

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, August 5	8:30 am & 11:00 am	Masses	Church
Monday, August 6	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Wellness Program	Hall
Tuesday, August 7	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	National Night Out	Parking Lot
Wednesday, August 8	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Wellness Program	Hall
Thursday, August 9	1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Cursillo Night Out	Center
Friday, August 10	1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Line Dancing	Hall
Saturday, August 11	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
- 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:



In today's Gospel, some people ask Jesus what they must do to perform the works of God. Jesus responds by saying they must have faith in the One whom God sent. "The One" was a title for the Messiah, the military/political leader whom God would send to free the Jewish people from the oppression of their enemies.

From the reaction of the people, it appears they think Jesus' answer means he is claiming to be the Messiah. Not wanting to let Jesus get away with making such a bold statement without backing it up, they challenge him to produce a sign proving he actually is who he says he is. This sign has a lot to do with the story about Moses in today's Old Testament reading.

In that reading (Exodus 16), the Jewish people complain to Moses that they have nothing to eat and God responds by sending them manna and quail. Later (Exodus 17), the people grumble because they have no water to drink so God tells Moses to strike a rock with his walking stick. Immediately, water flows from the rock.

Because the rabbis taught that the Messiah would be even greater than Moses, some people expected the Messiah to give them food and drink just as Moses did. So when the people ask Jesus for sign, they are charging him to match Moses' feat by also giving them food from heaven.

Jesus accepts the challenge and says the food he gives is his body and the drink is his blood. Moses satisfied physical hunger and physical thirst but Jesus satisfies spiritual hunger and spiritual thirst. The Jews who ate the manna in the desert and drank the water from the rock were soon hungry and thirsty again, but Jesus will forever satisfy the spiritual hunger of those who eat his body and drink his blood. This indicates that Jesus is greater than Moses and is indeed the Messiah.

Today's Gospel ends with Jesus saying he is the Bread of Life. Bread is symbolic of food and we need food to sustain life. What do we think Jesus meant when he claim to be the Bread of Life?

Last weekend, teens from St. Benedict participated in LifeTeen Northern California Teen Conference in San Mateo. They attended workshops, concerts and religious activities focused on increasing and appreciating their Catholic/Christian faith, joining over 900 other young people from Northern California. Our youth contingent were: Emmelina Perez, Margaret Moa, Deonte Irving and Jenae. Arianna Catherine and Dionne Cola accompanied our teens at the weekend conference. I am grateful to them and the LifeTeen organization for providing our young people this

opportunity to connect with others and their faith.

Just to let you know, our 11:00 Gospel Choir will be on a well-deserved break throughout the month of August. They shared their ministries at all of the Masses last weekend, accompanying Choir Director Leonard Pete as he shared and broke open the word. Words can't begin to express my gratitude for their wonderful and blessed ministry. We've got the best choir in the Diocese of Oakland! Praise God!

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" this **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 this Tuesday evening for National Night Out.

I will be gone throughout most of August, with federal law enforcement matters, Hawai'i and the annual diocesan priests' retreat. From Monday, August 6th to Friday, August 10th, I will be in Norman, Oklahoma for a national FBI chaplains' meeting. Since I usually take a good portion of my yearly vacation during the month of August, I generally see my family in Hawaii and help out at St. Augustine by-the-Sea Catholic Church on Waikiki Beach in Honolulu. I will be gone from Monday, August 13th to Saturday, August 25th. When I return from Hawai'i, I will be making my annual priest retreat (along with other priests from the Diocese of Oakland) at Villa Maria Del Mar, the Holy Names Sisters retreat center on the beach in Santa Cruz. That will be from Monday, August 27th to Friday, August 31st. Just letting folks know in advance.

God bless,
Fr. Jayson Landeza

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Wednesday, August 15th, is a holy day of obligation, the **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**. Mass schedule: 8:00 am.

CCD CLASSES

Registration forms for students in grades 1 – 8 are available at the back of the church. Sunday classes will start on September 9, 2018 from 9:45 am to 10:45 am. Children in second grade this year and older, preparing for the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation and/or Eucharist must be registered in, attending CCD classes regularly. No child will be accepted in the sacramental preparation classes after October 7, 2018.

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 (NNO)

St. Benedict Church is sponsoring National Night Out (NNO), which will be on Tuesday, August 7, 2018, from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. All are invited to attend along with your family and friends. Jorge will provide music. Food, fun, games & prizes (Hot dogs, Breast Cancer & Blood Pressure screening, Cal Fresh Program, Warriors merchandise, Zoo tickets, Gift Cards, & more). Thank you from the NNO Committee.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 5	8:30 a.m.	For The People
	11:00 a.m.	
Monday, August 6	7:30 a.m.	Madonna Billups (L)
Wednesday, August 8	7:30 a.m.	
Friday, August 10	7:30 a.m.	
Saturday, August 11	4:30 p.m.	

CHURCH SUPPORT

Collection:	July 29, 2018	\$3,727.00
"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

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

AUGUST 11/12, 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	M. Nubie	C. McIntyre
D. Dixon	L. Robertson	J. Wilson
		A. Ricks *
		O. Wanzo *

Please pray for the sick, especially:

Linda Davis
Kalene Parker
Anita Recania
Laura Scotlan



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SECOND COLLECTION
"100" CLUB