

# 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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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](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...*

In last week's readings, we were encouraged to remain persistent and constant in our prayer life. This weekend, we focus on the proper attitude during prayer.

In the Gospel passage from Luke, Jesus illustrates the humble attitude we must have as we approach God in prayer through a parable of two praying men. One is a Pharisee, a man with respected status, theological training, and all the right credentials. He marches right up to the front of the temple to speak a prayer "to himself," thanking God for making him just a little bit superior to everyone else! The other man is a tax collector, known by those of his day to be a cheater and a sell-out to his fellow Jews. In contrast to the Pharisee, he stands near the back and cries out to God in a simple and honest way: "Be merciful to me a sinner."

Jesus tells us that it is the tax collector and not the Pharisee who leaves the temple justified. Why?

The Pharisee was full of self as he approached God. He felt no real need for God as he rattled off his resume of good works and spiritual practices. He was simply going through the motions of prayer. His lack of humility prevented him from entering into a real dialogue with the Father. He was not transformed by his time of prayer because he was so full of himself that He left God no space to enter in.

The tax collector, by contrast, emptied himself as he approached God. He recognized who he truly was (a sinner) and asked simply for mercy, leaving all the rest up to God. This is the kind of attitude that God can work with! This is how we are to pray — with trust, with complete openness to God's will, with a listening mind and heart, ready to serve as God leads.

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For the past 14+ years, Jackie Edrington has coordinated our Blanket Ministry. Primarily an outreach ministry of consolation and prayer, our Blanket Ministry also served an important need in the early days of the Covid shut down making masks and gowns for health care professions in our area.

Jacke recently decided to step down as coordinator, though will remain involved in the ministry. Thank you, Jackie, for your years of dedicated service!

Please join me in welcoming Susan Treuting as the new coordinator of the Blank Ministry.

## Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



**Tuesday, October 28**

+Alena Sonnier

**Wednesday, October 29**

Marianites of Holy Cross Guild

**Thursday, October 30**

+Deceased Marianites of Holy Cross Guild

**Friday, October 31**

+G.H. Bartley, Sr.

**Saturday, November 1**

**5:30 p.m.**

**All Faithfully Departed  
(especially Parishioners)**

**Sunday, November 2**

**8:00 a.m.**

+Patrick Martin, +Yvette O'Rourke, +Sabina Mattingly,  
+Romeo Hernandez, +Buddy Breaux, +Don Mastio,  
+David Mastio, April Mayo, Shirley Dailey,  
+Carrol Arcement Family

**10:30 a.m.**

Parishioners of Saint Benedict



## Prayer List



Jim Seward, Anthony Sorrentino, Dee Sylvia, Tina Zocco, Lisa Valley, Scott Lee, Carol Everhardt, Bennett Miller, Joanne Reber, Anna Ison, Gerardo Antonucci, Presley Patrick, Kaiden Lessard, Jennifer Bradley, Ryan Ware, Timothy Rollman, Angela Brady, Judy Woolley, Phillip E. Lee, Sr., Gloria Nordman, Jan Nordman, Flavia Langan, Addie Pitre, Carol Vickers, Evan Cartozzo, Ed Ansardi, Margaret Ruiz, Patricia Holden, Linda Richerson, Brooke Joseph, Kai Joseph, Paul Richmon, C.J. Richmond, Avery Fuselier, Ed Don-Jordon, Jenna Vial

## LECTOR BOOKS

The 2026 workbooks are now available in the usher's room for all Lectors.



## Happening this Week

### Monday, October 27

Parish Office Closes at Noon

Terre Mariae Homeowners Meeting 3:00 p.m.

### Tuesday, October 28

Parish Office Closes at Noon

### Wednesday, October 29

Parish Office Closes at Noon

Lunch Ministry 8:45 a.m.

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

### Thursday, October 30

Parish Office Closes at Noon

### Friday, October 31

Parish Office Closes at Noon

Friday Adoration after 8:00 a.m. Mass

### Saturday, November 1

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

Mass for Faithful Departed at 5:30 p.m.



**ALL SAINTS DAY**  
**November 1**

**ALL SOULS DAY**  
**November 2**

Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup> is the Solemnity of All Saints and is **NOT** a Holy Day of Obligation. We will have Mass at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> is the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls). We will have a special Mass to pray for all the faithful departed, especially all the members of the parish who have died during the past year at the 5:30 p.m. on Saturday.

## MASS Intentions

The Mass Intention Book will open on November 3rd for all intentions to be accepted throughout 2026. Mass requests will be honored on a first-come, first-serve basis in the order in which the request is received at the parish office. No Mass request will be taken over the telephone. Mass request must be made in person in the parish office, or in writing and placed in the collection basket or mailed to the office. Forms for requesting a Mass can be obtained from the parish office, in the back of the church, or available online on the parish website.

## STEWARDSHIP – October 19th

Weekly Collection:	\$5,405
World Mission Collection:	\$1,663
E-Giving Online:	\$2,130
Building Fund:	\$125
Poor Box:	\$206
Mass Attendance:	596
Building Fund on Deposit:	\$679,973

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**THANK YOU** to everyone who made our annual Family Day Picnic a tremendous success! A special thanks goes to the Men's Club for the fabulous lunch!!!

## LADIES ALTAR SOCIETY

**Thank you**  
for your support the  
**Spaghetti Dinner**  
was a huge  
success!

*Hope to see you next year!*



## Book of Remembrance

November is the month that we, as a Church, remember and pray for all of the faithful departed. The *Book of Remembrance* has been placed in the back of the church for you to inscribe the names of your deceased family and friends to be prayed for throughout the month.



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