



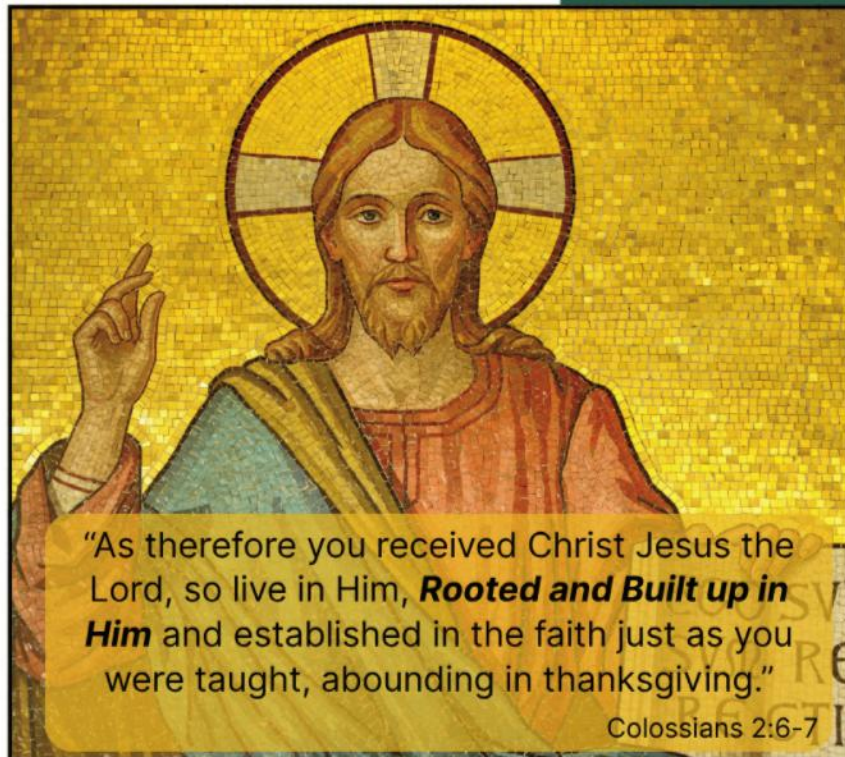
# St. Benilde

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday, August 24, 2025

*Twenty-first Sunday in  
Ordinary Time*

*Ordinary Families  
Extraordinary Faith*



## WELCOME!

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Weekday Masses

Mon., Wed., Fri. | 7:00 a.m.  
Tues. & Thurs. | 5:30 p.m.

#### Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil | 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday | 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.

#### Confession

Tues. & Thurs. | 5-5:25 p.m.  
Saturday | 3-3:45 p.m.  
(Also available by appointment at the Parish Office.)

**DIVINE MERCY  
ADORATION CHAPEL**  
**Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration**  
Mon. 7:00 a.m. - Friday 10:00 p.m.

### CONTACT

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(985) 630-6398 (Fr. Matthew)

 [stbenildechurch@arch-no.org](mailto:stbenildechurch@arch-no.org)

 [www.stbenilde.org](http://www.stbenilde.org)



### CLERGY

Rev. Matthew Johnston, Pastor  
Deacon Stephen Gordon  
Deacon Mike Sorensen

### OFFICE MANAGER

Ms. Colleen Hezeau

### BAPTISMS

First and third Sundays at noon.  
Call the Parish Office for details.

### MATRIMONY

Please contact a priest/deacon  
8 months before your wedding.

### FUNERALS

Arrangements can be made at  
the Parish Office.

### DEVOTIONS

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual  
Help following the Tuesday  
5:30 p.m. Mass.  
Mary's Hour Saturdays at  
8:00 a.m. in the Church.

### NEWCOMERS

Contact the Parish Office to  
receive a New Parishioner  
Registration packet.

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

St. Benilde Conference  
(504) 233-3246.

### ST. BENILDE SCHOOL

Mrs. Julie Gaudet, Principal  
1801 Division St., Metairie, LA  
(504) 833-9894 | [www.stbenilde.com](http://www.stbenilde.com)

# This Week at St. Benilde | Weekly Saint Spotlight

## Monday, August 25

7:00 a.m. **Mass**

6:30-8:30 p.m. **SBS Technology Night** in the Library

7:00 p.m. **Divine Mercy Cenacle** Group Meeting in the Parish Office



## Tuesday, August 26

5-5:30 p.m. **Reconciliation** in the Church

5:30 p.m. **Daily Mass**

7:00 p.m. **HALOS-Healing After Loss to Overdose or Suicide Meeting** in the Parish Office



7:30 p.m. **Contemporary Choir Practice** in the Church

## Wednesday, August 27

*Memorial of Saint Monica*

7:00 a.m. **Daily Mass**

8:15 a.m. **School Mass**

7:00 p.m. **Red Bird Ministries-Grieving Parents Support Group** in the Parish Office



7:30 p.m. **That Man is You!** in the Teen Center

7:30 p.m. **CCRNO Prayer Mtg.** in the Church

## Thursday, August 28

*Memorial of Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

5-5:30 p.m. **Reconciliation** in the Church

5:30 p.m. **Daily Mass**

6:30 p.m. **HSA Meeting** in the Cafeteria

## Friday, August 29

*Memorial of the Passion of Saint John the Baptist*

7:00 a.m. **Daily Mass**

7:00 p.m. **Movie Night "Shadowlands"** in the Cafeteria

Use your phone to scan the QR codes to learn more about the adjacent Ministry.

## Saturday, August 30

8:00 a.m. **Mary's Hour** in the Church

3-3:45 p.m. **Reconciliation** in the Church

4:00 p.m. **Vigil Mass**



## Sunday, August 31

9:00 a.m. **Mass**

11:00 a.m. **Mass**

4:00 p.m. **Mass**

## Weekly Saint Spotlight

### St. Rose of Lima

Feast Day: August 23

Patron Saint of Latin America and the Philippines

Birth: 1586 | Death: 1617

### SAINTS FUN FACTS

by mario d. macari

**S**AINTE ROSE OF LIMA, THE PATRONESS OF LATIN AMERICA AND THE PHILIPPINES AND THE FIRST SAINT BORN IN THE AMERICAS, WAS SO REMARKABLY AND PERFECTLY BEAUTIFUL, SHE WOULD CAUSE PEOPLE TO STOP WHAT THEY WERE DOING TO STARE AT HER! AFRAID THAT HER BEAUTY MIGHT BE A TEMPTATION TO SOMEONE, SHE CONSTANTLY RUBBED HER FACE WITH PEPPER AND LYE SO HER COMPLEXION WOULD NOT BE SO ATTRACTIVE.



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# Prayer Intentions | Capital Campaign | Stewardship of Treasure

## Ministers of the Liturgy and Mass Intentions

**Saturday, August 23, 2025**

**4:00 p.m.**

**Intentions:** Merle & Charles Dittmer, Patrick C. McKinney, In Honor of St. Jude, Louis Roussel, Bernard Cleary, Thomas Montgomery, Pat Manfre, Michele Moyer Pepperman, Flora Maria Be, Margaret Bourgeois, Ron Oleksik(L), Arlene Trippi(L), Carolyn Sauter, Maria LeBlanc, Michael Brelet

**Song Leaders:** Traditional Choir

**Sunday, August 24, 2025**

**9:00 a.m.**

**Intentions:** Marie Crawford

**Song Leaders:** Traditional Choir

**11:00 a.m.**

**Intentions:** Leigh Whitman Director, Dolores Masson, Lawrence Chighizola, Paul J. Hymel, Jr., JoAnn Gautre, Louis Frey(L), Lena, Luke, & Jennifer Simon(L), Jeffrey Rojas, Sister Jackie Vaughn Reynolds, TOC, Carolyn Sauter, Dennis Bodungen, Melanie, Lupo, Mary Landry

**4:00 p.m.**

**Intentions:** Leola Regas

**Cantor:** Lauren Gisclair

**Organist:** Sarah Finnicle

**August 25 -August 29, 2025**

Monday	7:00 a.m.	Eric Cifreo
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Leigh Whitman Director
Wednesday	7:00 a.m.	Becky Simeon(L)
Thursday	5:30 p.m.	Sandra Baggett
Friday	7:00 a.m.	Louis Frey(L)



**The Church Sanctuary Lamp burns for Pope Leo**

**Adoration Chapel Sanctuary Lamp**  
burns for Father Matthew



**The Altar Flowers** in memory of deceased members of the Parish

**Altar Volunteers**  
**Week of August 24**  
Jackie Frashier



**August Linens**  
**Large** - Colleen Hezeau  
**Small** - Sissy Roninger

## Capital Campaign Progress

The campaign launched in August 2023 to address the needs of our aging campus. Our goal is to raise \$3.5 million by August 2026, supporting the mission through 2028.

<b>August 14, 2025</b>		Difference since last week	% to the goal
Amount received	\$1,201,109.86	+ \$653.14	34%
Amount pledged	\$1.9M	-	54%
Number of donors	174	-	-

We invite you to prayerfully consider pledging or increasing your gift by visiting [stbenilde.org](http://stbenilde.org) or scanning the QR code. Thank you!



## Stewardship of Treasure

**August 16-17, 2025**

First Collection Envelopes	\$1,277.00
First Collection Loose	\$1,232.00
Repairs & Maintenance 2nd Collection	\$129.25
Candles	\$94.00
Msgr. Richaud Endowment Fund	\$5.00
Online Giving	\$1,908.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$5,479.25</b>
Previous year (Aug. 17-19, 2024)	\$9,117.00

Thank you so much for your generous support of St. Benilde Parish. Your gifts of treasure help ensure that the many good works taking place within our parish can continue. To set up an automated donation online, scan the QR code.



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

# Parish Updates

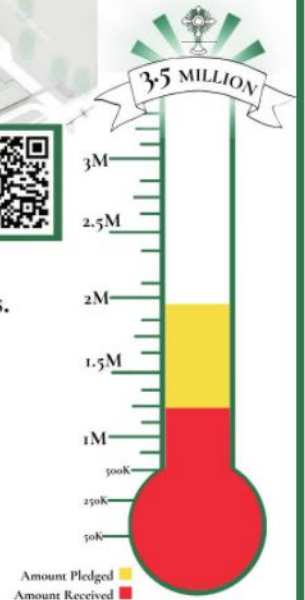
## Capital Campaign Update



On August 13, 2023, the Feast Day of St. Benilde, we launched a three-year, \$3.5 million Capital Campaign, 'Rooted and Built Up in Him' to address the needs of our aging campus. Two years into the campaign, this community has generated \$1.19 million, with additional pledges totaling nearly \$600,000.

We invite you to prayerfully consider pledging (or increasing) your gift for the next 36 months. Securing an additional \$1.5M in pledges this year will move us closer to our goal, supporting this mission through 2028.

Visit [StBenilde.org](http://StBenilde.org) or click on the QR code to learn more, stay up to date with the progress of the campaign, or make a new donation. And, keep a lookout for the rising thermometer on the wall in the back of Church!



**JOIN OUR PARISH-WIDE FAITH FORMATION FOR EVERY ST. BENILDE PARISHONER - PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, SINGLES, KIDS -EVERYONE!**

**2025-26 Rooted Sunday's | 5:00-7:30 PM**

Sept 14 • Oct 5 • Nov 16 • (No Dec.)

Jan 11 • Feb 1 • Mar 8 • Apr 26 • (No May)

**FOR MORE INFO OR TO REGISTER:**

<https://stbenilde.org/rooted-built-up>



**Get the bulletin emailed directly to your inbox every week!**

Go to: [www.dm.church/5577](http://www.dm.church/5577) or scan



ST. BENILDE FRIDAY MOVIE NIGHT PRESENTS

## SHADOWLANDS

29TH AUGUST | 07:00PM

ST. BENILDE SCHOOL CAFETERIA



**Free to attend.  
Popcorn and snacks provided.**

Contact: Val Hebert  
[valencemet@aol.com](mailto:valencemet@aol.com) | 504-427-0327

GRIEVING WITH GREAT

## HOPE

Grief Support Ministry

**\*\*This 5 session video series, from Good Mourning Ministry, is prayerful, practical, and personal.\*\***

Upcoming Schedule

Thursdays at 7:00 PM

Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25 | Oct. 2

St. Benilde School Library

In 1 Thessalonians 4:13, St. Paul tells the Thessalonians, "Let us not grieve as others who have no hope."

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



# Parish Youth & Young Adults



## ALL 2ND GRADERS ARE INVITED TO REGISTER FOR SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION



### KEY DATES

(6:15pm on Sundays)

**Reconciliation Prep**  
9/28, 10/19, 11/30

**Reconciliation**  
12/13 @ 10am

**Communion Prep:**  
1/18, 2/22, 3/29, 4/19;  
Practice 4/29 @ 6pm

**Communion**  
5/2 @ 11am

### REQUIREMENTS


- Baptized 2<sup>nd</sup> grader
- Two years of sacramental prep
- A parent/guardian who commits to attend monthly prep meetings with their child

### REGISTRATION

**\$75 fee**

<https://stbenilde.org/sacramental-preparation>





## ATTENTION 7<sup>TH</sup> - 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS!

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## CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 27  
2025

FR. AGUSTINO TORRES, CFR  
2025 KEYNOTE

**\$50 cost includes transportation by bus to and from the conference, a T-shirt, lunch from Honey Baked Ham, and admission to the conference!**

Register by September 11: <https://stbenilde.org/ncyc> or scan the QR code





Learn more about our newly formed

# YOUNG ADULTS

ministry!



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Pray for us

DURING HURRICANE SEASON

## How YOUR donation impacts the Young Church





SCAN HERE

**\$25** TUNICA FALLS DAY TRIP IN SPRING OR FALL

**\$20** PROVIDES ONE TEEN TO PARTICIPATE IN ROSE RALLY

**\$10** PURCHASES A BIBLE OR RELIGIOUS BOOK FOR THE TEEN CENTER LIBRARY

**\$150** ASSISTS ONE TEEN IN ATTENDING A WEEKEND RETREAT

**\$50** PAYS FOR A TEEN TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OVERNIGHT LOCK-IN

**\$15** COVERS CYD ATHLETICS FOR ONE SEASON (SUMMER CABBAGEBALL, FALL/SPRING VOLLEYBALL)

PLEASE CONTACT ALEXANDRA WALTERS, DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY, AT [AWALTERS@ARCH-NO.ORG](mailto:AWALTERS@ARCH-NO.ORG) FOR ANY QUESTIONS.

Confirmation

# PREPARATION

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN



Scan to Register



Mandatory Parent/Candidate Meeting  
September 17<sup>th</sup>  
7:00PM Cafeteria





**SUNDAY BEST**  
— FAITH, FAMILY, AND FASHION —

**FRIDAY • SEPTEMBER 12, 2025 • 6:30 P.M.**  
1112 CHARTRES STREET, NEW ORLEANS  
*Cocktail attire — or your Sunday Best!*

**OLD URSULINE CONVENT MUSEUM**  
CATHOLIC CULTURAL CENTER OF NEW ORLEANS

All proceeds from the event will support the "Our City, Our Cathedral" Campaign to restore and beautify St. Louis Cathedral.

To register:  
<https://oldursulineconventmuseum.com/sunday-best-gala>

Strive to enter through  
**THE NARROW GATE**  
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**ANNULMENT WRITING WORKSHOP MINISTRY**

OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW ORLEANS

**For people wishing to understand the process and apply for an annulment.**

10017 Jefferson Highway River Ridge, LA 70123

St. Matthew the Apostle Parish Meeting Room Suite 102

Cost: \$25

Register:  
<https://nolacatholic.org/divorceandvalidity>

**REGISTRATION CLOSING MONDAY SEPTEMBER 8**



**TUESDAYS**  
**7PM-8:30PM**  
**SEPT. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**

*Women of Manresa Retreats at*



**THE CENACLE**  
*on the lake*

The Cenacle on the Lake Retreat Center offers Women of Manresa retreats at 5500 St. Mary Street in Metairie, Louisiana. Step away...encounter Jesus...find peace.



**Upcoming Retreats**  
Sept. 25-28 | Oct. 16-19 | Feb. 19-22



Please register by visiting  
[www.neworleansretreats.com](http://www.neworleansretreats.com)  
or by calling 504-267-9604.



**2ND ANNUAL WOMEN'S SUMMIT**

**THE HEART OF A WOMAN**  
CREATED, CALLED, AND CONSECRATED

**September 13, 2025**  
8 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
St. Dominic Church



**SARAH DENNY LORIO**  
AND IT WAS VERY GOOD: WHAT OUR BODIES REVEAL TO US AS WOMEN



**OLIVIA GULINO**  
WE BELONG TO EACH OTHER: WOMAN'S ROLE IN SALVATION



**COMMUNITY**  
THE HEART OF THE SUMMIT

**Early registration costs \$30 through August 31 and includes lunch.**

To register and for more information:  
[stdominicparish.com/womens-summit](http://stdominicparish.com/womens-summit) | [stdominicwomm@gmail.com](mailto:stdominicwomm@gmail.com)

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## Scavenger Hunt!

Dive into this bulletin and see if you can find these (tiny) hidden items! Happy hunting!



## ADORERS NEEDED

**TUESDAYS:**  
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**WEDNESDAYS:**  
3:00 AM - 4:00 AM  
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

**THURSDAYS:**  
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

**FRIDAYS:**  
2:00 AM - 3:00 AM  
3:00 AM - 4:00 AM  
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM



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