## PLEASE JOIN US

If you have stood as a visitor to our community before, and because you enjoyed being with us you continue to come, please, seriously consider registering with St. Benedict as your faith community. We would love to have you as a part of our family. Just fill out the registration form located on the back of this bulletin and drop it in the offertory basket. Thank you. God loves you and so do we.

## KELLY MOORE PAINT COMPANY

Parishioners, families, employees and members of the Catholic Diocese of Oakland looking to purchase paint for the protection and beautification of your home? Did you know that by purchasing paint through the Kelly Moore Paint Company a portion of your purchase will be gifted back to our Catholic Diocese?

The Kelly Moore Paint Company, manufacturing and selling paint in the Bay Area since 1946 is excited to offer a special KM Club Discount for your purchases of quality Kelly Moore Paint at any of our Kelly Moore stores (go to www.kellymoore.com and click on the store locater).

A unique Kelly Moore Account # 605-DI4711 has been set up to allow you to take advantage of our wholesale pricing on paint and paint related products, saving you time and money. We invite you to visit any of our stores and ask to use the Diocese of Oakland Parishioners KM Club Account 605-DI4711. Paint and supplies must be purchased through this special account to obtain both the discount and the gift back to the Diocese. This year our gift back to the Diocese was \$1000.

We are committed to providing you quality products and excellent service at a fair price. When you use the unique KM Club Account # 605-DI4711 for your purchases we at Kelly Moore will track the net sales dollars before tax annually and award a percentage of the sales back to the Diocese in the form of a rebate check. Your home, parish and school improvement projects can in this way to contribute to the mission of the Church in Oakland. Thank you for your support!

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### SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The Congressional Black Caucus Foundation (CBCF) is offering an opportunity for African American students who reside or are permanent residents of our 13th Congressional District (Greater Bay Area); and are graduating high school students who will be attending a 2 year or 4 year college or university; and college students attending junior college or 4 year college/university to submit their applications for the following educational scholarship opportunities: (1) CBCF Spouses Heineken USA Performing Arts Scholarship (\$3,000); (2) CBCF Spouses Visual Arts Scholarship (\$3000); and CBCF Spouses Education Scholarship (\$8,200). For more information and access to these scholarship applications, please contact Regina Guillory @ 510.395.5629.

# THE CATHOLIC VOICE 2016 JUBILEE OF MERCY ITALY PILGRIMAGE OCTOBER 20-29

Camille Tompkins, 510-419-1081, ctompkins@oakdiocese.org. Pentacost Tours, Inc., 800-713-9800 travel@pentecosttours. com. Catholic VoiceOakland.org. The Catholic Voice invites you to celebrate the Jubilee Year of Mercy in Venice, Padua, Bologna, Florence, Siena, Assisi, and Rome. Celebrate Mass at some of the most beautiful basilicas in Italy, visit the treasures of Vatican City, and see Pope Francis during the Papal Audience. Join the 10-day pilgrimage to Italy to celebrate the Jubilee Year of Mercy for \$3,999. Costs includes airfare, ground transportation, housing, and most breakfasts and dinners. **\$100 Early Bird Discount is available to those who register before December 23.** For brochures, contact Camille Tompkins, see above. For additional information and reservations, contact Pentecost Tours, Inc., see above.

## 2016 MASS BOOK

If you would like to offer a Mass for the (Living) Intentions of your family/friends, or for your deceased family members/friends, stop by the Parish Office during office hours. We will be happy to assist you.

## ARE YOU A FAN OF ST. BENEDICT?

Well if you're a Facebook member, Like our Page! You can find us under the following title:

### Fans of St. Benedict Church Oakland, CA

Make sure that you like our page as well as spread the word to many of your family and friends. This is a great way to keep up with the latest News and Updates with St. Benedict Church.

## THE CHOIR'S CORNER What's going on??

## Interested in joining any of the Choirs?

Please feel free to contact Music Director, Leonard Pete.
Phone: 510-917-2390

Email: thevoicesofstbenedicts@yahoo.com

Or just join us at Choir Rehearsal on Thursdays at 6pm.

Are you on Facebook?

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## www.saintbenedictoakland.com





#### MISSION STATEMENT

As the people of God who are loved by the Father, being saved by the Son, and strengthened and endowed with the gifts of the Spirit for the service of the Lord, and all here at St. Benedict, we resolve in the spirit of Christian unity and cooperation to use our gifts and talents in building up the Kingdom of God in East Oakland

## PARISH STAFF

Rev. Jayson Landeza
PASTOR

**Mr. Ron Tutson** *DEACON* 

Rev. Paul Vassar
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PLANT MANAGER

Mr. Clifford Ologbosele
PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Ms. Ariana Catherine
YOUTH MINISTER

## MASS TIMES

SATURDAY: 4:30 PM (VIGIL MASS)

SUNDAY: 8:30 AM 11:00 AM (GOSPEL MASS)

MON, WED & FRI: 7:30 AM (8:00AM ON HOLIDAYS)

## CONFESSION

SATURDAY: 3:45 PM TO 4:15 PM (OR BY APPOINTMENT)

### BAPTISM

INSTRUCTION OF PARENTS REQUIRED

## MARRIAGE

6 MONTHS ADVANCED NOTICE REQUIRED

## CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

HOLY SEPULCHRE CEMETERY: 510.581.2488

ST. MARY'S CEMETERY: 510.654.0936

**ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY:** 510.223.1265

Thrid Sunday of Easter April 10, 2016

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:



One thing that makes John's Gospel different from the other three is its rich symbolism. To appreciate what the author wanted to say, it's important for us to understand the meaning behind the symbols he chose. Today's reading is a good

example of this.

The Gospel story begins with Peter announcing that he's going fishing and that Thomas, Nathaniel, Zebedee's two sons (James and John), and two other disciples decided to join him. These men fished all night but caught nothing. Just after dawn, the resurrected Jesus appears on the shore and calls out to them to lower their nets on the other side of the boat, which they do. Immediately, their nets were filled to the breaking point with a total of 153 fish.

Because people in Jesus' day believed that there were 153 different types of fish in the world, St. Jerome suggested that the fish caught in today's Gospel are symbolic of all people and that the net stands for the Church. Just as the apostles found all the different types of fish in their net, we find all the different types of people in the Church.

The story goes on to tell us that six of the disciples haul in the net but Peter alone drags it onto the shore. The Old Testament often portrays biblical heroes is having superhuman strength (e.g. Samson) because they process God's spirit. So the author of the fourth Gospel uses this little detail to symbolically show that the Spirit of God was at work in Peter.

When the disciples reach the shore, Jesus offers them some fish and bread, two symbols the early Christians used for the Eucharist. While they were eating, Jesus asked Peter three times if he loves him and three times Peter responded affirmatively. Some scripture scholars suggest that Jesus asked this question three times to symbolically undo the three times Peter denied knowing him.

We find such symbolism in just about every chapter of John's Gospel. Taking time to learn the meaning behind the symbols makes the story even richer than they already appear.

Jesus gave Peter a second chance. Are we willing to do the same for someone who's wrong to us? Pray today for the grace to forgive others.

I have enclosed in this weekend's bulletin the results of Pastoral Planning Process that took place a few weeks ago. Chuck Siebenand, formerly the Director of Pastoral Planning for the Diocese of Oakland, facilitated the process. I have asked our Parish Council to take the lead in implementing these goals and objectives. I am grateful to Julie Hadnot for leading the process from last year's parish retreat, and for all those who made our planning day a success. A special word of thanks to Dr. Chiquita Tuttle for compiling the findings and presenting them in a systematic format.

A reminder that Bishop Michael Barber, SJ, will be joining us for a Ceasefire walk on Friday evening, April 29, at 6:30 PM. Ceasefire is an effort to increase violence-prevention strategies, with the hope to reduce homicides and other gun-related crimes. I believe that this is Bishop Barber's first visit to St. Benedict. Please feel free to walk with us - every fifth Friday of the month. Walking around our neighborhood to let folks know that we care.

God Bless, Fr. Jayson

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### FIRST COMMUNION SCHEDULE:

## First Reconciliation

Friday, April 29 at 6:00pm (Church)

## First Communion Rehearsal

Saturday, April 30th at 10:00am (Church)

### First Communion

Sunday, May 1st at 11:00am Mass

## ATTENTION LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

The schedule for April and May 2016 have gone out last week. If you haven't received the schedule, please call the parish office.



SUNDAY, JULY 10, 2016 Please mark your calendars.

## ATTENTION ST. BENEDICT PARISHIONERS!

Important Information about St. Benedict's Electronic Newsletter Have you been receiving emails from St. Benedict Parish? If not, we want to be sure we have your correct and current email address so that you don't miss out on current Parish news and activities. When you have a moment we'd appreciate your sending a quick email to SaintBenedictCrh@aol.com with your full name and email address. Also, be sure to check your SPAM folder just in case the messages have been going there instead of your INBOX. The St. Benedict Communications Team thanks you for your attention to this matter

## THE LADIES OF ST. PETER CLAVER COURT 336

Is hosting their annual scholarship fundraiser! Join us for a Luncheon & Lots of Fun at the Golden Gate Fields Race Track in Berkeley Ca. May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Donation: \$45.00 Contact: Chair-Lady Audrey Ricks (510)278-5519, Chair-Lady Lottie Sonnier (510)635-3384. We hope to see you there!

## KPCLA COURT #336 SCHOLARSHIP

We are offering a scholarship to a female of color who attends or will attend an Alameda County Catholic High School in Fall, 2016. Application packets are available on the tables at the rear of the church. Deadline for submission is **May 16, 2016**. If you have questions, please contact Mallory Trevigne at trevigne@sbcglobal.net.

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

Sunday, April 10	8:30 a.m.	John Jansenす
	11:00 a.m.	Jay Hadnot∜
Monday, April 11	7:30 a.m.	
Wednesday, April 13	7:30 a.m.	
Friday, April 15	7:30 p.m.	For The People
Saturday, April 16	4:30 p.m.	Asuncion Domingot

CHURCH SUPPORT				
Collection:	April 3, 2016 Easter Sunday	\$4,116.2 \$185.0		
Other Collection	"100" Club	\$370.2		
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Beginning Balance		\$1,717.8		

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Total Income for March 2016	\$766.60
Total Expense for March 2016	\$1,050.00
Ending balance as of March 31, 2016	\$1,434.43

PENNY HARVEST
Ending Balance as of March 31, 2016 \$1000.49

Please remember to bring your pennies and drop them off by the altar before or after Mass. There's no need to wrap your pennies in a roll.

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

## LECTORS/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

## APRIL 16/17, 2016

4:30 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
K. Webster	A. West	J. LaFitte-Tutson
J. Moore	C. Ologbosele	G. McCullough
		O. Wanzo*



#### *REST IN PEACE*

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of *JOHN JANSEN* 

brother-in-law of Jack Morton Please remember his family in your prayers.