

5TH SUNDAY of Easter



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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
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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...

The readings this weekend present us with themes of dwelling places and home. We are well aware that this world is not our permanent home. We are merely pilgrims here, making our way to our true home, heaven, and are called to be good stewards of what God has given us. Yet, as we make our way to heaven, we are called to make our dwelling here — whether we are in a household of one or bursting at the seams — a true “domestic church.”

We actually see this concept at play from the earliest days of the Church, as illustrated in our first reading from Acts. In the first verse, we read about how the members of the early church complained “because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution.” When there is turmoil in the home when needs are not being met (in this passage, a very basic need for adequate food and drink), or when we lack an attitude of service within our homes and towards each other in our community, we are not the stewards that Christ is calling us to be.

St. Peter instructs in the second reading, “Let yourselves be built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.” Peter is not speaking strictly to clergy members, but to all of us who are disciples of Christ by virtue of our Baptism. The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us, “It is here that... all members of the family exercise the priesthood of the baptized in a privileged way 'by the reception of the sacraments, prayer and thanksgiving, the witness of a holy life, and self-denial and active charity.' Thus the home is the first school of Christian life and a 'school of human enrichment'” (1657).

In our Gospel passage from John, Jesus speaks of heaven as a home filled with dwelling places. “In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?” This is a beautiful image of the glory that awaits us and the personal love our Lord has for us in preparing the perfect “spot” for each one of us who remain faithful to Him.

Let us respond to this great love by becoming good stewards of our earthly dwellings, making our homes true “domestic churches” where we honor God with our prayer, our thoughtfulness to each other, and our generous hospitality to all. Let us never forget that our stewardship of what God has given us starts at home

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Tuesday, May 9

Marianites of Holy Cross Parents

Wednesday, May 10

Marianites of Holy Cross Associates

Thursday, May 11

+Poor Souls

Friday, May 12

+Cody Lucia

Saturday, May 13

5:30 p.m.

+John DeSilva, +Narvey & Esma DeLage, +Guy Palermo,
+Abe Hebert, Harry LeBlanc, +John Paisant,
David & Patti Snyder

Sunday, May 14

8:00 a.m.

Parishioners of Saint Benedict

10:30 a.m.

+Julianne Rollman, +Phillip E. Lee, Jr. +John DeSilva,
+Amy Touns, +Marie Terranova



Prayer List



Deacon Nelvin Luke, Jim Seward, Anthony Sorrentino, Dee Sylvia, 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 Guillot, Ryan Ware, Lois Seals, Timothy Rollman, Vivian LeBlanc, Donna McFatter, Angela Brady, Jackie Catalanotto, Judy Woolley, Joseph Candilora, Phillip E. Lee, Sr., Gloria Nordman, Jan Nordman, Flavia Langan, Addie Pitre, Harry LeBlanc, Carol Vickers, John Johnson

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, May 9

Altar Society Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 10

Lunch Ministry 8:45 a.m.

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

Knights of Columbus Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 11

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

Friday, May 12

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

Saturday, May 13

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

Building Fund Collection

Sunday, May 14

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The Building Fund second collection for May will be next weekend, May 13/14.



Many Thanks to those who participated in the Knights of Columbus Seminarian Mission Fund Raffle.

Please Welcome Roxanne Kilpatrick

We are happy to announce that Roxanne Kilpatrick has been hired as our new part-time custodian. If you see her while on campus, please introduce yourself and say "hello".

New Baby Meal Ministry

If you are expecting a new baby or infant, please contact Debra Dwight at 985-966-0437 or DebraDwight07@gmail.com so that we can prepare to be of assistance once your new baby arrives and you bring him/her home. 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 (the first, second, third...etc.).



Mother's Day Remembrance

You will find a book in the back of the church to enroll your mother, godmother, and grandmothers (living or deceased) to be remembered at Masses on Mother's Day weekend, May 13/14. This is an excellent way to remember your loved ones on this special day.

STEWARDSHIP – April 30th

Weekly Collection:	\$4,618
E-Giving Online:	\$1,990
Building Fund:	\$338
Poor Box:	\$125
Mass Attendance:	486
Building Fund on Deposit:	\$465,858

Thank you for your generosity!



The **BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE** is a group of parishioners who have volunteered to serve those who are experiencing the loss of a loved one by preparing a meal for the family who may be attending the funeral when the funeral is held at St. Benedict's. We would like to

update our list of volunteers who are willing to assist. We are asking anyone interested in assisting by preparing a dish for these meals to please sign-up (again) on the sheet in the back of the church. If you have any questions, please contact Lydia Gallo who coordinates the committee at 985-327-5013.



Congratulations to those who made their First Holy Communion this weekend at the 10:30 a.m. Mass!

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