



May 26, 2024

## The Most Holy Trinity

“ **Blessed the people  
the Lord has chosen to be his own.** ”

~ Ps 33

“where all are welcome”

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### Parish Mission Statement

We are a vibrant and welcoming Catholic Church 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 - 5 pm  
Fridays 9 am - 3 pm  
Closed Daily 12 pm - 1 pm

### Mass Schedule

Saturday 5 pm, Sunday 7, 9, 11 am, 5 pm  
Weekdays Mon-Thurs, Chapel: 8:15 am  
Weekdays on Fri 8:15 am, Church

### Reconciliation

Fri 5-6 pm, Sat 8-9 am

### Upcoming Events

For a complete calendar of events, please visit [stbenedict.org/calendar](http://stbenedict.org/calendar)

**Monday, 5/27**

Memorial Day/  
Office Closed  
8:15am | Mass

**Tuesday, 5/28**

8:15 am | Mass

**Wednesday, 5/29**

8:15 am | Mass

**Thursday, 5/30**

8:15 am | Mass  
4:30 pm | Legion Mary  
6 pm | Adult Choir

**Friday, 5/31**

8:15 am | Mass  
5 pm | Confession

**Saturday, 6/1**

8 am | Confession  
5 pm | Mass

### Mass Intentions

**Sunday, 5/26/2024**

7 am | Manuel Aguilar †  
9 am | Margaret  
Mastergeorge †  
11 am | Biggs Family  
5 pm | Jeanne Rogers †

Th 5/30 | Bunny & John  
Perrero †

F 5/31 | Dennis Joseph Biggs †

Sat 6/1 | Judy Prust †

**Sunday, 6/2/2024**

7 am | Parishioners  
9 am | Darel Williams †  
11 am | Ed Barrett †  
5 pm | Brian Oldham †

M 5/27 | Patricia Rossi †

Tu 5/28 | Hortensia I.  
Dearvizu †

W 5/29 | Wayne Mannheimer †

## Liturgy & Administration

### Scripture Readings

|                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| <b>Monday:</b><br>5/27    | 1 Pt 1:3-9; Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9, 10c; Mk 10:17-27   |
| <b>Tuesday:</b><br>5/28   | 1 Pt 1:10-16; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Mk 10:28-31   |
| <b>Wednesday:</b><br>5/29 | 1 Pt 1:18-25; Ps 147 :12-15, 19-20; Mk 10:32-45  |
| <b>Thursday:</b><br>5/30  | 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12; Ps 100:2, 3, 4, 5; Mk 10:46-52   |
| <b>Friday:</b><br>5/31    | Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Lk 1:39-56<br><i>(The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary)</i>                           |
| <b>Saturday:</b><br>6/1   | Jude 17, 20b-25; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6; Mk 11:27-33<br><i>(St. Justin)</i>   |
| <b>Sunday:</b><br>6/2     | Ex 24:3-8; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 (13); Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26<br><i>(The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ)</i> |

### Parish Contributions

*A special thank you to those who are faithfully contributing*

Regular Contributions for

**April 2024**

**Actual: \$ 71,074\***

**Budget: \$ 78,352**

\* Realm

Online: \$ 43,865

Cash/Check: \$ 27,208

*(Contributions are recorded on a monthly basis per fiscal year*

*July 1, '23 to June 30, '24)*

### Construction Project

March 2024

|                                       |                      |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Current Estimated Construction Costs: | \$9,281,993**        |
| Donations/Fundraising:                | (\$4,717,907)        |
| Line of Credit/Debt:                  | <u>(\$4,500,000)</u> |
| Additional Funds to Raise:            | \$64,086             |

\*\* Includes building permits not previously included, change orders and fluctuating costs of FF&E.



### Live the Liturgy Inspiration for the Week

We are children of God, and as His children God shares with us a magnificent inheritance: suffering that becomes glory, fear that becomes strength, death that becomes life. With this mighty gift in our hearts, let us go confidently into the world.

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### Parish Staff

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Contact the Parish Office at 480.961.1610

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## A Reflection by Fr. Manasseh

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### “GO THEREFORE AND MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS.”

Central to the teaching of the Catholic Church is the doctrine of the Most Holy Trinity which in simple terms holds that in the One undivided God are three persons: God the Father, the Creator of the all that exists; God the Son, the eternal Word of the Father who is begotten not made by the Father and who was sent by the Father to redeem creation after the fall of man; and God the Holy Spirit, the finger of God who proceeds from the Father and the Son and who animates all that the Father and the Son wishes to empower and renews the face of the earth. The Church teaches that though the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit are three distinct persons, they are essentially One God as Holy revealed in Holy Scripture. Thus, God the Father is neither God the Son, nor is He God the Spirit, yet God the Father is what God the Son is and what God the Holy Spirit is. Together, and as an undivided unit, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit create, redeem, Sanctify and, in fact, hold all things in being. On the weekend immediately following Pentecost Sunday, the Holy Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity.

Although there is no explicit mention of the term “Trinity” in the Holy Scriptures, one can find in abundance logical allusions to the reality that the nomenclature represents. In the very first two verses of the first Book in the Bible, the Father and the Holy Spirit are understood to be collaborating in the creation of the universe (Gen 1:1-2). When God was about to make man, The Creator deliberated with other entities “*let us make man in our own image and likeness....*” (Gen 1:26). Now, God was obviously not dialoguing with Angels, for if this were the case, the Angels would become co-creators with God. It is obvious that God’s intention was communicated to beings like Him, beings with divine substance and Holiness which the Father intended to communicate in some measure to man. After man was made, the Father breathed His Spirit into him to activate life in His most important creation (Gen 2:7).

In the New Testament, the incarnation was conceived and effected by the collaboration of the Trinity. The Father sent the Son who took flesh in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary by the power of God the Holy Spirit. At the baptism of the Lord, the synoptics recount that after the incarnated God the Son was baptized by John the Baptist and as He stepped out of the River Jordan, the Heavens opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon Him in the Form of a dove and the voice of the Father was heard from the Heavens proclaiming, “*this is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased.*” As the Redeemer prepared to embrace His passion and death, He promised the Holy Spirit who will be sent by the Father to His Disciples in answer to His request (John 14:15), and after His resurrection, He mandated His Disciples to “*make Disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit*” (Matt 28:19-20).

The Holy Trinity features prominently in all we do in the Church today. In fact, every Christian activity should be initiated, sustained and completed in the name and authority of the Triune God. That is why every Catholic prayer should begin with a solemn invocation of the Trinity. That is why all the Sacraments are administered in the name of the Triune God. In the celebration of the Holy Eucharist for instance, the Church calls on God the Father to send God the Holy Spirit in order to transform the bread and wine into the body and Blood of His Son for the spiritual nourishment of the faithful.

As we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we ask the Father to grant us the Grace to love in order to be Holy as He is Holy, we beseech the Son to teach us to be united in mind and in spirit so that we can collaborate with each other to truly be witness to the Gospel, and we invoke the Holy Spirit to bestow on each of us the willingness to submit to the will of the Father.

Please be kind and may God bless you.

Fr. Manasseh

## Current Events and More

### Another Reassignment

Sr. Ruth will be leaving for the Phillipines on June 1 as a result of the new immigration policies affecting priests and nuns holding R1 Visas. We are sad to see her go but are hopeful she can join us once again in the future. Please come and wish her the best on **Sunday, May 26** after the 11 am Mass when we will have a farewell reception in her honor.



### The Porters of St. Joseph

The Porters of St. Joseph will begin their ministry here at St. Benedict Church on **Sunday, May 26, 2024** at the 9 am Mass.

The work of the Porters is to assist with the safety of the congregation. They will be visible by the lanyards and badges they wear and will be stationed in different places in the church during the Mass.

If you have questions or would like to help in this ministry, please contact Greg Bedell at [security@stbenedict.org](mailto:security@stbenedict.org).

### Women’s Spirituality

The Women’s Spirituality group will be taking a summer break for the months of June, July, August and September. Meetings will resume on **Saturday, October 5, 2024**. Have a blessed summer!

### Summertime Office Hours

The parish office hours change during the summer to accommodate the warmer temperatures, the smaller number of parishioners remaining in the area during the heat, etc.



The schedule is as follows:

|      |            |                     |
|------|------------|---------------------|
| June | Mon-Thurs  | 9 am to 5 pm        |
|      | <u>Fri</u> | <u>9 am to Noon</u> |
| July | Mon-Thurs  | 9 am to 5 pm        |
|      | <u>Fri</u> | <u>Closed</u>       |
| Aug  | Mon-Thurs  | 9 am to 5 pm        |
|      | Fri        | 9 am to Noon        |

### Congratulations Connor

**Sunday, May 26** is the day our Seminarian, Connor Companik, is being ordained a Deacon at Ss. Simon and Jude Cathedral! He will be serving and preaching at the St. Benedict Sunday 5 pm Mass and, afterwards we are having a Meet & Greet for him over at the St. John Bosco School Multipurpose Room. Come over to spend some time congratulating Connor on his achievement.



### Father’s Day Choir

Calling all dads to be part of our Dad’s Choir for the 9 am Mass on Father’s Day. Rehearsals will be in the church on Saturday mornings 8 to 9:30 am on **June 1, 8 and 15**. Come on guys, show your kids how it’s done. Other instruments welcome. For more details, contact Phil Arkfeld [parkfeld@stbenedict.org](mailto:parkfeld@stbenedict.org), or **480.961.1610 ext 311**.

### Save the Date for Bingo Night

The next Bingo Night will be **Friday, July 12** from 6 - 8 pm at the St. John Bosco Multipurpose Room. There will be lots of BINGO, fellowship, pizza, baked goods and over 100 prizes! Fun for all ages!

We are always looking for prizes, so if you have gift cards or new items you are not using, or maybe you received a gift that’s not your style, donate them for BINGO prizes! Please email [events@stbenedict.org](mailto:events@stbenedict.org) with questions or prize donations.

### Catholic Night at Chase Field

Reserve your tickets for the second annual “Catholic Night” at Chase Field on **Friday, September 27** at 6:40 pm as the Arizona Diamondbacks take on the San Diego Padres. Purchase your tickets and receive a co-branded D-backs/Catholic Night cap. Get your tickets at <https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/Catholicdiocese2024>

## Faith Formation and More

### Support VBS this Coming June 10-14

Vacation Bible School for this year is full, yet we find ourselves in need of items to help it happen!

Please consider donating a gift card to support the snacks from:

- Costco
- Sam's Club
- Trader Joe's



Donations are also welcome from our Amazon Wishlist to support the activities and craft projects!

Scan the QR code ----->

Thank you for your help!



### Water Drive

The temperatures are creeping up again, so we are collecting bottles of water for the homeless and the St. Vincent de Paul dining halls. Please bring your much appreciated donations of water to the parish lobby before Mass or anytime during office hours. Thank you!



### New Parishioners

- DeJeanne Bandy
- Brianne Casmer
- Scott & Neftaly Clark
- John W. Dolan
- Jason Duey
- Lucio Herrera
- Mark & Laurie McAlister
- Mia Zepeda

Welcome!

Welcome!

Welcome!



### 2024 Teen Summer Bible Sharing & Social

Attention: High School Students! Join us as we get together on Sundays for a combination of Scripture reflection and informal fun! Don't miss out on this great



opportunity to get to know more about The Word of God and meet our fellow Catholic teens before the school year. Incoming Freshman are welcome to join! Save the dates of **June 9, 16, 23, 30, July 7, 14, 21 & 28** from 3 pm to 4:30 pm in the Annex 1 Conference Room. Come to one or come to all! Bring a Bible and a friend. Facilitated by Dewayne Byrnes and Nolan Pollio. For more information email [srdelia@stbenedict.org](mailto:srdelia@stbenedict.org).

### Memorial Day Holiday

**Monday, May 27**, is the Memorial Day holiday and the parish office will be closed. Morning Mass will still be celebrated at 8:15 am. If you have an emergency requiring one of our priests, please call the emergency line at **480.961.1610 ext. 317**.

### Summertime Resources for Parents

Please see, listed below, a few Catholic internet resources to explore this summer:

- [catholicmoms.com](http://catholicmoms.com)
- [strongcatholicdad.com](http://strongcatholicdad.com)
- [catholicicing.com](http://catholicicing.com) (fun kid's crafts, tons of things to do)
- [catholic-kids.com](http://catholic-kids.com) (prayers, how to say the Rosary, Bible quiz)

### Save the Date for Family Promise

Family Promise is returning to St. Benedict **June 23-30!** Join us as we welcome families and provide a safe shelter and delicious dinners. This is a perfect opportunity for families to volunteer in a grassroots ministry, helping those who are less fortunate. Service hours can be earned by volunteering. Questions? Contact [Tracyryan18@cox.net](mailto:Tracyryan18@cox.net).

## Ministries & More

### Knights of Columbus

Memorial Day (originally known as Decoration Day) is a day set aside for honoring and mourning the U.S. military personnel who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces. Since 1971, it is observed on the last Monday of May. Many people visit cemeteries and memorials on Memorial Day to honor and mourn those who died while serving in the U.S. military. Many volunteers place American flags on the graves of military personnel in national cemeteries. Memorial Day is also considered the unofficial beginning of summer. Please keep in your prayers all our fallen service men that made the ultimate sacrifice for our country.

#### Announcements

- Congratulations to the new elected officers of San Xavier del Bac Assembly 14. They will take over their new positions on July 1, 2024.
- Congratulations Connor Companik on his ordination as a Deacon.
- The Knight's State Raffle collected \$348,539.60, the second highest in history. Thank you for your support.

#### Events

- Priest Appreciation Dinner, May 24, SS Simon & Jude.
- Pray the Rosary, May 29 at 7 pm in the Chapel.

Join online to become a Knight of Columbus at [www.kofc.org/joinus](http://www.kofc.org/joinus) and enter "Council 12246" and code "GKWAP".

Vivat Jesus,

Isauro Amaro, Grand Knight

Fr. Bob Binta Council # 12246

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Knights of Columbus... Isauro, 480.748.1449

### St. Vincent de Paul



School is out for summer! Help us stock up on "kid friendly" food items this week. Thank you!

- Cookies/Crackers
- Snacks
- Applesauce
- Canned Fruit
- Flour (small bags)
- Baking Mixes
- Condiments

In April, we assisted 66 households with \$5,800 in financial help, and 93 bags of groceries. We are grateful for your support through Realm and the 5th Sunday collection donations.

If you are in need St. Vincent de Paul assistance or information, call the parish office at **480.961.1610 ext. 315**.

### Position Openings at St. John Bosco

St. John Bosco Catholic School is hiring talented people to fill two positions:

- Instructional Assistant
- Preschool Instructional Assistant

If you are interested or know of any individuals who would like to join our team, go to <https://catholicschoolsphx.tedk12.com/hire/index.aspx> for more details and/or to apply. For more information, contact Principal Jamie Bescak at [jbescak@sjbosco.org](mailto:jbescak@sjbosco.org)

Lectors... Michele, [micheleedison@aol.com](mailto:micheleedison@aol.com)

Legion of Mary... Ann Marie, 480.688.2096

Music/Choir... Phil A., 480.961.1610 ext. 311

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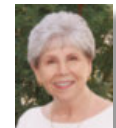
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## A Note From The SJB Principal



Dear Parishioners,

Although the campus is unusually quiet at the moment, there was plenty of excitement just prior to school being dismissed for the summer. There were extended goodbyes, yearbook signings, class parties, and sharing plans for summer vacation. And we were all treated to the charming preschool graduation ceremony. Pre-K children were recognized for having mastered the SJB preschool standards and promoted to kindergarten. Next year they will be part of the "big kids!"



Teachers decluttered their classrooms during the week following dismissal to ready them for the annual deep cleaning and heavy maintenance that takes place every summer. Then students and teachers alike will be greeted with updated equipment and materials as well as refreshed classrooms in August. Meanwhile, teachers are busy at home gathering materials and attending inservices during the summer to keep their lessons up to diocesan standards. Education is a year-around profession!

We are continuing to enroll new students at a record pace. Please help us spread the word!

Joyful Blessings,  
Jamie Bescak, M.Ed.  
Principal  
480.219.4848