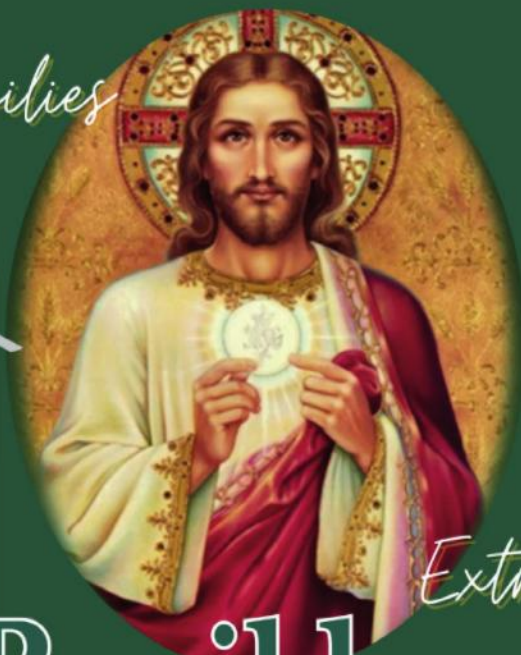


June 23, 2024

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Deacon Stephen Gordon

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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

### 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  
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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

**June 22, 2024**

**Saturday - 4:00 p.m.**

*Intentions:* Honor of St. Jude, George Spaulding, Merle & Charles Dittmer, Patrick C. McKinney, Flora Maria Be, Jacqueline Delarosa, Troy A. Roberts, Sr. (L), Maria LeBlanc, Mike Brelet, Roslyn Russo LoGiudice, Margaret Bourgeois (L), Thomas Montgomery, Lela Mae LaBorde, Marion Seeber, Thomas J. Allo, Jr. "Tommy", Gordon Gsell, Jane Cahill (L), Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Sclafani, Fr. Austin Barr (L), Robert Phelps, Walter Bayhi, Jr., Stan Viner, Linda Ryan Burrow, Shirley Bartolotta  
*Song Leaders:* Traditional Choir

**June 23, 2024**

**Sunday - 9:00 a.m.**

*Intentions:* Eileen Drawe  
*Song Leaders:* Traditional Choir

**Sunday - 11:00 a.m.**

*Intentions:* George Spaulding, Deacon Paul Oyie (L), Fr. Matthew Johnston (L), Rogelia M. Callejo, Jean Maru Loese (L), The Evau Walle Family (L), Paul Hymel, Jr., James "Jim" Radke, Nicholas Leonard, Scott Cavicchi, David Wayne Capretto, John Steigman  
*Song Leaders:* Contemporary Choir

**Sunday - 4:00 p.m.**

*Intentions:* Cheryl LaBorde Burke  
*Cantor:* Lauren Gisclair  
*Organist:* Kristin Alvarado

**June 24-28, 2024**

**Monday** 7:00 a.m. The Powers Family  
**Tuesday** 5:30 p.m. Ralph Alvarez  
**Wednesday** 7:00 a.m. Eileen Drawe  
**Thursday** 5:30 p.m. Eric Cifreo  
**Friday** 7:00 a.m. Sandra Baggett

## This Week at St. Benilde

DATE	EVENT
<b>Monday, June 24</b> <i>Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist</i>	7:00 a.m. <b>Daily Mass</b>  <b>CYO Cabbage Ball</b> 6:30-9:30 p.m. on the Black Top  <b>Divine Mercy Cenacle Group Mtg.</b> 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office
<b>Tuesday, June 25</b>	<b>Multisensory Math Training</b> 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. in the Teen Center  5-5:25 p.m. <b>Reconciliation</b>  5:30 p.m. <b>Daily Mass</b>  <b>VBS Teen &amp; Adult Teen Mtg.</b> 6:00 p.m. (adults) and 7:00 p.m. (teens) in the Library  <b>Men's Club Cabbage Ball</b> 6:00 p.m. on the Blacktop  <b>HALOS Group Mtg.</b> 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office  <b>Contemporary Choir Practice</b> 7:30 p.m. in the Church
<b>Wednesday, June 26</b>	6:15 a.m. <b>Women's Bible Study - Gospel of Mark</b> in the Rectory  7:00 a.m. <b>Daily Mass</b>  <b>Multisensory Math Training</b> 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. in the Teen Center  <b>CCRNO Prayer Mtg.</b> 6:30 p.m. in the Church  <b>CYO Cabbage Ball Games</b> 7-9:00 p.m.  <b>Grieving Parents Support Group</b> - 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office  <b>Women's Bible Study - Gospel of Mark</b> 7:30 p.m. in the Teen Center
<b>Thursday, June 27</b>	<b>Multisensory Math Training</b> 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. in the Teen Center



## This Week at St. Benilde Cont.

<b>Thursday, June 27 Cont.</b>	<b>Reconciliation</b> 5-5:25 p.m. in the Church  5:30 p.m. <b>Daily Mass</b>  <b>VBS Teen &amp; Adult Teen Mtg.</b> 6:00 p.m. (adults) and 7:00 p.m. (teens) in the Library  <b>Men's Club Cabbage Ball</b> 6:00 p.m. on the Blacktop
<b>Friday, June 28</b> <i><b>Memorial of St. Irenaeus, Bishop &amp; Martyr</b></i>	<b>7:00 a.m. Daily Mass</b>  <b>VBS Set Up</b> 6-8:00 p.m.
<b>Saturday, June 29</b> <i><b>Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles</b></i>	<b>VBS Set Up</b> 9 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  <b>Reconciliation</b> 3:00-3:45 p.m. in the Church  <b>Vigil Mass</b> 4:00 p.m.
<b>Sunday, June 30</b> <i><b>Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b></i>	<b>8:00 a.m. Traditional Choir Practice</b> in the Parish Office  9:00 a.m. Mass  11:00 a.m. Mass  4:00 p.m. Mass

## Stewardship of Treasure:

**June 15 & 16, 2024**

First Collection Envelopes.....	\$5,224.00
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Repairs & Maintenance Envelopes.....	\$366.00
Candles.....	\$199.00
Msgr. Endowment Fund.....	\$320.00
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<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>\$9,141.00</b>

**Collection Totals June 10 & 11, 2023.....\$5,997.75**

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## Prayer Intentions:

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



**Adoration Chapel Sanctuary Lamp** burns for a Special Intention

**The Altar Flowers** In honor of the deceased members of the St. Benilde's Men's Club and their families



**Altar Volunteers**  
Week of June 23  
Denise Dimuzio

**June Linens**  
Large - Elaine Servary  
Small - Sherrie Holiday



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**An Update from Fr. Matthew dated 6/16/24:**

Blessings my brothers and sisters,

This past week began with a bang. On Monday we were introduced to Land Navigation. We did both a day and night iteration. This meant that we were in formation for 0410 in the morning to ruck to the place for land navigation. We had classes in the morning to introduce us to it. In the afternoon we did the day iteration, and after sunset we did the night iteration. This meant that we did not leave land navigation until 2230 and did not get back to our hotels until nearly midnight. It made for a long day to say the least. The best part of this is that I was able to bring my Mass kit to offer Mass in the field where we were. In addition to the Catholic chaplains and seminarians joining us, we had nearly forty other chaplains of other denominations come and join us in prayer. It was a beautiful moment of witness and one that made the long day worth it.

Thankfully because of the very late night, we did not have to be in formation until 0645 on Tuesday morning. What a blessing! This was also the last full day of our DCC phase of the CHBOLC summer. We had class work in the morning and afternoon and prepared for our “graduation” the next day. We joked about it being compared to kindergarten graduation since we aren’t actually graduating from the full program.

On Wednesday for 1000, we finally had our conclusion of DCC. No more drill sergeants. No more having to walk around with a camel back everywhere. No more battle buddies with us everywhere we went. Most importantly, we can start drinking caffeine again! Oh, how I missed that artificial stimulant to perk me up when I am tired.

On Friday we had the Chief of Chaplains come and speak with us. It was amazing to receive the wisdom of a two-star general who has served as a chaplain in the Army for over thirty years. He is an incredible man and one that many of us should strive to imitate, most especially in his dedication to soldiers. One thing that he told us that will always stick with me is this, “Be true to your call. God called you and wants you to live in and through that call.” This is important, because I am Roman Catholic Priest and am actually doing a disservice to myself and others if I try to be something I am not.

On Friday we also received an assignment to visit services of other faith denominations over the next few weeks. Keep in mind that they were not in any way asking us to participate and actually encouraged the opposite. They were just wanting us to see the different ways that the soldiers you will be ministering to worship. It was an enlightening experience, and I did learn a few things. Those words of the Chief of Chaplains also stuck with me as I experienced those other faith denominations.

As always, please know that I am praying for you. I was also saddened to hear that one of the priests who was supposed to cover a Mass did not show up for the vigil Mass on Saturday. Please know that I greatly apologize for that, and I pray that it does not happen again. I lift St. Benilde up in prayer every day. Once again feel free to send me your Mass intentions. God bless you.

Your brother in Christ,  
Fr. Matthew Johnston





## St. Benilde Catholic Church....Rooted and Built Up in Christ

June is a big month for our pastor, Fr. Matthew Johnston. His 10th anniversary of his priestly ordination is June 7th, Father's Day is June 16th, and his birthday is June 27th. As a way of offering him our support and love, all parishioners are invited to contribute to a spiritual bouquet. You can fill out, detach and submit the following form to the parish office OR scan the QR code to fill out the Spiritual Bouquet form online.



### Spiritual Bouquet for Fr. Matthew

THE FOLLOWING HAS BEEN OFFERED FOR YOUR AND FOR YOUR INTENTIONS

\_\_\_\_\_ Mass(es)

\_\_\_\_\_ Holy Communion(s)

\_\_\_\_\_ Eucharistic Adoration (s)

\_\_\_\_\_ Litanies/Novena(s)

\_\_\_\_\_ Rosary

\_\_\_\_\_ Act(s) of Charity

\_\_\_\_\_ Divine Mercy Chaplet(s)

\_\_\_\_\_ Other

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**THANK YOU!**

St. Benilde's CYO would like to thank everyone who came out to support our Car Wash fundraiser on June 15. All funds raised will go to our teen retreat fund, providing scholarships and financial aid to families for retreats and other off-campus events.

If you would like to donate to the Retreat Fund, scan the QR code or leave a check at the Parish Office



**Join St. Benilde's CYOs for a Summer Retreat July 19-21.** The retreat will take place at Bocamb Farms (81495 Hwy. 437, Covington, LA) and the cost is \$150. Drop off is from 1-2:00 PM on Friday, July 19 and parent pick up is at Noon on Sunday, July 21. Transportation is not provided to and from the retreat center.

Contact Audrey Huck at [ahuck@arch-no.org](mailto:ahuck@arch-no.org) for more information.



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**Sarah Jane McMahon** is an internationally acclaimed Soprano who performs leading roles with operas and symphonies worldwide. She has released three albums of sacred music and standards. Locally, she is the Director of Sacred Music/Cantor at the St. Louis Cathedral and frequently performs with the Louisiana Philharmonic Orchestra and New Orleans Opera.

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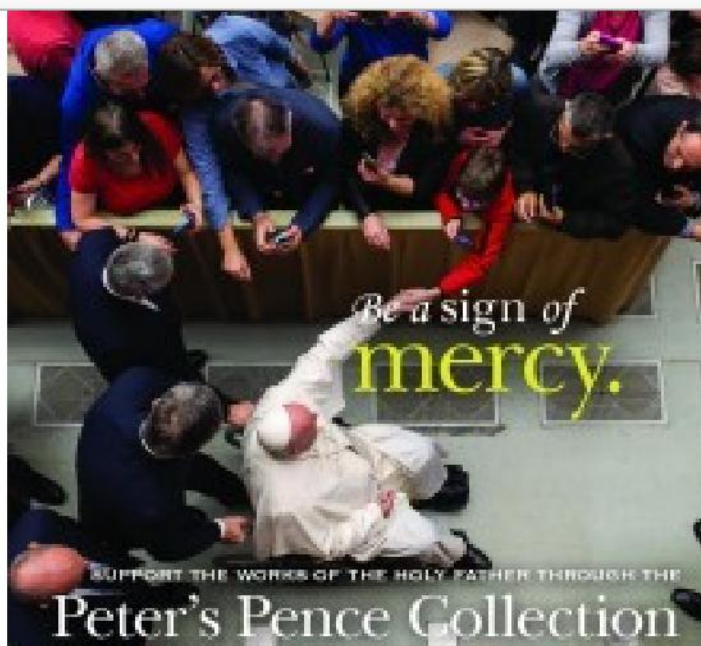


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