

## Welcome Home!



Welcome to Saint Bede Catholic Church, whether you're just visiting us for a brief time, looking for a new parish home, returning to the practice of your Catholic faith, or interested in discovering more about the Catholic Church, we're happy to have you here.

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#### SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2025 | 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"Christ is the Morning Star, who opens everlasting day."-Saint Bede

#### THIS WEEK AT SAINT BEDE

Sunday, July 27, 2025 | 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### SANCTUARY CANDLE

Jillian Cleaver



#### **REST IN PEACE**

Ellen Hughes Harvey Pritchett



## May the healing hand of God rest on these people and all others in need.

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#### **SATURDAY. JULY 26**

5:30 pm Parishioners

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 27**

8:30 am Dick Parkhurst †
Maureen Winans †
11:00 am Tom Bartsch †

Anthony Cafariella † Frankie & Randy

Snipes †

2:00 pm San Miguel Archängel

San Pancracio

5:00 pm Marvin T. Kuypers †

#### **TUESDAY, JULY 29**

9:00 am Louis Byers †

Lewis Dixon † Robert Rupon †

Subject to change if there is a funeral or if a celebrant is unavailable.



#### **DAILY MASS**

Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am 1st Saturday 9:00 am

#### **ROSARY**

Tuesday-Thursday After 9:00 am Mass 1st Saturday After 9:00 am Mass

#### **DIVINE OFFICE**

Lauds (Morning Prayer)
Tuesday-Friday

#### **WEEKEND MASS**

Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm Sunday 8:30 am 11:00 am (Español) 2:00 pm

5:00 pm

8:40 am

#### **BULLETIN DEADLINES**

Announcements should be submitted two weeks before the weekend you want it printed.

During holidays, deadlines will be earlier. Please check with communications for any questions you may have.

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#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 30

9:00 am Patricia Ann Eisenhauer-

Galligan †
Thomas Michael
Galligan †
Jean Morris †

#### THURSDAY, JULY 31

9:00 am Ande Dawson †

Margaret Ann Del Russo †

John Siemietkowski †

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 1

9:00 am Bob Freunot †
Joe Tomshack †

#### **SATURDAY, AUGUST 2**

9:00 am Elizabeth Ann Brophy †

Lewis Dixon, Jr. † Rodney Michael Clark †

5:30 pm Mercedes Reyes †

### ADORATION SCHEDULE

Monday 7:00 am - 5:00 pm Wednesday 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Friday 9:45 am - 11:00 am



Tuesday/Friday 8:00 am - 8:45 am Wednesday 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Saturday 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Sunday Mass is live-streamed at 8:30 am and 2:00 pm



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#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**



## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### First Reading:

Far be it from you to do such a thing, to make the innocent die with the guilty so that the innocent and the guilty would be treated alike! Should not the judge of all the world act with justice?" (Gn 18:25)

#### Psalm:

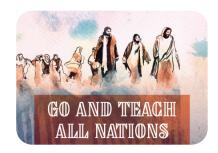
Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me. (Ps 138)

#### **Second Reading:**

You were buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God. (Col 2:12)

#### Gospel:

"And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." (Lk 11:9)



#### **WEEKLY READINGS**

#### **Sunday:**

Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 (3a)/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

#### Monday:

Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Mt 13:31-35

#### Tuesday:

Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

#### Wednesday:

Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9/Mt 13:44-46

#### Thursday:

Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt 13:47-53

#### Friday:

Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab/Mt 13:54-58

#### **Saturday:**

Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12 ©LP

#### WELCOME!

#### **FATHER JOHN K. AGYEKUM**

We are pleased to welcome Saint Bede Parochial Vicar, Father John K. Agyekum, who comes to us from the Diocese of Obuasi in Ghana, West Africa. Father John will also serve as chaplain for Catholic Campus Ministries at the College of William & Mary.

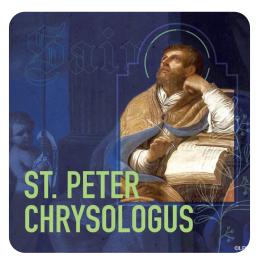


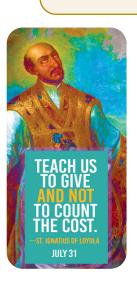
#### **ROSARY DEVOTION**

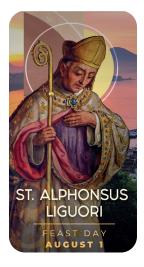
FIRST SATURDAY
OF EACH MONTH

Following the 9 am Mass in the Nave is Rosary Devotion. All are invited Saturday, August 3 to pray the Rosary led by the members of the Legion of Mary.









#### **LITURGY & MUSIC**

Sunday, July 27, 2025 | 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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#### OBSERVANCES FOR

THE WEEK OF JULY 27, 2025

#### SUNDAY:

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### MONDAY:

None

#### TUESDAY:

Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus

#### **WEDNESDAY**:

St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

#### THURSDAY:

St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

#### FRIDAY:

St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

#### **SATURDAY:**

St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest



#### **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

#### 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Luke 11:1-13



Once I went to a hospice facility to celebrate Last Rites for an elderly dying man. His family had told me that he had been uncommunicative for days. At the conclusion of the ritual, we began to recite the Our Father prayer. To everyone's surprise, his lips moved, clearly mouthing the words to the Lord's Prayer. Stripped of most of his faculties, the man could still pray those precious God-given petitions. A lifetime of prayer had planted the words even deeper than his failing consciousness.

Do we want the Lord's prayer to be as deeply embedded in us? If we want to be people of hope, we should. Recall that our Lord immediately follows the prayer by saying: "Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you" (Luke 11:9). We only ask, search and knock because we hope that the request is not in vain. Everything we could possibly hope for is contained in the prayer. Praying the Our Father deepens our hope.

We should consciously pour all our hopes into the Lord's prayer; we should allow it to be an expression of hope, not simply rote words. Then, over time, it builds up our hope in God. It sinks deep into our souls and bodies. How blessed we are when these words of hope are on our lips, even when everything else seems to fail. ©LPi

#### **QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK**

#### **FIRST READING:**

Abraham questions God about how He passes judgment on people. What questions do you have for the Lord?

#### **SECOND READING:**

Paul teaches the believers in Colossae that through his cross and resurrection from the dead, Jesus united Jews and Gentiles by their shared faith in him. How does your faith in Jesus bring you closer to others?

#### **GOSPEL:**

Jesus encourages his disciples to be persistent and bold in praying to God. Can you think of a time when God answered a bold prayer from you?

#### **ACCESSIBILITY & SPECIAL NEEDS RESOURCES**

Please feel free to ask our ushers for assistance with any of the available resources for wheelchair access, sensory bags, or hearing coil system to make your Mass experience more enjoyable.

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# (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

#### **MINI REFLECTION:**

Whatever is interrupting communication between your heart and the One who crafted it, it can be overcome. There is no door thick enough, no night dark enough, no sleep strong enough.

#### **ASK AND YOU SHALL RECEIVE**

It's easy to look at today's Gospel reading and come away with a view of God as disinterested and irritated, reluctant to give us what we need unless we bang down his door, hound him to the furthest reaches of heaven, wrench him from his reverie and force him to answer just so we'll finally go away.

Well, that's not what Jesus means by the parable of the friend at midnight — but it's also not surprising that we would think that it is. The whole point of this Gospel is that communication between God and man has been broken. It's not as easy as it once was, as it should be, as it could be.

In this parable, there exists many barriers between the supplicant and his friend. The time of day is not ideal. The door is locked. Their dispositions are opposite — one is in the middle of a REM cycle and the other is deeply agitated. They appear to be two people who are not primed to communicate well. Everything is working against them.

The same could well be said of God and the human race. Here we are in a fallen world, surrounded by sin and pain and sickness and death to the extent that it infiltrates not just our bodies but our souls, our minds, our attitudes.

We are the friend caught unprepared in the dead of night. We don't always know how to talk to God (That door is thick! Will he hear us if we knock?). We don't always know if we should (It's all my fault that I ran out of loaves, after all). We don't even know if we want to (It's nighttime! He might be angry!). Everything is working against us.

It doesn't matter, Jesus tells us. Whatever is interrupting communication between your heart and the One who crafted it, the One who desires its full and irrevocable attention, it can be overcome. There is no door thick enough, no night dark enough, no sleep strong enough. So knock.

## LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

"Lord, teach us to pray." The disciples are asking how to approach God, how to communicate with Him. Jesus' answer? Have no fear, and have no embarrassment. God waits at the door. Knock. The conversation is yours to start.

## WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

#### **WEDDINGS**

#### **QUESTION:**

This time of year, I attend a lot of weddings. Why do Catholic weddings need to take place in a church?

#### **ANSWER:**

Technically, there is a clause in Church law that could allow for weddings to take place outside of a church, in a suitable space under special circumstances, but it requires the rare permission of the bishop. But the meaning of marriage goes very, very deep, and the Church has a vested interest in protecting that meaning. As Catholics, we don't see a wedding as an event that needs a pleasing backdrop.

Marriage is a sacrament, both an occasion of joyful promise and symbolic solemnity. It is a spiritual event. The loving bond of marriage symbolizes the mystical union between Christ and his Church. The man and woman profess lifelong vows of fidelity, and they receive supernatural grace from God to keep their promises. Receiving the sacrament of Marriage in a church has broader symbolic meaning for the couple as well.

Marriage isn't simply two people in isolation from the world around them. Marriage is the joining of families and the beginning of a new, holy mission in the life of the couple. Weddings are sacred occasions, and it's fitting that they occur in sacred spaces.



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#### PRAYER FOR HOPE

Lord,

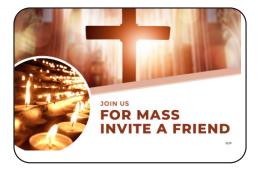
Restore my hope!

Where I fear the future, write a new script in my heart.

Where I doubt Your goodness, fill me anew.

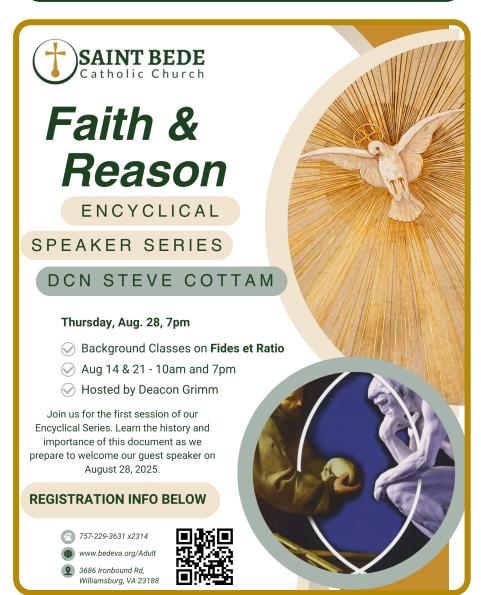
Give me steadfast hope for a beautiful tomorrow.

Amen



## REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR GRADES K-12 AND SACRAMENT PREPARATION





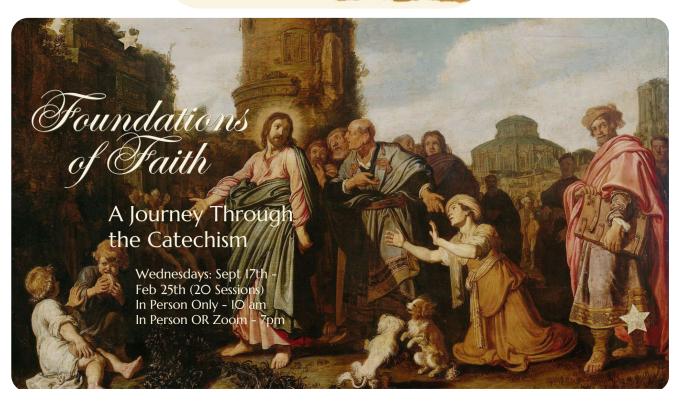
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# Coming this Fall!!

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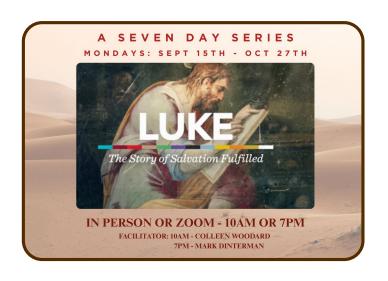


#### **ADDT'L CLASSES & RETREATS**

Any questions feel free to contact Deacon Grimm via email or phone (757) 229 - 3631 ext. 2314.

#### **SAVE THE DATES!!**

Women's Retreat: Jan 2nd - 4th, 2026 Couples Retreat: Feb 13th - 15th, 2026 Both at Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center







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#### FORMACIÓN EN LA FE/ CATECISMO -GRADOS PREK3 A 8 GRADOS - VIERNES @ 6PM

Ileana Garcia (910) 689-5603

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Alfie Martinez (757) 229-3631 ext. 2107

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LLAME POR LO MENOS 9 MESES ANTES DE LA

**FECHA** 

Alfie Martinez (757) 229-3631 ext. 2107

GRUPO DE FE ADULTOS – MEDITANDO EN EL **EVANGELIO, MARTES - 7PM POR ZOOM** 

lleana & Omar Garcia (910) 689-5603

GRUPO DE ORACIÓN CON ESPIRITUALIDAD

CARISMÁTICA, SÁBADOS @ 7PM EN LA IGLESIA

(757) 816-7190 Hugo Gonzalez

LEGIÓN DE MARÍA, PRESÍDIUM REINA DE LA PAZ

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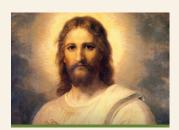
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Guadalupe y Más

Liz Alcantar (757) 775-4516

#### MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

#### 17° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO



¿Te has preguntado alguna vez cuál es la mejor manera de hacer oración? Quizá la respuesta sea "de muchas maneras". A lo mejor explicarás las diferentes formas de hacer oración. Cada persona tiene su experiencia de oración.

El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, en su número 2564, nos ayuda a comprender mejor lo que es orar: "La oración cristiana es una relación de Alianza entre Dios y el hombre en Cristo. Es la acción de Dios y del hombre; brota del Espíritu Santo y de nosotros, dirigidas por completo al Padre, en unión con la voluntad humana del Hijo de Dios hecho hombre". Santa Teresa del Niño Jesús, en sus manuscritos autobiográficos, decía sobre su experiencia de oración (C25 r.): "Para mí, la oración es un impulso del corazón, una sencilla mirada hacia el cielo, un grito de agradecimiento y de amor tanto desde dentro de la prueba como desde dentro de la alegría".

El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, en su número 2759, nos enseña: "Estando él [Jesús] en cierto lugar, cuando terminó, le dijo uno de sus discípulos: 'Maestro, enséñanos a orar, como enseñó Juan a sus discípulos'" (Lucas 11:1). En respuesta a esta petición, el Señor confía a sus discípulos y a su Iglesia la oración cristiana fundamental. San Lucas da de ella un texto breve (con cinco peticiones [Lucas 11:2-4]). San Mateo nos transmite una versión más desarrollada (con siete peticiones [Mateo 6:9-13]). La tradición de la Iglesia ha conservado el texto de San Mateo. El Padrenuestro es fundamental para todo cristiano. Recémoslo siempre con fe. **©LPi** 

Es importante estar inscrito

(matriculado) en la parroquia Saint Bede, especialmente si desea recibir sacramentos o visitas pastorales para usted o su familia. Ilame a la Iglesia para inscribirse o puede hacerlo en línea en https://bedeva.org/feligreses-y-visitantes.

#### HORAS Y SACERDOTES EN ESPAÑOL

MARTES / VIERNES - 8AM MIÉRCOLES - 7PM

SÁBADOS - 3:30PM

Si desea saber cuál sacerdote estará ofreciendo el sacramento en cada

ocasión, vaya a Misas y Confesiones en la página principal de https://www.bedeva.org/



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RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA (RICA) PARA ADULTOS Y NIÑOS MAYORES DE 7 AÑOS

¡Próximo curso comienza en septiembre!

Si usted o alguien que usted conoce está interesado,

inscríbase en https://tinyurl.com/RICAInscripciones ¿Preguntas? Comuníquese con Alfie 757 229 3631

#### RICA es para:

- Niños Mayores de 7 años que no han sido Bautizados
- Adultos que no han sido Bautizados o que fueron bautizados en otra religión y desean convertirse en católicos
- Adultos Bautizados, que desean acercarse porque no han practicado su fe y no han recibido la Confirmación y/o la Primera Comunión



#### **PASTORAL DE ENFERMOS**

Deseamos orar por los enfermos de la comunidad. Llame a la Oficina para añadirlos a lista de enfermos. También, alguien confinado a su hogar u hospitalizado que desee recibir la visita del Sacerdote y/o la Sagrada Comunión, llame a Alfie Martinez (757) 229-3631 ext. 2107.







Clase de Preparación para Bautismo de Niños Menores de 7 años 5 de agosto @ 6pm, Nivel de Ministerio

Clase es para Padres (mandatoria) y Padrinos. Inscríbase para la clase usando el código QR



O en: http://tinyurl.com/PreparaciondeBautismo



#### LA LEGIÓN DE MARÍA TE INVITA A PARTICIPAR EN LA CONSAGRACIÓN TOTAL A JESÚS POR MARÍA

La Consagración Total a Jesús por María se basa en las enseñanzas de San Luis María Grignon de Montfort. Consta de 33 días de preparación con oración y ejercicios que ayudan a purificar las almas. Los 33 días comenzarán el 5 de agosto del 2025 preparándonos para el Acto de Consagración Total, el 7 de septiembre. Estaremos repartiendo información de cómo prepararse para la Consagración de después de la Misa en español. ¿Preguntas? Comuníquese con Elda Jacobo (757) 503-4954

Preparación para Confesión/ Comunión de Niños Bautizados de 7 años o más y en Segundo Grado en septiembre 2025.

Confirmación para chicos de 15 años o más en Grado 10 en septiembre 2025.

¿Preguntas? Comuníquese con lleana 910 689 5603 o con Linda 757 871 4949



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#### STEWARDSHIP UPDATE



SAINT BEDE WILL BE HOSTING A FOOD DRIVE AUGUST 16/17 FOR THE BENEFIT OF FISH.

The Knights of Columbus will be passing out bags on August 9/10 at all Masses and will collect the food in the parking lot on August 16/17 at all Masses.

Since 1975, FISH has provided food, clothing, and small housewares to persons in need who live in Williamsburg, James City County and York County. FISH is a volunteer-operated, non-profit organization that was started by and is still supported by a number of Saint Bede parishioners.

#### STEWARDSHIP VERSE OF THE WEEK

"And I tell you, ask and you will receive;

seek and you will find;

knock and the door will be opened to you.

For everyone who asks, receives;

and the one who seeks, finds;

and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

What father among you would hand his son a snake

when he asks for a fish?

Or hand him a scorpion when he asks for an egg?

If you then, who are wicked,

know how to give good gifts to your children,

how much more will the Father in heaven

give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?"

Luke 11: 9-13

## STEWARDSHIP RESOURCES AND REMINDERS:

## SACRED ART UPDATE- THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS MOSAIC PROJECT

We are pleased to confirm that Ramiro, the designer of the Saints of the Americas in Worship Around the Altar mosaic project will be in town August 13 and 14 to talk about the project. Stay tuned for the specific times for his presentations.





#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**JULY 29** 

Here for the Holidays Interested Parties Meeting at 4:30pm

**AUGUST 13/14** 

Sacred Art Presentations

**AUGUST 16/17** 

FISH food drive

#### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

BRING OUR MOST SACRED TREASURE—THE BODY AND

**BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST—TO FELLOW** PARISHIONERS AT MASSES.



Additional Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are needed. One must have a love for Christ in the Eucharist and be a fully initiated Catholic in good standing with the Church.

Training will be Tuesday, July 29 at 6:00pm in the church.

Contact our Eucharistic Ministry coordinator, Emma McMillan, emcmillan757@gmail.com if interested.





Saint Bede Council No 6828 of the Knights of Columbus is hosting pancake and egg breakfasts in Kaplan Parish Hall every other Sunday beginning June 29th and ending September 7th after the 8:30am and 11am Masses. Next breakfast will be August 3.

Come share a meal and fellowship. All are welcome. Freewill donations accepted.

#### **NEW Landscape maintenance**

#### **VOLUNTEERS WANTED!!**

Bring your wisdom and expertise, 1-2 days per week, working in the flower beds and planters at the Columbarium, Church, Piazza, and Rectory.

Be a volunteer gardener for the Church. Planting, weeding, and watering as needed.



Bob Locke (Facilities Supervisor) 757-229-3631 ext.# 2301











Adopt-A Highway Adoration **Adult Acolytes Altar Servers Ancient Order of Hibernians Art and Environment Ministry Bereavement Ministry** Cenacle of Divine Mercy Children's Faith Formation **Ecumenical/Interreligious Affairs Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion Faith and Racial Awareness** Filipino-American Ministry Friends for Life **Funeral Ministry Funeral Hospitality** Grounds Landscape Maintenance Growing for Giving Garden Ministry **Haiti Ministry Hispanic Ministry Holy Mamas Homeschool Ministry JOY Ministry Knights of Columbus Knitting Ministry Lectors Ministry Legion of Mary** Legion of Mary - Hispanic **Mens Fellowship Ministry Monthly Maintenance Ministry Nurse Ministry Parish Life Ministry** Pope Benedict XVI Library Ministry **Prayer Shawl Ministry Prison Ministry Sacred Linens Ministry** Sacristans **Sound Ministry Special Needs Usher Ministry Vacation Bible School Votive Candle Ministry** Welcome Ministry WHOM - House of Mercy Women's Circle of Faith **Young Adult Ministry** Young at Heart **Youth Ministry** 

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#### JUBILEE 2025 YEAR OF HOPE

Another reality having to do with eternal life is God's judgement, both at the end of our individual lives and at the end of history. Artists have often attempted to portray it – here we can think of Michelangelo's magnum opus in the Sistine Chapel – in accordance with the theological vision of their times and with the aim of inspiring a sense of awe in the viewer. We should indeed prepare ourselves consciously and soberly for the moment when our lives will be judged, but we must always do this from the standpoint of hope, the theological virtue that sustains our lives and shields them from groundless fear. The judgement of God, who is love (cf. 1 Jn 4:8.16), will surely be based on love, and in particular on all that we have done or failed to do with regard to those in need, in whose midst Christ, the Judge himself, is present (cf. Mt 25:31-46). Clearly, then, we are speaking of a judgement unlike any handed down by human, earthly tribunals; it should be understood as a rapport of truth with the God who is love and with oneself, within the unfathomable mystery of divine

Sacred Scripture states: "You have taught your people that the righteous must be kind, and you have filled your children with good hope, because you give repentance for sins, so

that... when we are judged, we may expect mercy" (Wis 12:19.22). In the words of Benedict XVI: "At the moment of judgement we experience and we absorb the overwhelming power of his love over all the evil in the world and in ourselves. The pain of love becomes our salvation and our joy".

Pope Francis, Spes non confundit, #22



## HOUSE of MERCY

# Back-to-School Drive Now On through August 15!



#### Supplies Needed:

**Backpacks** 

Notebooks

Paper

Folders

Binders

Crayons

Glue

Pens/Pencils

Colored Pencils & Markers

Highligthers

Post-It Notes

Wireless Mouse

Please drop off to the yellow bin in the Commons Closet or to the Williamsburg House of Mercy Warehouse located at 309 Mclaws Circle, Suite G anytime between 10-2 Monday through Friday

#### KAPLAN PARISH HALL

Are you looking to plan an event in Kaplan Parish Hall for a corporate meeting or social event?

Kaplan Parish Hall can function as primary meeting space for a large group with ministry room usage as breakout space.

You do not need to be a parishioner to rent at Saint Bede.

Wedding receptions, socials, memorial receptions and special events can be scheduled in Kaplan Parish Hall.

If you have need of a more intimate space, the Zahn Lobby can be rented for a private dinner, cocktail reception, small wedding or memorial reception.

Seating capacity is appox. 40, pending room arrangements. An event space is determined based on the anticipated guest count for the event.

Call or email Jennifer Murtha Ext. 2305 or jmurtha@bedeva.org

Our Holy Father has entrusted the Jubilee year to be celebrated with deep faith, lively hope, and active charity. If you're interested in doing acts of mercy, please participate in the monthly Jubilee Parishioner Day at:



## HOUSE of MERCY

Saint Bede's
Social Outreach Mission

Join us to make Back-to-School Backpacks and distribute them to families in need!



Monday August 18

Make backpacks at WHOM Warehouse 309 McLaws Circle

Wed August 20 & Thurs August 21
Distribute backpacks at 10 Harrison
Avenue from 9:30-12:30

Advanced Sign Up is required by scanning the QR below:



## THIS YEAR WE CELEBRATE THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR BUZARD OPUS 31 PIPE ORGAN.

At the time of its dedication in 2005, four additional sets of pipes were planned for eventual installation in the console, windchests, and switching system in order to complete the tonal palette of our organ.

We are excited to announce that thanks to the ongoing financial generosity to our parish restricted music account, we have signed the contract for the first of these stops- the Great Trompete 8'. We look forward to hearing this new stop in 2026!