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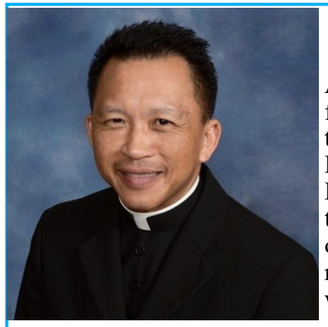


MATTERS ARISING

FR. JOHN TRAN TO BECOME A BISHOP

As was announced by the Archdiocese a week ago, there will be a Mass of farewell in honor of the new bishop-elect Fr John Tran who was once the Pastor of our parish. This Mass will be on Thursday, December 1st at 6 pm at St Rita's Church in New Orleans, followed by a reception at the nearby Notre Dame Seminary. I have indicated both in the bulletin and pulpit announcement that I would love the parishioners of St Bonaventure to attend this event in honor of the man who gave himself to serve as priest, served as our pastor, and has now been appointed as the auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of Atlanta. It will be a fitting and noteworthy thing to do.

So, in looking forward to that event/celebration I have decided to share some of the information contained in the code of canon law with regards to bishops in general and distinctions of roles among the order of bishops. So, in the coming weeks, I will be publishing some of the articles of canon law on the subjects for our knowledge enrichment

BISHOPS IN GENERAL

Can. 375 §1. Bishops, who by divine institution succeed to the place of the Apostles through the Holy Spirit who has been given to them, are constituted pastors in the Church so that they are teachers of doctrine, priests of sacred worship, and ministers of governance.

§2. Through episcopal consecration itself, bishops receive, with the function of sanctifying, also the functions of teaching and governing; by their nature, however, these can only be exercised in hierarchical communion with the head and members of the college.

Can. 376 Bishops to whom the care of some diocese is entrusted are called diocesan; others are called titular.

Can. 377 §1. The Supreme Pontiff freely appoints bishops or confirms those legitimately elected.

§2. At least every three years, bishops of an ecclesiastical province or, where circumstances suggest it, of a conference of bishops, are in common counsel and in secret to compose a list of presbyters, even including members of institutes of consecrated life, who are more suitable for the episcopate. They are to send it to the Apostolic See, without prejudice to the right of each bishop individually to make known to the Apostolic See the names of presbyters whom he considers worthy of and suited to the episcopal function.

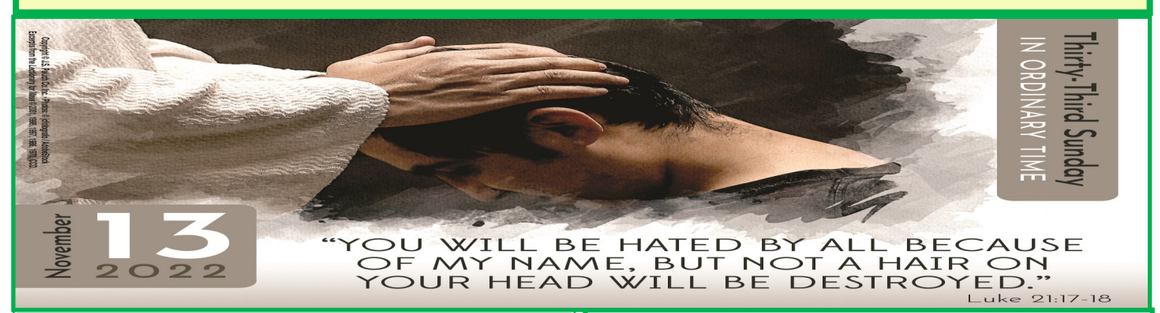
§3. Unless it is legitimately established otherwise, whenever a diocesan or coadjutor bishop must be appointed, as regards what is called the ternus to be proposed to the Apostolic See, the pontifical legate is to seek individually and to communicate to the Apostolic See together with his own opinion the suggestions of the metropolitan and suffragans of the province to which the diocese to be provided for belongs or with which it is joined in some grouping and the suggestions of the president of the conference of bishops. The pontifical legate, moreover, is to hear some members of the college of consultors and cathedral chapter and, if he judges it expedient, is also to seek individually and in secret the opinion of others from both the secular and non-secular clergy and from laity outstanding in wisdom.

§4. Unless other provision has been legitimately made, a diocesan bishop who judges that an auxiliary should be given to his diocese is to propose to the Apostolic See a list of at least three presbyters more suitable for this office.

Pastor's Corner

1. Looking forward to the future, we have parish Veterans Day Mass and lunch for our Veterans. We would also have both Parish Thanksgiving Lunch and Parish Christmas Lunch. We will have a minor Eucharistic Procession in church after Mass on the Feast of Christ the King. And as we did last year, we will make minor pilgrimages to different Churches around the Archdiocese on all Mondays in Advent.
2. The Parish Pastoral council will meet Tuesday November 15th in the Hall by 5.pm
3. Remember our Thanksgiving Turkey Bingo on Friday, November 18th and Christmas Bingo coming up
4. Our Advent Penance service will be Wednesday December 21st by 5.30pm. Outside priests will be available.

ST. BONAVENTURE CATHOLIC CHURCH



MASS SCHEDULE

***Saturday Vigil:* 5:00 PM**

***Sunday: 8:00 AM* & 10:00AM**

***Tues, Wed, Thurs & Friday:* 8:30 AM**

***Wed.* — Holy Hour & Benediction 5:30pm**

St. Bonaventure Parish
The Family of God on a Mission.

The Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 13, 2022

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STAFF:

Secretary: Judy Guidroz
CRE: Elizabeth Carmona
Music Director: Tina Adams

SACRAMENTS

Confession: **Saturday 4:00—4:45pm; Wednesday 5:30—6:30pm**

Sacrament of Baptism: **Call the office to schedule an appointment with Father. Parents and Godparents must attend a seminar.**

Sacrament of Matrimony: **Arrangements should be made at least 6 months prior to expected wedding date. Call the office for details.**

Funerals: **Please notify the priest before contacting the Funeral Home.**

COMING UP

MONDAY, November 14, 2022 — No Mass
TUESDAY, November 15, 2022 —
Rosary 8:00am—Mass 8:30am — PSR—6:00—7:30pm
WEDNESDAY, November 16, 2022 —
Rosary 8:00am — Mass 8:30am
Holy Hour/Benediction—5:30pm
THURSDAY, November 17, 2022 —
Rosary 8:00am — Mass 8:30am
Bible Study Class—6:00pm. - McMahon Hall
FRIDAY, November 18, 2022 — Rosary 8:00am— Mass 8:30am
—Thanksgiving Turkey Bingo—7:00pm
SATURDAY, November 19, 2022 — Rosary for Unborn 10:00am
Mass 5:00pm - Confession—4:00—4:45pm
SUNDAY, November 20, 2022 — Mass: 8:00am & 10:00am
Parish Thanksgiving Dinner—after 10:00am Mass

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May God bless you for your generosity

Weekend of November 5/6

Envelopes 992.00 *Loose $218.92*
World Missions $240.00

♦ 10-29/30-22 Ministry to Needy

Pope's November Intention—

For children who suffer We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

Parish Mission: To advance an Inclusive, active and spirit-filled Parish with our patron Saint as a model and guide.

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The LORD lifts up all who are falling and
raises up all who are bowed down. — *Psalm 145:14*

St. Bonaventure Catholic Church

November 13, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, *November 12,* Mass 5:00pm

For the soul of Phero & Maria Nguyen Ty; Charion Hemphill; Cherie Mitchell+; Mary Rice+; Cathy & Al Condon+; Tammy Reites+; Dawn Gonzales+; Peter-Tran Van Hung+; Fr. Vincent Qui+: Hashem Saomon+; Maria Mai+: Dathne Hebert+; My ron Berthelot+; for all ouls; and for our country;

Sunday, *November 13,* Mass 8:00am

Parishioners of St. Bonaventure

Sunday, *November 13,* Mass 10:00am

For the soul of Maria Lisa Oanh+; Mary Ann Rice+; Tammy Reites+;Peter Hoang Ngc Nguyen+; Peter-Tran Van Hung+; Fr. Vincent Qui+; Peter-Tran Van Coi+; Gus W. Carmadelle Jr.+; Arthur Moore+; All Souls; and Thanksgiving to Jesus;

Monday, *November 14*— No Mass

Tuesday, *November 15*— *Mass 8:30am*

For the Soul of Peter Tran Van Hung+

Wednesday, *November 16*— *Mass 8:30am*

For the soul of Peter-Tran Van Hung+;

Thursday, *November 17*— *Mass 8:30am*

For the soul of Brad Cochran+

Friday, *November 18* — *Mass 8:30am* (

For the soul of Myron Berthelot+

In Memoriam

Tamela "Tammy" Haley Reites
—October 30, 2022

Please pray for the soul of Tammy Reites and remember in sympathy her family and all who mourn her death. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in **peace.**

SELF-PORTRAIT - Every job is a self-portrait of the person who did it. Autograph your work with quality. —Anonymous

Prayer Request: Prayer Request: LynLeigh Adams; Jeff Adams; Janell Angelle; Patricia & Tina Barry; Jade Bennet; Pearl & Rebecca Berthelot; Todd Bordelon; Joyce Caire; Jason Chiasson; Kai ye Chin; Kelly Cuquet; Cindy Emmons; Lue Fernandez; Brenda Goss; Ben, Brandon, & Tim Guidroz; Barbara Hammer; Ester Hammil; Phil Hemphill; Kathleen, Donald, & Glenn Jeansonne; Norbert Labit; Diana Lane; Bobby Laviolette; Gay Litolff; Kirk Litolff; Brenda Jones; Gary & Holly Marshall; Theda Melerine; Carolyn Moore; Anita Perkins; Janice Reiser; Jules & Michael Sancho; Mary Louise Scott; Al Stapler; Bobby Tassin; James Theriot III; "Bubby Timothy; Barbara Winters; Please call the office or send in your request to add or delete a loved one to the prayer list **.**

This Week Sanctuary Candle burns For:
Jim Savoie+ & Brad Cochran+

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THE END OF DAYS

As we prepare for next Sunday's feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, we hear descriptions of dire and catastrophic events. Sometimes it seems as though we ourselves are living in the end times, when life as we currently know it will cease for everyone. In answer to what must have been a fearful question, Jesus does not sugarcoat his foretelling of future days. Nor does the Old Testament prophet Malachi flinch from his pronouncements upon an evil world. Saint Paul, still writing to the Thessalonians, warns them prophetically against succumbing to "The End Is Near" syndrome—indolence in the face of the final days. However, both Jesus and Malachi speak of the recompense for living a just life—healing and vindication. Our Psalm 98, typically associated with Christmastime, helps us to rejoice for the King who is coming to rule with justice.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — There will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays (Malachi 3:19-20a).

Psalm —The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice (Psalm 98).

Second Reading — Paul speaks of his hard work among the Thessalonians (2 Thessalonians 3:7-12).

Gospel — Jesus foretells the destruction of Jerusalem, the persecution of his followers. But their perseverance will be their salvation (Luke 21:5-19).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday:	Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday:	Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 19:11-28
Thursday:	Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 19:41-44
Friday:	Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Lk 19:45-48 or (for the memorial of the
Saturday:	Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 20:27-40
Sunday:	2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-5; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

PASTOR'S CORNER

October

Deposits & expenses

	10/4/2022	$ 4,189.00
	10/11/2022	$ 3,153.00
	10/18/2022	$ 4,027.00
	10/25/2022	$ 2,100.42
	10/312022	$ 2,158.50
	10/31/2022	$ 865.00
	Total	$ 16,492.92

Clarion Herald	September	$ 90.88
Kentwood Springs	Office/Church/Rectory	$ 55.87
Faith Catholic	General Intersessions	$ 114.66
Rev. Francis Offia	Re;mb. Flocknotes& U Printing	$ 157.46
Archdiocese of N.O.	2nd. Coll. - Hurrican Ian	$ 1,000.00
Atmos energy	Activity Center	$ 49.74
Atmos energy	Church	$ 71.40
Atmos energy	Rectory	$ 98.97
Jeff. Parish Dept. Water	Activity Center	$ 93.08
Our Sunday Visitor	Envelopes Nov.-Dec.	$ 163.01
ACH Debit	Payroll Indiv ID:	$ 50.00
ACH Debit	Tax Liability	$ 246.15
ACH Debit	Payroll	$ 3,498.59
Salessian Community	PSR-Confirmation Class	$ 100.00
Entergy	Activity Center	$ 628.72
Entergy	Church	$ 3,422.48
Entergy	Rectory	$ 258.04
Entergy	Religious Ed. Bldg	$ 93.00
Jeff. Parish Dept. Water	Rectory	$ 112.61
Linda M. Reed	Postage Stamps/office	$ 60.00
Archdiocese of N.O	Accounting Asst.	$ 200.00
Archdioces of N.O.	Monthly q/b sub.	$ 42.50
Archdiocese of N.O	Parish Share - Insurance October	$ 5,698.07
Linda M. Reed	Maint. Supplies	$ 139.87
Rev. Francis Offia	October Household expenses	$ 784.19
	Total	$ 17,229.29

Thanksgiving Turkey Bingo
Friday, November 18, 2022:
St. Bonaventure McMahon Hall

We are in need of donations to help defray the cost of the Bingo. Any and all donations would be greatly appreciated. *Suggested items: Cash donations (will be used to purchase turkeys & other items needed) turkeys; hot dog buns ; sweets for the snack table; can drinks; or prizes for "Parade of Prizes".* Come have a good time. All are invited; children welcomed. Thanks!

Prayer for Protection against Storms and Hurricanes

Our Father in heaven, through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, spare us during this Hurricane season from all harm. Protect us and our homes from all disasters of nature. Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God,
the constant gladness of being devoted to you,
for it is full and lasting happiness
to serve with constancy
the author of all that is good.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

How can I increase my devotion to serving God?

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Luke 21:5-19 **"All that you see here - the days will come when there will not be left one stone up another. "** Jesus grew up in the small village of Nazareth on top of a craggy mountain in the northern part of Israel. Like the vast majority of the people of his day he lived in a small house with a lower space where animals were brought in at night and a raised portion at the rear where the family lived, stored their meager possessions and slept on mats. There was no middle class. It is recorded that Jesus traveled several times to the grand and elaborately furnished Temple in the walled city of Jerusalem. He saw the excesses of wealth and power and he realized they were not what God desired to honor him. He taught us that people who love God, and who love and are responsible for themselves and others, are the true Temples that give honor to their God who created them. The Temple and the City of Jerusalem would be destroyed by Titus and natural disasters.

But the disciples of Jesus who try to imitate him are Temples of the Holy Spirit that no natural disaster or powerful army can destroy. Are we such a temple?

BIBLE TRUTH What you bring away from the Bible depends to some extent on what you carry to it.
—Oliver Wendell Holmes

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