



October 27, 2024

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“ *The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy.* ”

~ Ps 126

“where all are welcome”

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Parish Mission Statement

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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

Monday, 10/28

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

Tuesday, 10/29

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

Wednesday, 10/30

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

Thursday, 10/31

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

Friday, 11/1

All Saints Day
Masses: 8:15 am,
12 pm, 7 pm
9 am | Adoration
5 pm | Confession

Saturday, 11/2

All Soul's Day
8 am | Confession
10 am | Women's Spirit.
12 pm | Mass
5 pm | Mass

Mass Intentions

Sunday, 10/27/2024

7 am | Alfred Gomez III (Ivg)
9 am | Parishioners
11 am | Don Morgan †
5 pm | Asuncion Magbanua †

F 11/1, 8:15 am | Helena
Cirunay Dayta †
12 pm | Lourdes Castro †
7 pm | Steven Jewusiak †
and Family
Sat 11/2 | Angel N. Torres †

M 10/28 | Lana Ball †

Tu 10/29 | Dr. Paul J. Forti †

W 10/30 | Eloisa Manzano †

Th 10/31 | Souls in Purgatory †

Sunday, 11/3/2024

7 am | All Soul's Novena
9 am | Francis Xavier
Manzano †
11 am | Fayette Gore (Ivg)
5 pm | James Healy †

Liturgy & Administration

Scripture Readings

Monday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/
10/28 Lk 6:12-16
(Sts. Simon and Jude)

Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-2, 3,
10/29 4-5/Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9/Ps 145:10-11, 12-
10/30 13ab, 13cd-14/Lk 13:22-30

Thursday: Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1b, 2,
10/31 9-10/Lk 13:31-35

Friday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2,
11/1 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a
(All Saints Day)

Saturday: Wis 4:7-14/Ps 25:6, 7b, 17-18,
11/2 20-21/Rom 5:17-21/Mt 11:25-30
(All Souls Day)

Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51 (2)/
11/3 Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34

Parish Contributions

A special thank you to those who are faithfully contributing

Regular Contributions for **September 2024**

Actual: \$ 69,082*

Budget: \$ 87,500

* Realm

Online: \$ 42,280

Cash/Check: \$ 26,802

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

Construction Project

June 2024

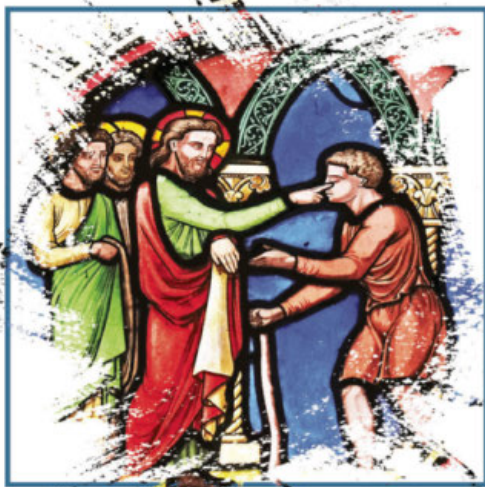
Current Estimated Construction Costs: \$9,280,886**

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

Bartimaeus called upon Christ, even when everyone scolded him to be silent. He was not afraid to ask God for what he needed, and his courage was rewarded. Be like Bartimaeus. Be bold. Do not be content with the darkness. Call out for Christ.

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Scripture Reflection

The Gift of Sight Through Faith

This Sunday's readings highlight God's restorative power and the gift of faith that opens our eyes to His presence and grace. From the promises in Jeremiah to the healing of Bartimaeus, we are reminded of God's ability to bring light into the darkness of our lives.

In the first reading, the Lord promises to deliver the remnant of Israel, guiding them back from exile: *"I will console them and guide them; I will lead them to brooks of water on a level road, so that none shall stumble"* (Jer 31:9). This passage offers hope to all who feel lost, assuring us that God is a loving Father who restores His people.

The responsorial psalm continues this theme of joy and restoration, proclaiming, *"The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy"* (Ps 126:3). It reminds us that even in times of sorrow, God's blessings can bring about profound joy and transformation.

In the second reading, Hebrews reminds us that Christ is our eternal high priest, chosen by God to offer Himself as a sacrifice for our sins. His priesthood is marked by humility and patience, showing us the way to approach God with confidence, knowing He understands our weaknesses.

The Gospel tells the story of Bartimaeus, a blind man who persistently cries out to Jesus, *"Son of David, have pity on me"* (Mk 10:47). Despite being rebuked by the crowd, Bartimaeus continues to call out, and Jesus responds with compassion, asking, *"What do you want me to do for you?"* Bartimaeus' answer is simple and profound: *"Master, I want to see."* Jesus heals him, saying, *"Your faith has saved you."* Bartimaeus immediately receives his sight and follows Jesus.

These readings invite us to reflect on the power of faith and the ways in which God heals and restores us. Bartimaeus' persistence and trust in Jesus are examples of the kind of faith we are called to have - faith that does not give up in the face of challenges, faith that reaches out to God even when others try to silence us.

This week, let us pray for the gift of spiritual sight, that we may see God's work in our lives and follow Him with renewed faith. Like Bartimaeus, may we confidently call out to the Lord, trusting that He hears us and will guide us along the path of healing and joy. Amen.

Fr. Augustine Acheme, VC

Current Events and More

All Saints Day (Holy Day Oblig.) & Adoration



ALL SAINTS DAY

All Saints Day is coming up this **Friday, Nov 1** and is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. Masses will be celebrated in the church at:

- 8:15 am (a full School Mass),
- 12:00 pm, and 7:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will also take place on **Friday, Nov 1**, from 9 am to 6 pm in the Chapel. Sign up for a spot at <http://signup.com/go/puKbjk> or just come by.

Employment Opportunities

St. Benedict Church has two job openings:

- Full-time Parish Manager, and a
- Part-time Audio-Visual Technician

For details and to apply, go to the parish website and click on the appropriate banner titled "Job Openings".

Pastoral Care

Please remember in your prayers **Alan Bauer** and **Yvonne Rawlings** 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.

Ministry Fair

Save the date because we are having a Ministry Fair the weekend of **November 9 and 10!** Come and find out about all the opportunities that are available for you to get involved with here at St. Benedict Church.

We have the Altar Society, Events Ministry, Baptism Preparation, Women's Spirituality, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion, Hospitality, Lectors, Porters of St. Joseph, Sacristans, Helping Hands, Legion of Mary, Refugee Resettlement and many more! Looking forward to seeing you there!

Mass of Remembrance

On behalf of St. Benedict Catholic Church and our Pastoral Care Ministry, we invite you to remember our deceased loved ones and join us for the Mass of Remembrance on **Monday, November 4** at 7 pm in the Church.

Bring in a photo of your deceased loved one(s) to add to the tables located at the back of the church. Be sure to include your name and number on the back of each photo. These photos will be on display from **October 26 to November 24**.

On the tables you will also find a Book of the Names of the Dead for you to add names of loved ones who have passed. If you lost a loved one this past year, November 3, **2023** through November 2, **2024** and would like to have them remembered, contact Kathy McCluskey at pastoralcare@stbenedict.org by Oct 27.

All Souls Novena

November is just around the corner and is the month when we especially remember and pray for all those who have died.

Have your deceased loved ones remembered in our Novena of Masses which will be held **November 2-10** at 12 pm each day. Pick up an "All Souls Novena" envelope in the parish office or lobby. Write the names of your departed loved ones on the envelope and return it with your optional donation to the parish office.

Throughout the Novena a basket with the names of our loved ones will be placed before the altar. At the end of the Novena the lists of names will be burned with incense after the Noon Mass on **Sunday, November 10**.

Join us for the next St. Benedict Dining Event!



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Sunday, Oct 27th 11am - close

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Faith Formation and More

Happenings in Children and Youth Faith Formation

Sunday, Oct 27

Children's Mass

Liturgy of the Word with Children

CGS

Teen Sacramental Prep

EPIC

Tuesday, Oct 29

JAM

Journey of Faith

Sunday, Nov 3

Liturgy of the Word with Children

CGS

Teen Sacramental Prep

EPIC

Children's Monthly Mass

This weekend, 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.

We are always in need of additional children Lectors and Hospitality Ministers for future Children's Masses! Lectors proclaim the Word during Mass, and Hospitality Ministers welcome parishioners, pass collection baskets, guide the Communion lines, and hand out bulletins after Mass. Training and support are provided!

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.



Attention Youth!

Join us for Encounter with a live Christian band and speaker Fr. Andrew Fritz, CSC, to speak about encountering Christ in the Eucharist. It's going to be a night of praise and worship, Adoration, plus Confession will be available. Doors to the church will open at 6:30 pm on Sunday, November 10. It's free!

For more information contact Erin Fish at 480.961.1610 ext. 303 or efish@stbenedict.org.

How is Halloween Connected to All Saints Day?

While some people connect Halloween to earlier pagan celebrations, Halloween actually has significant Catholic roots.

The name itself comes from All Hallow's Eve - the Vigil of All Saints' Day, a Holy Day of Obligation on November 1 when we celebrate all the Saints and Martyrs who are now with God in Heaven. A "hallowed" person is another name for a saint, and in many cultures the early tradition of "All Hallow's Eve" involved celebration, honor and prayer.

The following day on November 2, we commemorate our loved ones who have died along with all the faithful departed on All Souls' Day. While some find death frightening because it seems to be the end of life, we as Catholics know that physical death is not the end; we have eternal life through the death and Resurrection of Jesus. Throughout the month of November, we will continue to pray for all of those we have lost and give thanks to God for their life.

Advertisement for 'BBQ and BOOT SCOOT' event on Saturday, November 16, 2024. Includes details on ticket prices (\$30 for adults, \$10 for kids), event activities (BBQ Dinner, Dancing, Kids Activity, Silent Auction/Raffle, 50/50 Raffle, Card Deck, Alcohol Pull), and contact information for St. Benedict Catholic Church. Features logos for Bubba's BBQ Pit, Country Music by 88 Area, and a QR code for ticket purchase.

Ministries & More

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 Sacristans... Larry, zbarblary@gmail.com
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 Women's Spirituality... Nora, [nymphillips@cox.net](mailto:nmphillips@cox.net)

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- Baking Mixes
- Pancake Mix
- Syrup
- Rice
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- Canned Chicken

SVdP Adopt-A-Family

The Christmas holidays are just around the corner! If you and your family or friends would like to sponsor a less-fortunate family this year, or have questions about being a sponsor, please call St. Vincent de Paul at **480.961.1610, ext. 315**. Leave a message with your name, phone number, and that you would like to be an Adopt-A-Family Christmas Sponsor. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

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A Note From The SJB Principal



Dear Parishioners,

I trust you had the opportunity to participate in last night's Harvest Festival! It was such a joy to see our St. Benedict & St. John Bosco community come together, filled with excitement and laughter. Events like this serve as a fantastic means of strengthening our bonds, bringing families, students, and staff closer while creating lasting memories. It's heartening to witness everyone enjoying the spirit of the fall season, from the festive decorations to the fun activities, and of course, the joy on the faces of both young and old alike. Our parish and school thrive on these moments of connection, and I'm grateful for the opportunity to share them with all of you!

Joyful blessings,

Jamie Bescak, M.Ed., Principal

A large graphic invitation for an Open House. At the top, the text "You're Invited!" is written in a yellow, cursive font. Below this, four young children are standing on a wooden play structure, leaning on a railing. The railing has the text "Preschool & Kindergarten" written on it in a white, cursive font. In the bottom left corner, there is a QR code with the text "SCAN ME" below it. In the bottom right corner, there is a circular logo with a cross and the text "Monday, Nov. 11th 9:00 am". At the bottom center, the text "Open House" is written in a large, white, serif font. Below this, the text "We are a faith community dedicated to academic excellence and inspire children to follow their dreams!" is written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font. In the bottom left corner, the St. John Bosco Catholic School logo is repeated. In the bottom right corner, the phone number "480-219-4848" and the email address "or email admissions@sjbosco.org" are listed.