

Ascension of the Lord



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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.

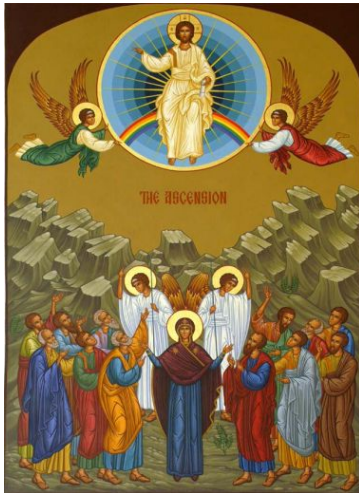
BAPTISM Please email Deacon Danny dmusso@arch-no.org or contact the office to begin preparations. Seminars are held on the last Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m.

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.



Father Charles's Corner...



This weekend we celebrate the great Solemnity of the Ascension of our Lord (which is transferred from last Thursday): that glorious moment when Jesus, 40 days after His resurrection, was lifted up — quite literally — into heaven, as the apostles watched in

stunned amazement. It is recounted in both our first reading, from Acts, as well as the Gospel passage, from Matthew. It must have been an extraordinary thing to witness.

But the first reading tells us that the apostles were not permitted to simply bask in the moment for very long. “While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, ‘Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky?’”

In other words, **“Don’t just stand there, do something!”**

This verse is a call to each one of us. We have been given every grace and blessing through our celebration of the Eucharist (Mass) and all of the sacraments, through the Word of God, the rich deposit (teachings) of our faith, and even our talents and our material possessions.

And like those first apostles, we are not meant to just stand here but to do something — to do something with our gifts — in love and gratitude to the One Who gave them to us. We are called, just as much as the first apostles “to be [His] witnesses... to the ends of the earth,” not with our own power, but through the power of the Holy Spirit in us.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Tuesday, May 23

+John DeSilva

Wednesday, May 24

+John DeSilva

Thursday, May 25

+John DeSilva

Friday, May 26

+John DeSilva

Saturday, May 27

5:30 p.m.

+John DeSilva, Harry LeBlanc, +Delta LeBlanc,
Tom & Irene Harvey

Sunday, May 28

8:00 a.m.

Parishioners of Saint Benedict

10:30 a.m.

+John DeSilva, +Bonnie Swartz, +Angela Bartley,
+Phillip E. Lee, Jr.



Prayer List



Deacon Nelvin Luke, Jim Seward, Anthony Sorrentino, Dee Sylvia, Julie Wagner, Tina Zocco, Clara Armstrong, 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, 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 23

Communion Service (NO MASS)

Wednesday, May 24

Communion Service (NO MASS)

Lunch Ministry 8:45 a.m.

NO Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursday, May 25

Communion Service (NO MASS)

Friday, May 26

Communion Service (NO MASS)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
after Communion Service

Saturday, May 27

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

Collection for the Holy Father – Peter's Pence

Sunday, May 28

Collection for the Holy Father – Peter's Pence



The flowers on the Altar this weekend are in memory of Charmaine Hebert.



The Peter's Pence Collection has ancient roots that reach all the way back to New Testament times. The early Christians provided material support that the disciples—those preaching the Gospel—could distribute to those in need. Today, the Peter's Pence Collection is the way we, as members of the Catholic Church, unite ourselves to the concerns of the Holy Father. Donations to this collection support the charitable works of Pope Francis for the relief of those most in need. The second collection will be taken the weekend of May 27/28. Please be generous.



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, May 29th in observance of Memorial Day and will re-open at 8:45 a.m. on Tuesday, May 30th.

STEWARDSHIP – May 14th

Weekly Collection:	\$4,482
E-Giving Online:	\$1,605
Poor Box:	\$21
Building Fund:	\$3,993
Mass Attendance:	522
Building Fund on Deposit:	\$446,345

Thank you for your generosity!

Please consider utilizing our parish's online giving program. Explore the convenience of online giving at giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stbencov or by scanning our QR code.



Parish School of Religion Family Faith Formation

We are currently registering families for our Family Faith Formation 2023-2024 school year. Please return your registration form and payment before the registration deadline of June 12th. If you have a second grader (First Communion) or tenth grader (Confirmation) your child needs to complete sacramental preparation through the Parish. Please feel free to contact Corina if you have any questions or in need of a registration form at psr@stbencov.org.

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