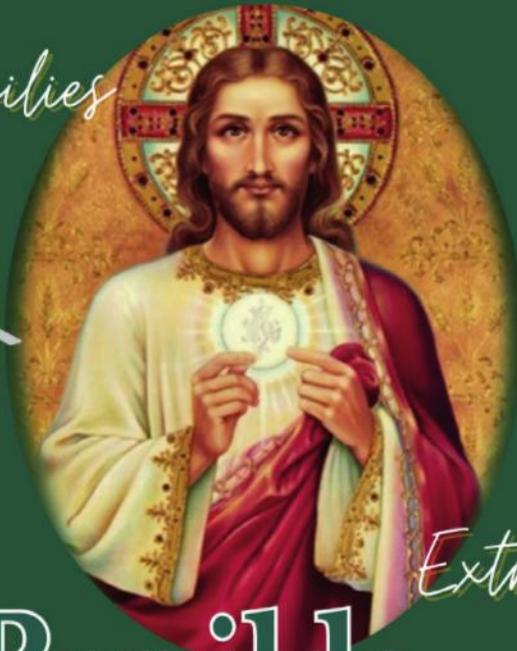


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BAPTISMS
First and Third Sundays of the month at Noon. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

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

March 16, 2024

Saturday - 4:00 p.m.

Intentions: Honor of St. Jude,

George Spaulding, Merle & Charles Dittmer,
Patrick C. McKinney, Flora Maria Be,
Giovingo Family, Diane Hudson, Mike Brelet
Eileen Drawe, Maria LeBlanc, Eric Cifreo
Margaret Bourgeois (L), Jacqueline Delarosa,
Thomas Montgomery, Doris Bayhi,
Cohen Dessauer (L), Remi Dessauer (L),
Sebastian Dessauer (L), Stephen Dessauer (L),
Glenda King, Betty Mitchell, Leroy Duhe
Song Leaders: Traditional Choir

March 17, 2024

Sunday - 9:00 a.m.

Intentions: Marian Seeber

Song Leaders: Traditional Choir

Sunday - 11:00 a.m.

Intentions: Karen Houser, Daniel Deichmann,
Fr. Matthew Johnston (L), Laurie Waltzer,
Dennis Giurintano, Eric Cifreo, Ralph Alvarez,
Louis Frey (L), Nellie M. McCabe,
Thomas Montgomery, Eileen Drawe,
Eugenia Vitrano, Vincent Vintrano,
Roger Parnell, Glenda King, Betty Mitchell,
Henry Gsell, Gladys Gsell, Rene J. Chapoton,
Margaret M. Knoker, Lucy Jane Domingue (L)
Song Leaders: Contemporary Choir

Sunday - 4:00 p.m.

Intentions: Patricia Fichter

Cantor: Lauren Gisclair

Organist: Kristin Alvarado

WEEKDAY MASSES

March 18-22, 2024

Monday	7:00 a.m.	Ray Dunn
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Joanne Victorio (L)
Wednesday	7:00 a.m.	Michelle Black (L)
	8:15 a.m.	SBS Students
Thursday	5:30 p.m.	Eric Cifreo
Friday	7:00 a.m.	Carl Ducrow
	5:30 p.m.	St. Benilde Parishioners

This Week at St. Benilde

DATE	EVENT
Monday, March 18	7:00 a.m. Daily Mass Students Prayer & Praise 8:10 a.m. in the Church Men's Club Mtg. 7:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria
Tuesday, March 19 <i>Solemnity of St. Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	5-5:25 p.m. Reconciliation 5:30 p.m. Daily Mass St. Vincent de Paul Mtg. 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Office Contemporary Choir Practice 7:30 p.m. in the Church
Wednesday, March 20	7:00 a.m. Daily Mass 8:15 a.m. School Mass Archdiocesan Evening of Confession 5-6:30 p.m. in the Church TAPS Care Group Mtg. 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office DWELL Women's Study Group 7:00 p.m. in the Teen Center
Thursday, March 21	Reconciliation 5-5:25 p.m. in the Church 5:30 p.m. Daily Mass Encounter Night - Presentation given by David Basile at 6:15 p.m. in the Church. Eucharistic Adoration with Praise & Worship to follow from 7-8:00 PM Come Lord Jesus 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Office Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary 7:00 p.m. in the Library
Friday, March 22	7:00 a.m. Daily Mass School Stations of the Cross 8:15 a.m. in the Church 5:30 p.m. Daily Mass 6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross CYO Holy Hour & Social - Adoration from 7-8:00 PM; Hang out in the Teen Center from 8-9:30 PM

This Week at St. Benilde Cont.

Saturday, March 23	Wizard of Oz Rehearsal 1:30 - 4:00 PM in the Cafeteria
	Reconciliation 3-3:45 p.m.
	Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 24 <i>Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion</i>	8:00 a.m. Traditional Choir Practice in the Parish Office
	9:00 a.m. Mass
	11:00 a.m. Mass
	4:00 p.m. Mass
	Built Up Night 5-7:30 PM in the Cafeteria

Prayer Intentions:

The Church Sanctuary Lamp burns for Ralph Alvarez



Adoration Chapel Sanctuary Lamp burns for Stuart & Gloria Fourroux

The Altar Flowers In memory of deceased parishioners

Stewardship of Treasure:

March 9 & 10, 2024

First Collection Envelopes.....	\$2,876.00
First Collection Loose.....	\$1,996.00
Repairs & Maintenance Envelopes.....	\$118.00
Candles Donation.....	\$188.00
Msgr. Endowment Fund.....	\$213.00
Flowers Donation.....	\$45.00
Online Giving.....	\$1,385.00
Totals.....	\$6,821.00

March 11 & 12 2023 Totals.....\$6,517.75

Thank you for so generously supporting St. Benilde parish. Your gifts of treasure help ensure the many good works being accomplished within our community. If you would like to set up electronic giving, scan the QR code.



Altar Volunteers
Week of March 17
Jeanette Dunn, Carole Batt & Maria Bangs

March Linens
Large - Kay Birrcher
Small - April Palesano

Pope Francis' Intentions

for the month of March



For the New Martyrs
We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

Fifth Sunday of Lent



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St. Joseph Altar

March 15-19

Due to scheduling limitations this year, our annual St. Joseph Altar will be simplified. Viewings will be available March 15-19 before and after Masses



St. Benilde
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Encounter Night

Adoration † Praise & Worship

Thursday, March 21

St. Benilde Church
Presentation given by David Basile
at 6:15 PM; Eucharistic Adoration
with Praise & Worship
from 7-8:00 PM

This event is FREE and open to the public. A love offering will be collected.

Our next Encounter Night is scheduled March 21; testimony at 6:15 PM and holy hour with praise and worship music from 7-8:00 PM.

Our presenter is David Basile. Though baptized at birth, David spent several lifetimes unknowingly searching in all the wrong places for God. He came close a few times; spending ten years in a Zen Buddhist monastery and another decade growing all his own food sustainably, and delving into the depths of philosophy. But it wasn't until he met some Dominicans in 2011 that he encountered Jesus and His Church. He ended up receiving a masters degree in Theology from them. More importantly, he ended up coming back into the Church.

Today, David chairs and teaches theology at Archbishop Rummel High School, having moved here from California with his wife, Rebecca, and family.

Holy Week SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday - March 28	MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER AT 7:00 PM
Good Friday - March 29	VENERATION OF THE CROSS AT 3:00 PM
	STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT 6:00 PM
Holy Saturday - March 30	EASTER VIGIL AT 8:00 PM
Easter Sunday - March 31	9:00 AM MASS
	11:00 AM MASS

Archdiocesan Evening of Confession

Wednesday, March 20th
5-6:30 PM
All Archdiocesan Churches

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MARVELOUS MYSTERY
THE MASS COMES ALIVE

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
OPEN TO KIDS ENTERING PK4-7TH GRADE

JULY 1-3, 2024
8:30 A.M. - NOON DAILY

Can you Help?

In Need of Teen & Adult Volunteers

We are looking for teen and adult volunteers for the 2024 Vacation Bible School program scheduled for July 1-3. If you are willing to help, please contact Casey Sprehe at

HELP NEEDED: On Holy Thursday, March 28, members of the Altar Society will be decorating and setting up the Altar of Repose beginning at 8:00 AM.

On Saturday, March 30th they will be decorating the Church for Easter beginning at 8:00 AM.

All help for both dates is welcome!



CYO Holy Hour & Social

FRIDAY, MARCH 22
ADORATION IN THE CHAPEL FROM 7-8:00 PM;
GAMES, SNACKS & HANG OUT IN THE TEEN CENTER FROM 8-9:30 PM

Adoration Food Games



All Middle School Girls (grades 5-7) and their Mothers are invited to

Beautifully & Wonderfully Made
An Afternoon Tea

Come celebrate God's plan for you as His daughter!

Saturday, April 13
St. Benilde Cafeteria
Doors open at 1:00 PM:
the formal event is from 1:30-3:30 PM
\$40 for one daughter; \$45 for two or more

Scan me



The deadline to register is Wednesday, April 3

All girls in grades 5-7 and their mothers are invited to join us for our second annual Beautifully & Wonderfully Made Tea on Saturday, April 13. Come celebrate the gift of your femininity with tea and treats, crafts, games, shopping, and inspiring testimonies from female leaders of our parish and community.

The cost is \$40 for one daughter and \$45 for two or more. Register online today at <https://stbenilde.org/mother-daughter-tea> or by scanning the QR code above. For more information contact Audrey Huck at ahuck@arch-no.org



Meet our Presenters!



Morgan Gaudet - is a SBS alumna and a current senior at Archbishop Chapelle High School. She is the Archdiocese of New Orleans Student of the Year and National Merit Scholarship Finalist! Morgan is an active member of St. Benilde parish and CYO.



Dr. Laura Mansfield - is originally from Canada. After being a boy mom for years (three sons), she gave birth to her first daughter last August. Dr. Laura is a primary care physician with East Jefferson Parish Hospital and a returning presenter to our program.



Grace & Michelle Seghers - Michelle lives in Covington and is the mother of 7 (six daughters!). Grace is the baby of the family-- and she would say the favorite. Grace graduates from Nicholls State University this spring with a degree in Nursing.

ADORERS NEEDED

TUESDAYS:
3:00 A.M. – 4:00 A.M.

FRIDAYS:
3:00 A.M. – 4: A.M.
9:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN-UP AS
AN ADORER OR SUBSTITUTE



If none of the above hours work for your schedule, we are trying to secure partners for ALL of our hours. This helps ensure that our Lord is never left unattended. Please consider signing up. It is truly the best gift you can give yourself. To sign up, visit www.stbenilde.org or contact Audrey Huck at ahuck@arch-no.org.

USHERS

★ N E E D E D ★

We are in need of additional ushers for all of our weekend liturgies. The Usher Ministry is designed to offer a warm welcome to all our parishioners and our visitors. Ushers are responsible for numerous tasks before, during, and after the Mass.



Some of the responsibilities include the offertory collection, helping to seat the congregation, handing out bulletins, and assisting with special needs.



To learn more about the Usher Ministry or to volunteer, please contact ministry coordinator Mike Judge at michaelpjudge@bellsouth.net

That's Amore!

PLEASE JOIN ST. BENILDE CHURCH
FOR OUR ANNUAL
Supper & Substance
AN EVENING FOR MARRIED COUPLES
FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 2024
ST. BENILDE CAFETERIA
6:15 COCKTAILS
7:00 PM DINNER
\$55 PER COUPLE

WITNESS GIVEN BY
CHELSEA & BEN SINES

All married couples are invited to join St. Benilde Catholic Church for our annual Supper and Substance--*That's Amore!* on Friday, April 19. The cost is \$55 per couple and will include cocktails and drinks, dinner, dessert, raffle prizes, and more! A testimony will be given by Chelsea and Ben Sines.

Ben and Chelsea were married in 2014 and have three children. Chelsea is a registered nurse, and Ben is a former teacher turned salesman. They love to run, read, and take their kids to the beach. One of their greatest joys is mentoring engaged couples through the in-home marriage prep program.

Scan the QR code above to register today!



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GOOD FRIDAY IS A DAY OF



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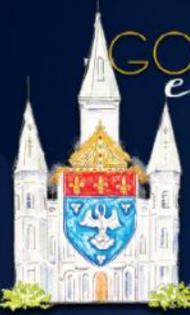
- for ages 18-59 years old
- eat 1 regular meal and 2 small meals (should not exceed the main amount of the main meal)



ABSTINENCE

- for ages 14 years old and above
- refraining from kinds of food or drink
- refrain from eating meat (i.e. flesh and organs of mammals and birds), but may consume fish and shellfish

This year, Good Friday is March 29—the day when we commemorate Christ’s passion, suffering and death. This is a solemn day of prayer, fasting, and abstinence. See the graphic above for a breakdown of what this means for us Catholics.



GOD IS FAITHFUL
endowment

Collection Date
March 17, 2024

One seminarian costs roughly:
\$124 per day,
\$3,800 per month,
\$45,000 per year.

The Archdiocese currently sponsors 22 men, and your donations will help us to manage these costs effectively for the future.



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Risen Jesus Party

For ages 3-7

Saturday April 6 11 am-2pm

Storytimes 11:30 and 1 pm

Refreshments
Songs
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Easter Egg Hunt

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RSVP appreciated but not required
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CCRNO PRESENTS

An Evening of Praise!



Talk by
Mary Bielski



Praise and Worship
led by John Finch



Friday, April 5th • 6-8pm • St. Benilde Church
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