

October 13, 2024

## Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“ *Fill us with your love, O Lord,  
and we will sing for joy!* ”

~ Ps 90

“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, 10/14

8:15 am | Mass  
6:30 pm | Bible Study

#### Tuesday, 10/15

8:15 am | Mass  
6:15 pm | JAM  
6:15 pm | JOF

#### Wednesday, 10/16

8:15 am | Mass  
6 pm | Children's Choir

#### Thursday, 10/17

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

#### Friday, 10/18

8:15 am | Mass  
5 pm | Confession

#### Saturday, 10/19

8 am | Confession  
11 am | Anointing Mass  
5 pm | Mass

### Mass Intentions

#### Sunday, 10/13/2024

7 am | Parishioners  
9 am | Hisayoshi Ushijima †  
11 am | Suzy McGrane †  
5 pm | Frank G. Galvan †

F 10/18 | Arthur Wade †  
Sat 10/19 | Bernard  
Van Vianen †

M 10/14 | Carol Wenzel †

Tu 10/15 | Alexander Mastores †  
W 10/16 | Mike Walther †  
Th 10/17 | Jim Oosterkamp †

#### Sunday, 10/20/2024

7 am | Parishioners  
9 am | Alexander Mastores †  
11 am | Lourdes Sanchez †  
5 pm | Becky Altuna †

## Liturgy & Administration

### Scripture Readings

**Monday:** Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31–5:1/  
10/14 Ps 113:1b-4, 5a-7/Lk 11:29-32

**Tuesday:** Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44,  
10/15 45, 47, 48/Lk 11:37-41  
*(St. Teresa of Jesus)*

**Wednesday:** Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 6/  
10/16 Lk 11:42-46

**Thursday:** Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab,  
10/17 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 11:47-54  
*(St. Ignatius of Antioch)*

**Friday:** 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-11,  
10/18 12-13, 17-18/Lk 10:1-9  
*(St. Luke)*

**Saturday:** Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5,  
10/19 6-7/Lk 12:8-12

**Sunday:** Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-20,  
10/20 22/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45

### Parish Contributions

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

Regular Contributions for  
**August 2024**

**Actual: \$ 68,386\***

**Budget: \$ 87,500**

\* Realm

Online: \$ 40,662

Cash/Check: \$ 26,482

(Contributions are recorded on a monthly basis per fiscal year July 1, '24 to June 30, '25)

### Construction Project

June 2024

Current Estimated Construction Costs: \$9,280,886\*\*

Donations/ Fundraising: (\$4,717,907)

Line of Credit/ Debt: (\$4,500,000)

Additional Funds to Raise: \$63,979

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



### Live the Liturgy: Inspiration for the Week

"Who can be saved?" the apostles wonder. Who can be good enough? Smart enough? Holy enough? Jesus reminds them that no one can be - not without asking for help. We all need help to be holy. Never tire of asking for the help you need.

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### Parish Staff

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Contact the Parish Office at 480.961.1610

## Scripture Reflection

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### The Treasure of Wisdom

This Sunday's readings invite us to reflect on what we truly value in life. The pursuit of wisdom, the power of God's Word, and the challenge of letting go of material possessions for the sake of the kingdom are at the heart of the message.

In the first reading, we hear of the beauty of wisdom: *"I pleaded, and the spirit of wisdom came to me. I preferred her to scepter and throne"* (Wis 7:7-8). Wisdom is more valuable than riches, power, or even physical beauty because it leads to true understanding and fulfillment. It reminds us that the treasures of this world pale in comparison to the gift of divine wisdom.

The responsorial psalm echoes this, asking God to *"fill us with your love"* and make our lives fruitful. The psalmist prays for the wisdom to live our days rightly, knowing that only God's love can bring lasting joy and purpose.

The second reading from Hebrews speaks of the Word of God as *"living and effective,"* penetrating deeply into our hearts and minds. It is a reminder that God sees us completely and calls us to live in alignment with His truth. The Word of God is not passive but active, challenging us to examine our priorities and make decisions that reflect our faith.

In the Gospel, Jesus challenges a rich man to sell all he has and follow Him. The man's sadness at this request shows the grip material wealth can have on our hearts. Jesus then explains how difficult it is for the wealthy to enter the kingdom of God, not because wealth is inherently evil, but because attachment to it can prevent us from fully embracing God's call. Yet, Jesus assures us that *"all things are possible for God"* (Mk 10:27).

This week, let us reflect on what holds our hearts. Are we seeking wisdom and living according to God's Word, or are we clinging to material possessions and comforts? True wealth lies in following Christ and embracing the treasures of His kingdom. Amen.

Fr. Acheme Augustine, VC

## Current Events and More

### Employment Opportunity

St. Benedict Church has an opening for a full-time Parish Manager. Under the supervision of the Pastor, this individual will oversee all temporal aspects of the parish, plant facilities, office management, parish administration, and human resources. The Parish Manager will be a member of a collaborative team that is charged with seeing that the parish operation is driven towards the overall vision and mission of the parish.

For details and to apply, go to the parish website and click on the appropriate banner, or go here: [https://dphx.org/job\\_post/parish-hr-manager/](https://dphx.org/job_post/parish-hr-manager/).

### Lights Above Confessional Doors

New lights have been installed above the confessional doors. They illuminate "RED" when the confessional is occupied or not in service. This is a manual indicator only and not automatic. Therefore, do not enter at any time when the door is closed during normal confession hours. A RED indication doesn't always mean that a Penitent is in the confessional, but may mean that Father is not yet ready for you to enter, and/or had to leave the confessional. You can, however, enter when the light is turned OFF during confession hours.



**Arizona Rosary Celebration**  
**Sunday, October 27, 2024**  
 2:00 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.  
 Doors open at noon for adoration, confession, exhibits.  
**Phoenix Convention Center**  
 33 S. 3rd St., South Building, Phoenix, AZ 85004  
[www.AzRosary.net](http://www.AzRosary.net)  
 Our Lady, Queen of Peace, Pray for Us. **FREE Admission**  
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### Transportation Available

The Knights have arranged for transportation to the Arizona Rosary Celebration; however, only 15 seats are available. Sign up on the clipboard in the parish lobby.

### Anointing Mass

The next St. Benedict Anointing Mass will be on **Saturday, October 19** at 11 am. We invite those who are in need of healing in their lives - physical, emotional or spiritual. Please RSVP with the parish office at **480.961.1610 ext. 300**.

### Free Concert

On **Tuesday, October 29**, at 7 pm St. Andrew Catholic Church (3450 W. Ray Rd., Chandler) will be hosting a free concert, "An Evening of Inspirational Music" led by



Anjanette Indelicato and her band. The concert will feature songs from popular Christian artists such as Lauren Daigle, Mercy Me, Sarah Hart and more. It is hoped that this night will help cast off anxieties, lift people up in their faith, and provide healing through the power of music.

### Vocations: Deacon Sunday

*"What must I do to inherit eternal life?"*

Pray for those men who serve us as deacons. By answering a call to the diaconate, a man seeks to follow Jesus' path by serving and enriching the lives of others. If you are called to serve as a deacon, speak to your Pastor or contact the Office of the Diaconate, Deacon Trant, at **602.354.2011**.



**ANNULMENT INFORMATION SEMINAR**  
 HOSTED BY: Office of Canonical Services & the Tribunal  
**NOVEMBER 9, 2024**  
**10 A.M. TO NOON**  
 Diocesan Pastoral Center  
 Free parking available.  
 Information will be available in both English and Spanish.  
 For more information: (602)354-2275  
[diocesetribunal.org/en/events](http://diocesetribunal.org/en/events)  
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 OFFICE OF CANONICAL SERVICES & THE TRIBUNAL

## Faith Formation and More

### Happenings in Children and Youth Faith Formation

**Sunday, Oct 13**

*Liturgy of the Word with Children*

CGS

*Teen Sacramental Prep*

EPIC

**Tuesday, Oct 15**

JAM

*Journey of Faith*

**Sunday, Oct 20**

*Liturgy of the Word with Children*

CGS

*Teen Sacramental Prep*

EPIC

### Youth Ministry Kickoff Recap

What an incredible launch for our Youth Ministry! Thank you to everyone who joined us during the month of September. We had a fantastic time connecting, playing games, and sharing our vision for the year ahead. The energy and enthusiasm were contagious! From inspiring messages to fun activities, it was a wonderful opportunity for our youth to bond and grow in their faith. We are excited about the journey ahead and can't wait to see how God will work through each one of you!

~ Erin Fish, St. Benedict Youth Ministry

### What's Up for YM in October?

October is packed with exciting events and activities! This month we will kick off our monthly Family Fun Nights where all families can come together for a combination of faith and fun (date tbd).

Additionally, get ready for the Harvest Fest on **Saturday, October 26** when you can come join the parish and school for a night of games, music, treats and fellowship over on the school grounds - don't forget to bring your friends! We can't wait to see you all this month as we create unforgettable memories and continue to grow as a community.

~ Erin Fish, St. Benedict Youth Ministry

### Save the Date: Harvest Fest

This year St. Benedict and St. John Bosco School are teaming up for the annual Harvest Fest held at the school!

Join us on **Saturday, October 26** from 5 pm to 9 pm at the school (entrance at southeast gate only). Food, music, games and fun!



For more information or to get your tickets, go to <https://sjbosco.org/harvestfest/>. (BTW, adults are free!)

### Children's Monthly Mass

On **Sunday, October 27**, we will have the monthly Children's Mass held at 9 am. This Mass is led by our St. Benedict youth who joyfully serve as Lectors, Hospitality Ministers, Choir Members and Altar Servers.

If your child is interested in serving in one of these ministries during the monthly Children's Mass, please call Phil Arkfeld at **480.961.1610, ext. 311**.



**GET YOUR EARLY BIRD TICKETS NOW!**  
**BBQ and BOOT SCOOT**  
**Saturday, November 16, 2024**  
**6 – 9 p.m. in the SJB MPR and Courtyard**

Early Bird Tickets: \$30 each for adults  
(\$35 each for adults Oct 15<sup>th</sup> – Nov 15<sup>th</sup>)

\$10 for kids (12 and under)

**BBQ Dinner**  
**Dancing**  
**Kids Activity**  
**Silent Auction/Raffle**  
**50/50 Raffle**  
**Card Deck**  
**Alcohol Pull**  
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Questions: Email [events@stbenedict.org](mailto:events@stbenedict.org)

## Ministries & More

### Knights of Columbus

*Woe to those who make unjust laws, to those who issue oppressive decrees, to deprive the poor of their rights and withhold justice from the oppressed of my people, making widows, their prey and robbing the fatherless. (Isaiah.10:1-2)*

God wants us to be generous, compassionate, holy, and righteous. Why? Because that is who he is: holy and full of righteous character as well, as full of gracious compassion. This kind of well-rounded kind of godly character must show up in how we live our daily lives. Righteousness and holiness must not be compromised. Neither should compassion and grace be set aside. It is a difficult balance, still, it is a balance we are called to keep as we seek to honor our God by reflecting his character in our lives.

#### Announcements

- Thanks to all the Knights who helped with the cleanup at Tempe Tardeada. Great turnout!

#### Events

- Ministry Fair on November 9 and 10.
- The Knights are providing a bus to the Arizona Rosary Celebration on October 27. Only 15 seats available. Please sign up on the clipboard in the church lobby.

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

Vivat Jesus,

John Garrity, Grand Knight

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### St. Vincent de Paul



Jesus tells us, "Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then, come follow me."

Have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul? All are welcome!

- Jelly/Jam
- Applesauce
- Fruit Cups
- Pudding Cups
- Mayonnaise
- Canned Fruit

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

### World Mission Sunday

Next weekend, October 19 and 20, is the collection for World Mission Sunday.

In 1926, Pope Pius XI instituted Mission Sunday for the whole Church with the first worldwide collection taking place in 1927. The Mission Sunday collection is always taken on the next to last Sunday during the month of October. That day is celebrated in all the local Churches as the feast of Catholicity and universal solidarity so Christians the world over will recognize their common responsibility with regard to the evangelization of the world.

Thank you for your consideration.

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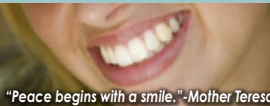
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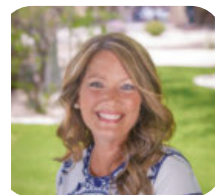
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## A Note From The SJB Principal



Dear Parishioners,

With the excitement of the Fall Gala behind us, it's time to look ahead to our next big SJB event – Harvest Fest! This is one of our community's most cherished events of the year. It arrives during the much-anticipated cooler weather for us Arizonans, as our campus transforms into a beautiful autumn landscape, complete with all the cozy delights of the season: cobbler, pumpkins, and adorable costumed children. Harvest Fest has something for everyone in the family. Check out the list of activities on our SJB webpage (<https://sjbosco.org/harvestfest>) and mark your calendars for Saturday, October 26 from 5pm to 9pm.

