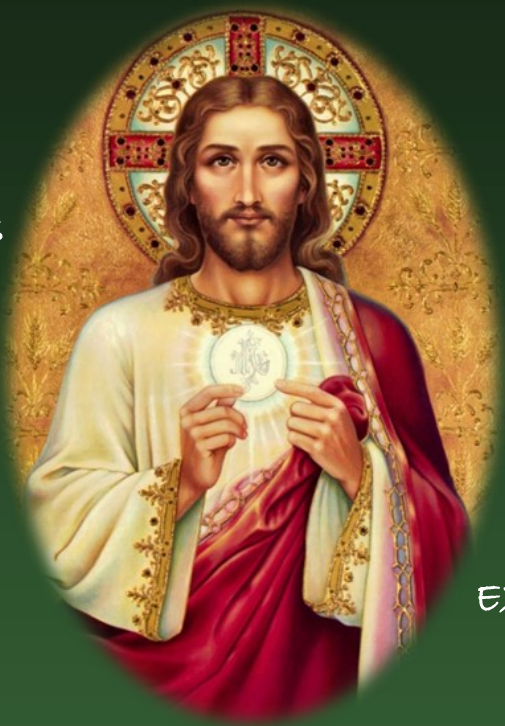


May 27, 2018

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

ORDINARY FAMILIES



EXTRAORDINARY FAITH

ST. BENILDE

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CLERGY

Rev. Robert T. Cooper, *Pastor*
Rev. H.L. Brignac, *Sacramental Asst.*
Deacon Biaggio DiGiovanni
Deacon Stephen Gordon
Deacon Clifford Wright

BAPTISMS

First and Third Sundays of the month
at 12 Noon. Please call the Parish
Office for more information.

MATRIMONY

Please contact a priest/deacon
8 months prior to your wedding.

FUNERALS

Arrangements may be made at the
Parish Office.

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil ... 4 p.m.
Sunday ... 9:00, 11:00 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Monday—Friday ... 7:00 a.m.
Monday and Thursday ... 5:30 p.m.
First Saturday ... 8:45 a.m.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

See Inside the Bulletin for Schedule

CONFESSION TIMES

Saturday ... 3:00—3:45 p.m.
Sunday ... 5:00—5:45 p.m.
Monday ... 6:00—6:45 p.m.
and by appointment at the Parish Office

DIVINE MERCY ADORATION CHAPEL

Eucharistic Adoration from 7:00 p.m. Sunday
till 4:00 p.m. Saturday

DEVOTIONS

Holy Hour in Church
Monday, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Following 7 a.m. Mass on Tuesday

NEWCOMERS

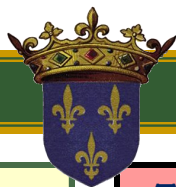
Call the Parish Office to receive a New
Parishioner Registration Packet.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

St. Benilde Conference
(504) 233-3246

ST. BENILDE SCHOOL

Michael Buras, Interim Principal
1801 Division Street • Metairie, LA
(504) 833-9894



Ministers of the Liturgy

May 26 & 27, 2018

Saturday - 4 P.M.

Intention: George Spaulding, Paul O. Onebane,
Russell Joubert, Joseph Segari, Ebling Family,
Rita G. Vaccaro, Melissa Mendel Zimmerman,
Geno Soleto, Patrick C. McKinney, Flora Maria Be,
Merle & Charles Dittmer, Austin Burroughs,
Emile Fichter, Jess Matherne, Jr., Hubert LaBorde,
Michelle Thibodeaux, Rudy Neubeck, Jr., Roy Phelps, Sr.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

R. Aucoin, J. Rodosta

Cantor: Kevin Rouchell *Organist:* Jared Croal

Sunday - 9 A.M.

Intention: Parishioners

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

C. & R. Ayers, K. Klapatch, R. Theriot

Song Leaders: Traditional Choir

Sunday - 11 A.M.

Intention: Julie Periou, Judith Theisges,
Emily K. Gsell, Miriam Whitman, Donald Bordelon,
Ronnie & Dianne Z. Harrison, Todd Hillburn,
Kelvin Ducote, Mary & Melvin Ducote, Geno Soleto,
O'Sullivan & Zito Families, Paul Hymel, Jr.,
Joseph Donald Bernard, Jess Matherne, Jr.,
Brenda Conner Gioiello, Audrey Cusimano,
Julie Periou, Connie Gay (L), Poor Souls

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

N. Bostick, L. Frey, J. Ackermann, J. Wright

Song Leaders: Contemporary Choir

Sunday - 6 P.M.

Intention: June & Marvin Ackermann (L)

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

D. Childers, T. Pitre

Cantor: Lauren Gisclair *Pianist:* Beth Kettenring

Weekday Masses

Monday	7:00 a.m. Venita Morel
	5:30 p.m. Melvin Ducote
Tuesday	7:00 a.m. Audrey Cusimano
Wednesday	7:00 a.m. Sr. Theresa Fletchinger SSND
Thursday	7:00 a.m. Venita Morel
	5:30 p.m. Joy Rojas
Friday	7:00 a.m. Bill Johnson
Saturday	8:45 a.m. Rosary & Altar Society

**The Church Sanctuary Lamp
burns in memory of
The Souls in Purgatory**



**The Blessed Mother
Votive Lamps burn
For Reparations for Sins**

**The St. Joseph Votive Lamps
burn for
Prayers Answered**



**Adoration Chapel
Sanctuary Lamp burns
in memory of
Stuart & Gloria Fourroux**

**Adoration Chapel Candles
burn in memory of
Deceased Parishioners**



Altar Ladies

Week of May 27

J. LeBoeuf, C. Grace,
S. Mercatante, T. Gsell

Linens

Large - B. Koch-Jones
Small - C. Jones



**The Altar Flowers are in
memory of
Deceased Parishioners**



Stewardship of Treasure

Weekend of May 19 & 20

Envelopes	\$2,762.00
Loose	2,373.00
Electronic Giving	327.00
Repairs & Maintenance	246.00
Totaling	\$5,708.00
Peter's Pence Collection.....	\$730.00

"Let us focus on generosity, or returning God's gifts with increase, through the generous sharing of our time, talent and treasure."

~ Fr. Cooper



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

June 2/3

4 PM	C. Casente, L. Segari
9 AM	M. Evola, P. Fleming, R. Meche, B. O'Hara
11 AM	A. Duersel, R. Oleksik, C. & T. Pitre
6 PM	A. Calongne, B. Henry

MASS FOR GOD'S SPECIAL CHILDREN

There will be a Mass for special needs individuals, families and friends at 2 PM on Sunday, June 3, at St. Francis Xavier Church, 444 Metairie Road. Refreshments served after Mass. For more information, please contact Joy Zainey at (504) 834-5865 or visit the website www.godsspecialchildren.org.

June Calendar

June 2	Legion of Mary—2:05 PM—Parish Office
June 7	Pro-Life Committee—6:15 PM—Teen Center CALM—7 PM—Church
June 8	Radio Rosary—6:45 PM—Library
June 9	Legion of Mary—2:05 PM—Parish Office
June 15	Movie: Finding St. Anthony — 7 PM—T C
June 16	Legion of Mary—2:05 PM—Parish Office
June 16/17	Hospitality Weekend
June 19	SVDP—6:30 PM—Parish Office
June 23	Legion of Mary—2:05 PM—Parish Office
June 28	Violence Prevention—6 PM—Parish Office
June 30	Legion of Mary—2:05 PM—Parish Office



On April 29, 2018 the Archdiocese of New Orleans held the annual Celebration Awards Ceremony at St. Louis Cathedral for the 2017 Catholic Youth and Young Adult Awards. These are awards to distinguish outstanding CYO youth from each parish. Congratulations to the following recipients from St. Benilde Parish for 2017: **Outstanding Youth Awards:** James Virga, Ethan Ott, and Ronnie Bergeron. The St. Timothy Award is the highest youth award given to members of the CYO. The **St. Timothy Award** was given to Emma Duckworth. The Matt Hill Award is given to the most outstanding CYO member for athletics and faith-driven good sportsmanship. Only one award is given to a male and a female from the whole Archdiocese. The **Matt Hill Award** was given to John Virga. Adult Awards are given to adults that have given up their time to volunteer and help each CYO for a minimum of five years or more. The **Adult Service Awards** were given to Roger & Hindi Duckworth, Richard & Kathy Solares, and Angela Sweeney.



Parish Office Closed

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, May 28 in observance of Memorial Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, May 29, at 9 AM.



FR. COOPER'S CORNER

The Gift of the Rosary

We have known the Rosary since we were children and still use it today. It is uniquely and identifiably Catholic. All who pray it are drawn closer into the heart of the Church. It is a prayer guided by Our Lady and at the same time focused on the mysteries in the life of her Son, Jesus. It leads us deeper into the words of Scripture while it also captures the essence of our Catholic Tradition. It is at the same time contemplative, suited well for prayer on one's own, and communal, effective in the family and the parish.

We must regard the Rosary as a singular gift, which teaches us how to pray. The Church existed for many centuries before the Rosary became a part of our tradition. We thank God for this way of prayer and devotion which has nourished the Church for almost eight centuries through good times and bad. In May 2008, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI said that the Rosary was "not a pious practice banished to the past, like prayers of other times thought of with nostalgia. Instead, the Rosary is experiencing a new springtime. Without a doubt, this is one of the most eloquent signs of love that the young generations nourish for Jesus and His Mother, Mary."



There are many forms of prayer in the Church – the most perfect form being the communal celebration of the Eucharist. Joined closely to the Eucharist are the Divine Office, which sanctifies the hours of each day, and Eucharistic Adoration, which extends from the celebration of the Mass itself. Beyond the liturgical prayer, the Rosary has a special place for Catholics. Let me share with you why I believe the Rosary is not only an important devotion in itself, but in fact teaches us how we are truly to pray.

First, each decade of the Rosary is introduced by an "Our Father" and then continued with ten "Hail Marys." I would encourage you when you pray each decade to view the "Hail Marys" not as something separate but as a continuation and extension of the Lord's Prayer. When the disciples asked Jesus to "teach us to pray," Jesus gave them the "Our Father." To pray our Lord's Prayer is to be a disciple. The greatest of the disciples was His Mother, who was with the disciples in the Upper Room, in the days before Pentecost, "constantly devoting themselves to prayer" (Acts 1:14). We can imagine that with Mary the disciples prayed as Jesus taught them. This is what we do in the Rosary. Like the disciples, we gather with Mary in the "upper room" of our hearts and pray in the school of Mary.

Second, as St. Pope John Paul II insisted in his Apostolic Letter on the Most Holy Rosary in 2002, "the Rosary, though clearly Marian in character, is at heart a Christocentric prayer." Each mystery we contemplate is a mystery of Christ. The "Hail Mary" always seems to reflect the way in which, between the conception of Jesus and His nativity, Mary carried Jesus in her womb. Like the great prayer of the Eastern Church, the Jesus Prayer, the Rosary repeats, again and again, the most Holy Name of Jesus. "There is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved," Saint Peter said (Acts 4:11).

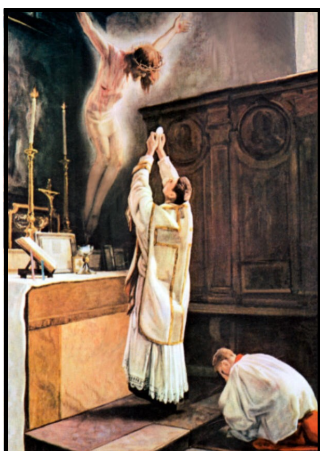
Thirdly, the Rosary is a Scriptural prayer. The twenty "mysteries" are all drawn from Scripture. There is a deep relationship between the practice known as "Lectio Divina" – the prayerful reading and listening to the words of Scripture – and the Rosary. Prayer is a dialogue with God which begins not with our words to God, but God's words to us. It is the Holy Spirit speaking to us through the words of Scripture that "teaches us to pray." As Saint Paul wrote to the Church in Rome, "we do not know what we should pray for, as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered" (Romans 8:26). The prayer of the Divine Office, consisting of Psalms and



Scripture readings, teaches us the same lesson. For this reason, I suggest you sometimes use the “Scriptural Rosary” resources, which recommend verses of the Scriptures to accompany meditation on the mysteries.

Finally, the Rosary teaches us to “pray constantly” (1 Thess 5:17). I strongly recommend carrying a set of rosary beads in the pocket as a reminder to take opportunities throughout each day to pray. There will be times for a few moments to pray, perhaps while waiting in line or during our lunch break. The Rosary is a circle, which reminds us that our prayer should be never-ending. The tradition of praying a certain set of mysteries on certain days, such as the Joyful Mysteries on Saturday or the Sorrowful Mysteries on Friday, also means that we will never be at a loss as to what to pray: the Rosary gives us direction at every moment.

I urge you to take up your beads and to spend some time sitting with Mary using this most precious gift to learn how we should “pray as we ought!”



Priest Mass Schedule	4pm	9am	11am	6pm
June 2/3	Fr. H.L.	Fr. H.L.	Fr. Cooper	Fr. Cooper
June 9/10	Fr. Cooper	Fr. Cooper	Fr. H.L.	Fr. H.L.
June 16/17	Fr. H.L.	Fr. H.L.	Fr. Cooper	Fr. Cooper
June 23/24	Fr. Cooper	Fr. Cooper	Fr. H.L.	Fr. H.L.
June 30/July 1	Fr. H.L.	Fr. H.L.	Fr. Cooper	Fr. Cooper

“Coping with Life Alone”

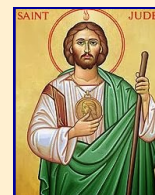
Suddenly single again? Dreading being alone? Feeling the pain of having to go on with life but . . . everything has changed?

Have you lost your spouse due to Divorce, Death or Separation? Having difficulty coping? Help is on the way. Beginning Experience Ministry under the Archdiocese of New Orleans, Office of Marriage and Family Life will begin a 10 week program “Coping with Life Alone” to help those struggling to cope with this loss.

The Coping Program will begin on Wednesday, June 6, from 7 - 9 PM in St. Angela Merici's Conference Hall adjacent to the Church, 835 Melody St., Metairie. The cost will be \$35. Call Bette Armentor at 504-339-7776 to register and for questions.

Solemn Novena in Honor of St. Jude

A Solemn Novena in honor of St. Jude will be held June 4 - 12, at St. Mary Magdalen Church, 6425 W. Metairie Ave. The Homilist/Celebrant will be Fr. Paul Clark of Divine Mercy Parish. The schedule is as follows:



Weekdays: 12:15 PM Novena only
6 PM Mass and Novena

Saturday: 12:15 PM Novena only
4 PM Mass and Novena

Sunday: 11 AM & 6 PM Mass and Novena

*Be sure to visit the Gift Shop and Prayer Garden.
Candles, Books and St. Jude Oil available.*



Join an “Invisible Monastery”

Pledge to pray for vocations at the international website, invisiblemonastery.com. It was inspired by a call from the Vatican urging Catholics to “organize an ‘invisible monastery’ in which many persons, day and night, are committed to continuous prayer for priestly vocations.”

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FRIDAYS - 9 A.M. TO 12 NOON

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: