



St. Benedict's Roman Catholic Church
2969 Otis Avenue, Bronx, NY 10465
Bulletin: August 2, 2026
Welcome to Our Parish - 718-828-3403



Religious Education

REGISTRATION for 2026-2027 IS NOW OPEN
for Religious Ed (CCD) and Catechesis of the
Good Shepherd (CGS)

ONLINE REGISTRATION for both our Parish programs is available on our Parish website @stbenedictchurchny.org. All information regarding program fees, class times and dates, along with the registration form and online payment option are also available on our Parish website.

IN-PERSON REGISTRATION upon request. Please email Maria Pirraglia at: reled@stbenedictsschool.com to schedule an appointment.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SEPT. 4, 2026

Have a Blessed and Happy Solemnity of the Transfiguration of the Lord



The Seven Sacraments



Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist,
Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick,
Holy Orders, Marriage

This is an Invitation to ALL Adults who have not received their sacraments. You are invited to attend classes here at Saint Benedict's starting the end of September 2026. If you are interested, please come to the rectory to register. Any questions, please call 718-828-3403, x101. Thank you

PRAYER

*O God, who in the glorious Transfiguration of your Only Begotten Son confirmed the mysteries of faith by the witness of the Fathers and wonderfully prefigured our full adoption to sonship, grant, we pray, to your servants, that, listening to the voice of your beloved Son, we may merit to become co-heirs with him. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever,
Amen!*

MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

SUNDAY, August 2nd; Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 Michelangelo Cipollone
8:00 Mario Fidanza, Sr.
9:30 Katey Cunnane
11:00 St. Benedict Parish
5:00 Carol Soccoli - **Living**

MONDAY, August 3rd

8:30 Jean and Sal Caruso

TUESDAY, August 4th; St. John Vianney

8:30 Andy McCarthy

WEDNESDAY, August 5th; The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

8:30 Maria Rivera

THURSDAY, August 6th; The Transfiguration of the Lord

8:30 San Gaetano

FRIDAY, August 7th; St. Sixtus II; St. Cajetan; First Friday

8:30 Carlos Mejia, Sr., and Carlos Mejia, Jr.

SATURDAY, August 8th; St. Dominic

8:30 Mary Elizabeth O'Neill
4:00 Mary Halton

SUNDAY, August 9th; Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 Johanna Livesay "Living"
8:00 John Donadio
9:30 Christina Ruff
11:00 Guillermo and Alfredo Guzman
5:00 St. Benedict Parish

THIS WEEK'S ALTAR BREAD, WINE, AND ALTAR CANDLES HAVE BEEN DONATED BY:

Michael and Mary Ellen Kiely
IN LOVING MEMORY OF:
Thomas, Ann, and Kevin Kiely

THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP HAS BEEN DONATED BY:

The Halton Family
IN LOVING MEMORY OF:
Mary Halton

THIS WEEK'S ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLES HAVE BEEN DONATED BY:

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The Eucharistic Adoration Chapel is **OPEN** Monday through Saturday from 9:00am until 1:00pm. The **NEXT Overnight Eucharistic Adoration** will be **Friday, August 7, 2026 from 8:00pm until 8:00am.**

We are in need of Male volunteers from the parish!
Thank you!



BUS TRIP TO PADRE PIO **Monday, September 21, 2026**

National Centre for Padre Pio
111 Barto Road, Barto, PA

Depart 8:00am from the Bruckner Blvd side
Depart 4:00pm from Barto, PA

\$60.00 per person round trip (No Refunds)

Bring your own lunch

If you are interested in this bus trip, please come to the rectory to reserve and pay for your seat(s) in advance. Thank you!

St. Benedict's School Registration

We know summer is well underway, but time flies and pretty soon we have to get back into school mode. If you are thinking about what school to place your child in for this coming September, one way to show love to your children is to offer them a catholic school education. So, please feel free to contact St. Benedict School at your convenience to set up a tour. **Registration for the 2026/2027 school year is OPEN and we have availability in all grades.** If you are looking to apply you may do so by going online to our website at **stbenedictschoolbx.org** and clicking APPLY NOW. SBS serves grades PK-3 students all the way through 8th grade. PK classes are curriculum based and 8th graders are guided and prepared to enter high school. PK-3 must be aged 3 by 12/31/2026 and PK-4 must be aged 4 by 12/31/2026. **Financial aid for the 2026/2027 school year will be available to the families with students FULLY REGISTERED and ENROLLED in grades KINDERGARTEN through 8th grade and is on a first come, first served basis.** You may contact the school at 718-829-9557 for further information about our school and to set up a one-on-one tour. **Have a blessed, safe and enjoyable rest of the summer!**

Please Pray for the Recently Deceased Members of Our Parish and their Grieving Families:

Donna Lynn Colon

Five Steps for a Good Confession

1. Examine your conscience.
2. Be sincerely sorry for your sins.
3. Confess your sins. (*Do not confess the sins of others*)
4. Resolve to amend your life.
5. After your confession, do the penance the priest assigns.

Don't be hasty *Don't be superficial * Avoid anxiety

A More Thorough Examination Of Conscience for Adults

(The first step to a good confession is to examine your conscience. The list below is based on the Ten Commandments and the teachings of the Church. You may find this list helpful in your preparation for Sacramental Confession. If you have

questions about anything listed here, please feel comfortable to speak to the priest.)

Did I deny or doubt God's existence?

Did I refuse to believe God's revelation?

Did I believe or partake in fortune telling, tarot cards, good luck charms or reincarnation?

Did I deny that I was a Catholic?

Did I leave the Catholic faith?

Did I despair of or presume on God's mercy?

Did I neglect prayer for a long time?

Did I blaspheme God or take God's name in vain, curse, or break an oath or vow?

Did I miss Mass on Sunday or Holy Day of Obligation through my own fault?

Was I inattentive at Mass?

Did I come to Mass late or leave early?

Did I observe the Lord's Day by prayer and rest?

Did I disobey or disrespect my parents or legitimate superiors?

Did I neglect my duties to my husband, wife, children, or parents?

Did I fail to actively take an interest in the religious education and formation of my children?

Have they received Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation at the appropriate age?

Have I failed to educate myself on the true teachings of the Church?

Did I give a full day's work in return for my full day's pay?

Did I give a fair wage to my employee?

Did I give scandal by what I said or did, especially to the young?

Was I the cause of anyone leaving the faith?

Was I impatient, angry, envious, unkind, proud, jealous, revengeful, hateful towards other, lazy?

Did I give a bad example, abuse drugs, drink alcohol to excess, fight or quarrel?

Did I physically injure or kill anyone?

Did I attempt suicide?

Did I have an abortion?

Have I seen to it that my dying love received the Sacraments of the Church especially Anointing of the Sick?

Have I respected the rules of the Church to honor the dead?

Have I given Christian burial with Mass for the dead when it was my responsibility to do so?

Have I made provision for the proper burial of cremated remains?

Did I willfully entertain impure thoughts and desires?

Did I dress immodestly?

Did I use impure or suggestive words? Tell impure stories? Or listen to them?

Did I deliberately look at impure images by TV, internet or movies?

Did I perform impure acts by myself or with another, i.e. did I engage in masturbation, pre-marital sex or homosexual acts?

Did I receive Holy Communion when I was living with someone outside of the Sacrament of Marriage?

Did I marry or advise another to marry outside the church?

Did I abuse my marriage rights? Was I faithful to my wedding vows?

Have I kept company with someone else's spouse?

Did I practice artificial birth control or was I or my spouse sterilized?

Did I attempt in vitro fertilization?

Did I steal, cheat, help or encourage others to steal, or keep stolen goods? have I made restitution for stolen goods?

Did I fulfill my contracts: give or accept bribes; pay my bills and my taxes: rashly gamble or speculate; deprive my family of necessities of life?

Did I tell lies? Deliberately to deceive; or injure others by lies?

Did I commit perjury? Was I uncharitable in word or deed, gossip or reveal others' faults and sins? Fail to keep secrets I should have?

Did I eat meat on the Fridays of Lent or Ash Wednesday?

Did I fulfill my Easter duty? Fail to confess at least once a year?

Did I go to the Holy Communion in the state of mortal sin?

Did I fast for one hour from food and drink?

Did I make a bad confession?

Did I fail to contribute to the support of the Church?

Prayer for the Church and Civil Authorities, composed by Archbishop John Carroll, the first bishop of Baltimore and the founder of the American ecclesial hierarchy. His prayer has consistently appeared in American Catholic devotionals for over two centuries, and it is often prayed publicly on days of national importance.

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH AND CIVIL AUTHORITIES

We pray for our Excellency the Governor of this State, for the members of the Assembly, for all Judges, Magistrates, and other officers who are appointed to guard our political welfare; that they may be enabled, by Thy powerful protection, to discharge the duties of their respective stations with honesty and ability.

We recommend likewise to Thy unbound mercy all our brethren and fellow-citizens throughout the United States, that they may be blessed in the knowledge and sanctified in the observance of most holy law; that they may be preserved in union, and in that peace which the world cannot give; and, after enjoying the blessings of this life, be admitted to those which are eternal.

(to be continued in next weekend's bulletin)

**RECTORY TELEPHONE EXTENSIONS:
718-828-3403**

Fr. Nikolin Pergjini	Pastor	109
Fr. David L. Birkdale	Parochial	104
	Vicar	
Deacon Nestor Halpern		107
Chrissy Sette	Reception	101
Miladi Barnard	Desk	101
Carole Janicki	Bulletin	102
Carl Triano	Finance	117
Maria Pirraglia	RE (CCD)	(718)
		829-1200
		(718)
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The Bible Study Group is taking a break for the summer. God willing, we will begin again in the Fall (date to be determined).
Have a Blessed, Safe and Enjoyable Summer!

**Please Remember to Pray for the Sick!
May they find healing and comfort in Jesus Christ!**

Sr. Claire Regan, Stacey Addario, Joseph Abbate, Nydia Alicea, Louis Amend, Donna Antonacci, Yselsa Arroyo, Gustavo Bardana, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Jack Bonacorso, Kathleen Bowers, Joseph Brenner, WendeOlin Brenner, Walter Buddington, Peter Burnett, Amy Buscamonte, Caceres Family, Diane, Georgina Cales, Frankie Carpenter, Fay Carter, Jay and Patricia Cepero, Carolyn Chiappetta, Patricia Coughlin, Tom Curran, Maryann Cuttita, Lillian Cuttler, Frank Dailey, Vinny D'Amico, Louis D'Annucci, Debbie, Carla DeCicco, Anton Deski, Darielle Deviccaro, Angela Diaz, Lali Dilone, Anthony DiNardi, Emily DiNardi, John DiNardi, Margaret Dionisio, Dorothy DiPierro, Pat Eaccirano, Sandra Edwards, Sean Fagan, Barbara Farrell, Melissa Fonseca, Francisco Fernandez, Isabelle Mercedes Fernandez, John Fernandez, Nereida Ferrer, Filomena Fidanza, Christopher Filardi, David Fisher, Anthony Fortunato, Roseann Frattini, Debra Ann Garcia, Richard Garcia, Sr., Richard Garcia, Jr., Rose Gettenberg, Ralph Giorgio, Hope ercedes Fernandez, John Fernandez, Nereida Ferrer, Gordon, Marion Gruber, Frank Hinz, Jr., Sharon Holzapfel, Donna Inzano, Eileen Jennings, Edward Kennedy, Paul Komgold, Stephanie (Tyko) Kreps, Daniel Kundig, Josephine Lambell, Manuel Larino, Elise Lawle, Luis Gabriel Leal, Geraldine Lee, Mary Alexandra Lee, Virginia Lee, Frankie Lettera, Jessica Lettera, Francine Lettley, Katharina Listner, Frank Lomangino, LauMei Sheung Louie, Tiffany MacKnight, Ernie Magnotta, Julia Magnotta, Elizabeth Mandile, Ann Marro, Olga Martinez, Robert McCarthy, Margo McGinty, Annette Matranga, Denise McPadden, Sue McVey, Carolyn Morello, Christie Madonna Muccino, Paula Mullane, Rosa Munoz, Lisa Murphy, Bradley Nother, Oyola Family, Maylee Roman Overman, Angelo Palumbo, Sr., Juana Perez, Pasquale Preziosa, Paolo Principe, Michael and Robert Prokop, Linda Ranallo, Kim Rappold, Joshua Reaser, Philip Rebia, William F. Reilly, Maritza Resto, Frank Riegel, Phillip Rivera, Joanne and Walter Robinson, Mario and Nelson Roman, Antonette Roublick, Sylvia Russo, Angela Dello Russo, John Russo, Carl Saglimbeni, Ann & Dave Samhammer, Peter Samoylo, Ashley Saucedo, Ada Scanga, Margaret Geddis Schmidt, Nicolai Soriano, Maria Soto, Edward Spar, Lois Stabile, Virginia Strasser, Theresa Stanton, Ramon Surita, Pasquale Tartaglione, Jennifer Tully, Stefanie Ural, Teresa Bosquez Valdez, Fran Walsh, Loretta White, Tracy Young

+ Babies/Children +

Amber, Baby Amari, Baby Rose, Brayden, Brinley, Mia Carolla, Daniella Grace Comblo, Charli Mary Carozza, Crosslyn, Sebastian DeLuca, Caleb DeJesus, Erma, Marco Garcia, Joseph Gentile, Ella Grazia Delli Carpini, Eli, Blake Salvatore Haddock, Harry, Jr., Hayden, Noelle Jablonka, Katherin, Savannah Longo, Sophia Lopez, Emi Lun, Aubrey Madden, Maizy, Giulia Sofia McCullough, Mila, Natalie, Noah, Lucas Ortiz, Sihanna, Anastassia Savov, Tiffany Toro, Summer Rose Vachna

GOD BLESS AMERICA!

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50/50 WINNER: July 12, 2026
Giovanni Maiello
\$168.00

SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a Second Collection **next weekend (August 8th/9th)** for the Pastoral Solidarity for the Church in Africa.

Thank you for your continuous support!

TRAVELLING?

If you will be travelling in the United States and want to find the nearest Roman Catholic Church and its Mass schedule, you can visit the Mass Times site on the Internet:

www.masstimes.org

Many foreign cities are also included.

Jesus is never on vacation!



Prayer for The United States of America!

Father, I come before you, lifting up the United States of America. I pray for unity among its people, that love may bridge the divides, and that grace may guide our interactions. Grant wisdom and discernment to our leaders, so that they may govern with integrity and seek the well-being of all.

May Your peace reign in our land, and may Your purposes prevail.

In Your mercy, heal our nation, restore hope, and let righteousness and justice flow like a mighty river. Amen!



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD)
2026/2027 Registration is now Open!
We accept children from grades 1-12.
Visit the parish website at:

stbenedictchurchny.org

There will be more information in future bulletins

Any questions, please contact Maria Pirraglia at:
reled@stbenedictsschool.com

PLEASE NOTE:

The Villa students receiving sacraments at St. Benedict's, do **NOT** need to register at St. Benedict's Rectory.

2026/2027 Religious Education Program
presents:

CATECHESIS of the GOOD SHEPHERD

Religious Education designed for children ages 4-6 years or Pre-K and Kindergarten. Beginning October 2026 to May 2027 will be at the Convent. **Registration is now Open! Visit the parish website at.**

stbenedictchurchny.org

There will be more information in future bulletins

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SAVE THE DATES

St. Benedict's Women's Cornerstone
Retreat will be **October 2nd and **3rd** 2026**

St. Benedict's Men's Cornerstone
Retreat will be **October 23rd and **24th** 2026**

2026 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal

The Archdiocese of New York is pleased to announce the launch of the 2026 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal!

This is an Important moment for our parish and our archdiocese, as we are all called to consider contributing to the *Cardinal's Appeal*.

Thank you to those who have already participated this year. If you have not yet done so, please join our fellow parishioners in supporting the mission of the Church today. Together, we can reach our goal in the amount of \$71,000.

Thank you for making a difference!

To make a gift, please visit: **cardinalsappeal.org**
or call **646-794-3300** today.

Thank you for your consideration and for
being loving and generous
stewards of our Archdiocese and its mission!

God Bless!

The Federal Education Freedom Tax Credit

We want to bring your attention to an exciting new opportunity launching next year: the federal Education Freedom Tax Credit. This program allows taxpayers to support K-12 tuition and education scholarships at zero net cost.

There are extra flyers at the rectory

Providence Rest Chapel Generational Healing Mass 3304 Waterbury Avenue

There will be a Generational Healing Mass on Monday, August 31, 2026. Fr Justin Cinnante will celebrate the Mass at 7:00pm at the Providence Rest Chapel (inside the black gate).

All are welcome!

Quotes from the Fathers of the Church, the Saints, and the Great Teachers!

“Prayer begins by talking to God, but it ends by listening to Him”

~~~*Ven. Fulton Sheen*



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## Prayer List For Our United States Servicemen and Women

### U.S. Air Force:

1<sup>st</sup> Class Airman Eric Bosco, General Thomas D. Crimmins, Ismael Guiles, Major Roger Illari, 1st Airman Darren Morello, Stephanie Mendez, Air Force Airman, Msgt. Daniel Rivera, Lieutenant Colonel Alicia Stumpf, Lieutenant Colonel Sean Stumpf.

### U.S. Army/U.S. National Guard:

SPC, Army National Guard, Middle East, Marcus Cassin, Pvt. Matthew Dooley, Sgt. Scott Douglas, Jason Engeldrum, Sgt. Pedro Flores, Pvt. Anthony Grieco, Jr., 2nd Lt. Christopher Hackett, Johnny Jiminez, 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne, Corporal Jenna Kuhl, Sergeant First Class Javier Mendoza, PV2 James McCarthy, Private Patrick W. Mooney, Major Peter Anthony Orlando, Pvt. Anthony Ottaviano, Reverend (Captain) Peter Pompisello, Major Lori Robinson, Thomas Robinson, Jr., Pvt. Sidney Antonio Kearns Rodriguez, Pvt. Justin Roman, Ryan Shank, Timothy S. Valentine, S.J., Capt. Javi San Juan, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Renee San Juan, Colonel Raymond Van Pelt, Franky Perez, Sgt. Andrew Santander, Staff Sgt. Matthew Wickes, SPC Albert Zapata, Staff Sgt. William Ziegler.

### U.S. Coast Guard:

Jayke Hooks, Seaman Apprentice, Thomas J. Hooks, Brandon A. Moreno, YN3, Ryan T. Moreno, CS3; Seaman Apprentice, PO3 Eberlee Santander.

### U.S. Marine Corps:

Corporal Michael John Canzone, III, Liam Deenihan, Parris Island Boot Camp; 1st Lieutenant Ryan E. Dengler, Master Sgt. Mark S. Lynch, Corporal Kevin S. Major, LCpl Erik Mango, Lieutenant Colonel Frank Parisi, Reserves, In Basic Training Daniel Smith Peters; Sgt. Benjamin Rodriguez, Staff Sgt. Randy Vaccaro, Reserves; Pvt. 1st Class, Jason R. Wager

### U.S. Navy:

Chief Petty Officer, Laurence Bueno, Lieutenant Commander Diplomat John Brunetti, Lieutenant JG Bethany Lee Champlin; Petty Officer Gillen, LCDR Jennifer Groger Widman, ABH3 (AW) Christopher Hough, Ensign Brandon McGaughan, Jordan McKay, Active Reservist, Naval Airman E-3, Sea Bee Sammy Pizzano, Petty Officer William F. Ramos, Ralph Romero Sanchez, Richard Torrens, Lieutenant Commander Victor Schaefer, E-4 Edwin Vargas, Pvt. Nicholas Zayas.

### **Spiritual Readings for the Wk of August 2, 2026:**

#### **2 SUN EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Is 55:1-3/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21 (112)

**3 Mon** Weekday Jer 28:1-17 /Mt 14:22-36

**4 Tue** Saint John Vianney, Priest Memorial Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

**5 Wed** Weekday [The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major] Jer 31:1-7/Mt 15:21-28

**6 Thu** The Transfiguration of the Lord Feast Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9 Prop

**7 Fri** Weekday [Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint Cajetan, Priest] Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Mt 16:24-28

**8 Sat** Saint Dominic, Priest white Memorial Hb 1:12—2:4/Mt 17:14-20

#### **9 SUN NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**