

**EOCP**

Housing Assistance for Veterans with the East Oakland Community Project. The Supportive Services for Veterans and Families (SSVF) program provides real and timely assistance for homeless and at risk veterans. Qualifying veterans may receive help with:

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|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Deposits                     | Moving            |
| Rent (Limited Time)          | DD214             |
| Housing Search and placement | Legal Assistance  |
| Employment Assistance        | Emergency Housing |

If you or anyone you know is a homeless or at risk veteran please call and speak with the EOCP Veterans Outreach Team for help. Arthur Sands: 510-314-6939, Zelon Harrison – 510-593-0768

**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.

**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.

**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?

Like our page! We're titled **The VOICES of St. Benedict - Oakland, CA**

**St. Benedict's Weekly Events**

<b>Sunday, July 8</b>		
9:30 am	Mass - Parish Picnic	Marina Park
<b>Monday, July 9</b>		
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Wellness Program	Hall
<b>Tuesday, July 10</b>		
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Wellness Program	Hall
<b>Wednesday, July 11</b>		
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Wellness Program	Hall
<b>Thursday, July 12</b>		
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Cursillo Fourth Day	Center Church
6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal	
<b>Friday, July 13</b>		
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Line Dancing	Hall
<b>Saturday, July 14</b>		
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



**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

**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

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:



Because people didn't have family names in Jesus' day, there were three different ways someone could distinguish two people who had the same name.

First, a common name was where the person lived. Simon of Cyrene, Joseph of Arimathea, and Mary of Magdalena are good examples.

A problem occurred if the two people with the same name came from the same place.

In that case, friends and acquaintances may have identified the person by occupation. Simon the fisherman, Joseph the carpenter, and Levi the tax collector are just a few examples. Modern last names such as Baker, Cook and Smith originated in this way.

Finally, ancient people sometimes distinguished a person by who his father was. One of the apostles was James, the son of Zebedee, and another was James, the son of Alphaeus. This custom also found its way into different foreign languages and led to modern last names such as Janowicz, which is Polish for "son of John," and Fitzgerald, which is Irish for "son of Gerald." So those who knew Jesus called him Jesus of Nazareth (where he grew up), Jesus of Capernaum (where he lived during his public ministry), Jesus the carpenter, Jesus the rabbi, or Jesus the son of Joseph. Any one of these names would have been appropriate.

Jesus left Nazareth as a simple carpenter but he returned as a famous rabbi with his own disciples. People throughout Palestine heard of his reputation and respected him but the people in his hometown gave him a lukewarm reception.

In today's Gospel, the people of Nazareth marvel at Jesus' ability to preach and they ask each other if he is or isn't the carpenter and the son of Mary. Notice that they didn't call him the son of Joseph. Either Joseph was already dead or they meant this as an insult. By not recognizing Joseph as the father of Jesus, they may have been suggesting that he was an illegitimate child. In modern slang, this was equivalent to calling Jesus a bastard, which is very offensive. So as you can well imagine, Jesus' homecoming was less than a big success.

It's easy to remember that Jesus is God but difficult to think of him as also human. Jesus didn't walk around with a neon sign on his chest flashing the words "Worship me, I'm God!" Jesus was just as human as you and I are, and he sometimes experienced what it was like to be hurt and rejected. The next time we feel down and out, go to Jesus and speak to him about our problems. He knows what we're going through because he's been there before!

I hope that you are enjoying the annual parish picnic here at the San Leandro Marina! This is the second year in a row that we've had the picnic at this location, after having it at the Martin Luther King Shoreline near the Oakland Airport for the past number of years. The vast majority

of folks who've attended the picnic throughout time have expressed how much of an improvement the San Leandro site has been. For the parish, it means that we don't have to spend \$3000 on a tent, nor do we have to bring a BBQ grill from the parish, since the San Leandro Marina site already has one. Although the Marina doesn't allow for tents, my concern was that tents sort of separated us from each other when we gathered at the picnic. I am grateful to Leonard Pete and his committee for organizing this event - I am aware of the amount of time and effort that goes into this picnic, and my heartfelt thanks to all who are here to enjoy our common fellowship as parishioners of St. Benedict. A particular word of thanks to Mary Goulding - as a San Leandro resident, she was able to secure the site for St. Benedict parish.

It seems as if our country is in the midst of much turmoil! Like many of you, I am disturbed and troubled by the direction and current climate, fostered by the divisiveness of 45. From immigration to race relations, this county seems to be going backwards in reference to the advancements made and achievements fought for by our foremothers and forefathers. This week's reversal of Obama-era affirmative actions policies are but one example of such egregious actions by 45 and his administration. Deeply troubling and sad time indeed for our country.

I will be away this week in Lexington, Kentucky, for the Annual Training Seminar of the International Conference of Police Chaplains (ICPC), the association that addresses he needs and concerns of those of us involved in law enforcement chaplaincy work. I will be giving a presentation on "The Role of a Chaplain in Mass Civil Disobedience", something that I have some familiarity with, having served as an Oakland Police Department chaplain during some very difficult time for our beloved Oakland. I'll be away from this Monday morning to Saturday morning. Please keep me in your prayers!

God bless,  
Fr. Jayson Landeza

Please pray for the sick, especially:

Richard Di Bona  
Kalene Parker  
Anita Recania



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONTINUED SUPPORT

Just a reminder folks: You can continue to support our fundraising efforts. If you enjoyed our wine tasting event and found one you especially liked, please continue to order and enjoy as the Church will receive a percentage of the purchase price which then goes to our maintenance fund. Thank you for your support.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The National Night Out committee would appreciate donations of boxed drinks and individually wrapped chips and cookies. Please leave your donation in the blue bind located in the back of the church. We are also in need of raffle prizes; i.e. gift cards and movie ticket. Please give these items to Divina in the church office or a member of the NNO committee or Pastoral Council. Thank you for your generosity."

COMMUNICATIONS FROM BISHOP BARBER

Recently individuals have been contacted by email by someone pretending to be Bishop Barber. Others have reported that rental property has been posted on Craigslist in his name. The only email verifiably from Bishop Barber's office will include the "@oakdiocese.org" domain. The Diocese does not use Craigslist to find tenants for unused buildings. Be very cautious in providing any unknown or suspicious contact with personal information, including your contact information or financial information. Verify any request for money through a separate contact, such as calling the Chancery, Catholic Charities of East Bay or your local parish.

THE JESUIT RETREAT CENTER JULY 28

Come celebrate St. Ignatius' Feast Day with us at the JRC! 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Please join us and other friends of El Retiro as we celebrate the Feast Day of our founder, St. Ignatius Loyola. Experience the beauty of our 38 acres on a day celebrating the influence of St. Ignatius on the Jesuits and the Church. Perhaps you may even recall a special past retreat made here and spend some time recollecting how the Lord is active in your life. There's no charge for this event and lunch will be served. Come on out and celebrate! [https://jrc.retreatportal.com/events/f?p=101:2:24759828685247:::PROGRAM\\_ID:2047](https://jrc.retreatportal.com/events/f?p=101:2:24759828685247:::PROGRAM_ID:2047)

IMMIGRATION LEGAL CONSULTATION

Come in to see if you qualify for an immigration benefit. We help people apply for family-based visa petitions, consular processing, inadmissibility waivers, U visas, VAWA, TPS, residency applications and renewals, asylum and SIJS for unaccompanied minors, FOIA, naturalization, and more. Bring any related documents with you to help with your case.

**Oakland** (510)768-3100, Thursdays 9:00AM-12:00PM (walk-in)

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, July 8	9:30 a.m.	For The Parishioners
Monday, July 9	7:30 a.m.	
Wednesday, July 11	7:30 a.m.	
Friday, July 13	7:30 a.m.	
Saturday, July 14	4:30 p.m.	

CHURCH SUPPORT

Collection:	<b>July 1, 2018</b>	\$4,888.64
Other Collection:	"100" Club	\$643.00

"100" CLUB

Beginning Balance	<b>\$10,341.53</b>
Total Income for May 2018	\$904.25
<b>Ending balance as of May 31, 2018</b>	<b>\$11,245.78</b>

PENNY HARVEST

<b>Ending Balance as of May 31, 2018</b>	<b>\$1,296.68</b>
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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

JULY 14/15, 2018

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

<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>
B. Burns	G. Johnson	C. Dixon
J. Garibaldi	L. Noriega	Lucia Watson
		D. Cola *

SECOND COLLECTION - NEXT WEEKEND  
HOLY FATHER (PETER'S PENCE)

**Richmond** (510)234-5110, Tuesdays 1:00PM-4:00PM (by appointment)

**Concord** (925)825-3099, Wednesdays 1:30PM-4:30PM (by appointment)

For more information, visit [www.cceb.org](http://www.cceb.org)