

"I HAVE COME TO
SET THE EARTH ON

Luke 12:49



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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 8:30 am

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.

20th
Sunday
Ordinary
Time

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Fr. Charles's Corner...

This weekend's readings set a high bar for us Christians. In the second reading, from the Letter to the Hebrews, we are told to live as Christ lived. And how did Christ live? "For the sake of the joy that lay before Him He endured the cross." If we are tempted to complain about the sufferings we must endure in living as Christ's disciples, we are told, "In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood." In other words, "If you're not bleeding, what are you complaining about?" That is quite a high bar!

The Gospel reading from Luke continues this challenging theme. Our Lord tells His disciples "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing." A couple of verses later Jesus adds, "Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division."

Jesus's life on this earth and the message He brought were not meant to simply make us feel good. In fact, His words can make us downright uncomfortable at times. That's because His Good News (and it is indeed good news!) Is meant to change us, to make saints of us.

Another verse in our second reading encourages us to embrace this challenging way of life. "Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses [our big brothers and sisters, the saints] let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith."

By putting God first in all areas of our lives, we rid ourselves of the burden and sinfulness of over-attachment to ourselves and our things. We get lean and fit and strong for the long race to Heaven. We begin to look and act more like Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith.



**The flowers on the Altar this weekend
are in memory of Art Seghers.**

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Tuesday, August 16
Stacey Lanoux

Wednesday, August 17
+Normie Miller

Thursday, August 18
+Normie Miller

Friday, August 19
+Juliane Rollman

Saturday, August 20
5:30 p.m.

+Tom Norton, Robbye Rapp, +Normie Miller, Ned Naquin,
+Carol Arcement, +Donald Naquin, +Stacey Tucker,
Thomas Bourg, +Carrie Martin, Patrick Rapp,
Jonathan Ellis

Sunday, August 21
8:00 a.m.

Parishioners of Saint Benedict

10:30 a.m.

+Charmaine Hebert, +Matthew Hilker, +Kris Rotolo,
+Phillip E. Lee, Jr., +Rosalie Bertucci, John DeSilva

National Votive Shrine of Our Lady of Prompt Succor



MARIAN FEAST OF THE SOLEMNITY OF THE
ASSUMPTION OF MARY

Monday, August 15th at 5:00 pm
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Happening this Week

Wednesday, August 17

Lunch Ministry 8:45 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation available, 5:00 to 6 p.m.

Thursday, August 18

Rosary for Peace 8:30 a.m.

4th Degree Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Friday, August 19

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

Saturday, August 20

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

Blessing of Marriages at the end of Mass

Sunday, August 21

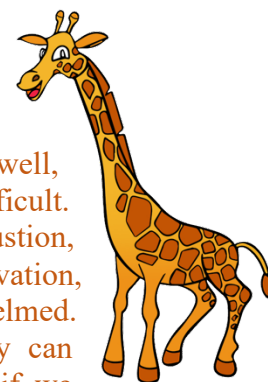
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Coffee & Donuts after all Masses



Would you like to honor a loved one, an anniversary, or birthday by donating flowers for the Altar? Please contact Betty Lemoine at 985-886-9883 for more information on sponsorship opportunities.

Announcing Our New Baby Meal Ministry



Even when everything goes well, bringing home a new baby is difficult. Between the physical exhaustion, emotional stress, and sleep deprivation, parents can often feel overwhelmed. That's where our church family can come in. Wouldn't it be great if we could deliver meals to families of new babies during the difficult newborn baby phase. Any parishioner parents are eligible, including birth parents, foster parents, and adopting parents of an infant (under 1-year-old) and this applies to all children (first, second, third...etc.).

Volunteers are needed to help us start our New Baby Meal Ministry. We will have a sign-up genius sent out to our volunteer list every time a new baby is born in the parish. Volunteers can sign up for a night to cook/order and deliver a meal to the family. Our goal is to have a meal sent to the family for every other night for 2 weeks so they can enjoy their time with their new baby without needing to worry about dinner. If you are interested in signing up as a volunteer or have any questions, please contact Debra Dwight at 985-966-0437 or DebraDwight07@gmail.com



Prayer List



Deacon Nelvin Luke, Jim Seward, Anthony Sorrentino, Dee Sylvia, Earline Todd, 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, Timothy Rollman, Vivian LeBlanc, Michael Duran, Donna McFatter, Angela Brady, Jackie Catalanotto, Jean Kelt, Judy Woolley, Joseph Candilora, John DeSilva, Phillip E. Lee, Sr., Gloria Nordman, Jan Nordman

CONFIRMATION 2022

Sunday, August 14

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

Sunday, August 28

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

Sunday, September 18

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

Wednesday, October 5

Confirmation Mass at 7 p.m.

Celebrant: Bishop Fernand J. Cheri

STEWARDSHIP – August 7th

Weekly Collection:	\$7,070
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Mass Attendance:	487
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