

MASS INTENTIONS

2022 MASS INTENTIONS

The parish office is accepting Mass Intentions for 2022. If you would like to offer a Mass for the (Living) Intentions of your family/friends, or for your deceased family members/friends, please call the parish office at 510-632-1847. Donation for a Mass is \$10.00. Thank you.

Sunday, June 19	8:30 am	For all Fathers, living and deceased Mele Percival - Thanksgiving
	11:00 am	For all Fathers, living and deceased Clarence Williams† Charles Wanzo†

SICK MINISTRY

If you know someone who is sick and is in need of prayers, please contact the church office (510) 632-1847.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK, ESPECIALLY

Ivory Mae Brown	Marquise Colward	Frances Porter
Stella Brown	Michael Colwart	Rick Santi
Bettye Burns	Bishop John Cummins	Heidi Schmitt
Theresa Butler	Noel Nakahara	Romel Tapscott
Mike Casey	Janie Outley	Sylvia Williams
Bobbie Coleman	Mele Percival	

REQUEST FOR PRAYERS WILL BE LISTED IN THE BULLETIN FOR ONE MONTH AND EXTENDED UPON REQUEST.

IF YOUR REQUEST FOR "PRAYER FOR THE SICK" HAS BEEN LISTED FOR OVER A MONTH NOW AND THE REQUEST IS ABLE TO BE DELETED, PLEASE INFORM THE OFFICE. THANK YOU.

SECOND COLLECTION

Holy Father (Peter's Pence) - This Weekend
Saint Vincent de Paul - Next Weekend

ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH? Please scan this QR code:



We are so BLESSED to have you visiting with us today and we hope that you've enjoyed Worshiping with us.

Please fill out the online form so that we can keep in touch with you and keep you informed of any upcoming events or information about St. Benedict. If you need to update your current information, you can fill out this form as well.

Please note that we respect your privacy. This information is ONLY for the St. Benedict Church Communications/Technology Committee.

CHURCH SUPPORT

Collection: June 12, 2022 **\$2,953.00**
Other Collection: "100" Club **\$115.00**

Thank You For Your Generosity

PENNY HARVEST

Please remember to bring your pennies and drop them off by the altar before or after Mass. There's no need to wrap your pennies in a roll.

LECTORS/MINISTERS

June 25/26, 2022

4:30 PM	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
J. Garibaldi	M. Trevigne	D. Cola



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

David Krashna
CHAIR/FACILITATOR

Linda Palmeri
VICE CHAIR
ASSISTANT FACILITATOR

Dale Blake
MEETING RECORDER

MEMBERS

Ariana Catherine	Julie Hadnot	Romel Lucas	Alex Schmitt	Ofelia Wanzo
Dionne Cola	Erita Larry	Leonard Pete	Chiquita Tuttle	Regina Wilson-Henry



CHOIR'S CORNER

What's going on??
Interested in joining any of the Choirs?
Please feel free to contact

Leonard Pete
MUSIC DIRECTOR
510.917.2390

thevoicesofstbenedicts@yahoo.com



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MISSION STATEMENT

As the people of God who are loved by the Father, being saved by the Son, and strengthened and endowed with the gifts of the Spirit for the service of the Lord, and all here at *St. Benedict*, we resolve in the spirit of Christian unity and cooperation to use our gifts and talents in building up the Kingdom of God in East Oakland

PARISH STAFF

Mrs. Divina Cabrera
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PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIR

Mrs. Sherril Gressel
FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Miss Ariana Catherine
YOUTH MINISTER

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY.....4:30 pm
VIGIL MASS

SUNDAY8:30 am

.....11:00 am
GOSPEL MASS

CONFESSION

BY APPOINTMENT
510-632-1847

BAPTISM

INSTRUCTION OF PARENTS REQUIRED

MARRIAGE

6 MONTHS ADVANCED NOTICE REQUIRED

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

We recommend using Catholic Funeral and Cemetery Services (CFCS):

HOLY SEPULCHRE, ST. MARY'S AND ST. JOSEPH CEMETERIES

Contact CFCS/Cooper's Chapel at
510.362.0424 or
www.cfcsoakland.org



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Today's Gospel from Luke recounts the story of how Jesus satisfies the hunger of a large multitude with just a few fish and a few loaves of bread. Focusing on the great number of people Jesus fed, we often overlook another significant detail. Before giving the food to the people to eat, Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and pronounced a blessing on it (Jesus said grace). This blessing was a very important part of every Jewish meal because a pious Jew would not dare eat without first giving thanks to God gives us all good things.

Although God does not need our thanks, giving God thanks before we eat is a very appropriate response for all that God has given us. Recall how we feel when we give something to someone and we're not acknowledged for the gift. This disappointment is bad enough when the recipient is a stranger or someone you do not know very well but it is much more acute when the person is someone you love. In such a case, because the gift is an expression of your love, it is easy to feel it is your love, not the gift, that the person does not appreciate.

With this in mind, we can really understand how God feels when we fail to give thanks to God for all the gifts that God has so generously bestowed on us. Because of God's great love for us, the pain and the disappointment God feels when we are ungrateful could be hurtful. Our thoughtlessness can only communicate to God how little we value God's many expressions of love.

Today, on the Feast of Corpus Christi (which is Latin for "Body of Christ"), we celebrate and give thanks to God for the gift of the Body and Blood of his son, Jesus. Since the days of the early Church, Christians have understood the story in today's Gospel to be symbolic of the celebration of the Eucharist. Scripture scholars believe this is the main reason why it is the only story we find in all four of the Gospels.

The greatest gift God could have given us is the gift of Jesus, the Son. Because of God's immense love for us, God continues to give us this gift in the form of bread and wine. We take time today to thank God in the special way for this great gift, the gift of his love.

Some people who say grace before meals at home will not do so at a restaurant, are you OK about seeing grace in a public place?

Happy Father's Day to all of you who are fathers and father figures! We also remember our many fathers who are in the fullness of eternal life - may they continue to intercede on our behalf!

I hope that some of you were able to take part in yesterday's Blood Drive here at St. Benedict. Sponsored by the American Red Cross, Oakland Fire Department, Oakland Black Firefighters Association, Oakland Black Officers' Association, and St. Benedict parish. We want to ensure that our community does its part in encouraging African Americans in addressing Sickle Cell Anemia.

The MAP Process continues with Deanery meetings, which will happen until the end of this week. As a member of the MAP Commission, we continue to pour over data regarding Mass attendance, Sacraments, Clergy Availability and Finances. The Commission will meet during the summer in order to make recommendations to the Bishop about possible options for parish configurations; those include the following: cluster, merger or closure.

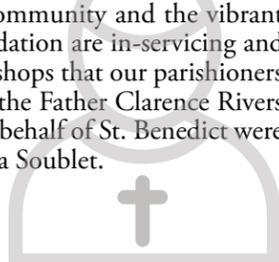
Some of those proposals suggested at the Deanery meeting a few weeks ago included that we (at St. Benedict) become more involved with Divine Mercy Parish (the merged parishes of St. Lawrence O'Toole and St. Paschal), since we share somewhat similar demographics, as opposed to predominately Spanish-speaking parishes that comprise the majority of the East Oakland Deaneries.

Like most parishes and churches throughout the diocese and the country, post-pandemic attendance figures have shown a significant decrease, and our parish is no exception. On the other hand, our parish finances are the best they've been in years. People continue to be generous to St. Benedict parish, praise God!

As you may already know, Alameda County Health officials have ordered that masks be worn again in light of increased COVID cases through the county. We've really never relaxed that policy here inside the church, so that restriction remains. Thank you for your cooperation as we help to limit the spread of COVID.

This past week, a number of our own St. Benedict parishioners had participated in the Archbishop Lyke Conference in Grapevine, Texas, outside of Dallas/Fort Worth. This annual conference is sponsored by the Lyke Foundation, whose purpose is to cultivate, celebrate and commission leadership to develop powerful and effective Black Catholic worship. their mission is to call Black Catholics to embrace their birthright and awaken Catholics to engage in the richness and givenness of the Black community and the vibrant nature of the Catholic Church. In the light of this vision and mission, the primary activities of the foundation are in-servicing and training. These activities are accomplished chiefly through the annual Lyke Conference. The various workshops that our parishioners will be participating include "Preaching in the Black Tradition", a Black Catholic Young Adult Summit, the Father Clarence Rivers Music Institute, and the Sister Thea Bowman Institute of Sacred Movement. Attending the conference on behalf of St. Benedict were Dionne Cola, Ariana Catherine, Leonard Pete, Deacon Ron Tutson, Julie Hadnot, Jo Soubllet and Monica Soubllet.

God bless,
Fr. Jayson



ANNOUNCEMENTS

ATTENTION!

Due to health concerns, the cups of the Blood of Christ will not be available until further notice.

REFLECTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Father in heaven, bless our Dad's on earth.

Read about Juneteenth. What is it? Where did it originate?

Listen to the song, "I Shall Wear A Crown."

PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS

At last Saturday's 4:30 PM Mass we learned that Fr. Vincent Cotter, our Mass celebrant, who is in residence with our parish, was celebrating his 39th anniversary serving as a priest. At the end of the Mass the congregation took the opportunity to pray over Fr. Vince, wished that the Holy Spirit continued to breathe on him, would allow him to question, and find a few answers. We offered our congratulations. What wonderful opportunities we at St. Benedict's Parish is presented with to celebrate, to worship, to express our faith, hope, and love! And to honor those who serve us! Feel free to reach out to any member of your pastoral council by writing to saintbenedictcrch@aol.com.

ATTENTION:

Please do not plan to leave your vehicle on the Church parking lot after 11 O'clock Mass on Sundays. If you are attending brunch with a group, etc. It is not advisable to carpool expecting to come back to retrieve your vehicle. On Sunday, after Mass when the gates are closed, there will be no one around to open the gate for you.

Thank you for understanding!

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, July 10, 2022 is our **Annual Sunday Funday Picnic** at San Leandro Marina Shoreline Park (Seagull Site).

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

National Night Out (NNO) on August 2, 2022 is fast approaching. Anyone interest in serving on the NNO committee please contact Linda Palmeri at (510) 329-2828 or lpalmeri@att.net so we can start the planning process. We have hosted this event for many years and it has been successful because of our volunteers. Come get involved and help plan this special event of bringing our church community together with our neighbors.

Patricia Ramona Thomas' Memorial Service:

Saturday, August 6, 2022

11:00am

St. Benedict Church

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

St. Benedict Family, St. Vincent de Paul needs Volunteers for our monthly Food Distribution for our neighbors in need. We need help Wednesday, June 22 from 9-11am to prepare food bags and distribute to our neighbors. All volunteers should wear a mask throughout the interaction with our neighbors. If you know of anyone who might be food insecure, please have them call St. Benedict-SVdP Conference Hotline, 510-632-2063. We are also in need of paper and plastic bags.

Thank you, St. Benedict Family. Blessings,

Wallita Sykes-Bush, President, St. Benedict SVdP

EMPLOYMENT

Are you an experienced childcare professional in need of work? Are you looking for part time or full time employment? A Day Care facility is in need of your services. The job entails caring for children 2 to 5 years. Contact Miss Cola if interested. You must be able to provide proof of your experience. 510 387-7498

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

If anyone has an announcement to be published in our weekly parish bulletin, it is due to the parish office on Wednesdays before 4:00 pm. Please submit your announcement to the parish office at this email address: saintbenedictcrh@aol.com. Thank you.

ATTENTION ST. BENEDICT PARISHIONERS!

Important Information about St. Benedict's Electronic Newsletter

Have you been receiving emails from St. Benedict Parish? If not, we want to be sure we have your correct and current email address so that you don't miss out on current Parish news and activities. When you have a moment we'd appreciate your sending a quick email to SaintBenedictCrh@aol.com with your full name and email address. Also, be sure to check your SPAM folder just in case the messages have been going there instead of your INBOX. The St. Benedict Communications Team thanks you for your attention to this matter.

