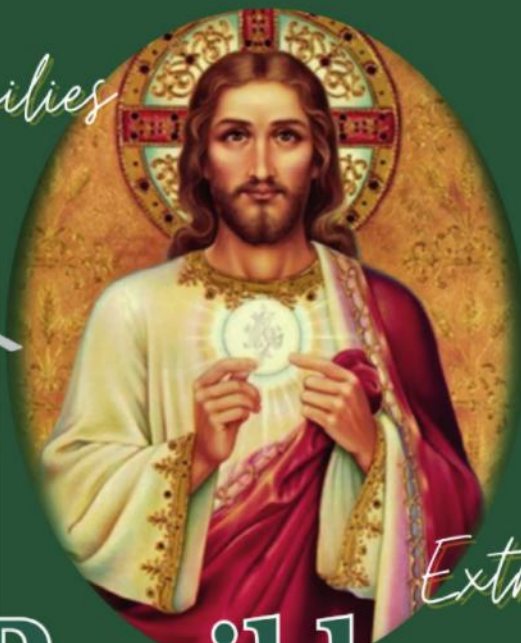


February 11, 2024

The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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.

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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

Feb. 10, 2024

Saturday - 4:00 p.m.

Intentions: Honor of St. Jude,
George Spaulding, Merle & Charles Dittmer,
Patrick C. McKinney, Flora Maria Be,
Mary Ilene Smith, Lois Tusa, Gordon Gsell,
Lawrence Chighizola, Clifford Wright,
Margaret Bourgeois (L), Eric Cifreo
Fr. Matthew Johnston (L), Lela Mae LaBorde,
Jaqueline Delarosa, Marie Rausch,
Margaret Giebelhaus, David Giebelhaus,
Toni Hammer, Anna Lee, Nathalie Lee,
Michael Launey, Florence Lanier,
Fr. John Perkins, Jess L. Matherne, Jr.
Song Leaders: Traditional Choir

Feb. 11, 2024

Sunday - 9:00 a.m.

Intentions: Minh "Tony" Vo
Song Leaders: Traditional Choir

Sunday - 11:00 a.m.

Intentions: Gordon Gsell, Paul J. Hymel, Jr.,
Fr. Matthew Johnston (L), Doris Melan,
Barra & Kay Birrcher (L), Lois Tusa,
Eric Cifreo, Amy Cavallino & Family (L),
Henry Paul Clayton, III, Lela Mae LaBorde,
In Honor of St. Anthony, Joseph Coulombe,
Rosie Shelton, Mae Holloran,
Mamie Coulombe
Song Leaders: Contemporary Choir

Sunday - 4:00 p.m.

Intentions: Kelly Moran Juneau
Cantor: Lauren Gisclair
Organist: Kristin Alvarado

WEEKDAY MASSES

Feb. 12-16, 2024

Monday 7:00 a.m. Bill C. Johnson
Tuesday 5:30 p.m. Ty Leon (L)
Wednesday 7:00 a.m. JoAnne Victorio (L)
12:00 p.m. Parishioners
5:30 p.m. Parishioners
Thursday 5:30 p.m. Ray Dunn
Friday 7:00 a.m. Karen Houser

This Week at St. Benilde

DATE	EVENT
Monday, Feb. 12	7:00 a.m. Daily Mas Divine Mercy Cenacle Group 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office
Tuesday, Feb. 13	5-5:25 p.m. Reconciliation 5:30 p.m. Daily Mass HALOS Mtg. 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office Contemporary Choir Practice 7:30 p.m. in the Church
Wednesday, Feb. 14 <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	7:00 a.m. Ash Wednesday Mass 12:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Mass 5:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Mass Grandparents' Club Mtg. 7:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria Grieving Parents Support Group Mtg. 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office
Thursday, Feb. 15	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 Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary 7:00 p.m. in the Library
Friday, Feb. 16	7:00 a.m. Daily Mass Fish Fry Dine-in or Take Out 5-7:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria 5:30 p.m. Daily Mass 6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
Saturday, Feb. 17	St. Benilde Men's Club Chili Cook Off 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Reconciliation 3-3:45 p.m. Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 18 <i>First Sunday of Lent</i>	9:00 a.m. Mass 11:00 a.m. Mass 4:00 p.m. Mass 5:00 p.m. Rooted Night

Stewardship of Treasure:

February 3 & 4, 2024

First Collection Envelopes.....	\$3,388.00
First Collection Loose.....	\$1,687.00
Repairs & Maintenance Envelopes.....	\$667.00
Repairs & Maintenance Loose.....	\$362.00
Msgr. Endowment Fund.....	\$1.00
Online Giving.....	\$2,080.00
Total.....	\$8,185.00

Totals for Feb. 4/5, 2023.....\$11,286.75

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.

ASH WEDNESDAY



MASS WILL BE OFFERED FOR
ASH WEDNESDAY ON FEBRUARY 14
AT 7:00 A.M., NOON, & 5:30 P.M.

Do everything for the glory of God

1 Corinthians 10:31

Prayer Intentions:

**The Church Sanctuary
Lamp** burns for
an increase to vocations
to the priesthood &
religious life



**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** in Thanksgiving

Adoration Chapel Candles
burns for peace in our
country and world

The Altar Flowers In Memory of deceased
parishioners



Altar Volunteers
Week of Feb. 11
Yvonne Morise

February Linens
Large - Yvonne Morise
Small - Cathy Ayers

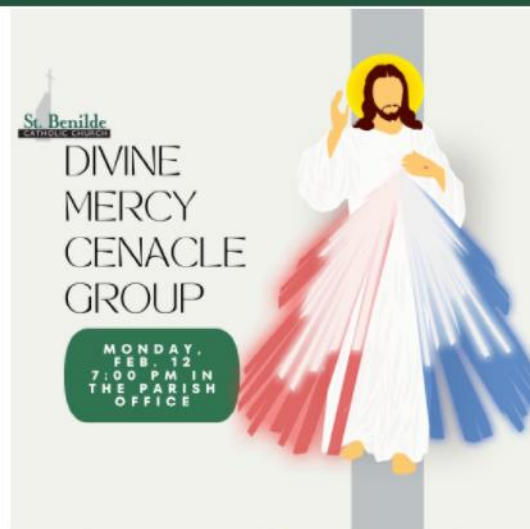
ST. BENILDE MEN'S CLUB CHILI COOK OFF TRIFECTA

CHILI COOKING 🌶️ CORNHOLE TOSS 🌶️ JALAPENO EATING



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

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

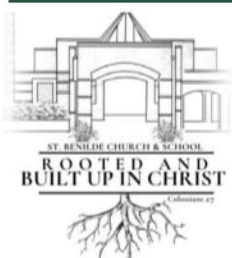


ROOTED AND BUILT UP IN CHRIST CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PRAYER

LORD, WE COME TO YOU IN FAITH READY
 TO RESPOND TO THE GROWTH OF
 OUR ST. BENILDE PARISH COMMUNITY
 THAT IS ROOTED IN CHRIST, YOUR SON.
 BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD ON
 EARTH, THROUGH CHRIST AND
 IN CHRIST, IS YOUR WILL
 AND OUR WORK.
 BLESS OUR EFFORTS AND OPEN OUR
 HEARTS TO BE GENEROUS BECAUSE
 OF OUR LOVE FOR YOU.
 MAY WE GIVE FREELY WITH
 TRUE GENEROSITY.
 MAY THE GOD OF COURAGE AND
 STRENGTH EMPOWER US.
 HOLY SPIRIT, HELP US CARRY OUT
 GOD'S PLAN FOR OUR CAMPAIGN.
 AND MAY THE GOODNESS OF THE
 LORD BE UPON US AND GIVE SUCCESS
 TO THE WORK OF OUR HANDS
 AND HEARTS AS WE REMAIN ROOTED
 AND BUILT UP IN CHRIST OUR LORD,
 AMEN.

HALOS Group

Healing after Loved Ones Suicide
 This Grief Support group for those suffering from loss caused by overdose or suicide takes place in the parish office large meeting room, on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, starting at 7:00pm.



St. Benilde Church & School: Rooted and Built Up in Christ Capital Campaign



Thank you so much to everyone who has contributed to the Capital Campaign. Scan the QR code to the right or visit www.stbenilde.org to make a one-time or ongoing donation toward our Capital Campaign. No donation is too small. Thank you for helping to ensure the future of our school and parish.



LENTEN FASTING & ABSTINENCE



Fasting

Ash Wednesday
Good Friday

Ages 18-59

Abstinence

Every Friday
during Lent

Ages 14+

How do we fast?

When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

Am I excused from fasting and abstinence?

Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the **physically or mentally ill** including individuals suffering from **chronic illnesses** such as **diabetes**. Also excluded are **pregnant or nursing women**.

For more information on fasting and abstinence, visit uscgb.org.



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What should I give up for Lent?

It's the question we are all asking each other right about now. And yes, giving up something we enjoy such as sweets, coffee, or our favorite TV show is a great start. These external penances are a necessary part of the season—and should be a part of our lives in some way throughout the year. But what else can we do to actively cultivate virtue and really target our faults this Lent? How can we take our penances to the next level?

Here are 5 ideas that might prove a bit challenging—but try 'em out and you'll be enjoying some sweet spiritual fruit soon!

- 1. Mortify your will through the practice of obedience.** Obedience takes different forms depending on our state in life. Those in religious life must obey their religious superiors, and children their parents. As lay adults, we can do it by cheerfully serving our spouse and children, fulfilling our assigned tasks at work, or simply allowing others to go first in the buffet line!
- 2. Attend especially to the tasks you don't like doing.** Padre Pio was once visited by the soul of a young friar who had worked in the sacristy. The soul revealed that he suffered in purgatory because he'd been careless and negligent with his work. Complete every task meticulously, no matter how small and insignificant.
- 3. Embrace annoyances.** Annoyances abound in this life. Little flaws in other people especially provoke us to fixate on our aggravation. Very often the flaws are faults that we also are guilty of, but which we tolerate in ourselves. Over the next few weeks, when something in another person annoys you, examine yourself and discern how you, too, act or feel or think in that way.
- 4. Impose a strict watch on your tongue.** Innumerable, mundane complaints escape our mouths daily, fostering ingratitude—so guard your tongue and inspect what you want to say before speaking.
- 5. Check impulsive actions.** Be intentional in all that you do, asking yourself, "Do I really need to shoot off this text? Will this comment help anyone? Will I benefit from thoughtlessly popping snacks in my mouth?"

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There is no cost to attend.
Contact person is Val Hebert at valencemet@aol.com
or at 504-427-0327.

Mardi Gras Closure

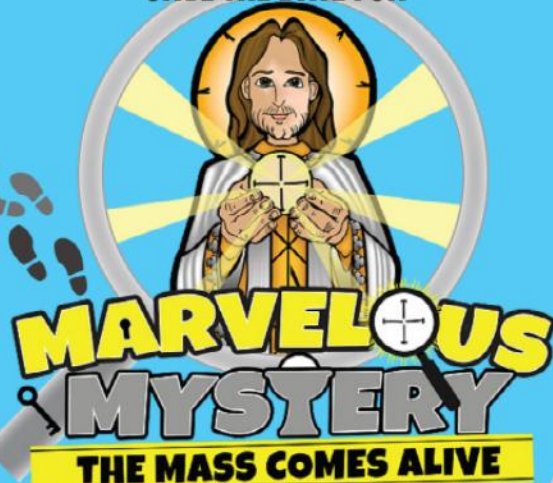
Our Divine Mercy Adoration
Chapel will be closed Monday,
Feb. 12th and Tuesday, Feb.
13th for the Mardi Gras
holiday. The Chapel will
reopen on Wednesday, Feb.
14th following the 7:00 a.m.
Ash Wednesday Mass.



Happy
**MARDI
GRAS**

Our Parish Office
will be Closed
Monday 2/12 &
Tuesday 2/13 for
the holiday.
Normal hours will
resume on
Wednesday 2/14

SAVE THE DATE FOR



OPEN TO KIDS ENTERING PK4-7TH GRADE

JULY 1-3, 2024

8:30 A.M. - NOON DAILY

Registration
opening
SOON!

St. Benilde Men's Club

Fish Fry

Dine In &
Take out

Friday,
Feb.
16



MENU

FRIED FISH PLATE - \$12

FRIED SHRIMP PLATE - \$12

COMBO PLATE - \$15

THAI SHRIMP TACO - \$8

SEAFOOD GUMBO - \$5

SIDE OF FRIES - \$4

CHEESE PIZZA SLICE - \$2

ALL PLATES INCLUDE BOILED CORN &
POTATOES, AND BREAD

DOORS OPEN AT 5PM FOR PRE-ORDERS;
5:30 FOR WALK UPS



Lent at St. Benilde

- Feb. 14** ***Ash Wednesday***
Masses will be offered at 7:00 a.m., Noon, and 5:30 p.m.
- Feb. 16** ***Fish Fry - Dine In or Take Out***
5-8:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria
- Feb. 18** ***Rooted***
5-7:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria
- Feb. 29** ***Encounter Night***
A night to Encounter our Eucharistic Lord. Presentation given by Casey Sprehe at 6:15 p.m. in the Church. Eucharistic Adoration with Praise & Worship from 7-8:00 p.m.
- March 1** ***Fish Fry - Dine In or Take Out***
5-8:00 p.m. in the cafeteria
- March 3** ***Rooted***
5-7:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria
- March 6** ***Archdiocesan Evening of Confession***
All archdiocesan parishes will offer the sacrament of Confession from 5-6:30 p.m.
- March 8** ***Fish Fry - Drive Thru Only***
5-8:00 p.m. on the blacktop
- March 13** ***Archdiocesan Evening of Confession***
All archdiocesan parishes will offer the sacrament of Confession from 5-6:30 p.m.
- March 15** ***Lenten Soup & Salad Potluck***
Following evening Mass and Stations, parishioners are invited to the Cafeteria from 6-8:00 p.m. for a community potluck. Bring a meatless dish to share!
- March 20** ***Archdiocesan Evening of Confession***
All archdiocesan parishes will offer the sacrament of Confession from 5-6:30 p.m.
- March 21** ***Encounter Night***
A night to Encounter our Eucharistic Lord. Presentation at 6:15 p.m. in the Church. Eucharistic Adoration with Praise & Worship from 7-8:00 p.m.

In addition to our regularly scheduled 7:00 a.m. liturgy, Mass will also be offered every Friday in Lent, February 16-March 22 at 5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross will immediately follow (approx. 6:00 p.m.)



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