

January 14, 2024

The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ordinary Families



Extraordinary Faith

St. Benilde

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Deacon Michael Sorensen
Deacon Stephen Gordon

**DIRECTOR OF PASTORAL
INITIATIVE** Audrey Huck

OFFICE MANAGER
Colleen Hezeau

BAPTISMS
First and Third Sundays of the
month at 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 ... 4:00 p.m.
Sunday ... 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
& 4:00 p.m.
Mon., Wed., Fri. ... 7:00 a.m.
Tuesday and Thursday ... 5:30
p.m. First Saturday ... 8:30 a.m.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

See Inside the Bulletin
for Schedule

CONFESSION

Tuesday ... 5:00 - 5:25 p.m.
Thursday ... 5:00 - 5:25 p.m.
Saturday... 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.
and by appointment at the Parish
Office

DEVOTIONS

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual
Help Following 5:30 p.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

Mr. Thomas Huck, Principal
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DIVINE MERCY ADORATION CHAPEL

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration from 7:00 a.m. Monday till 10:00 p.m. Friday

Ministers of the Liturgy & Mass Intentions

Jan. 13, 2024

Saturday - 4:00 p.m.

Intentions: Honor of St. Jude,
George Spaulding, Merle & Charles Dittmer,
Patrick C. McKinney, Flora Maria Be,
Pascal Giovingo, Lois Tusa, Joseph Coulombe,
Laurie Waltzer, Gordon Gsell,
Margaret Bourgeois (L), Lela Mae Laborde,
Joanne Victorio (L), Eric Cifreo,
Maria LeBlanc, Mike Brelet (L),
Clinton Don Schmidt, Lawrence Chighizola
Song Leaders: Traditional Choir

Jan. 14, 2024

Sunday - 9:00 a.m.

Intentions: Eric Cifreo
Song Leaders: Traditional Choir

Sunday - 11:00 a.m.

Intentions: Fr. Matthew Johnston (L),
Paul J. Hymel, Jr., Jane Curry (L),
Deacon Cliff Wright, Laurie Waltzer,
Lois Tusa, Eric Cifreo, Lela Mae Laborde,
Gordon Gsell, Doris Melan,
Clinton Don Schnidt, Fr. Anthony Oding (L)
Song Leaders: Contemporary Choir

Sunday - 4:00 p.m.

Intentions: St. Benilde Parishioners
Cantor: Lauren Gisclair
Organist: Kristin Alvarado

WEEKDAY MASSES

Jan. 15-19, 2024

Monday	7:00 a.m.	Michael Dunn
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Eric Giebelhaus(L)
Wednesday	7:00 a.m.	Ray Dunn
	8:15 a.m.	SBS Students
Thursday	5:30 p.m.	Eric Cifreo
Friday	7:00 a.m.	Joanne Victorio(L)

This Week at St. Benilde

DATE	EVENT
Monday, Jan 15	7:00 a.m. Daily Mass Men's Club Mtg. 7:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria
Tuesday, Jan. 16	5-5:25 p.m. Reconciliation 5:30 p.m. Daily Mass SVDP Society Mtg. 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Office Contemporary Choir Practice 7:30 p.m. in the Church
Wednesday, Jan. 17	7:00 a.m. Daily Mass Radio Rosary 6:00 p.m. in the Library TAPS Care Group 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office
Thursday, Jan. 18	Student/Parent Rosary 7:20 a.m. in the Church Reconciliation 5-5:25 p.m. in the Church 5:30 p.m. Daily Mass Come Lord Jesus 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Office
Friday, Jan. 19	7:00 a.m. Daily Mass
Saturday, Jan. 20	Reconciliation 3-3:45 p.m. Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 21 <i>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:00 a.m. Mass - Donut Sunday 11:00 a.m. Mass - Donut Sunday 4:00 p.m. Mass 5:00 p.m. Rooted Night in the Cafeteria

WE HAVE FOUND THE MESSIAH
— SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME —

Stewardship of Treasure:

December 30 & 31, 2023

First Collection Envelopes.....	\$1,759.00
First Collection Loose.....	\$2,116.00
Solemnity of the Holy Family Envelopes.....	\$410.00
Solemnity of the Holy Family Loose.....	\$253.00
Repairs & Maintenance Envelopes.....	\$520.00
Msgr. Endowment Fund.....	\$65.00
Online Giving.....	\$8,451.00
Total.....	\$13,574.00

**Weekend of December 31, 2022 Totals -
\$11,736.75**

January 6 & 7, 2024

First Collection Envelopes.....	\$3,155.00
First Collection Loose.....	\$2,721.00
Repairs & Maintenance Envelopes.....	\$857.00
Repairs & Maintenance Loose.....	\$487.00
Msgr. Endowment Fund.....	\$131.00
Online Giving.....	\$2,116.00
Total.....	\$9,467.00

January 7 & 8, 2023 Totals - \$7,140.75

Thank you so much for generously supporting St. Benilde Catholic Church. Your gift of treasure makes possible the many good works taking place within our parish.



All parishioners are invited to join us for this month's Rooted night on Sunday, January 21 from 5-7:30 PM. The evening includes food, formation and fellowship for ages 3 - 100. Donations are welcome to help offset the expense of food.

Prayer Intentions:

**The Church Sanctuary
Lamp** burns for
Fr. Matthew Johnston (L)



**The Blessed Mother Votive
Lamp** burns for
St. Benilde mothers

**The Sacred
Heart Votive**
burns for
the intentions
of the Holy
Father



The St. Joseph Votive burns
for St. Benilde fathers



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

Adoration Chapel Candles
burns for peace in our
country and world

The Altar Flowers In Memory of deceased
parishioners



Altar Volunteers

Week of Jan. 14
Cheryle Grace &
Jackie Frashier

January Linens
Large - Debbie Blaine
Small - Judy Zeringue

Dwell

NEW WOMEN'S STUDY ON THE EUCHARIST

This new women's study invites readers to grow closer to our Eucharistic Lord, unlocking His ability to change their lives forever. Learn how to invite Him in and discover true satisfaction through narrative reflections, Church teaching, Scripture, and wisdom from the Saints.



STARTING JANUARY 31

EVERY WEDNESDAY 7-8:30 PM

ST. BENILDE TEEN CENTER

The cost is \$30 for materials. Contact Audrey Huck at ahuck@arch-no.org or scan the QR code to register



Join us for

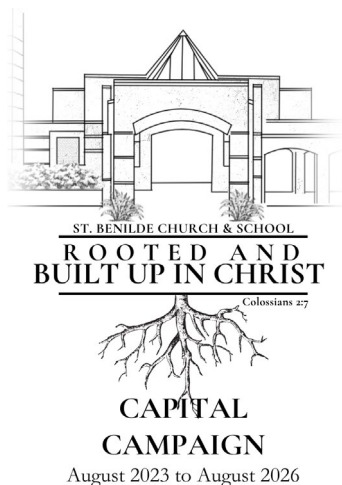
DONUT SUNDAY

Sunday, Jan. 21
following the
9:00 & 11:00 Mass



**The body is not
for immorality
but for the Lord**

1 Corinthians 6:13



Capital Campaign Update!

St. Benilde Church and School launched a three-year, \$3.5 million Capital Campaign on Sunday, August 13, the Feast Day of St. Benilde. This Capital Campaign will end on August, 13, 2026 as we not only will celebrate our patron saint's Feast Day, but the culmination and success of meeting our Capital Campaign goal of \$3.5 million.

Thus far, the Campaign has generated \$905,128! The current funds raised will be utilized for the following upcoming projects:

- New roof for the church (anticipated start date of project is April 1)
- New heating and A/C system for the Rainbow Building (anticipated start date of project is May)
- New windows for the Main School Building (anticipated start date of project is July)

Fr. Matthew and Mr. Huck continue to work diligently with our architect and the Building Office of the Archdiocese of New Orleans as funds are raised to complete needed renovations and campus projects.

If you have not already done so, please prayerfully consider making a pledge to our Capital Campaign. The funds raised are for much needed upgrades and renovations to our aging campus. To donate, visit www.stbenilde.org or scan the QR code.



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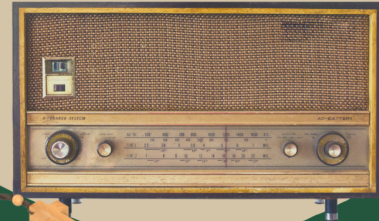
ST. BENILDE MEN'S CLUB MONTHLY MEETING



Monday
January 15
7:30 PM
St. Benilde Cafeteria

All Men of the
Parish are
Welcome!

RADIO ROSARY



WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17
6:00 PM IN THE LIBRARY



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
SOCIETY
Metairie Chapter

St. Vincent de Paul, Metairie Chapter, is part of an international Catholic organization of lay people who provide assistance to people in our parish boundaries in need of emergency assistance. Some members organize the food pantry, handle cases directly, work on Christmas baskets, and in various other capacities. **Members meet the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Office.** If you are interested in learning more about the SVDP Society or getting involved in this ministry of care, contact president Louis Frey at lfrey1809@gmail.com.

If you are in need of food or monetary assistance, and if you live within the territorial boundaries of St. Benilde Parish, please contact the Metairie Chapter of the St. Vincent de Paul Society directly at (504) 233-3246.

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JAN

St. Benilde
CATHOLIC CHURCH

TAPS CARE GROUP

GRIEF SUPPORT FOR THOSE
WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES
THROUGH MILITARY SERVICE

THIRD WEDNESDAY OF
EVERY MONTH

AT 7PM



ST. BENILDE PARISH OFFICE
1901 DIVISION STREET
METAIRIE, LA 70001

We love having you as

Part of our Flock!

KEEP IN TOUCH WITH US VIA
EMAIL AND TEXT!

TEXT

STBENILDE

To 84576

Or scan the QR code to join



ST. BENILDE MEN'S CLUB
CHILI
COOK OFF TRIFECTA

CHILI COOKING 🌶️ CORNHOLE TOSS 🌶️ JALAPENO EATING



SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

Gates open and food tasting begins at Noon
St. Benilde School yard
\$10 per person | Children 10 & under are FREE
Unlimited tasting of Chili &
Louisiana inspired dishes



ARCHDIOCESE OF
NEW ORLEANS

Office of Marriage and Family Life

Silver Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, March 17 @ 3:00 PM

Our Lady of the Rosary

Please register with the parish office no later than
Tuesday, January 16, 2024.

The Office of Marriage and Family Life is pleased to announce that the annual Silver Wedding Anniversary Celebration will be held on Sunday, March 17, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. at Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church, New Orleans. This prayer service will honor couples who are celebrating or have recently celebrated their twenty- fifth wedding anniversary. To register, please contact your parish office before Tuesday, January 16, 2024.

Thank you!

The St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank everyone who generously supported this year's Angel Tree and other SVDP charitable endeavors.

During the recent Christmas Angel gift program we were able to serve the following:

- 40 families
- 107 total family members received gifts or gift cards
- 41 gifts for children 12 years old and under (included in the 107 total above)
- 40 families received cookies
- 66 gift cards distributed to adults
- food baskets given to the 20 largest families

During the last fiscal year the St Benilde Society of St Vincent de Paul provided the following help for families living in our parish geographic boundary:

- \$32,379 received from contributions to the St Benilde poor box
- \$1,370 received from other sources outside St Benilde
- \$5,000 grant received from Friends of the Poor program
- \$38,749 total receipts
- \$40,683 financial aid given to those we serve
- 104 total visits to families requesting help with food, utilities, rent, medical bills, etc.
- 324 people helped
- 141 baskets of food distributed to those we serve
- \$7,586 estimated value of the food collected and distributed

Many thanks to all for helping make this possible



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Office of the Archbishop

January 2024

To the Clergy, Religious and Laity of the Archdiocese of New Orleans

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Pope Francis has named the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time as **Sunday of the Word of God**. This is an annual observance aimed at helping us grow in a deeper appreciation of the Sacred Scriptures.

When we gather on Sunday or for any Mass, God speaks his word to us through the Scriptures. Our desire is to open our ears and our hearts to listen attentively. May I suggest that we could more effectively do this by reading the Sunday Scriptures before Mass in order to prepare our hearts to receive his word.

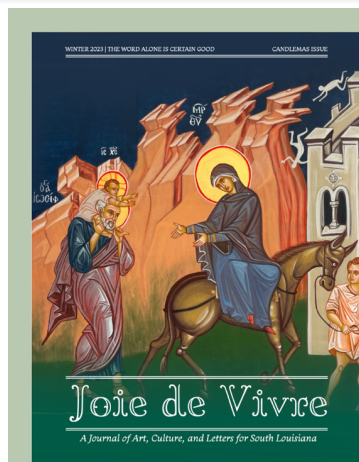
As we reflect on the importance of the Word of God in our lives, it would be an opportunity to give some consideration to joining a Bible study group, reading a few verses of Scripture every day or reading a book explaining the Scriptures.

God speaks to us in many ways, but in a very unique way, through the Scriptures. By praying the Scriptures, we will know of God's personal love for us and his call to be disciples of Jesus.

Wishing you God's blessings, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond
Archbishop of New Orleans



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