

In the Name of the Father and of the Son & of the Holy Spirit

Matthew 28:19



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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 Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. This feast is rather unique in that it honors a doctrine rather than an event. What we are commemorating today is a central reality of our Christian faith, that God is Trinitarian in nature — three distinct persons — Father, Son and Holy Spirit — in one God.

The Church calls this truth a mystery, as indeed it is. It is not a mystery in the sense that it is a question that must be answered but rather in the sense that the depths of this truth are far beyond our human comprehension. Some have said that “mystery” in this context is “not a wall to run up against but an ocean in which to swim.”

Contemplating the “ocean depths” of this mystery can make us humans feel so small, and almighty God so far from us. Yet nothing could be further from the truth as today’s readings demonstrate.

The first reading, from Proverbs, says that God “found delight in the human race.” The greatness of God in no way puts Him at a distance from us. In fact, one of the facets of the Trinitarian nature that we can understand is that God is, by nature, relational. So, it makes sense that He would delight in being in relationship with us whom He made in His own image and likeness.

In the second reading, St. Paul reminds us that not only does God delight in us, but He is intimately connected to us. “The love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.” Not only does God permit us to draw near to Him, He wants to live in the very depths of our being and in all the intimate details of our lives if we will let Him.

Finally, in the Gospel from St. John, we learn that God holds back nothing of Himself from us. Jesus tells His disciples (this includes us!) that the Holy Spirit “will take from what is mine and declare it to you. Everything the Father has is mine.” Thus, we find ourselves drawn right into the midst of this Trinitarian love. In fact, if the mystery of Holy Trinity is an ocean which to swim, the “water” that makes up that ocean is love.

What then should be the response of the Christian steward to this sublime mystery? All we can do is worship. And offer our lives back to God in total gratitude for calling us to live in the richness of such unfathomable love. This week let’s re-invite God into the midst of our lives and make sure the way we spend our time and energy each day shows Him our profound gratitude for His many gifts to us, but above all the gift of Himself in the Trinity — Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, June 17

+Cayetano Hernandez

Wednesday, June 18

+Fred Guillot

Thursday, June 19

Theresa Mondello

Friday, June 20

+Poor Souls

Saturday, June 21

5:30 p.m.

Sisters of Mount Carmel Benefactors, +David Mastio, +Doug Ellis, +Dale Lorio, +Skip Miller, +Abe Hebert, +Deceased Sisters of Mount Carmel Apostolate, +Normie Miller, +Deana Bridges, Robbye Rapp, +George & Laverne Novak, +Bob & Jane Ayerst, +Steve & Anna Balogh, +Bill & Leona Allen, +Calvin & Margie Mae Briggs

Sunday, June 22

8:00 a.m.

Parishioners of Saint Benedict

10:30 a.m.

+Sarah Beulke, +Fred Guillot, Theresa Dicks, +Phillip E. Lee, Jr.



Prayer List



Jim Seward, Anthony Sorrentino, 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, Debra Dwight, Margaret Ruiz, Vincent Iannazzo, Patricia Holden, Jim Williamson, Lezlie Brown, Linda Richerson, Elsa Zeringue, Brooke Joseph, Kai Joseph, Dan & Ina Berlin, Paul Richmond, C.J. Richmond





STEWARDSHIP – June 8th

Weekly Collection:	\$5,340
E-Giving Online:	\$2,659
Building Fund:	\$325
Poor Box:	\$167
Mass Attendance:	459
Building Fund on Deposit:	\$657,914

Thank you for your generosity!

VACATION TIME IS HERE!

The summer is here and so are vacations, if you haven't already noticed our annual decrease in Mass attendance during June and July has begun. We hope you are enjoying a change of pace and some time away. If you are vacationing, please remember two things.

First, we do not take a vacation from God. Please check out www.masstimes.org for a list of churches in the areas you are visiting and their Mass times.

Secondly, the needs of the parish and those seeking social assistance do not take a holiday in June through August. In fact, many times we received more requests for financial assistance during the summer months. Our ability as a church to pay our own bills and help those facing the loss of electricity or water due to their inability to pay, or to help one of our parishioners facing a financial crisis, depends on the continued generosity of our congregation. Please don't forget your offering to St. Benedict's this summer when you are traveling or away for vacation.

The safest and most secure way to make contributions to St. Benedict's, however, is to use our online giving, which can be accessed at:

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stbencov>

or you can scan the QR Code below:



The Lunch Ministry will be preparing a pasta salad with fresh vegetables and fruit on Wednesday, June 25th. Please bring any extra vegetables or fruit that you can spare to the Catechetical Center by Tuesday, June 24th. Thank you for your generosity.

Happening this Week

Monday, June 16

Knights of Columbus Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 18

Lunch Ministry 8:45 a.m.

NO Sacrament of Reconciliation

GriefShare Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 19

Parish Office Closed

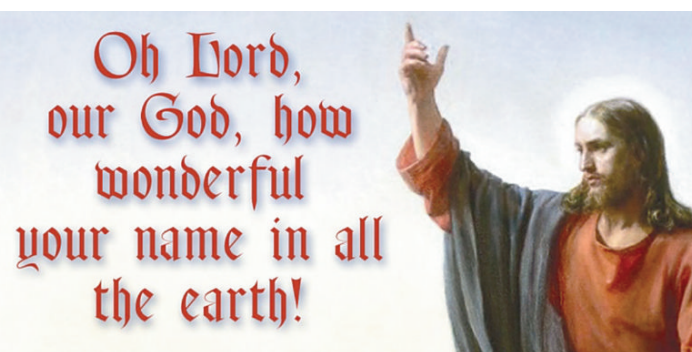
Rosary for Peace 8:30 a.m.

Friday, June 20

Friday Adoration after 8:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday, June 21

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



If you are grieving the loss of a spouse, child, parent, relative or friend, we are here to help YOU.

GriefShare© is a Christian-based program to help you navigate your loss and grief through a grief recovery support group. It is a 13-week cycle to help those grieving to discover what to expect in the days ahead and what is "normal" in grief. The summer GriefShare© support group will meet on Wednesdays from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm. In the Catechetical Center. Each session is self-contained so you can join at any week, but registration is required. To register, go to griefshare.org and click "find a group" and register.

Sharon Hoffman, a widow and parishioner of St. Benedict Church, will facilitate the GriefShare© group. For more information, contact Sharon at hoffmansha@charter.net and leave your telephone number so she can contact you.

The fee is \$25 made payable to St. Benedict Catholic Church. This fee includes your GriefShare workbook.



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