



St. Benedict Banner

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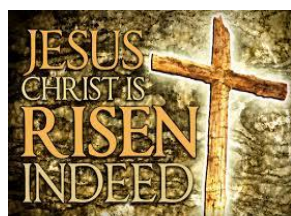
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Let Justice flow like a stream, and righteousness like a river that never goes dry. Amos 5:24



As we approach the season of Easter, let us be mindful of God's love for us as witnessed in the passion of His son Jesus.

It is with a renewed sense of hope and commitment to be followers of Jesus that we proclaim the good news of the first Easter morning, "**Christ is Risen**".

April is also designated the virtue of **JUSTICE**. At this time we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus who is the Just One who died for the sake of the unjust so that He might lead people back to God. But justice is also an important part of Catholic teaching beyond Christ's death and resurrection. The need to do justice comes from the obligation to respect the dignity of every human person. This dignity comes from being created in God's image. Failing to respect human dignity, including failing to do justice, is to disrespect God.

April is also the month to recognize the important role of volunteers. We, at St. Benedict Catholic School want to thank all our volunteers for making such a positive contribution to our school each and every day. M. Gagliardi (Principal)



Holy Week Schedule:

Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:30 pm. Prayer at Altar of Repose in Chapel after Mass until midnight

Good Friday, Day of Fast & Abstinence: Morning Prayer @ 10:00 am; Stations of the Cross led by Youth @ 11:00 am; Celebration of the Lord's Passion @ 3:00 pm & 7:30 pm

Easter Vigil Mass: Saturday @ 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday Masses are:

8:00 am

9:30 am Italian

9:30 am English

11:00 am

12:45 pm

Adoration resumes at 2:00 pm. Please join us!

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday, Friday	8:00am
Friday, Saturday	
Tuesday (with devotions)	7:30pm
First Friday (additionally)	7:30pm

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday	5:00pm
Sunday	8:00 am 9:30 am (Eng./Hall) 9:30 am (Ital./Church) 11:00am
Cancelled during July & August	12:45pm*

For complete and updated information about events happening at St. Benedict Church please visit:

<http://www.stbenedicts.ca>



CSPC MEETING

The next CSPC meeting will take place on **Wednesday, April 17, at 7:00 pm** in the library.



Hockey News

Congratulations to the St. Benedict hockey team on completing a successful tournament season.

The team played extremely well and demonstrated excellent skill and sportsmanship throughout the season. Many thanks to our parents for driving students to practices and tournaments. Thank you Mr. Proietti for all of your hard work coaching the team.



Monthly Update from the Board TCDSB Budget Consultation

Parents, students, staff and Catholic school supporters are invited and encouraged to participate in the budget consultation process. Your input can be provided during a virtual town hall to be held in April, through an online survey which will be posted on the board's website in April, or through a delegation at an upcoming board or committee meeting. Details will be available here:

www.tcdsb.org

The City of Toronto's Clean Toronto Together Campaign

School Cleanup-Week of April 22

Community Clean-up Days:

Saturday, April 27 & Sunday, April 28

Other Upcoming Events

- **April is Volunteer Month.** Celebrate the excellent work of volunteers in our school and community. Thank you!!
- **April 2nd: Pope John Paul II Day**—declared by the Government of Ontario
- **April 2nd—World Autism Awareness Day**
- **April 22nd—Earth Day**
- **April 24th: Administrative Professionals' Day** ("Secretaries' Day")

Get all the latest news and information:

- Visit the Board's website www.tcdsb.org
- Subscribe to ENews to receive updates via Board email every week
- Follow the Board on Twitter@TCDSB to get updates throughout the day
- follow the school on Twitter@St.BenedictTCDSB

 **ShareLife is the official annual charitable**

appeal of the Archdiocese of Toronto, raising funds to help support a large family of Catholic Agencies. Annually, ShareLife social service agencies provide over 381,000 services to over 114,000 people locally and assist countless more in developing countries around the world. They feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, protect the meek and care for the sick. In 42 municipalities, in 225 parishes, and in more than 20 languages, those in need received professional, faith-informed and compassionate care as a result of our generosity. On **April 12**, we are having a **Dress Down Day** and inviting students to **donate a toonie** towards the parish ShareLife campaign. We thank you for your continued generosity.



"Keeping our Students and Staff Safe"

The Toronto Catholic District School Board has a primary responsibility to ensure the safety of students and staff inside Board buildings and on Board property. In partnership with the Toronto Police Services and the Toronto District School Board, a city wide safety emergency school lockdown procedures plan has been developed.

The "Emergency Lockdown Procedure" is initiated, should a high risk incident involving weapons, hazardous chemical spill; severe weather warning; student/stranger intrusion; etc. occur in the schools or on school property, or there are circumstances in the vicinity of the school that could endanger the lives and/or the safety of students and/or staff.

In order for all students and staff to become familiar with the expectations during a lockdown, our school practices emergency lockdown procedures as we normally do with fire drills. During these drills there will be signs posted on the entrance doors indicating that the school is in lockdown. The doors will be locked and no one will be allowed into the school. This is the same procedure that will be followed in a real situation. Please speak to your children regarding the importance of all emergency drill procedures.

We will be holding our third lockdown practice drill of the school year on **Monday, April 8.**



RAINBOW LUNCHES

Need a break from making lunches? St. Benedict is pleased to provide a hot lunch program through "Rainbow Lunches". This lunch program supports the school's nutrition objectives. All the lunches are made with fresh ingredients and are comprised of the four food groups. By participating in the program, you are supporting your school's fundraising efforts as part of the proceeds from every meal is donated back to the school. This program launched in January 2015 and so far we've had an overwhelming positive response. For more information please visit www.rainbowlunches.com to order your lunches.



Mathies.ca

Mathies.ca, hosted by Ontario Association for Mathematics Education (OAME), is designed for Ontario K – 12 students and parents. This website includes games, learning tools, activities, and additional supports for students to explore, build and enhance their mathematical thinking. A parent 'Frequently Asked Questions' section includes: "How can I help with the learning of mathematics?", "What mathematics activities can we do together?", "What digital supports are available?"
<http://oame.on.ca/mathies>

Safety Reminders

Let us work together to keep all of our students safe at arrival and dismissal. Please be mindful of all traffic signs.

- Do not park in the Bus Loading Zone.
- Do not block the Church parking lot/exit lanes.
- Do not use the staff parking lot for pick up or drop off.**

Thank you for your continued support.

Student Arrival/Supervision

A reminder that supervision begins in the school yard at **8:15am**. Students must not be in the yard before this time as there is no adult supervision. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our students safe.

Reminder: TCDSB Anaphylaxis Policy & Protocol

In accordance with the TCDSB Anaphylaxis policy (S.M. 15) and the Anaphylaxis Protocol and Guidelines, it is the policy of the TCDSB to create allergen-aware environments in our schools and workplaces. The implementation of the policy includes strategies that reduce the risk of exposure to anaphylactic causative agents in classrooms and common school areas.

We are aware that there is the potential that fast food products make their way into schools. We ask that you be aware that some of these products are not peanut/nut free and remain mindful that they could result in a potentially life-threatening form of allergic reaction. Given this, the TCDSB strongly advises that parents take this into consideration when sending your student to school with these products.

We appreciate your cooperation in the TCDSB's commitment to keeping our schools a safe environment for all students and staff.

Message from the Terry Fox Foundation

The 2018 Terry Fox School Run was a great success!

We are proud to announce that **St. Benedict Catholic School** has generously donated **\$5,755.00** for cancer research. 39 years ago, determined to make a difference in the lives of those living with cancer, Terry ignited a fundraising movement that cannot be stopped. Today, because of schools like yours, his message of hope echoes loudly in the voices of students and families everywhere. The Terry Fox Foundation extends to you a heartfelt thank you for your wonderful generosity to continue Terry's legacy. Be proud and know that together, we are making a difference. The next Terry Fox Walk for St. Benedict will take place at the end of September 2019.

Annual Movie Night is Coming!

Friday, April 12, 2019@ 6pm

See insert for all the details!

Annual Chocolate Fundraiser

Parent Council will be holding its

annual chocolate fundraiser in April.

Please support this important event.

Funds raised will be used to support

student initiatives and subsidize

costs!

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Wards

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