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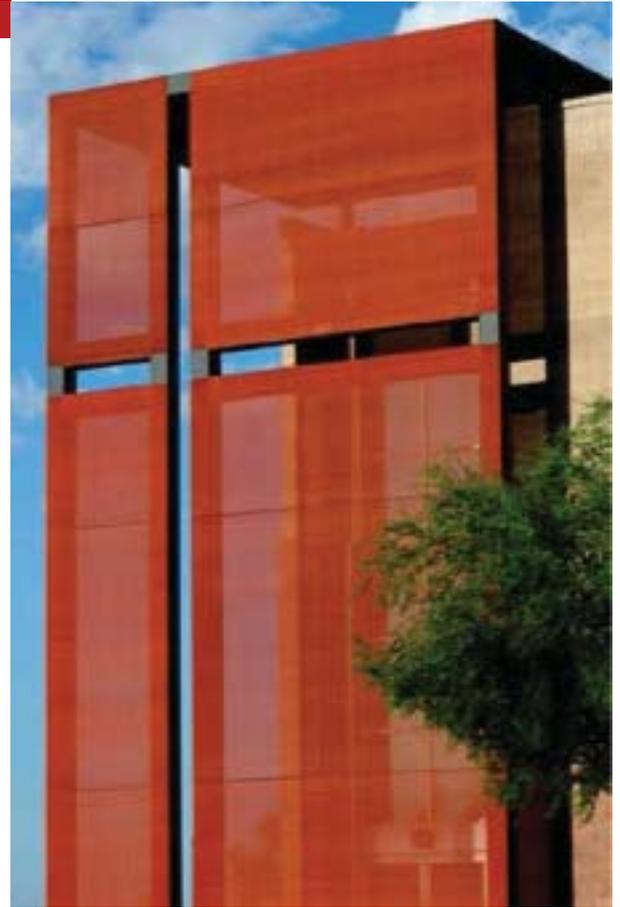
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May 31, 2020

Pentecost Sunday

“ There appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. ”

~ Acts 2:3



Parish Mission Statement

We are a vibrant and welcoming Catholic faith community that recognizes God's presence in all through our love and service.

Parish Vision Statement

Build the Kingdom of God, individually and communally, by fostering discipleship and thanksgiving through:

- the celebration of Eucharist and other sacraments,
- prayer and lifelong Catholic formation,
- service with and for one another and the greater community.

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9 am - 3 pm

Friday 9 am - 3 pm

Closed Daily 12 pm - 1 pm

Mass Schedule

Weekends: Saturday 5 pm

Sunday 9 & 11 am, 5 pm

Weekdays: M - F 8:15 am

Reconciliation

Sat 3:30-4:30 pm, in Church

Upcoming Events

For a complete calendar of events, please visit stbenedict.org/calendar

Monday, 6/1

8:15 am | Mass

Tuesday, 6/2

8:15 am | Mass
7 pm | JAM Unleashed

Wednesday, 6/3

8:15 am | Mass

Thursday, 6/4

8:15 am | Mass
7 pm | EPIC Unleashed

Friday, 6/5

8:15 am | Mass
9am - 7pm | Adoration

Saturday, 6/6

3:30 pm | Reconciliation
5 pm | Mass

Mass Intentions

Sunday, 5/31/2020

9 am | Mary Hines †

11 am | People of the Parish

5 pm | Wenceslao D'Sa †

M 6/1 | Bill Graham †

Tu 6/2 | Sue Sovia †

W 6/3 | H.R. Denny (living)

Th 6/4 | Alfred Gomez, Sr. †

F 6/5 | H.R. Denny (living)

Sat 6/6 | Benjamin & Nina Monarrez †

Liturgy & Administration

Scripture Readings

For This Week

Monday: 6/1	Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday: 6/2	2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Ps 90:2-4, 10, 14, 16; Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday: 6/3	2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 123:1b-2; Mk 12:18-27 (<i>St. Charles Lwanga & Companions</i>)
Thursday: 6/4	2 Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Mk 12:28-34
Friday: 6/5	2 Tm 3:10-17; Ps 119:157, 160, 161, 165, 166, 168; 1-6; Mk 12:35-37 (<i>St. Boniface</i>)
Saturday: 6/6	2 Tm 4:1-8; Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17, 22; Mk 12:38-44
Sunday: 6/7	Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3:52-55; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18

Presider Schedule*

the Week of June 1 - 7

Monday	8:15 am - Fr. James
Tuesday	8:15 am - Fr. Wilfred
Wednesday	8:15 am - Fr. James
Thursday	8:15 am - Fr. Wilfred
Friday	8:15 am - Fr. James
Saturday	5 pm - Fr. James
Sunday	9 am - Fr. Wilfred 11 am - Fr. Wilfred 5 pm - Fr. James

**Please note: this schedule is subject to change without notice.*

Parish Contributions

Regular Contributions - Week of May 18-24, 2020

*Weekly Plate - Actual: **\$ 6,569** Weekly Plate - Budget: **\$ 9,200**

*Last week of the month includes *Faith Direct* online giving totals.

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As of April 2020

Campaign Pledges:	\$ 3,548,859
Collected Campaign Pledges:	\$ 2,072,509

A Letter from Fr. James

Dear Friends,

Happy Pentecost! With the celebration of Pentecost today, we have now concluded the Eastertide (50 days) which began Easter Sunday . At the end of the 5pm (Sunday) Mass today, we will remove the Paschal Candle from the altar as a symbolic end of the Season. Pentecost reminds us of the rich history of our faith. We often refer to it as the “Birthday of the Catholic Church.” We are told in our first reading today, when the Holy Spirit came and rested on the Apostles, they were all filled with the power of the Holy Spirit and were then able to boldly leave the Temple and preach in the streets without fear of anyone. On Pentecost, the Holy Spirit empowered the Apostles to speak in tongues, a symbolic manifestation of the unity and universality of the church, for which Jesus prayed on the night before his passion. Jesus promised us that the Holy Spirit will remain with the Church, to lead and guide her until the end of time. We pray for the intervention of the Holy Spirit to bring an end to the current viral pandemic.

I thank everyone for your participation in Liturgies and personal prayers, especially during the Eastertide. Special thanks to those who participated in the Novena to the Holy Spirit over the past nine days. May we be strengthened with the gifts of the Holy Spirit on this day and may God continue to bless our parish community with peace, love and unity as we end the Eastertide today.

Thank you and remain blessed,

Fr. James

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Faith Formation & More



Adoration This Friday, June 5

For the month of June, we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on **Friday, June 5** only, between the hours of 9 am and 7 pm. Participation is strictly limited to those who sign up for a specific time slot at <http://signup.com/go/puKbjk>. This allows us to regulate the number of people allowed in the Worship space at any given time.

Given the current recommendations for social distancing, we have put in place some necessary precautionary measures to ensure the health and safety of all during Adoration. We ask that everyone participating in Adoration on Friday, June 5, to please follow these guidelines:

- Please use the hand sanitizer provided at the door of the church upon entering and leaving the church. We also ask that you use it before and after using the restrooms.
- A disinfectant is provided in the church. Please take a moment to disinfect your chair before and after each use.
- Please remember to keep a social distance minimum of six feet from the next person.
- We ask each person participating in Adoration to wear their own face mask and hand gloves please, if they chose to do so.
- Participation is strictly limited to those who sign up for a specific time slot (see above for signup link). This allows us to regulate the number of people allowed in the Worship space at any given time.
- The first and last 30 minutes of Adoration will be live-streamed and available to view on the parish Facebook and Youtube pages. Evening prayer and Benediction will take place during the last 30 minutes. We suggest you sit behind the camera if you are not comfortable appearing in the video during this time.

Please remember to include the intentions for the end to the Coronavirus and our parish community in your prayers. Thank you for your cooperation and for your continued prayers.

Attention Parents

Our Faith Formation Team is working hard to ensure a smooth and safe return for your children to all of our religious education programs in the Fall.

Parents, please take a few minutes to answer an online survey that will help us understand how comfortable you are with your child returning to faith formation activities and events in September. Our staff is grateful for your time and valuable input! Be sure to check your email for a link to the survey, or visit our website under the Faith Formation page.

Song of the Week

By David Rees

"Live Alive" by Rend Collective

Favorite Verse: "I wanna alive and you make me alive."

This is the perfect song to celebrate Pentecost! It speaks of the fullness of new life that Jesus Christ offers us. The Apostles experienced this new life when they received the Holy Spirit at Pentecost and we can receive this new life as well.

Do yourself a favor and play this song while dancing around in celebration of the new life that Jesus Christ offers you!

Faith Formation and More

Verse to Remember - May 31

"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." - 1 Corinthians 12:7

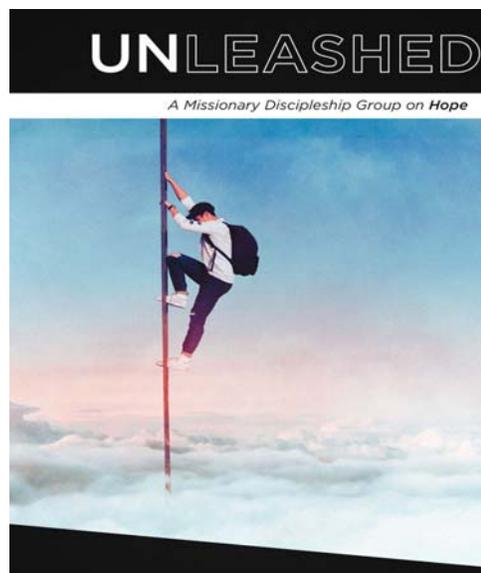
Thanks to our Baptism, we as Catholics hold the very presence of the Holy Spirit within us. Think about that for a second, the same Holy Spirit that gave power and wisdom to the first Apostles rests in you and me today. It is our duty as Catholics to share the gifts and talents the Holy Spirit has given us with those around us. These talents may include the ability to teach, heal, comfort, or inspire. As we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit this weekend, let us all take some time to discern the talents the Holy Spirit has given to us and how we can share those gifts with others.

"C.L.O.W." - At Home

Pentecost is sometimes called the birthday of the Church. The Gospel for Pentecost reminds us that the Church begins with the command to forgive and offer peace (*John 20: 19-23*). Within our own family we learn how to forgive and how to accept forgiveness. Children understand that things break, and they know that some broken things can be repaired or put back together. In a similar way, it is easy for them to imagine why Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit so that we might be reconciled—put back together—through the forgiveness of sins. What are some places in your life where more peace is needed? Is there a friendship or relationship with someone in your family that needs to be repaired? Just as Jesus sent his disciples to forgive the sins of others, so too are we sent to bring reconciliation to the world.

(Adapted from Loyola Press, Sunday Connection)

For more on the Mass Readings for today, visit Magnifikid online free! <https://us.magnificat.net/home/magnifikid>



"Unleashed" Summer Series

"Hopelessness" is a very real thing. When our hearts lose hope, we can feel overwhelmed, trapped, or that there will be no "happy ending" to the story of our lives. However, we are called to remember that God wants to take a heart that is discouraged, broken, and hurting and fill it with new hope in Him.

In June, the Youth Ministry programs of St. Benedict and Corpus Christi will join together to host weekly ZOOM meetings on the virtue of hope. Come join JAM and EPIC as we discuss what hope is, how hope can be misplaced, how to bring hope to others, and finally, where hope leads us.

Our ZOOM gatherings for JAM (middle school students, incoming 6th grade - incoming 8th grade) will take place **every Tuesday night in June**, beginning **June 2**, from 7 pm to 8 pm.

Our ZOOM gatherings for EPIC (high school students, incoming 9th grade - outgoing 12th grade) will take place **every Thursday night in June**, beginning **June 4**, from 7 pm to 8 pm.

For more information on our gatherings and to RSVP, contact, David Rees, drees@stbenedict.org

Current Events & More

Catechists Needed

Do you feel called to work with children or teens? Are you interested in making a difference in a child's faith life?

We hope to resume all parish religious education programs this Fall and are inviting new adults to share in the joy of being a Catechist or Aide. Lesson materials are provided. Different levels of time commitment are available, and no experience is required - just an open heart and a love for Jesus!

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Heather Mooney at **480.961.1610 ext. 303** or email hmooney@stbenedict.org

Knights of Columbus

Here is some information about the parish blood drive we had:

- Goal: 33 successful donations.
- Number of Successful Donations: 47.

Therefore, we were able to reach 121% of our goal, and save up to 141 lives! Thank you to everyone who participated and to our fellow Knights for coordinating this effort.

Our members make all the Knights' charities possible—now and in the future. Membership in the K of C makes men better Catholics, better husbands, better fathers and citizens. To sign up to be a Knight, go to www.kofc.org/joinus

Vivat Jesus!

Doug Gasser

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St. Vincent de Paul

Thanks to you, St. Benedict parishioners, we have continued serving clients during this difficult time. Here are a few needed items for the week:

- BBQ Sauce
- Mayo
- Ramen Noodles
- Juice (64 oz & boxes)

The SVDP donation bin is just outside of the church lobby doors during weekday business hours (M-F, 9am-3pm) and during the weekends before and after Masses.

Welcome Back

Your St. Benedict parish continues to celebrate all of the regular Masses with limited seating capacity and physical distancing protocols.

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday at 8:15 am

Weekend Masses: Saturday at 5 pm,

Sunday at 9 am, 11 am, 5 pm

We live-stream the weekday 8:15 am, Saturday 5 pm, and the Sunday 9 am Masses on YouTube/Facebook. (Note: the Sunday 11 am and 5 pm Masses are **NOT** livestreamed.) Communion after Masses, for those individuals watching the live-streaming, is offered **ONLY** after the Saturday, 5 pm Mass, and the Sunday, 9 am Mass.

Seating is limited and social distancing is observed. Face coverings, use of hand sanitizer as you enter and leave the church, and reception of Communion in the hand are highly encouraged.



More

Family Promise Program Update

This summer we will NOT be hosting families at St. John Bosco School because of Covid-19; however, we have been asked to provide meals and grocery items for the week of **Sunday, June 21** through **Sunday, June 28**.

Food donations/dinner volunteers will meet in the SJB parking lot at 5:30 each evening, and the Host Coordinator will transport all food/grocery items to the Day Center where the families will be staying. Tracy Ryan, the Coordinator for our parish, will be emailing a volunteer request soon.

Please consider helping these families during the pandemic. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Tracy Ryan at tracyryan18@cox.net

Pastoral Care

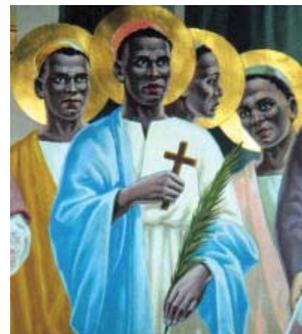
Please remember in your prayers **Linda Alvarez** and **Dennis Biggs** who died recently. We pray that their families and friends will feel God's healing embrace through the prayers and support of our faith community.

Pentecost Sunday

"There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit."

Today we celebrate when the Holy Spirit came to us! Is the Lord inviting you to share your gifts as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If so, to find out how to make this a reality, please contact the Vocation Office at **602.354.2005** or dphx.org/vocations.

St. Charles Lwanga and Companions (martyred 1886-87) Feast Day, June 3



"Master of Pages," reputedly the most handsome man in all Uganda, Charles Lwanga, lay catechist, courageously led about forty teenaged boys, Catholics and Anglicans, on a forty-mile forced march to martyrdom for their common Christian faith. Teaching each other the hymns of their different churches, they strengthened one another for the ordeal ahead. King Mwanga, himself barely twenty, had ordered them executed for being "those who pray." But these royal pages were the king's male harem, who, now Christians, refused what pious accounts demurely describe as his "unreasonable demands." Some were clubbed to death, most burned alive; the youngest, thirteen-year old Saint Kizito, whom Charles had often shielded from the King's lust; the most tragic, Saint Mbagwa, whose father was his executioner! In 1964, Paul VI canonized the young Catholics and praised their Anglican companions, recalling the heroism of early Christianity's African martyrs, which we modern Christians of far less faith never expected to see repeated. Forty years after the pope's words, what does our faith cost us? Heroism aside, how generous is our response?

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*"Lord, send out your Spirit,
and renew the face of the earth!"*

~ Psalm 104



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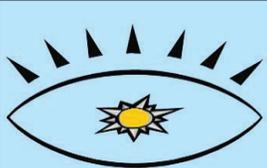
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