



**January 28<sup>th</sup> – February 4<sup>th</sup>**  
(\*Living +Deceased)

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>, 4:00pm

**Paxton Hill \***

by Anne Sterling

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am

**Angie Gallegos +**

by L.P. Canchola

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup>, 5:30pm

**Michael A Norman +**

by Kathy & Bryan Welding

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5:30pm

**Patti Borrelli \***

by Anne

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>, 8:00am

**Fr. Vicente +**

by Pat & Tom Schulze

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am

**Poor Souls in Purgatory**

by Pat & Tom Schulze

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>, 4:00pm

**Jim Patterson +**

by Judy Patterson

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\*Doug Deppe \*Aydan Baughman \*Callie Kilpatrick \*Mia Oswald \*Leon Cortez \*Jeanne Speers \*Patrick Fletcher  
\*Diane Mahlberg \*The Massengale Family \*Deanna \*Joe & Bonnie Kahnke \*Baby Robin Meconi \*Esther Martinez  
\*Tony Gagliano \*Bonnie Glesser \*Ray Andrews \*James B VanPelt \*Angie Ramirez \*Evelyn and Larry Blaha \*Esper Gallardo \*Elaine \*Phyllis \*Lindsey \*Brittany \*John Maxwell  
\*Jeremy Nelson \*Ann Seavy \*Al Starner \*Cathy Martinez  
\*Joe DeVita \*Eloy DelGato \*Cathy \*Tom Estrada \*Robert Lindley \* Rita S \*Barb Z \*Joe & Mary Baca \*Joan Gudall  
\*Kathy Nelson \*Baby Brynne Wallace \*JoAnn \*Vonnice  
\*Cindy Deppe \*Patsy Causey \*Sylvia W \*Tom & Joan McCoy \*Joann Ortiz & Family \*Tom DeNiro \*Patrick \*Jack Teff \*The Keilholz Family \*Renee Guerra \*Mickey Koehler  
\*Gina Marino

**Bulletin Prayer List Contact:**

Joan DeSalvo (719) 371-8883 (call or text)



**STEWARDSHIP**  
*A way of Life*

**December Giving Totals:**

Offertory Goal: \$16,323

Actual: \$20,048

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection Goal: \$3,333

Actual: \$3,891

Christmas Goal: \$4,596

Actual: \$4,700

AMD: \$855

**January Giving Goals:**

Offertory: \$14,547

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: \$3,333

AMD: \$2,737

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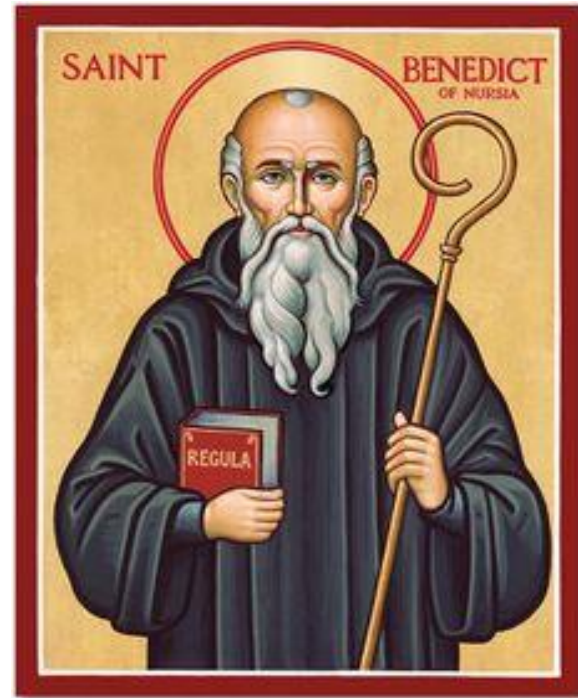
**Holy Spirit  
Pre-Lenten Retreat:**

**HEARTS ON FIRE**

Friday February 17, 6:30pm – 9:00pm  
Saturday February 18, 9:00am – 2:30pm

Registration forms will be available in the  
narthex or call Joyce Archuletta at (719)784-  
4879

## SAINT BENEDICT CATHOLIC PARISH



### MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday: 5:30pm

Thursday: 5:30pm

Friday: 8:00am

Saturday: 8:00am

Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am

**Eucharistic Adoration**

2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month - 24-hour

Friday: 8:30am to Saturday: 7:30am

**Liturgy of the Hours**

Tuesday & Thursday: 5:00pm

Friday & Saturday: 7:30am

**Pastor:** Fr. Stephen Injoalu

[padreofgod@gmail.com](mailto:padreofgod@gmail.com)

(719) 784-4879

After hours or emergency (719) 784-7192

**January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Weekly Readings: Jan 29<sup>th</sup> – Feb 5<sup>th</sup>**

Sunday: Zephaniah 2:3—3:13~ Psalm 146:6-10  
1 Corinthians 1:26-31~ Matthew 5:1-12a  
Monday: Hebrews 11:32-40~ Psalm 31:20-24~  
Mark 5:1-20  
Tuesday: Hebrews 12:1-4~ Psalm 22:26-32~  
Mark 5:21-43  
Wednesday: Hebrews 12:4-15~ Psalm 103:1-18~  
Mark 6:1-6  
Thursday: Malachi 3:1-4~ Psalm 24:7-10~  
Hebrews 2:14-18~ Luke 2:22-40  
Friday: Hebrews 13:1-8~ Psalm 27:1-9~  
Mark 6:14-29  
Saturday: Hebrews 13:15-21~ Psalm 23:1-6~  
Mark 6:30-34  
Sunday: Isaiah 58:7-10~ Psalm 112:4-9  
1 Corinthians 2:1-5~ Matthew 5:13-16

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**Office Hours:**

Monday – Tuesday - Thursday – Friday

9:00am - 2:00pm

Closed: Wednesday

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**Facebook:**

[facebook.com/groups/saintbenedictcommunityco](https://facebook.com/groups/saintbenedictcommunityco)

**FORMED:**

Go to the parish Website for more information on  
how to register for this free app.

**Parish Staff**

**Pastoral Associate & Discipleship Formation**

**Coordinator:** Joyce Archuletta

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**Office Secretary/Receptionist:** Kathy Muehlbauer

**Building/Grounds:** Tom Masar

**Custodian:** Rick Archuletta



# What's Happening

## Joy of Life Prayer Group:

Meets every Monday at 10:30am in the Villa Maria.  
Contact: Joan DeSalvo (719) 372-3261

## Spanish Discipleship Ministry: Kerigma

Meets every Monday at 7:00pm in Kevin Hall.  
Contact: Maria Torres (719) 251-5988

## Rosary Ministry:

Meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 7:00pm in the Villa Maria.  
Contact: Patsy Causey (719) 251-4501

## Ladies of Mary:

Meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, rosary at 10:30am,  
potluck 11:00, meeting at 11:30am.  
Contact: Gina Wiseman 719-431-0311

## Divine Mercy Chaplet Prayer Group:

Meets every Thursday evening immediately following  
the 5:30pm Mass for recitation of the Chaplet.

## Knights of Columbus Council #1225

Meets every 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday – Full Council meeting;  
Rosary at 6:30pm, meeting at 7:00pm  
Meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday - Council Officers meeting  
(all are welcome to attend); Rosary at 6:30pm,  
meeting at 7:00pm.

## Prayer Blankets

that have been blessed, are available in the narthex  
of the church for anyone needing comfort.

## Parish Potluck

Every third Saturday of the month immediately  
following the 4:00pm Mass, in the Parish Hall.

## Eternal Life Ministry

If you have recently lost a loved one and would like the  
comfort of a visit from a listening fellow parishioner,  
please contact Barb Lamoreux at 719-429-3739.

## The Presentation of the Lord

February 2<sup>nd</sup>



## Waiting for Jesus

**“This man was righteous and devout,  
awaiting the consolation of Israel. . .”  
(Luke 2:25)**

At the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple,  
the Holy Family is greeted first by Simeon and then by  
Anna. Simeon had spent many years awaiting the  
Messiah. Anna had spent many years fasting and  
praying in the Temple. They are two examples of  
holiness, explicitly and implicitly, awaiting the coming  
of Jesus.

It has often been said by theologians and saints  
that Jesus is the answer to all human longing. Every  
human desire and aspiration finds its fulfillment in the  
person of Jesus. We, like Simeon and Anna, are waiting  
for Jesus.

Today, let us begin our day by opening our  
hearts and asking for Jesus to come to us.

*“Jesus, you are the desire of my heart. Come fill me  
with your loving presence that I might radiate your  
divine light this day and every day.”*

(Taken from Living Faith February 2023/Msgr. Stephen Rossetti)



“Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
Blessed are they who mourn,  
for they will be comforted.  
Blessed are the meek,  
for they will inherit the land.  
Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for  
righteousness, for they will be satisfied.  
Blessed are the merciful,  
for they will be shown mercy.  
Blessed are the clean of heart,  
for they will see God.  
Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they will be called children of God.  
Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of  
righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of  
heaven.  
Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you  
and utter every kind of evil against you falsely  
because of me.  
Rejoice and be glad,  
for your reward will be great in heaven.”

## **“Blessed are the meek.”**

(Matthew 5:5)

If someone called you meek, would you  
consider it a compliment or an insult? Are you being  
described as humble and patient or overly submissive  
and weak?

In today’s Gospel reading, Jesus called the meek  
“blessed,” so clearly he thought it was something worth  
striving for. He also called himself “meek and humble  
of heart” (Matthew 11:29). And he was: he was  
submissive, but only to the will of his heavenly Father.

This is what it means to be meek: to bend our  
will to God’s. This kind of meekness requires strength,  
not weakness, and a willingness to trust and obey the  
Lord.

In today’s first reading from the prophet  
Zephaniah, it seems that meekness was exactly what the  
people of Jerusalem were lacking. The northern  
kingdom of Israel had already been overrun by the  
Assyrians just a generation or two before Zephaniah  
wrote these words. A similar fate awaited the southern  
kingdom because they were worshipping other gods  
and breaking the Lord’s commandments.

And who would survive the “day of the Lord’s  
anger” (Zephaniah 2:3)? Only a “remnant” of people  
“humble and lowly,” who would observe God’s laws  
and seek “justice” and “humility”. They would be  
blessed for their willingness to be meek before the  
Lord.

And so will we. When we follow God’s  
commandments, even when our passions and desires  
push us in the opposite direction, we will enjoy freedom  
from sin. When we seek the Lord’s will in all that we  
do—especially when we are faced with an important  
decision—we will feel peaceful and secure that we are  
following the right path.

Is there an area in your life that you are  
struggling to submit to the Lord? If so, repent and ask  
for the grace to give it to him. And even if you don’t  
see the blessings right away, believe that they will come,  
just as Jesus promised.

***“Lord, help me to be like you,  
meek and humble of heart.”***



## **24 hour Eucharistic Adoration**

Take time to be with the Lord. Friday, **February 10<sup>th</sup>**  
**beginning with 8:00am Mass, Exposition of the**  
**Blessed Sacrament at 8:30am, concluding on**  
**February 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30am, followed by 8:00am Mass.**  
A sign-up sheet is in the narthex and each hour must be  
filled.