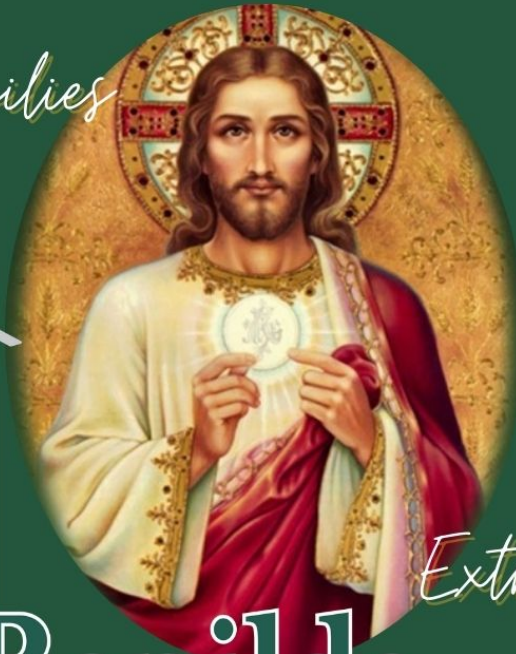


February 21, 2021

First Sunday of Lent

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Deacon Clifford Wright

BAPTISMS

First and Third Sundays of the month at Noon. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

MATRIMONY

Please contact a priest/deacon 8 months prior to your wedding.

FUNERALS

Arrangements may be made at the Parish Office.

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil...4:00 p.m.
Sunday...9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
& 6:00 p.m.

Mon., Wed., Fri....7:00 a.m.
Tuesday and Thursday... 5:30 p.m.
First Saturday...8:30 a.m.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

See Inside the Bulletin
for Schedule

CONFESSION

Saturday ... 3:00—3:45 p.m.
Sunday ... 5:00-5:45 p.m.
Thursday ... 6:00—6:30 p.m.
and by appointment
at the Parish Office

DEVOTIONS

Holy Hour in Church
Thursday 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual
Help Following 5:30 p.m.
Mass on Tuesday

NEWCOMERS

Call the Parish Office to receive a
New Parishioner Registration
Packet.

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DIVINE MERCY ADORATION CHAPEL

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration from 7:00 a.m. Monday till 10:00 p.m. Friday

Readings for the First Sunday of Lent

The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

First Reading

Gn 9:8-15

God said to Noah and to his sons with him:

“See, I am now establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you and with every living creature that was with you: all the birds, and the various tame and wild animals that were with you and came out of the ark. I will establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all bodily creatures be destroyed by the waters of a flood; there shall not be another flood to devastate the earth.”

God added: “This is the sign that I am giving for all ages to come, of the covenant between me and you and every living creature with you:

I set my bow in the clouds to serve as a sign of the covenant between me and the earth.

When I bring clouds over the earth, and the bow appears in the clouds,

I will recall the covenant I have made between me and you and all living beings, so that the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all mortal beings.”

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me;
teach me your paths.

Guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my savior.

R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

Remember that your compassion, O LORD,
and your love are from of old.

In your kindness remember me,
because of your goodness, O LORD.

R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

Good and upright is the LORD,
thus he shows sinners the way.

He guides the humble to justice,
and he teaches the humble his way.

R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

Second Reading

1 Pt 3:18-22

Beloved:

Christ suffered for sins once,
the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous,
that he might lead you to God.

Put to death in the flesh,

he was brought to life in the Spirit.

In it he also went to preach to the spirits in prison,
who had once been disobedient

while God patiently waited in the days of Noah
during the building of the ark,

in which a few persons, eight in all,
were saved through water.

This prefigured baptism, which saves you now.

It is not a removal of dirt from the body
but an appeal to God for a clear conscience,

through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,
who has gone into heaven

and is at the right hand of God,

with angels, authorities, and powers subject to him.

Gospel

Mk 1:12-15

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert,
and he remained in the desert for forty days,
tempted by Satan.

He was among wild beasts,

and the angels ministered to him. After John had
been arrested,

Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God:
“This is the time of fulfillment.

The kingdom of God is at hand.

Repent, and believe in the gospel.”

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Ministers of the Liturgy

FEBRUARY 20 & 21, 2021

Saturday - 4 P.M.

Intention: George Spaulding, Joseph Segari, Merle & Charles Dittmer, Patrick C. McKinney, Flora Maria Be, David Spangler, Raymond Yochim, Paul Nguyen, Katherine Hartdegen, Rose Giavotella, Peter J. Evola, Dolores Baudin, Thomas Metcalf, Richard Metcalf, Dolores Materne, Andrew Meibaum, Lucille Putfark, Abine Michelet, Honor of St. Jude, Hubert LaBorde
Cantor: Kevin Rouchell
Organist: Jonathan Szymanski

Sunday - 9 A.M.

Intention: Parishioners
Traditional Choir

Sunday - 11 A.M.

Intention: Margaret M. Knoker, Josephine Held, A.J. Delaup, Katherine Hartdegen, Linda Sciambra, Paul J. Hymel, Jr., Rose Giavotella, Peter J. Evola, Tony DiGeorge, Stark Family, Sean McGinnis, Eddie Bergeron, Deacon Jerry Martinez, Ray Solares, Norma Joubert, Raymond Yochim
Song Leaders: Contemporary Choir

Sunday - 6 P.M.

Intention: Katherine Hartedegn
Cantor: Lauren Gisclair
Pianist: Beth Kettenring

Weekday Masses

Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday	7:00 a.m.	Earl Lowrie
	5:30 p.m.	Special Intention
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Linda Sciambra
Friday	8:15 a.m.	SBS Families
	5:30 p.m.	Sarah Schlumbrecht (L)
	7:00 a.m.	Deacon Jerry Martinez
	5:30 p.m.	Fr. Matthew Johnston (L)



Prayer Intentions

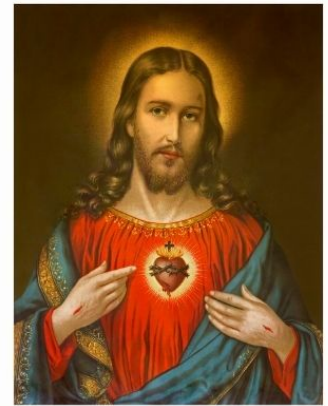
The Church Sanctuary Lamp

burns for St. Benilde parishioners and their Lenten journey



The Blessed Mother Votive Lamp burns for an increase to priestly and religious vocations.

The Sacred Heart Votive burns for a Special Intention



Adoration Chapel Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of Stuart & Gloria Fourroux

Adoration Chapel Candles burns for an end to abortion

The Altar Flowers are in memory of Deceased Parishioners



Altar Ladies
Week of February 21
Betty O'Hara &
Judy Didier

Linens
Large - Yvonne Morise
Small - Cathy Ayers

Stewardship of Treasure

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 13 & 14

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Fish Fry Fridays ARE BACK! Our St. Benilde Men's Club will be serving delicious dinners starting **this Friday, February 26th!** DRIVE-UP ONLY. It's \$10 for fish, fries, coleslaw, and dessert. Opens at 5pm and will stay open until we sell out. We hope to see you there!

This Week at St. Benilde

Monday, February 22 - 7:00 a.m. Mass

Confirmation Class #8
6:00 p.m. in Cafeteria

Divine Mercy Cenacle
7:00 p.m. Parish Office

Men's Club Meeting
7:30 p.m. in Cafeteria

Tuesday, February 23 - 5:30 p.m. Mass

School Advisory Board
7:00 p.m. Teen Center

Healing A Father's Heart
7:00 p.m. in Parish Office

Wednesday, February 24 - 7:00 a.m. Mass

8:15 School Mass

RCIA
7:00 p.m. in Library

Eucharist: Sacred Meal, Sacrifice, Real Presence" DVD Series
7:00 p.m. Teen Center

Thursday, February 25 -

5:30 p.m. Mass

Confessions 6-6:30 p.m.

Friday, February 26 -

7:00 a.m. Mass

5:30 p.m. Mass

6:00 p.m. Stations

Fish Fry Drive Thru
5:00-7:00 p.m.



Saturday, February 27 -

Confirmation Retreat
9 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Confessions 3-3:45 p.m.

Sunday, February 28 -

4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

9:00 a.m., 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Masses



Second Collection

There will be a second collection at all Masses February 27-28, 2021 for the Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans.



St. Benilde School News:

February is Black History Month! Our SBS students have been celebrating the achievements of African Americans and recognizing their central role in U.S. history. Each morning for announcements, student council has been honoring one influential African American. Students have also been learning about influential African Americans in various subjects including science, social studies, art, library, and religion!



Catechetical Corner

Confirmation Retreat



Please pray for our Confirmation candidates who will be on retreat Saturday, February 27. Pray that they will be open to the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Ministry Spotlight



The Meal Ministry's goal is to provide meals for families/individuals in need- be it because of a recent surgery/illness, new birth, loss, or financial hardship.

Typically this lasts for three weeks on alternate days. All coordination is started by email and a web-based scheduling tool (mealtrain.com) is used to organize ministry volunteer sign up. The meals ministry coordinators will send out an email with the details of the need, including a link to the online scheduling tool and any special dietary needs. Ministry members can then choose to sign up and deliver either a home-cooked or store-bought meal.

To join or request a meal for someone in need, please contact ministry coordinators Kathryn Howard at keahoward123@gmail.com or Audrey Huck at audrey.m.huck@gmail.com.

Adorers are currently needed for the following days/times:

**9 AM Wednesdays
5 PM Thursdays
2 & 3 AM Fridays**

To become a committed adorer or for more information, please call **George Rojas at (504) 834-5525**. The code to enter is 12741.



Pardon our Progress

We are in the process of installing a new sign to welcome people to our parish! Thank you in advance for your patience as the building process occurs.



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"The Eucharist in Sacred Scripture" by Dr. Nathan Mastnjak
Wednesday, February 17th 2021

Eucharistic Adoration beginning at 5:30 pm with
lecture and Q&A to follow from 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Schulte Auditorium at Notre Dame Seminary

Act of Consecration to St. Joseph

O dearest St. Joseph, I consecrate myself to your honor and give myself to you, that you may always be my father, my protector and my guide in the way of salvation.

Obtain for me a greater purity of heart and fervent love of the interior life.

After your example may I do all my actions for the greater glory of God, in union with the Divine Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

O Blessed St. Joseph, pray for me, that I may share in the peace and joy of your holy death. Amen.

"Making Room for God in the Busyness" A Day Retreat for women

Tuesday, April 13, 2021, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Location: 5500 St. Mary Street, Metairie,
LA 70006

Do you ever feel like you have no time for God in your day-to-day life? Do you wonder how your life could be different if you could nurture your relationship with God while tending to other responsibilities?

Our lives are busy, and it might feel like a challenge to take care of daily tasks, let alone make room for God. The reality is when God gets pushed to the side, we can begin to feel "off" and restless. Spend a day in prayer to renew your spirit and explore practical ways we CAN make time for God in our lives and nurture our awareness of God encountering us, even amidst the busyness of life!

The cost is \$35. To register call the retreat office at 504-267-9604. There is no deposit required to reserve your spot, but due to COVID-19 our capacity is limited.



Rather than having a large in-person gathering, this year the Men's Conference is coming to you. It's coming right where you are- in your living rooms, on your phone, and on your laptop. We're preparing amazing resources to offer inspiration, accountability, and encouragement. And not for just one day, but throughout the year.

Beginning on February 27th at 7 PM, we will begin launching an on-going series of inspirational videos and resources designed to keep you connected with your Heavenly Father and other men who are walking through the same perilous times. **The videos will air on WLAE and also be available on our website, www.nolacatholicmen.com.** More details are coming soon.

Married Couples Retreat

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