

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE EAST BAY ANNUAL PARISH COLLECTION - MAY 19TH AND 20TH 2018



We are called by Pope Francis "to go the margins" and help our brothers and sisters, near and far. Every year, we are invited by our Church's charitable arm, **Catholic Charities of the East**

Bay, to "make all things possible" for those on the margins. Your gift makes it possible for our Church to help people facing difficult circumstances so that they can move forward in life with greater independence. This includes our children who face pervasive violence at school, home, or on the streets; families or seniors facing homelessness; and people fleeing violence in their homelands. We thank you for supporting **Catholic Charities** every year. Your parish's gifts will touch the lives of many in the East Bay. Please give generously to this appeal on May 19th and 20th. For more information, contact Steve Mullin, Chief Development Officer at (510) 768-3165 or smullin@cceeb.org.

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, June 2, 2018
12PM - 6PM

St. Benedict Parish Center

Knights of Peter Claver St. Benedict Council 336

Annual Fish Fry Dinner Sale

More info to follow soon.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

If you know of anyone in the parish who is sick and homebound who would like to receive communion at their home or if you know someone who is sick and is in need of prayers, please contact Divina Cabrera at the church office (510) 632-1847. Request for prayers will be listed in the bulletin for one month and extended upon request.

2018 MASS INTENTIONS

The parish office is accepting Mass Intentions for 2018. 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.

CBCF SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

CBC Spouses Education Scholarship

Amount: Varies (\$500 - \$8,200)

Application Deadline: May 18, 2018**

CBC Louis Stokes Health Scholars Program, sponsored by United Health Foundation

Amount: Varies - (Minimum \$8000)

Application Deadline: Check website

Contact Regina Guillory, District Agent @ 510.467-9787 or <https://cbcfinc.academicworks.com/opportunities> For Details



St. Benedict's Weekly Events

Sunday, May 13 8:30 am & 11:00 am	Masses	Church
Monday, May 14 6:30 pm	Benedict Brother's Rehearsal	Church
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Wellness Program	Hall
Tuesday, May 15 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Wellness Program	Hall
Wednesday, May 16 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Wellness Program	Hall
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Bible Study	Center
Thursday, May 17 6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Church
Friday, May 18 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Line Dancing Class	Hall
Saturday, May 19 4:30 pm	Mass	Church

PLEASE JOIN US!

PARISH PASTORAL PLANNING

Dr. Chiquita Tuttle	Chair/Facilitator
Dionne Cola	Vice Chair/ Assistant Facilitator
Leonard Pete	Meeting Recorder

MEMBERS

Ariana Catherine
Sidney Fernandes
Jules Garibaldi
Romel Lucas
Emma Morton
Linda Smith
Jaylynn St. Julian
Tara Sykes
Ofelia Wanzo

ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH? To request a *registration form*, please complete and drop in the offertory basket. Have you moved?

Had an information change?

Let us know by completing and returning.
We respect your privacy! This information is for St. Benedict Parish use only.

Name: _____

Phone# _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Send Me A Registration Form

Change of Address Moving out of Parish



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

Ms. Dionne Cola
PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

Mr. Ron Tutson
DEACON

Rev. Paul Vassar
CLERGY SUPPLY

Rev. Aris Martin, SVD
IN RESIDENCE

Mr. Rufus Fisher
BUILDING FACILITIES MANAGER

Dr. Chiquita Tuttle
PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIR

Miss Ariana Catherine
YOUTH MINISTER

Mrs. Divina Cabrera
SECRETARY/BOOKKEEPER

Mr. Leonard Pete
MUSIC DIRECTOR

Mrs. Ofelia Wanzo
CCD DIRECTOR

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

We recommend using Catholic Funeral and Cemetery Services (CFCS):

Holy Sepulchre, St. Mary's and St. Joseph Cemeteries.

Contact CFCS/Cooper's Chapel at (510) 362-0424 or www.cfcsoakland.org

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:



The Catholic Church divides its calendar of Sunday readings into three parts called cycles, with a new cycle beginning on the first Sunday of Advent. The church takes the cycle A Sunday Gospel readings from the Gospel according to Matthew, the cycle B Gospel readings from the Gospel according to Mark, and the cycle C Gospel readings from the Gospel according to Luke. John's Gospel is part of all three cycles, usually appearing on special occasions such as Holy Thursday, good Friday, and the Sundays during the Easter season. Most of the Sunday Gospel readings so far this year have been from the Gospel according to Mark because we are in the middle of the B cycle of readings.

One unusual feature in the Gospel according to John is that he uses the term "disciples" instead of the word "apostles". Sometimes priests and ministers use these two words interchangeably as if they mean the same thing. In reality, they have very different definitions.

Jesus' followers often addressed him as "Rabbi," a word that means "teacher." The word disciple comes from a Greek word that means student. Some rabbis talk to you wish boys how to read and write in the synagogue schools, but other rabbis taught men how to be rabbis. In either case, the rabbi's students were his disciples. So John is correct when he uses this word to describe the twelve men whom Jesus chose to be his close companions because they were his students, training to become rabbis.

The word "apostle" comes from the Greek word that means "one who is sent," and it refers to someone who is sent out to deliver a message. Matthew, Mark, and Luke call the twelve men whom Jesus chose to be his close companions "apostles" because Jesus sent them out to proclaim the Gospel message after he taught them privately. In other words, they were disciples or students first and were apostles after they successfully completed their period of instruction.

It is interesting that we don't find the word "apostle" in the Gospel according to John. The closest John comes to using this word is in today's reading when Jesus, in his prayer to his heavenly Father, says he "sent" the Twelve out into the world. For John, the true follower of Jesus

never stops being a disciple but is always willing to learn more about Jesus and his message.

What kind of disciples are we? How much time do we spend reading and studying Scripture so Jesus can use us as his apostles in the world today?

Happy Mother's Day to all of you who are mothers or mother figures to others. A heartfelt love to those of you whose mothers are watching over you from heaven. We also pray for those whose experiences of mother were less than ideal, and those mothers who are experiencing their own set of struggle. May God's loving and healing presence be upon them all.



I am grateful for all those who prepared our First Communion recipients to their special day at last week Sunday's 11:00 AM Liturgy. A special word of thanks goes to Ofelia Wanzo, Dionne Cola, Ariana Catherine and Denise Kees. Their hard work, dedication, and willingness to journey with our young people in preparation for First Eucharist is truly an inspiration of what it means to minister in faith. A word of gratitude to the parents, grandparents and guardians of our young people in guiding them to the reception of the Sacrament.

Catholic Charities' "Claire's House", housing trafficked female teens, is provoking much conversation after it has revealed that the facility will be located at the rectory of the former rectory at St. Paschal parish on Dorisa just above 580 off of Golf Links Road. Please read the enclosed info on the "Claire's House" project to give you a perspective from the Diocese's point of view.

The St. Columba Health Cabinet will be sponsoring a day-long gathering on health and healing within the African American community. I've enclosed a flyer related to the event. The St. Columba Health Cabinet was formed when I was Pastor at St. Columba, and it's done great work in providing services and informed regarding health issues, particularly as it relates to the African American community.

In August of this year, Fr. Vince Cotter, soon-to-be retired of the Diocese of Oakland, will be moving into our rectory and live here permanently. I'll share more about him in next week's bulletin.

**God bless,
Fr. Jayson Landeza**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ROSARY OF OUR LADY

Each Sunday during the month of May, the rosary will be recited at 8:10 am (before the 8:30 am Mass).

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

National Night Out 2018 will be here before we know it. Anyone interested in serving on the NNO committee please contact Tara Sykes at tsykes6526@aol.com or Linda Palmeri at lindapalmeri@sbcglobal.net so that we can start planning for this event. We encourage everyone to get involved.

PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, July 8, 2018. Please mark your calendars.

CRISTO REY DE LA SALLE

A Catholic Lasallian High School rooted in personalized learning and social justice. Are you still Looking For a High School? At Cristo Rey De La Salle we are busy preparing to welcome our founding class of 2022. We have invested millions of dollars to renovate our campus and equip it with the best tech of today and tomorrow. We've secured corporate Jobs for our founding class and great scholarships just for you! We can't wait for YOU to be a part of our founding class. Don't miss out on being part of our founding class. Apply today. For information call/text (646) 519-0362. Email us at admissions@crstoreydelasalle.org. Or visit our website at www.cristoreydelasalle.org to complete your application. For more information, please pick up the fliers on the table at the back of the church.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Be aware that online technologies give traffickers the ability to exploit a greater number of victims and advertise their services globally. Social media opens the door for predators to gain access to our child. **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking. Website: Sistersagainsttrafficking.org**

LIFE LINE SCREENING

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, is pleased to offer a preventive health event at Holy Redeemer Center on 5/25/2018. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **There are three ways to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call toll-free 1-888-653-6441 or visit <http://lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle> or text the word circle to 797979**

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, May 13	8:30 a.m.	For The Mothers
	11:00 a.m.	Bill Stewart†
Monday, May 14	7:30 a.m.	Leo Galloway Birthday
Wednesday, May 16	7:30 a.m.	
Friday, May 18	7:30 a.m.	
Saturday, May 19	4:30 p.m.	Lolita Blythe (L)

CHURCH SUPPORT

Collection:	May 6, 2018	\$5,720.85
	"100" Club	\$821.25

"100" CLUB

Beginning Balance	\$13,431.53
Total Income for April 2018	\$460.00
Total Expense for April 2018	\$3,550.00
Ending balance as of April 30, 2018	\$10,341.53

PENNY HARVEST

Ending Balance as of April 30, 2018	\$1,296.68
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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

MAY 18/19, 2018

There is a practice and faith sharing session for these Lectors on Tuesday at 7:00 PM in the Rectory.

4:30 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
K. Webster	L. Bornor #	S. Gressel
J. Soublet	M. Nubie	C. McIntyre
	J. Matthews *	C. Hadnot *

Please pray for the sick, especially:

Eva Augillard
Charles Gault
Kalene Parker
Anita Recania



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**SECOND COLLECTION
CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION - THIS WEEKEND**