

# Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## ST. BENEDICT CATHOLIC CHURCH



"Do not be afraid;  
from now on  
you will be  
catching men."

Luke 5:10

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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](mailto: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...

For those of you old enough, can you finish the following commercial jingles and name the company? "My bologna has a first name...;" "Plop, Plop, fizz, fizz...;" "I'd like to teach the world to sing in perfect harmony...;" These catchy jingles stand the test of time because they touch something pressed upon our psyche. Once heard again, we cannot get the tunes out of our heads! Give them credit; the jingle song writers have caught us forever in their whimsical trap.

Not unlike these writers, we Catholics have some good inspirational song writers with their catchy tunes. One such song is "Here, I am Lord" whose refrain is: *Here I am Lord, is it I Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart!* Are these lyrics just as appealing as the commercial jingles? Have these words got us caught forever in a whimsical trap of God's call?

This weekend we honor those women and men who have responded the call of God to live their lives as religious sisters and brothers, nuns and religious priests, monks, hermits, consecrated virgins, and members of societies of apostolic life. Like the prophet Isaiah, St. Paul, St. Peter, or the women in scripture, the men and women called to live the consecrated life are not perfect. Isaiah, Paul and Peter are proof of that. They are ordinary people like us with shortcomings and sins. And like the apostles in the Gospel this weekend, they listen to the voice of Jesus and God's prophetic call compelled them to follow Christ. **That is why today we say THANK YOU to the religious women and men who have committed their lives to following Christ in a radical way, and to be of service to us in the Church!**

St. Paul also reminds us in today's second reading: "Therefore, whether it be I or they, so we preach and so you believed." God always takes us as we are and where we are! God's lyrics of the call have been pressing upon our minds since our existence. It should be a familiar tune that calls all of us to a vocation to serve God as a person of any age, physicality or state of life. Consequently, we're all worthy to serve! All of us can attain holiness! We must toss away from our minds the bad jingle tunes of being undeserving and not holy. When we remove such thinking from our mind, we are opening ourselves to God's will. We recognize the innate fact of our universal call to holiness.

St. Francis de Sales thought the average person was confused about the meaning of holiness. He was persistently reminding people that the call to holiness emerges out of our human nature, a nature created in the image of God. As one strives to be holy, one needs to be patient with one's imperfections and faults. That holiness is derived from the ordinary Christian ways we act in life and not in extraordinary deeds performed. Similarly, St. Jane de Chantal, said that "one cannot always offer God great things, but one can offer God small things with great love." Simply, holiness is attained by the way we love God and neighbor.

Each of us must reflect on how we are called to love in ordinary ways and do it extraordinarily well! But this weekend, let us also not forget those women and men who have responded to God's call to serve as a consecrated religious. May their lives inspire us to hear God's vocational call. May this tune be forever in our minds and transform our hearts to say boldly: "Here I am, Lord, send me!"

All my love,

*Fr. Charles, O.S.B.*

## STEWARDSHIP – January 30th

Weekly Collection:	\$4,390
E-Giving Online:	\$1,993
Catholic Schools Collection:	\$598
Poor Box:	\$30
Building Fund	\$55
Mass Attendance:	353

*Thank you for your generosity!*



## 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 Ison, 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, Joseph Candilora, John DeSilva, Phillip E. Lee, Sr.





## Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



**Tuesday, February 8**

Burnett Lacour

**Wednesday, February 9**

Eloise Lacour

**Thursday, February 10**

Brandon & Laura Edwards

**Friday, February 11**

Jessica Ross

**Saturday, February 12**

**5:30 p.m.**

+Art Seghers, +Donald Naquin, +Lynn Gomila,  
+George Bartley, +Bob & Jane Ayesrt, +Nova Jones,  
+Paul Raymond, +Kyle Butler, +Keith Deancausse,  
Tom & Sylvia Norton, Harry & Delta LeBlanc,  
+Steve & Anna Balogh, +Lavergne Novak,

**Sunday, February 13**

**8:00 a.m.**

+Cody Lucia, +Chris & Doris Johnson, +Dorothy Bengé

**10:30 a.m.**

Parishioners of Saint Benedict

## *Happening this Week*

### **Monday, February 7**

KC Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.

### **Wednesday, February 9**

Lunch Ministry 8:45 a.m.

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

Family Faith Formation 6:00 p.m.

### **Thursday, February 10**

Men's Club Meeting 7:00 p.m.

### **Friday, February 11**

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

Blanket Ministry Meeting 10:00 a.m.

### **Saturday, February 12**

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

Archdiocesan Catholic Charities Collection

### **Sunday, February 13**

Archdiocesan Catholic Charities Collection

Family Faith Formation 11:45 a.m.



**Catholic Charities**  
Archdiocese of New Orleans

Each year churches across the Archdiocese of New Orleans take up a second collection benefitting Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans. Your support in this collection provides crucial funds that enable Catholic Charities to be a source of hope and help for over 70,000 individuals and families each year. **This year, the second collection benefitting Catholic Charities will be held next weekend, February 12-13, 2022.**



The Archdiocese of New Orleans will be honoring Catholics who are celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> and 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2022. The Archdiocesan Golden Anniversary celebration, which is a Prayer Service will take place on Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m. at St. Philip Neri in Metairie. To register, please call the parish office at 985-892-5202 before Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>.



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