

CLASSIFIED

I'm looking for someone to look after my mom 20 to 25 hours a week. Mostly as companion taking her on short walks and having conversations. And some light cleaning. Please contact Ben Walker at 510 557-1297. Thank you....

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.

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

Sunday, July 29	8:30 am & 11:00 am	Masses	Church
Monday, July 30	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Wellness Program	Hall
Tuesday, July 31	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Wellness Program	Hall
Wednesday, August 1	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Wellness Program	Hall
Thursday, August 2			
Friday, August 3	1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Line Dancing	Hall
Saturday, August 4	2:00 pm	Line Dance - Party	Hall
	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

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:



Bread was one of the main foods in Jesus' day and it was part of every meal. Most people ate wheat bread but the poor made their bread from barley, a grain farmers often used as an animal feed because it was so abundant. So the boy with the barley bread in today's Gospel did not come from a well-to-do family.

Fish was the main source of protein in first-century Palestine because it was more plentiful and considerably cheaper than meat. Since there was no refrigeration of those days, fisherman either dried their catch in the sun or smoked in shacks on the shore if they were to keep it for any length of time.

In today's Gospel, the apostles filled twelve baskets with the leftovers after everyone is done eating. You might be wondering where that many baskets came from. To answer this question, it's necessary to take a good look at Jewish dietary laws.

Jewish laws in Sacred Scripture spell out which foods Jewish people may eat and forbids all others. Sea creatures that have fins and scales are edible and so are most fowl. But the law says Jews can consume only land animals that both chew their cud and have a split hoof. That is why Jews don't eat pork - pigs have a split hoof but they don't chew their cud. The animals must also be properly slaughtered with a very sharp knife cutting the jugular vein so death is quick and painless. The Jews call foods that meet the above conditions *kosher*. Ancient Jews observe kosher dietary laws in biblical times and some pious Jews still follow them today in obedience to God's commands in Scripture and as a visible sign that being God's chosen ones makes them different from everyone else.

Dietary laws made it difficult for first-century Jews to travel to distant lands says there was no guarantee they would be able to get kosher food on the way. So that's why many Jews, including Jesus and the apostles, carried large baskets of kosher food with them whenever they traveled anywhere. In today's Gospel, the apostles used their baskets to collect the leftover food.

Jesus gave thanks to the Father before distributing the food. Take time today to thank God for the food on our table and for those who prepared and served it. Pray for those who work in soup kitchens, food distribution and meals-on-wheels programs. Pray and support as well our parish St. Vincent de Paul program. Consider making a donation to these organizations that feed the poor.

Like many of you, I've been closely watching and keeping informed about the circumstances surrounding

last Sunday evening's murder of Nia Wilson and the stabbing of her sister Letifah Wilson at the MacArthur BART station. I spent a good portion of last Monday with BART Police Department personnel and at the MacArthur BART station as folks gathered to remember Nia and support her mother, father, Letifah (who was released from Highland Hospital last Monday) and other members of the family present at the MacArthur BART vigil. Although there were passionate pleas for peace in the streets of Oakland, many from within our community were very angry and somewhat frightened about this killer on the loose and potential racial overtones relative to Nia's murder, particularly given the heightened racial tensions in our country after the last presidential election.

This murder has also continued the discussion around law enforcement, especially the BART Police Department, and their actions, with the backdrop of Oscar Grant looming and overshadowing the context. Concerns about the length of time between the murder and the release of information about the killer continues to be a part of the discussion. We continue to pray and work for peace and justice in our Oakland streets, and seek the healing of our city in the midst of these tragedies.

There is significant opposition to the opening of Diocese of Oakland and Catholic Charities of the East Bay's "Claire's House", a place for trafficked girls. I will send out a link to keep all of you informed about the pushback by neighbors, the community and the school folks against the project.

St. Benedict parish will be hosting a "National Night Out" next Tuesday, August 7th, from 6:00 - 8:00 PM here on the parish grounds. It is a wonderful opportunity for us to know our neighbors and to become more connected to our East Oakland community. We have had a committee formed specifically for this event. There will be a variety of informational booths and displays, as well as food, prizes and games. Our very own Jorge Watson will be spinning the records (if such things still exist), and I have extended invitations to Oakland Police Chief Anne Kirkpatrick and Oakland Fire Chief Darren White that they will drop by sometime that evening. I'm still hoping for an OFD fire engine to show up. Please take this time to get to know our neighbors, our city and our fellow St. Benedict parishioners better by joining us next Tuesday evening for National Night Out.

God bless,
Fr. Jayson Landeza

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 bin 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. Also, all are invited to help pass out the National Night Out flyers around the neighborhood on Monday, July 30, 2018 with the NNO Committee. We will meet in the church parking lot at 6:00 pm and should be finished around 7:00 pm. Hope to see you there!!! Many thanks from the NNO Committee.

FEAST OF SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

Cathedral of Christ the Light Bishop Barber cordially invites all the Faithful of the Diocese to join him to celebrate the Feast of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Jesuits. A solemn Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral of Christ the Light on Tuesday, July 31 at 5 p.m.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Join Bishop Michael C. Barber, SJ and other anniversary celebrants, families and friends on Sunday, October 21, at The Cathedral Christ the Light 10 a.m. Mass, with a reception in the Event Center following for registered guests. Register now for \$25/anniversary couple and \$10 for each guest at www.oakdiocese.org/anniversary or call Laura at 510-267-8395.

A'S GAME FUNDRAISER

KPCLA Court #336 invites you to join them on Saturday, August 18, 2018 at 1:00 pm, Oakland Athletics vs. Houston Astros. Tickets are \$25.00. Proceeds will support our Scholarship Fund. Contact D. Minor, 415-310-6582, or Tara Sykes-Holmes, 510-818-8845 for tickets/information.

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.

SECOND COLLECTION - NEXT WEEKEND
"100" CLUB

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, July 29	8:30 a.m.	Raymond August†
	11:00 a.m.	Alma Douresseau†
Monday, July 30	7:30 a.m.	For The People
Wednesday, August 1	7:30 a.m.	
Friday, August 3	7:30 a.m.	
Saturday, August 4	4:30 p.m.	

CHURCH SUPPORT

Collection:	July 22, 2018	\$5,194.15
Other Collection:	Saint Vincent de Paul	\$540.38
	"100" Club	\$10.00

"100" CLUB

Beginning Balance	\$11,245.78
Total Income for June 2018	\$659.15
Total Expense for June 2018	\$4,110.51
Ending balance as of June 30, 2018	\$7,794.42

PENNY HARVEST

Ending Balance as of June 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.

LECTORS/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

AUGUST 4/5, 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.
J. Garibaldi #	L. Noriega #	A. Swayne #
L. Palmeri #	G. Johnson #	R. Guillory #
B. Burns *	J. Matthews *	C. Hadnot *
		W. Sykes-Bush *

Please pray for the sick, especially:

Linda Davis
Kalene Parker
Anita Recania



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