

Ordinary Families



Extraordinary Faith

St. Benilde

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Rev. Matthew Johnston, Pastor
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Deacon Mike 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.

www.stbenilde.org

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.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

See Inside the Bulletin
for Schedule

CONFESSION

Saturday ... 3:00—3:45 p.m.
Tuesday ... 5:00—5:25 p.m.
Thursday ... 5:00—5:25 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

Saturday, December 28, 2024
4:00 p.m.

Intentions: Sandra Baggett, Honor of St. Jude, Merle & Charles Dittmer, Patrick C. McKinney, Flora Maria Be, Shane LaMartina, Hubert LaBorde, Robert Phelps, Audrey Carline, Maria LeBlanc, Michael Brelet, Lela Mae LaBorde, Louis Roussel, Karen Faircloth (L), Fr. Randy Roux (L), Fr. David Dufour (L), Fr. Joseph Tran (L), Fr. Long Pham (L)
Song Leaders: Traditional Choir

Sunday, December 29, 2024
9:00 a.m.

Intentions: M & C Nolan (L)
Song Leaders: Traditional Choir

11:00 a.m.

Intentions: Paul Hymel, Jr., The O'Sullivan Family, Fr. Matthew Johnston (L), The Zito Family, Mark Alan Capretto, Lawrence Chighizola
Song Leaders: Contemporary Choir

4:00 p.m.

Intentions: Gerald & Jerlyn Maus(L)
Cantor: Lauren Gisclair
Organist: Kristin Alvarado

December 30 - January 3

Monday	7:00 a.m.	Dawn Giebelhaus (L)
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Carol Comer (L)
Wednesday	7:00 a.m.	George Spaulding
	8:15 a.m.	SBS Families
Thursday	5:30 p.m.	Joy S. Rojas
Friday	7:00 a.m.	Parishioners

This Week at St. Benilde

Monday, Dec. 30	7:00 a.m. Mass
Tuesday, Dec. 31 <i>New Years' Eve</i>	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Vigil) 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Jan. 1 <i>Solemnity of the Virgin Mary, Mother of God</i>	Holy Day Mass 10:00 a.m.
Thursday, Jan 2.	Reconciliation 5-5:25 p.m. in the Church 5:30 p.m. Daily Mass C.A.L.M. 6:00 p.m. in the Church
Friday, Jan. 3	7:00 a.m. Daily Mass
Saturday, Jan. 4	Reconciliation 3:00-3:45 p.m. Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 5	Traditional Choir Practice 8:00 a.m. in the Parish Office 9:00 a.m. Mass 11:00 a.m. Mass 4:00 p.m. Mass



We are
CLOSED

**The Parish Office will be Closed
December 31-January 3rd for the
New Year's Holiday. Normal hours
will resume January 6.**

Happy New Year!

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 all
deceased parishioners

St. Lucy's Vespers - December 13, 2024



Altar Volunteers
Week of December 29
Mary Ann Curry &
Betty O'Hara

December Linens
Large - Connie Casente
Small - Evelyn Bever



LECTORS NEEDED

Do you have a love for
Sacred Scripture? Our
Saturday and Sunday
4:00 PM Masses are
currently in need of
additional lectors.

Contact

Audrey Huck at
ahuck@arch-no.org for
more information.





ADORATION CHAPEL UPDATE



JESUS WILL BE REPOSED IN THE TABERNACLE FROM DECEMBER 20TH UNTIL THE MORNING OF JANUARY 2ND. HE WILL REMAIN IN THE TABERNACLE FOR THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO USE THE ADORATION CHAPEL TO PRAY.



Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Mass will be offered
Tuesday, Dec. 31st at 4:00 PM and
Wednesday, January 1st at 10:00 AM

This is a Holy Day of Obligation

CHILDREN, OBEY YOUR PARENTS IN EVERYTHING,

*for this is pleasing
to the Lord.*



JANUARY 12
ROOTED NIGHT!
Witness given by Nick Flynn
Food, Formation & Fun!
5:15-7:30 PM

You're Invited To Join!



**Circle.
Care.
Comfort.
Celebrate.**



Labeled & LOVED
Sisterhood Circles

The mission of the Labeled and Loved Sisterhood Circles program is to bring special needs moms with their unique lived experiences into a community where they can arrive accepted, feel seen, be celebrated, and find belonging.

Sign up here to learn more!



- ♥ Monthly in-person meetings
- ♥ Trained Support Sisters
- ♥ Compassionate Leadership
- ♥ Small group setting

@labeledandloved

Sisterhood circles is a program of a non-profit organization called "Labeled & Loved". It's a place where special needs moms can connect in small groups to learn tools to avoid caretaker burnout and build friendships. We meet at St. Benilde the second Thursday of each month from 6:30-8:30 PM. Registration fee for each participant is \$25 for the year.

The curriculum for each session consists of real-life stories by real-life caregivers with relative discussion questions. During the discussion questions we can break up into small groups of 5-6 people. A licensed professional counselor has screened each story and set of questions for competency and sensitivity. We try to focus on self-worth, confidence, identity, healing, surrender, fun, peace, and boundaries.

To learn more, contact Caroline Graham at csmith563@gmail.com.



ST. BENILDE MEN'S CLUB **CHILI** **COOK OFF TRIFECTA**



CHILI COOKING 🍌 CORNHOLE TOSS 🍌 JALAPENO EATING

WANTED: Teams to participate in the **10th Annual Chili Cook Off Trifecta**

Date: Saturday, January 25th, 2025

Time: Contestants arrive by 8:45 am
Gates open to public at 12:00 pm

Where: St. Benilde School, 1801 Division Street

Team: 4 min, 6 max per team

Cost: **\$150/team** (limited space available)

Teams must compete in all three parts of the Trifecta:



Chili Cook-off



Cornhole Toss



Jalapeno Eating Contest

Optional category: **Louisiana Lagniappe** (your favorite Louisiana inspired dish)

Prizes awarded for each team event and All Around winner.

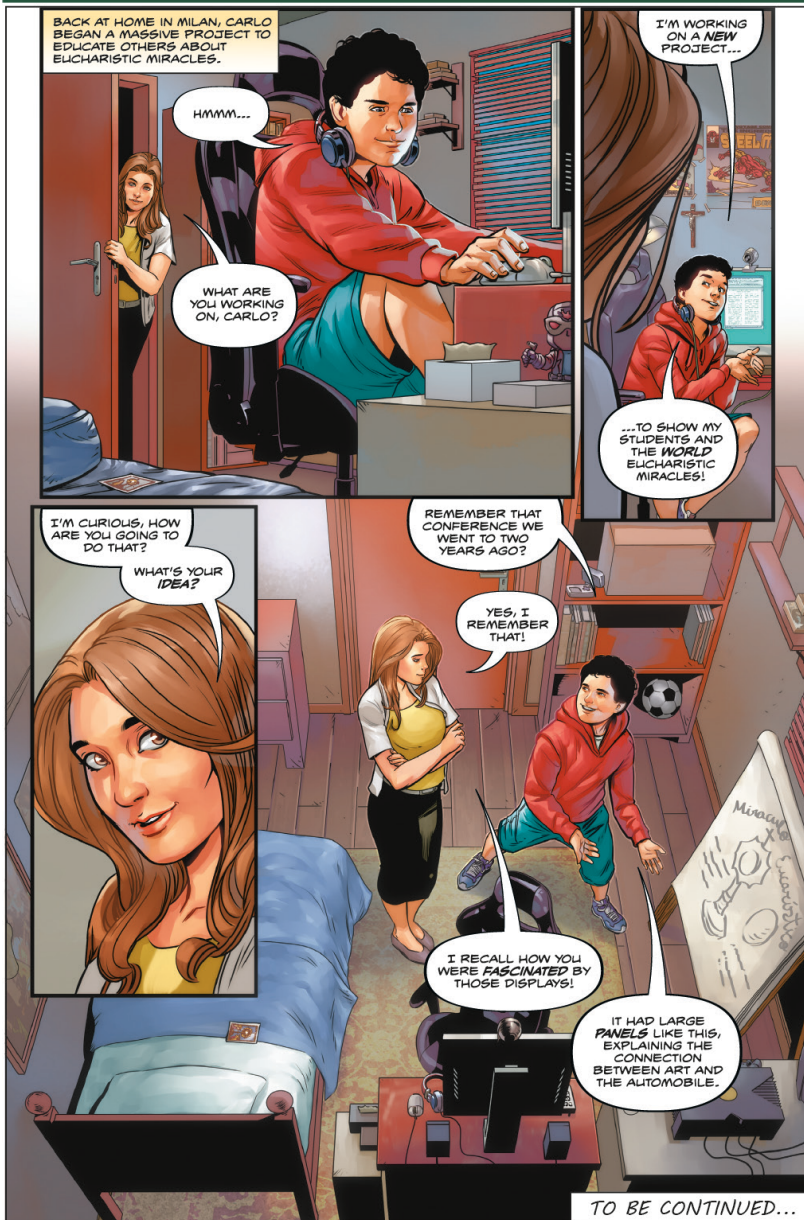
All Around Champ has entry fee donated to School/Church of choice

Contact Dax Barrett 504-931-7489, David Mocklin 504-352-6124, or Paul Killian 504-908-3166 or sbschilicookoff@outlook.com for details and rules.

Check out **St. Benilde Men's Club Chili Cookoff Trifecta** on



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



ADORATION CHAPEL

WHAT IS ADORATION?

Eucharistic Adoration is spending time with Jesus Christ who is truly present, Body, Blood and Soul in the Holy Eucharist. The consecrated Host is displayed in a holder called a monstrance for adoration. Because our Eucharistic Lord is exposed, committed adorers are needed to accompany and protect Him at all times.



WHO CAN COME?



Everyone is welcome to come before Our Lord Jesus Christ during Eucharistic Adoration. Bring your children, they are our future adorers. Jesus said "Let the children come to Me, and do not hinder them: for such belongs the kingdom of heaven." (Mt 19:14) Invite family, neighbors and friends to join you. Your joy with the Lord may be what others are looking for.

WHERE IS THE CHAPEL LOCATED & HOW DO I GET IN?

The Adoration Chapel is located next to our Marian Grotto. For the safety of our adorers (particularly those with late night/early morning hours), there is a key pad with a code. You can receive that code by contacting the Parish Office (504-834-4980) or emailing Audrey Huck at ahuck@arch-no.org.



The Chapel is open perpetually beginning at 7:00 AM on Monday mornings and remains open until 10:00 PM on Friday evenings.



HOW LONG MUST I STAY?

There is no set amount of time that one must stay at Adoration. Please feel welcome to drop-in to say a quick hello to Jesus. Do not underestimate the graces that will come from any visit.

That being said, we are only able to keep our chapel open if there are sufficient committed adorers. These men and women commit to spend a set hour a week with our Eucharistic Lord, ensuring that Jesus is never left unattended.

HOW DO I BECOME A COMMITTED ADORER?

We use an online scheduling system for our Adoration Chapel. You can scan the QR Code below and select "Weekly Commitment" to see the full schedule. Alternatively, you can contact Samantha Keller at Samantha.keller423@gmail.com or Alexandra Walters at alexwalters24@gmail.com.

We would like to have two committed adorers for each slot. This helps ensure that adorers are present in the event of vacations or family emergencies. You are free to change your hour at any time.



SCAN ME

Feast of the Holy Family

X H C A R A V A N E T
B R E L A T I V E S B
W I S D O M M F A C F
E V H I M O I E R T I
T N Z V T Z F S S P E
W I K S V N T W E Y G
E S U J O U R N E Y H
L C X K C V R M K H O
V J P I F A V O R S N
E P A S S O V E R H D
O B E D I E N T R D Z

- Twelve
- Feast
- Passover
- Custom
- Caravan
- Journey
- Relatives
- Obedient
- Wisdom
- Favor



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in Christ

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Holy Spirit Women's Retreat
Jan. 24-26, 2025

CATHOLIC
CHARISMATIC RENEWAL
NEW ORLEANS

Dr. Carol Razza **Fr. Michael Voithofer** **Lisa Flood** **Janice Charbonnet**

Robe • Ring • Sandals Luke 15:22

DoubleTree Hilton
1521 W Pinhook Rd.
Lafayette, LA 70503

Music By
Sparrow Song!

Price Increase
December 11th!

I TRUST IN YOU
MAR 15 2025

ARCHDIOCESE
NEW ORLEANS
MEN'S
CONFERENCE

REGISTER AT
NOLACATHOLICMEN.COM



 **ARCHDIOCESE OF**
NEW ORLEANS
Office of Marriage and Family Life

Silver Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, February 16 @ 3:00 PM
Our Lady of the Rosary
Please register with the parish office no later than
Friday, January 17, 2024.

CALLING ALL SUPERHEROS

65TH ANNUAL CUB SCOUT PARADE
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2025 @ 10 AM

INTERESTED IN HAVING YOUR ORGANIZATION JOIN US ON THE PARADE ROUTE?
WE INVITE ALL SCOUTS, CHEER SQUADS, & DANCE TEAMS!

\$10
PER CHILD PARTICIPANT

BANG

SCAN TO SIGN UP