

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved
with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd;
and he began to teach them many things.

Mk 6:34



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm
Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am
Tuesday-Friday 8:00 am

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 5:00-6:00 pm
Saturday 4:00-5:00 pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays 8:30-9:30 am
First Friday 7:00-8:00 pm

ROSARY FOR PEACE

Third Thursday 7:00 pm

MARRIAGE Please contact the church office at least six (6) months prior to the desired date of the wedding.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK Any Catholic who is in danger due to age or health, or undergoing medical procedures and feels the need for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, please contact Father Charles. It is the parish's custom to do anointings during the daily Mass, but they can also be administered privately. For emergencies, call the parish office 892-5202 and follow the prompt for emergencies.

BAPTISM Please email Deacon Danny dmusso@arch-no.org or contact the office to begin preparations. Seminars are held on the last Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m.

MISSION STATEMENT

Guided by the Gospel, strengthened by the Eucharist, and inspired by Benedictine values, the mission of St. Benedict Catholic Church is to be a vibrant family of believers, worshipping God with joy, excitement, and reverence. Forming the Body of Christ and acting upon our faith in Jesus, we strive to spread the Good News by engaging in ministries of hospitality, hope, education, spirituality, and social justice to each other and those beyond our community.



Father Charles's Corner...

Our Scripture readings this weekend remind us of how our God is compassionate and passionately loves us.

"Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock of my pasture, says the Lord." Our First Reading from the prophet Jeremiah addresses false prophets who had misled God's people away from the Lord. The Lord declares that He will restore His people by bringing back those who have gone astray and providing for them new shepherds so that they will "no longer fear and tremble."

This reading portrays God's infinite care and concern for our lives. We can see that God is the one who loved us first. Oftentimes, we are like the people who are blind to His goodness and enticed by sin — something we think will make us happy but does not. God is the one who constantly pursues us and gives us opportunities to say "yes" to Him. He wants to win us back, and ultimately, He will make us happy.

So, we must ask ourselves, who or what is blinding us or leading us away from our ultimate happiness? Stop for a moment and name that thing — money, status, a person, career, laziness, addiction, self-image, health, etc. — that could be leading you away from a full and happy relationship with God.

As Christian disciples, deep down we really know that our true happiness is God. So, what are we waiting for? Take the leap of faith and allow yourself to radically love God in return.

As we begin this new week, let us name the things in our lives that are robbing us of our ultimate happiness, work to let go of them and let us strive to make Jesus our true shepherd by seeking Him in our daily lives.

All my love,

Fr. Charles, O.S.B.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Tuesday, July 20

+Cody Lucia

Wednesday, July 21

+Charmaine Hebert

Thursday, July 22

+Herb LeBlanc

Friday, July 23

+Sr. Marina Aranzabal, STJ

Saturday, July 24

5:30 p.m.

+Louis & Ann Lavedan, +Normie Miller, +Joyce Luke,
+Michael Moore, +Marilyn Tusson, Earl Lemoine

Sunday, July 25

8:00 a.m.

Parishioners of Saint Benedict

10:30 a.m.

+Louis & Ann Lavedan, Trey & Sarah Hilker,
+Danny O'Sullivan, +Phillip E. Lee, Jr., +Barbara Seither,
Don & Susan Villarrubia, +Ina Whitney



Prayer List



Deacon Nelvin Luke, Sandy Rauber, Jim Seward, Anthony Sorrentino, Dee Sylvia, Earline Todd, Hunter Wagner, Julie Wagner, Tina Zocco, Clara Armstrong, Dr. Jerry Casey, Lisa Valley, Scott Lee, Carol Everhardt, Bennett Miller, Joanne Leber, Anna Ison, Gerardo Antonucci, Presley Patrick, Kaiden Lessard, Jennifer Bradley, Derek Feske, Fred and Lynne Guillot, Art Blanchat, Ryan Ware, Lois Seals, Billie Chiasson, Timothy Rollman, Vivian LeBlanc, Michael Duran, Donna McFatter, Angela Brady

The prayer list is for our parishioners who are homebound or sick. All others can be entered into the general prayer book in the church. Please call the church office to add a parishioner's name to the prayer list. All names will stay on the list for 30 days at a time.



Happening this Week

Tuesday, July 20

Altar Society Meeting 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, July 21

Lunch Ministry 8:45 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation available, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Friday, July 23

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Saturday, July 24

Sacrament of Reconciliation available, 4:00 to 5 p.m.

Sunday, July 25

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly



The 2022 Mass Intention book will open on Monday, August 2nd for the upcoming calendar year. Until November 1st we will accept no more than 12 weekday (single intention) requests from a household for the upcoming year (unlimited requests for Sunday or Saturday Masses will be accepted). After November 1st, all intentions will be accepted until the schedule is full. Mass requests will be honored on a ***first-come, first-serve*** basis in the office. No Mass request will be taken over the telephone. Mass requests must be made in person in the parish office, mailed to the office, or put into an enveloped and placed in the collection. Forms for requesting a Mass can be obtained from the parish office, in the back of the church, or online on the parish website.

LUNCH MINISTRY ANNUAL PASTA SALAD

Thanks to all who donated to the Lunch Ministry for the Pasta Salad. The recipients really appreciated the generosity of St. Benedict's Lunch Ministry and our parishioners.

STEWARDSHIP – July 11th

Weekly Collection:	\$4,329
E-Giving Online:	\$1,570
Building Fund:	\$335
Poor Box:	\$44
Mass Attendance:	420
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CONFIRMATION 2021

Sunday, August 15

Confirmation Prep 11:45 a.m.-3:15 p.m.

Sunday, August 29

Confirmation Prep 11:45 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Sunday, September 19

Confirmation Retreat & Practice 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Monday, September 27

Confirmation Mass at 7 p.m.

Celebrant: Archbishop Gregory M. Aymond

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