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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.

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

EUCHARISTIC 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.



Father Charles's Corner...

Our readings this weekend encourage us to not only be good stewards of all that God has given us but also to rejoice in the good stewardship of others.

In our First Reading, a young man approaches Moses to inform him that Eldad and Medad were prophesying in the camp. Joshua, who is Moses's aide, encourages Moses to stop these men. Moses responds, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the people of the Lord were prophets! Would that the Lord might bestow his spirit on them all!" Essentially, Moses is telling his men to stop being jealous that others too have the gift of prophecy bestowed on them from the Lord.

A similar situation occurred in our Gospel as John told Jesus about someone driving out demons in His name. John explains that he tried to prevent him since this man doesn't follow them. Jesus responds by saying, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us."

Eldad, Medad, and the man driving out demons were all doing the work of God. They had been entrusted with a gift and used it to glorify the Lord. Joshua and John should have responded in joy and appreciation for another's gifts and talents.

If we apply this scenario to our modern-day lives, we might find it extremely relatable. We oftentimes look at another's strengths as our weakness whether it be in parish life, in the workforce, or even in our own families. We are left with a bitter heart and a negative attitude when we become jealous of another. And when we view others in this light, we not only diminish their good works but also overlook the gifts God has given to them and us.

Jesus is calling us to cut out those sinful thoughts and attitudes from our lives. The next time we witness someone using God's gifts for others — rejoice! Don't be jealous or critical, but rather say a prayer of thanksgiving and take time to reflect on what God has gifted you and how you can offer it to Him for His glory.

All my love,

Fr. Chaler, 058.



Tuesday, September 28 +Normie Miller

Wednesday, September 29 +Normie Miller

Thursday, September 30 +Mitchel Bosarge

> Friday, October 1 +Cody Lucia

Saturday, October 2 5:30 p.m.

+Louis & Ann Lavedan, +Normie Miller, +Michael Moore, +Art Blanchat, +Art Seghers, +Yolande Billman, +Donald Moll, +Nina Chatelain, +Emile Gardette

Sunday, October 3 8:00 a.m.

Parishioners of Saint Benedict 10:30 a.m.

+Louis & Ann Lavedan, +Danny O'Sullivan, +Cody Lucia, Gary Senac, +Earl R. Lemoine, Jr., +Arthur deLaune, +George Luscy, +Robert Peterson, +Mary Folse, +Mureil Mingo, +Phillip E. Lee, Jr.



Prayer List



Deacon Nelvin Luke, 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 Isone, Gerardo Antonucci, Presley Patrick, Kaiden Lessard, Jennifer Bradley, Derek Feske, Fred and Lynne Guillot, Ryan Ware, Lois Seals, Billie Chiasson, Timothy Rollman, Vivian LeBlanc, Michael Duran, Donna McFatter, Angela Brady, Jackie Catalanotto, Jean Kelt, Judy Woolley

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.

Saint Benedict Catholic Church

October 2021						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					Friday Adoration after 8:00 a.m. Mass	Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Confirmation Retreat & Practice 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.	4 KC Choir Practice 7 p.m.	5	6 Lunch Ministry 8:45 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Family Faith Formation 6:00 - 7:15 p.m.	7	Friday Adoration after 8:00 a.m. Mass Blanket Ministry Meeting 10 a.m.	9 Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
10 Family Faith Formation 11:45 a.m 1 p.m.	KC Choir Practice 7 p.m.	12	13 Lunch Ministry 8:45 a.m. NO Sacrament of Reconciliation	14 Men's Club Meeting 7 p.m.	15 Friday Adoration after 8:00 a.m. Mass	Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Blessing of Marriages
Blessing of Marriages Coffee & Donuts after all Masses Blessing of Pets and Animals at 2:00 p.m.	18 KC Choir Practice 7 p.m.	Altar Society Altar Society Meeting 9 a.m. Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Archbishop Gregory M. Aymond	Lunch Ministry 8:45 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.	Rosary for Peace 7 p.m.	Friday Adoration after 8:00 a.m. Mass	Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. World Mission Collection
World Mission Collection 31 HAPPY ALL HALLOW'S	25 KC Choir Practice 7 p.m.	26	Lunch Ministry 8:45 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.	28	Friday Adoration after 08:0 a.m. Mass	30 Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
HALLOW'S EVE The Eve of the Teast of All Saints [CHEBRATE PRAY. STAY HOLY.] Family Day Picnic and Trunk-or- Treat after 10:30 Mass						

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



World Day for Migrants and Refugees

Today we celebrate World Day for Migrants and Refugees!

We pray for migrants, refugees, and all other strangers in our midst, that they may find strength in our concern for justice and feel the warmth of our love.

October is Respect Life Month!

Every October the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month, and the first Sunday of October is observed as Respect Life Sunday. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning to the end of their lives, and at every point in between. During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

If you or someone you know is experiencing domestic violence, help is available. Call the 24/7 National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233









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September 13, 2021

To: Clergy, Religious and Laity of the Archdiocese of New Orleans

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

October, traditionally observed as Respect Life Month, is a time for Catholics to reflect more deeply on the sacred dignity of all human life. Every one of us is called to cherish and protect those among us who are most vulnerable, from conception to life's natural end and, at all points in between. May we all recommit ourselves to be people who support the dignity of human life.

As part of the Year of St. Joseph declared by Pope Francis, this year's Respect Life Month theme highlights St. Joseph as a faithful defender of life. Without hesitation he fulfilled God's will as he lovingly protected Jesus and the Blessed Mother. As Catholics, we are called to model St. Joseph and cherish the culture of life, remembering that God created all of us in his image and likeness.

I am asking all parishes in the Archdiocese of New Orleans to celebrate Respect Life Sunday on October 3, 2021 in a meaningful way. Let us pray that during this Respect Life Month, and always, we will be strengthened in our efforts to promote the gift of every human person.

Wishing you God's blessings, I am,

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond Archbishop of New Orleans

+ Lolymon



Monthly Explanation of the Mass: The Eucharistic Prayer

The Eucharistic Prayer is the center and high point of the entire celebration of Mass, through which the whole congregation of the faithful joins with Christ in confessing the great deeds of God and in the offering of Sacrifice (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 78). This central prayer of the Mass is why we often refer to the entire celebration as Eucharist, which is not a thing, but rather an action – Eucharist (a Greek term) literally means "to give thanks."

Although this prayer is spoken mostly by the priest, the gathered faithful are in no way spectators. We are all doing something even if we are not speaking – our active participation is paramount here, for we are offering our very selves in thanksgiving for all God has done to save us and we join our prayer to that of Christ who speaks through the priest.

This calls us to actively participate by fixing our minds and hearts on God in thanksgiving and in offering our lives to God as Christ has done, through the various elements that are found in each Eucharistic Prayer:

Thanksgiving (especially in the Preface) occurs in the Opening Dialogue of priest and people ("The Lord be with you" / "Lift up your hearts" / "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God"), which tells us that something amazing and powerful is happening here! Christ desires to raise our hearts to heaven to join Him there in praise and thanksgiving to the Father. The priest invites us to what we all are about to do together with Christ through him — give thanks! This Thanksgiving is in the name of the whole people of God, the priest glorifies God the Father and gives thanks for all God has done to bring our salvation to fulfillment in Christ This is what we sing in the *Holy*, *Holy*, *Holy*.

Invocation of the Holy Spirit (Epiclesis): we pray that the Holy Spirit will come down upon the gifts we offer that they may be consecrated/transformed into the Body and Blood of Christ AND that we who receive Christ will be transformed for our own salvation and the salvation of the world.

Institution Narrative: we recall the words and actions of Jesus Christ at the Last Supper through which he offered to us His Body and Blood and gave the command: "Do this in memory of me." It is by the words of Christ and the invocation of the Holy Spirit that the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1333).

Memorial of Christ (Anamnesis): we here fulfill Jesus' command to do this in His memory, but it is not a mere remembering – through this prayer, His Passion, Resurrection, and Ascension are made present and effective for us now! The grace and love of God poured forth in these saving events are present now.

Offering (Oblation): the faithful present (and really the whole Church) offer Christ – the sacrificial victim – and themselves in loving sacrifice to God, our Father.

Intercessions: we pray for the whole Church in heaven and on earth, her needs, and the salvation of all.

Doxology: The "Great Prayer" is concluded through the glorification of God and the affirmation and assent of all through the "Great Amen."



Happening this Week

Wednesday, September 29

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

Friday, October 1

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

Saturday, October 2

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

Sunday, October 3

Confirmation Retreat & Practice 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Blessing of Pets & Animals 2:00 p.m.

STEWARDSHIP - September 19th

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LUNCH MINISTRY

Will return to their regular delivery schedule on Wednesday, October 6th. Anyone interested in lending a hand, please contact Janie Ellis at jellis1129@qmail.com.



CONFIRMATION 2021

Sunday, October 3

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

Tuesday, October 19

Confirmation Mass at 7 p.m.

Celebrant: Archbishop Gregory M. Aymond



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