
- ◆ Send Fr. Dave a card or email in gratitude for his priesthood.
- ◆ Pray the rosary with your family or another parishioner or parish group for Fr. Dave's needs and intentions.



Weekend Prayer Service with Holy Communion

Individuals and families wishing to participate in a prayer service are invited to enter the church from the SIDE ENTRANCE, near the chapel.

Saturdays: 5 pm – 6 pm

Sundays: 8 am – 9 am, 12 pm – 1 pm

The Little Miracles Prayer Ministry



St. Benedict Parish is reviving The Little Miracles Prayer Ministry, an online prayer group that connects parishioners, through prayer, to expectant mothers throughout their pregnancy. Expectant moms or a family member can sign up

to have the prayer team pray for the mother and the safe delivery of her baby. Members of the prayer team receive an electronic copy of the **Novena to St. Gerard Majella** and from their homes, on their own time, will pray the novena for the expectant mothers. Once a mother has her baby, the group will be notified of the news, along with a picture.

If you are interested in being part of the prayer group or if you would like an expectant mom to receive prayers from the Little Miracles Ministry, contact Rema: littlemiracles.sbp@gmail.com



The Knights of Columbus, now two million strong worldwide, was established in 1882 by Blessed Father Michael McGivney to empower Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work, and in their community.

Our Knights Council here at St. Benedict Parish is thrilled to organize our second annual Etobicoke North Golf Classic to raise funds for our parish, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, the Sara Elizabeth Centre and more!

Who are we and why
GOLF?



Please help us help them by joining us on **Saturday September 11**

for a fun day of golf,
by sponsoring our event,
or by making a donation.

You can donate by e-transfer to:

stjohnbosco14327@gmail.com

or send us an email for more information.

For registration and sponsorship forms,

look for Upcoming Events at:

<https://www.stbenedicts.ca/kofc>

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Election of Officers

Wednesday, May 26th / 7:00 PM

A virtual link will be sent out a few days prior to the date.

Questions or Comments: stjohnbosco14327@gmail.com



June 2 is
ShareLife Sunday

Living the Gospel locally and around the world

"You – the clergy, religious and lay faithful of the Archdiocese–haven't forgotten the needs of your neighbours. "Thank you to our pastors and parish staff who have continued to educate the faithful about the work of ShareLife agencies." – Cardinal Thomas Collins

One of the key messages Jesus left us is to "love one another as I have loved you." Our generosity toward ShareLife agencies is one of the ways we can help transform the lives of the marginalized in our society.

Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

Humanitarian Relief – India's COVID-19 Outbreak

India is reeling from a devastating COVID-19 outbreak. In recent days, the country has been reporting more than 400,000 new cases and 4,000 deaths every 24 hours. International observers expect that the actual numbers are significantly higher. The medical system, funeral services and other social supports are unable to meet the country's needs at this time.

In response to numerous inquiries from parishioners and clergy, we are providing information for those who may wish to contribute to relief efforts to assist the people of India.

The Archdiocese of Toronto will send donations through Development and Peace to Caritas Internationalis, an international confederation of Catholic humanitarian organizations that is already in India helping those who are suffering during this COVID-19 outbreak.

Since the pandemic began, India's Catholic Church, acting principally through Caritas India, has been supporting some of the most disadvantaged groups, such as those with inadequate housing, migrant labourers, persons with special needs and widows. Relief services and materials provided by the Church, or with its support, include:

- Food at kitchens and distribution centres in slums, at migration transit points, etc.
- Masks, sanitizers and hygiene kits to vulnerable communities
- Psychosocial support and hotline services to traumatized and grieving people
- Public education campaigns on infection prevention and vaccination
- Supporting the public healthcare system, including donating expertise, facilities and equipment from Church-run clinics and hospitals

To learn more about Caritas' work in India, please watch this video:

<http://bit.ly/CaritasIndiaRelief>

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: www.archtoronto.org
- By phone through the Development Office: 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to: St. Benedict Parish–India's COVID-19 Outbreak–Disaster Relief

Please continue to pray for the people of India and all those who are suffering from COVID-19 worldwide.

Thank you for your continued assistance.



Our faith community welcomes
Joshua Benjamin Neil,
Amanda & Andrea Brito
I have called you by name, you are mine. Is 43:1

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/UCy8MWUNQLc9ELmb9kFtRA>

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

Contact Susan: speresso@stbenedicts.ca /416-743-3830 XO

Monday, May 17

Living Intention for Joe Ryan & family by Joe Ryan

Tuesday, May 18

Living Intention for Mely Gargoles by Emely, Eymard, Cristina & Giuliano,
Living Intention for Patients & Staff at Etobicoke General Hospital
by Ivan Canjar

Wednesday, May 19

John Gallego by Mom

Thursday, May 20

Americo & Maria Zavagno by Aldo & Marisa D'Andrea

Friday, May 21

Angela Miele by Quaglietta family

Saturday, May 22

Neil Fernando by Sweeni & family, Doris & Reginald Samuels
by Doug & Pat Tarsay

Sunday, May 23

Mae & Ken Sutton by Sutton family, Deceased members of the Di Francesco
& DeLuca families by Santina Di Francesco & families, Stefano Cancelli by
Pastoral Team, Maria Cacador by Daughters & Grandchildren

MAY 20
RECLAIMING
2021 LOVE

**THEOLOGY
OF THE BODY
FOR EVERYONE**

The realities of masculinity, femininity, gender, and the relation of these to our identity, are being questioned like never before.

Jason Evert, internationally-known Catholic speaker and author, leads the discussion beyond feelings to help us embrace an integrated understanding of the truth of our identity. Speaking the truth in love, he shows how the recognition of what our biology reveals helps us to understand who God created us to be and to accompany others on their life's journey.

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER
JASON EVERT
Catholic Speaker, Founder of Chastity Project

PRaise & WORSHIP
CHICO NUGUID
Worship Leader in Archdiocese of Toronto

FREE ONLINE EVENT
THURSDAY, MAY 20 • 7:00–8:30 PM
There is no cost to attend, but online registration is required.

We're so excited to see you there! To register, please visit <http://bit.ly/reclaiminglove-reg2021>