

September 8, 2024

The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ordinary Families



Extraordinary Faith

St. Benilde

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Deacon Michael Sorensen
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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

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
1801 Division Street • Metairie, LA
(504) 833-9894 • www.stbenilde.com

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

September 7, 2024

Saturday - 4:00 p.m.

Intentions: Carl A. Guidroz, Jr.,
Honor of St. Jude, Merle & Charles Dittmer,
Patrick C. McKinney, Flora Maria Be,
Margaret Bourgeois (L),
Thomas Montgomery, Eric Cifreo,
Lela Mae LaBorde, Marion Seeber,
Joe & Annie Danna, Sam Sabella Family,
Fr. Andrew Guterrez (L), Robert Phelps,
Frank Sclafani, III, Paul & Ann Swan,
Hubert LaBorde, Calvin Campeaux,
Evelyn Bodine, Sarah Beulke
Song Leaders: Traditional Choir

September 8, 2024

Sunday - 9:00 a.m.

Intentions: Eileen Drawe
Song Leaders: Traditional Choir

Sunday - 11:00 a.m.

Intentions: Eric Cifreo, Paul Hymel Jr.,
Fr. Matthew Johnston (L), Jeff Rojas (L),
Jess L. Matherne, Jr., Alice Lowrie
Leona "Dee" Cardella Winters,
Bradley Eddings, Dolores Williams,
Ann Champagne, Leigh Whitman Director (L),
Ellen Famularo, Gordon Gsell, Paul Cassisa,
Donald Trump (L)
Song Leaders: Contemporary Choir

Sunday - 4:00 p.m.

Intentions: John Steigman
Cantor: Lauren Gisclair
Organist: Kristin Alvarado

Sept. 9-13, 2024

Monday 7:00 a.m. Edward F. McCabe, II
Tuesday 5:30 p.m. Joy S. Rojas
Wednesday 7:00 a.m. Bill C. Johnson
8:15 a.m. SBS families
Thursday 5:30 p.m. George Spaulding
Friday 7:00 a.m. Jill Perkins

This Week at St. Benilde

DATE	EVENT
Monday, Sept. 9	7:00 a.m. Daily Mass Divince Mercy Cenacle Group 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office
Tuesday, Sept. 10	5-5:25 p.m. Reconciliation 5:30 p.m. Daily Mass Cher Amis Mtg. 7:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria HALOS Mtg. 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office Contemporary Choir Practice 7:30 p.m. in the Church
Wednesday, Sept. 11	Women's Bible Study on the Gospel of Mark 6:15 a.m. in the Parish Office 7:00 a.m. Daily Mass 8:15 a.m. School Mass Grandparents Club Mtg. 7:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria Grieving Parents Support Group 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office CCRNO Prayer Mtg. 7:30 p.m. in the Church Women's Bible Study on the Gospel of Mark 7:30 p.m. in the Teen Center
Thursday, Sept. 12	5-5:25 p.m. Reconciliation 5:30 p.m. Daily Mass
Friday, Sept. 13	7:00 a.m. Daily Mass CYO Holy Hour & Social - 7-9:30 p.m. in the Adoration Chapel & Teen Center

This Week at St. Benilde Cont.

Saturday, Sept. 14	Altar Society Mtg. 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. in the Library 3-3:45 p.m. Reconciliation 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
Sunday, Sept. 15 <i>Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8:00 a.m. Traditional Choir Practice 9:00 a.m. Mass 11:00 a.m. Mass 4:00 p.m. Mass RCIA Introductory Mtg. 5:15 p.m. in the Parish Office

Stewardship of Treasure:

August 24 & 25, 2024 Totals

First Collection Envelopes.....\$1,837.00
 First Collection Loose.....\$1,604.00
 Repairs & Maintenance Envelopes.....\$15.00
 Candles.....\$175.00
 Msgr. Endowment Fund.....\$10.00
 Online Giving.....\$1,358.00
Totals.....\$4,999.00

Collection Totals for August 26 & 27...\$5,824.75

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.



Prayer Intentions:

The Church Sanctuary Lamp burns for St. Benilde parishioners)



Adoration Chapel Sanctuary Lamp burns for Stuart & Gloria Fourroux

The Altar Flowers In memory of deceased parishioners

Altar Volunteers
Week of September 8th
Yvonne Morise

September Linens
Large - Gloria Cifreo
Small - Mary Cathering Oleksik

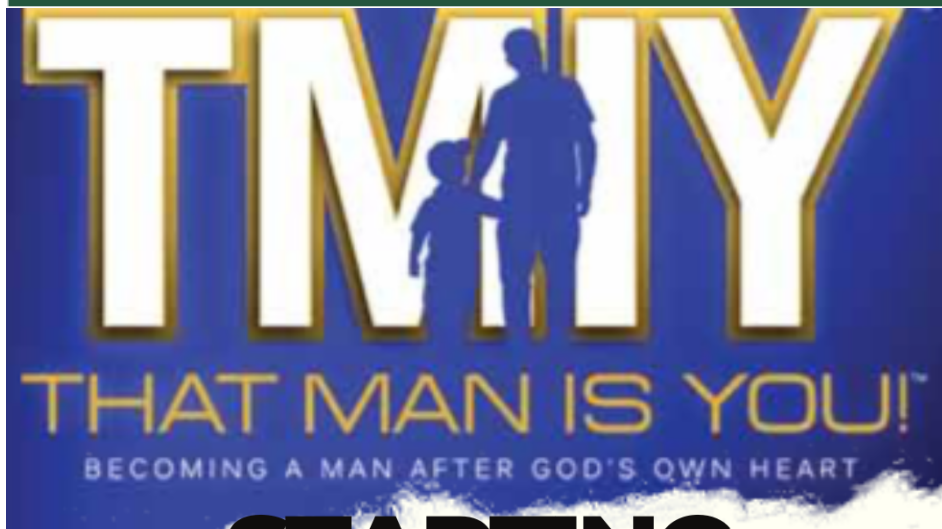


Questions
ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC? ARE YOU AN ADULT WISHING TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION? JOIN ST. BENILDE CHURCH FOR AN INTRODUCTORY RCIA SESSION.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 15TH

5:15 PM
PARISH OFFICE
ALL ARE WELCOME! NO COMMITMENT REQUIRED.



STARTING
SEPTEMBER 25

OPEN TO ALL MEN OF THE PARISH

EVERY 2ND & 4TH WEDNESDAY

7:30 PM IN THE TEEN CENTER



JOIN NOW!

WWW.STBENILDE.ORG/THAT-MAN-IS-YOU

All men of the parish are invited to join our new That Man is You! program. This program accompanies men and their families on the pathway of holiness through formation, brotherhood, and accountability.

Starting September 25, the program will meet the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM in the Teen Center. Scan the QR code above to register or visit <https://stbenilde.org/that-man-is-you>.

For more information, contact Fr. Matthew Johnston at mjohnston@arch-no.org or Dcn. Stephen Gordon at sgordon@arch-no.org.

ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED TO THE

Altar Society Meeting



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 @ 9:00 A.M.
IN THE LIBRARY

ALTAR SOCIETY'S MISSION

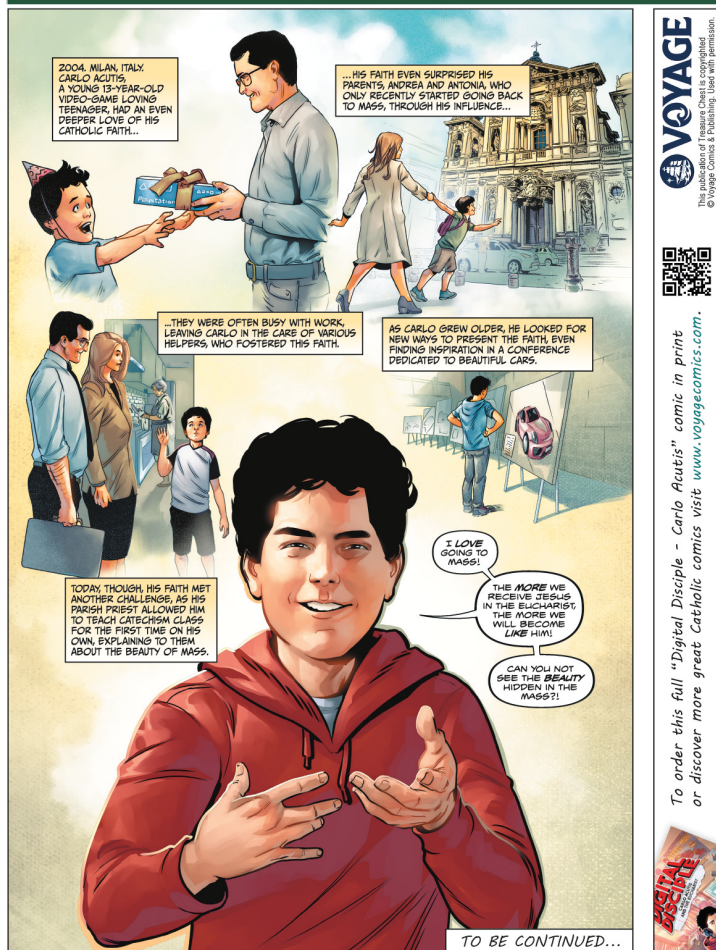
The Altar Society's Mission is to serve and honor God by helping to maintain and beautify the Lord's house. In particular, the members take care of the Lord's banquet table for the daily celebration of the Eucharist wherein we share in Christ's body, blood, soul, and divinity.

The Altar Society is a special and integral part of the spiritual experience at St. Benilde Church. The volunteers wash and iron the altar linens, decorate the church with flowers each week, and see to it that the church is in order, neat and ready for everyone to focus on God's Presence in Word and Sacrament during Sunday and weekday Masses. The members do light cleaning and polishing weekly. Meetings are held on Saturday mornings (roughly once a month) at 9:00 a.m. in the Library

The Altar Society also helps to prepare and maintain the worship space environment to reflect the liturgical season being celebrated by providing and caring for the plants, flowers, and décor. The purpose is not to decorate but to create an atmosphere of worship that invites the community into prayer.

To learn more about the Rosary and Altar Society, please contact Anita Delaup at nitarita54@gmail.com.

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



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Here at St. Benilde Parish we are committed to the formation of souls. This is essential if we are going to fulfill Christ's command to go and make disciples (Matthew 28:19).

Our Rooted program is designed to provide ongoing faith formation to our parishioners, deepening their relationship with Christ and each other. Rooted is for ALL parishioners no matter their age or stage in life. We are committed to not charging participants for our this program because we want to adopt, first and foremost, a relational approach. To do this, we rely upon the generosity of parishioners who believe in the importance of this mission. *Will you help us tend to the heavenly garden?*

Next weekend, 9/14 and 9/15, is Catechetical Sunday. During this liturgy we will publicly commission our parish catechists. There will also be a second collection specifically to support our ongoing faith formation—Rooted. We thank you sincerely for your generosity. You can also donate any time online by visiting <https://stbenilde.org/rooted-built-up-sponsors> or scanning the QR code below.



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NEW ORLEANS
Office of Marriage and Family Life

Annulment Writing Workshop

Thursdays 10/1, 10/8 10/15, 10/22 & 10/29
from 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Msgr. Bendix Center at St. Matthew the Apostle
Parish (10021 Jefferson Hwy)
\$25 for the series cost.
Contact the Office of Marriage and Family Life
at 504-861-6243 to register

Rooted & Built Up

Through Prayer

SPONSOR SOMEONE'S FAITH JOURNEY!

SECOND COLLECTION
9/14 & 9/15






The purpose of our Prayer Blanket Ministry is to offer spiritual and physical comfort to individuals suffering from illness or a recent loss. Prayer blankets are lovingly made by members with soft and soothing materials. Prayer blankets can be a no-sew fleece blanket, sewn, crocheted, or knitted depending upon the ministry member's expertise and preferences. As they are made, members pray intentionally for the blanket's eventual recipient. Once finished, the blankets are blessed by Fr. Matthew Johnston and then distributed to people in need.

Currently, we are looking for a new ministry coordinator to help revitalize this ministry. Responsibilities would include keeping inventory of completed prayer blankets, utilizing donations to help purchase and distribute prayer blanket materials, recruiting new members, and scheduling periodic meetings allowing members to come together to make blanket, pray, and enjoy fellowship.

We are also in need of additional members. Our current blanket inventory is very low and we are having difficulties meeting current needs.

If you are interested in helping either as a coordinator or a new member, please contact Audrey Huck at ahuck@arch-no.org.



All 2nd Grade children are invited to register for Sacramental Preparation



What is Sacramental Preparation?

Sacramental preparation is St. Benilde Parish's process for preparing second grade children to receive their first Reconciliation and Holy Communion. **This is for ALL parish children, whether they attend public school, St. Benilde School or are homeschooled.**

What are the requirements to participate?

- Your child must have already been baptized prior to receiving his/her sacraments.
- Your child must have completed two years of sacramental preparation (this includes the 2024-24 preparation) prior to receiving their sacraments--either through enrollment at a Catholic school or participation in a Religious Education program.
- Finally, in order to be eligible for these sacraments **students and a parent/guardian must attend monthly Sacramental Preparation Meetings**, taking place Sunday evenings from 5:15-7:00 PM. Attendance of these sessions is mandatory. Repeated absences will result in your child being ineligible to receive the sacraments this year.

What is the Schedule?

First Reconciliation Session #1 - 10/13 5:15-7:00 PM
First Reconciliation Session #2 - 11/17 5:15-7:00 PM
First Reconciliation Session #3 - 12/8 5:15-7:00 PM
First Reconciliation - 1/18 at 10:00 AM in the Church
First Communion Session #1 - 1/26 5:15-7:00 PM
First Communion Session #2 - 2/16 5:15-7:00 PM
First Communion Session #3 - 3/16 5:15-7:00 PM
First Communion Session #4 - 4/13 5:15-7:00 PM
First Communion Practice 4/30
6:00 PM in the Church
First Communion Saturday, May 3 at 11:00 AM

Is there a cost?

There is a \$75 sacramental prep fee which helps to cover the monthly meal provided, formation materials, liturgy programs etc. Scholarships are available if needed

How do I Register?

Scan the QR Code to fill out the online registration form and payment.
Contact Audrey Huck at ahuck@arch-no.org for more information



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ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW ORLEANS
CYO/Youth & Young Adult Ministry

WWW.CYO-NO.ORG
9AM-5PM / JESUIT HIGH SCHOOL
SEPT. 28, 2024
NOLA CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE
be not afraid Matthew 14:27

OPEN TO ALL 7TH THROUGH 12TH GRADERS

THIS ONE-DAY CONFERENCE IS A TIME FOR CELEBRATION, LEARNING, PRAYER, AND CHALLENGES IN A CONTEXT OF COMMUNITY FOR 7TH-12TH GRADE STUDENTS.

 Keynote Katie Prejean McGrady	 Mass Celebrant Most Rev. Gregory M. Aymond	 Emcee Fr. Andrew Gutierrez	 Emcee Fr. Ajani Gibson
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All 7th-12th graders are invited to attend the 37th annual NOLA Catholic Youth Conference uniting teenagers from throughout the archdiocese! There will be dynamic speakers, opportunities to learn about and deepen our faith, Mass with Archbishop Aymond, opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, praise and worship music, and Eucharistic Adoration.

When: Saturday, September 18, 2024

- The conference is from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM. Bus will leave St. Benilde's parking lot at **8:30 AM SHARP!** Bus will return to the parking lot at St. Benilde upon conclusion of the conference. We expect to be there just before 5:30 PM.

Where: Jesuit High School, 4133 Banks St.

Who can attend: All current 7th through 12th graders

How Much: \$50 - This includes transportation by bus to and from the conference, a conference T-shirt, lunch from Honey Baked Ham, and, of course, admission to the conference!

Deadline to Register: EVERYONE must be registered and paid by Thursday, September 19th.

How Do I Register: Scan the QR code or visit <https://stbenilde.org/2024ncyc>.



CYO Corner:



THIS MONTH! **UPCOMING EVENTS** **SEPTEMBER**

- 4** DEADLINE TO REGISTER FOR CYO VOLLEYBALL
- 13** MONTHLY HOLY HOUR & SOCIAL 7-9:30 PM
- 22** CYO MASS (4:00 PM) AND NIGHT FROM 5-8:00 PM IN THE TEEN CENTER
BRING A \$5 DONATION FOR FOOD
- 28** NOLA CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE
9AM - 5PM AT JESUIT HIGH SCHOOL
REGISTER BY SEPT. 19

CHERS AMIS (OVER 50S) SOCIAL CLUB

2024-2025 Schedule of Events

- **SEPTEMBER 10TH** - HAWAIIAN LUAU WINE AND CHEESE SOCIAL
- **OCTOBER 8TH** - OKTOBERFEST POTLUCK MEAL
- **NOVEMBER 12TH** - THANKSGIVING POTLUCK MEAL
- **DECEMBER 10TH** - CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON AT IMPASTATOS RESTAURANT
- **JANUARY 14TH** - KING CAKE SOCIAL
- **FEBRUARY 11TH** - HOTDOGS AND CHILI SOCIAL
- **MARCH 11TH** - IRISH/ITALIAN POTLUCK MEAL
- **APRIL 8TH** - INDOOR PICNIC
- **MAY 2ND** - CRAWFISH BOIL

There will be guest speakers for most events. Other activities will be planned throughout the year. Most of the meetings occur on the second Tuesday of each month and begin at 7:00 pm. **DUES \$20.00 PER YEAR.** For more information call 504-835-1600.