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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...

On this Feast of Christ the King, our readings show us that we serve the greatest of Kings, who is at the same time the humblest of Kings. Christ is the perfect model of servant leadership. And what an indescribable privilege that He has called us to be servants and leaders in the work of advancing His Kingdom.

In our second reading, from St. Paul's letter to the Colossians, Paul describes the great power and dignity that characterize Christ the King. "All things were created through him and for him. He is before all things and in him all things hold together... For in him all the fullness was pleased to dwell." It makes you want to stand up and cheer. That's our King!

Yet, what a contrasting description of the same King we find in our Gospel passage, from Luke. Now we see our King nailed to the Cross. Everyone from rulers to soldiers, to the criminals on either side of Christ is mocking, sneering, and reviling him. They tauntingly urge him to prove His kingship by coming down from the Cross to end his suffering with a great show of power. "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself." But He does not.

Amazingly, it is in this moment of seeming weakness and humiliation, when all appears hopeless and lost, that the full breadth of his greatness as king is displayed. Though all things were created through and for Him — Christ chooses to live entirely for others, for us!

What does this mean for us as his followers and stewards of His kingdom? Precisely that our lives are not about us. They are about Christ and others. And we will advance his kingdom to the extent that we embrace this mindset: my life is not about me; it is about serving Christ and others.

The "good thief" hanging on the cross next to Jesus realizes this just in time. Struck by our Lord's perfect humility, he recognizes that Christ is indeed the King of kings. In his last moments of life, he becomes a believer in Jesus Christ as he counsels the criminal on our Lord's other side to repent. What is the result? Jesus promises the good thief a place with him that very day in Paradise. Our God simply cannot be outdone in generosity.

What powerful lessons this King teaches us from the Cross. We learn that true leadership is displayed in emptying ourselves for others; that true greatness is displayed by way of humility; that none of us is worthy of His kingdom but that all of us, like the good thief, are welcomed and invited to take up this call. Following in His footsteps will involve suffering and sacrifice. Yet, how can we say no to the King who loves us so completely and promises that His faithful followers will one day be with Him in Paradise

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Tuesday, November 25

+Deceased Marianites of Holy Cross Benefactors

Wednesday, November 26

+Ora & Whitney Donaldson

Thursday, November 27

+Poor Souls

Friday, November 28

+Thelma Ritchie

Saturday, November 29

5:30 p.m.

+Don Mastio, +David Mastio, April Mayo, Shirly Dailey, Sisters of Mount Carmel Benefactors, +Earl Ritchie, Paul Benham, +Betty Lemoine, +Dr. Jerry Casey, +Deceased Sisters of Mount Carmel Apostolate, +Martin Dailey, Joseph Derouen

Sunday, November 30

8:00 a.m.

+Dan Berlin, +John Mannion, +John Karpa, +Don Mastio, +Joe Billiot, Rebecca Lucia, +John & Camille Steen, +Betty Lemoine, +Dr. Jerry Casey, +Danny Haar, III

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., Flavia Langan, Addie Pitre, Carol Vickers, Evan Cartozzo, Ed Ansardi, Margaret Ruiz, Patricia Holden, Linda Richerson, Brooke Joseph, Kai Joseph, Paul Richmon, Avery Fuselier, Ed Don-Jordon, Jenna Vial

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 sanctuary so that those who have had their names inscribed may be prayed for throughout the month.



Happening this Week

Wednesday, November 26

Lunch Ministry 8:45 a.m.
 Parish Office Closes at Noon
NO Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursday, November 27

Parish Office Closed
Thanksgiving Day Mass at 8:00 a.m.

Friday, November 28

Friday Adoration after 8:00 a.m. Mass
 Parish Office Closed

Saturday, November 29

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



We will celebrate Mass on Thanksgiving Day at 8:00 a.m. which will include the blessing of bread for use at meals that day—a gift from the Men’s Club to all who attend Mass. The parish office will be closed in observance of Thanksgiving, beginning Wednesday, November 26th through Friday, November 28th. **We would like to wish everyone a very Blessed Thanksgiving**, and for those who are traveling a safe trip to and from their destinations.

STEWARDSHIP – November 16th

Weekly Collection:	\$5,719
E-Giving Online:	\$3,055
Building Fund:	\$20
Poor Box:	\$564
Mass Attendance:	463
Building Fund on Deposit:	\$688,926

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Annual Christmas Card Campaign

Starting next weekend, November 29/30 mail bins will be placed at the entrance of the church to begin collecting your Christmas Cards for those in our community in Long Term Care, Nursing, and Rehabilitation Homes. Place as many Christmas Cards as you like... Please include the “*thoughts and prayers from the Parishioners of St. Benedict Parish*” in your Christmas greeting/signature. The outside of the envelope can be left blank or you may write, “Merry Christmas”. Please place your Christmas cards in the mail bins no later than Wednesday, December 10th. The Card will be distributed on Friday, December 12th and Saturday, December 13th by the Deacons.



Angels are available this weekend. This year, there are about 200 adults and children Angels from a number of sources in St. Tammany Parish. Please complete the light green tag(s) attached to the Angel(s) and deposit in the designated basket on the table. **Unwrapped gift(s) in gift bags with Angel(s) attached must be returned to church by 12 noon, December 7th.** For gift certificates, also please place envelope in a small or medium gift bag. Envelopes with gift cards can be easily lost or misplaced. Please remember many families depend on your generosity. These may be the only gifts they receive. If for any reason you are unable to purchase gifts for the Angel you selected, please contact Claire Hayden (504-799-5487) so other arrangements can be made in this case. As always, thank you for your continued support of our Annual Tree Program.

Holiday Baskets

The Lunch Ministry will be collecting canned vegetables, instant mashed potatoes, easy mac and cheese, and stuffing for them to put in the Annual Holiday Baskets for both Thanksgiving and Christmas. Please drop your non-perishables off at the Catechetical Center before November 24th.

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