

Mass celebrating the
Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes
Tuesday February 10
7:30 pm

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick
for those who are sick &

Blessing Prayer for Caregivers
for those who work as health care professionals
those who care for the sick: family members, friends

**What is the Sacrament
of the Anointing of the Sick?**

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, is especially intended to strengthen those who are suffering serious illness. For a long time, this sacrament was celebrated only with people who were dying and for this reason came to be known as “last rites.” It was meant to give them strength to face death. Since 1972 the church has revised its purpose for the sacrament, putting greater stress than in the immediately preceding centuries on the sacrament’s aspect of healing.

**Who should celebrate the Sacrament
of the Anointing of the Sick?**

- ◆ Those adults and children who are suffering from a major illness, are facing surgery, serious medical tests or have suffered a serious accident.
- ◆ Those who suffer from chronic illness such as arthritis or diabetes, or who suffer from a serious mental illness.
- ◆ Those who are elderly and whose frailty is becoming more pronounced.

There is a need for those who are sick to have expressed a desire that celebrating this sacrament would be important to them. It is not enough for family members or hospital staff to desire it on their behalf. It is important to try to ensure that those who are sick and those around them understand the significance of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick as a sacrament of healing and are prepared to celebrate it well.

**The Graces of the Sacrament
of the Anointing of the Sick**

Those who are sick may feel anguish and they may fear being abandoned by God. Prayer can become difficult. Those who are sick might feel forgotten or think that they have become a burden for others.

God’s grace in this sacrament brings peace and courage to those who suffer serious illness or the frailty of old age. The power of the Holy Spirit, present in this sacrament, touches the whole person, not just the body or the soul. There is no magical result. The comfort and the release of stress, which the sacrament brings, help bring healing to both body and soul. Trust and faith in God are renewed and those who suffer are reminded of their dignity and worth.

**Stop Graphic Revisions to Ontario’s
Sex Education Curriculum**

Thank You!

Thanks to the over 400 parishioners who signed the petition after the weekend masses!

If you haven’t yet...sign the petition

For parishioners who have not yet signed the PAFE petition and would like to stop graphic revisions to Ontario’s Sex Education Curriculum, find the link on the bottom of the home page of our parish website: www.stbenedicts.ca

Forward petition link to friends on social media

The PAFE petition to stop Kathleen Wynne’s sex-ed plans mentioned by McNaughton has over 32,000 signatures now! Please forward the petition link to your friends and put it on Facebook and other social media:

<http://www.gopetition.com/petitions/stop-graphic-revisions-to-ontarios-sex-education-curriculum.html>

**Catholics urged to Support
Physicians’ Charter Right of Freedom
of Conscience and Religion**

The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario (CPSO) in a proposed new draft document states: “Where physicians are unwilling to provide certain elements of care due to their moral or religious beliefs, an effective referral to another health care provider must be provided to the patient”. Catholic physicians believe that a mandate for an “effective referral” is a violation of a physician’s rights, as it *compels the physician to violate his or her own conscience by being a participant in the very act, the very procedure to which he or she objects in the first place*. **The CPSO is accepting submissions from all Ontario citizens until February 20. We are all called to inform the CPSO in writing that we reject the proposed “effective referral” mandate for doctors whose Charter right of freedom of conscience and religion must be respected. The Catholic Civil Rights League (CCRL) is one Catholic lay group coordinating these efforts. Go to www.ccrl.ca to find out more and to get involved.**



THE VISITATION

Join us for an evening of Eucharistic Adoration, confession, reflection, prayer, praise and worship and fellowship!

Everyone is welcome so invite your friends, family, community and youth group!

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 13
7:00 PM

Mamma’s House fellowship follows in parish hall.
All are welcome!

TREAT YOUR SWEETHEART VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER DANCE

Sponsored by: The Knights of Columbus

Saturday, February 14, 2014

6:15pm – 11:00pm
Dinner 7:00 pm

Cost: \$30.00

Last Day for Ticket Sales
Monday, February 9, 2015

Menu: Chicken Cordon Bleu, Veal, Manicotti, Potatoes,
Salad, Buns, Coffee, Tea, Dessert & Cash Bar

For Tickets Contact: Wolf 416-745-7983
Ray 416-748-3344
Joe: 416-745-2850



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 9

8:00am Catharine Suriani by Milka Paun
7:30pm Memorial Mass - Pietro Bomba

Tuesday, February 10

10:30am Mass at Kipling Acres
7:30pm Victoria Farrugia by Pace Family

Wednesday, February 11

8:00am Mauro Bianco by family

Thursday, February 12

8:00am John Haughey by family

Friday, February 13

8:00am Sabatino Galluccio by Bertollo family

Saturday, February 14

8:00am Francesco & Arcangela Rossi by D'Andrea family
5:00pm Marietta Tuzi by Benedetto Tuzi & family

Sunday, February 15

8:00am Deceased members of Drozd family by Mary Vilic
9:30am Deceased members of Dal Bello family by Lidia
9:30am For the People
11:00am Living Intention for the Turini family by Gianna
12:45pm Theresa & Marshall Fernandes by Anne Fernandes

THANK YOU

to all those who donated to St. Benedict Parish
In loving memory of

**JESS GOCOTANO
MAURO ALBERT BIANCO**

in lieu of flowers.

Through your generosity \$580.00 was donated.
May they rest in peace and their memory live among us.



Pray for the Dead, especially
**Anthony Sarlo, Sheila Ramsingh
& Mario De Vuono**

St. Vincent DePaul Society

We are in need of:

- ♦ Queen/Double size bed including mattress, frame and box spring
- ♦ Baby Crib complete with mattress
- ♦ Sofa and Chair

Please call 416-743-3830 ext. 3
and leave a message.

Thank You. *Josephine Muscat Pres. SVdP*

Aid to Women "Baby Bottles for Life" fundraising campaign

Aid to Women is a Christian, volunteer-based, charity offering pro-life options and practical help to pregnant women in crisis, enabling them to choose life for their unborn children. In addition to providing counseling, we provide material, emotional, spiritual and financial support for these mothers in need.

Representatives from *Aid to Women* will be at the back of the church after each mass the weekend of February 14th and 15th, handing out their baby bottles that contain more information about the campaign. You are asked to return the bottles to the parish with your donation on the weekend of March 7th and 8th. 100% of the donations received go directly to *Aid to Women's* life affirming work.

DONATION RECEIPTS - YEAR 2014

Receipts are now available & may be obtained by:

- stopping in at the parish office during office hours (Mon - Fri ~ 9-12 noon & 2- 5 pm) **or**
- dropping a stamped self-addressed envelope in the collection basket.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

SUNDAY OFFERING **\$7,826**

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!