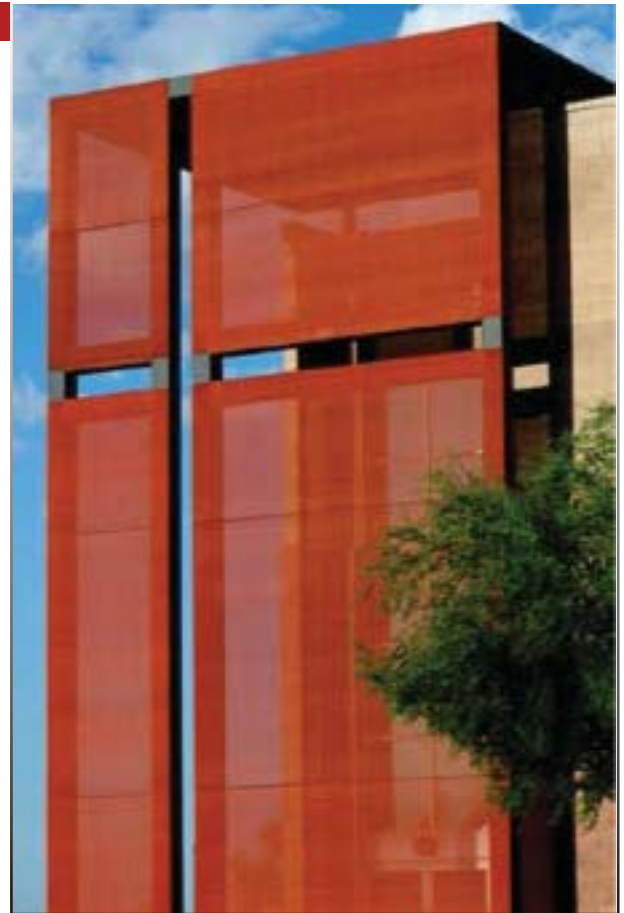


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March 13, 2016

Fifth Sunday of Lent

“ *I consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. ”*

~ *Philippians 3:8*

Parish Mission Statement

We are a vibrant and welcoming Catholic faith community that recognizes God's presence in all through our love and service.

Parish Vision Statement

Build the Kingdom of God, individually and communally, by fostering discipleship and thanksgiving through:

- *the celebration of Eucharist and other sacraments,*
- *prayer and lifelong Catholic formation,*
- *service with and for one another and the greater community.*

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9 am - 5 pm
Friday 9 am - 3 pm
Closed Daily 12 pm - 1 pm

Mass Schedule

Weekends: Saturday 5 pm
Sunday: 9 am, 11 am, 5 pm
Weekdays: M-W, F 8:15 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm or by appointment

Upcoming Events

For a complete calendar of events, please visit stbenedict.org/calendar

Monday, 3/14
7 pm | Bible Study

Tuesday, 3/15
7 pm | Men's Ministry

Wednesday, 3/16
6:30 pm | Sacramental Prep
for Grades 6-12

Thursday, 3/17
6:30 pm | Choir
Rehearsal

Friday, 3/18
6 pm | Stations & Soup

Saturday, 3/19
3:30 pm | Reconciliation

Mass Intentions

Sunday, 3/13

9 am | George Vanderwalker †

11 am | Wil Metzger †

5 pm | People of the Parish

M 3/14 | ---

T 3/15 | ---

W 3/16 | ---

F 3/18 | Rose Savagian †

Sa 3/19 | People of the Parish

Liturgy & Administration

Scripture Readings

For This Week

Monday:	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:12-20
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday:	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42
Thursday:	Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59
Friday:	Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday:	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
Sunday:	Lk 19:28-40 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14 – 23:56 [23:1-49]

Weekly Contributions

for the Weekend of 3/5-6

Regular Contributions:

Current Week:	\$11,100
Total for the Month:	\$11,100

Catholic Relief Collection: \$552

Debt Reduction:

Current Week:	\$2,695
Total for the Month:	\$2,695

Mortgage:

Monthly Payment:	\$21,766
Loan Balance:	\$309,021

Holy Week Schedule

Thursday, March 24, 2016

- Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7 pm

Friday, March 25, 2016

- Seven Last Words - 12:30 pm
- Stations of the Cross - 3 pm (Church)
- Good Friday Service - 7 pm

Saturday, March 26, 2016

- Blessing of the Baskets - 12 pm
- Easter Vigil & Reception - 7:30 pm

Sunday, March 27, 2016

- Masses - 6 am, 8 am, 10 am, 12 pm

Parish Mission Online

Didn't get to the Parish Mission? The 2016 Parish Mission with Fr. Bob Rossi can now be viewed in its entirety online at our website, <http://stbenedict.org/mission>. Learn more about what mercy is and how we can see mercy in our everyday lives.

Presider Schedule

for the Weekend of 3/19-20

Saturday 5 pm: Fr. Bob Binta

Sunday 9 am: Fr. Bill Faiella

11 am: Fr. Bob Binta

5 pm: Fr. Bob Binta

A Message from Fr. Bob

Dear Friends,

I hope you had a blessed week and are enjoying our best weeks in Arizona! This is the time our houses are filled with guests ready to escape their wintery cold homes and enjoy a sunny afternoon at a Spring Training game!

I would like to express my gratitude and appreciation to all of our dedicated volunteers who worked so tirelessly to make this year's Rummage Sale a great success. Through your donations and their efforts we raised over \$9,000! This event is truly a great community effort.

Thank you to our parishioners who Spring clean during this time and allow us to sell your things to raise money for the parish. Thank you to all of the volunteers who give of their time to collect, organize, price, and sell the items. A very special Thank You goes out to Gayle and Denny Siewert for their wise leadership and coordination. The time they give is truly a blessing for this parish. The funds raised will go towards our debt reduction. My goal is to retire our debt by the end of this year.

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday when we celebrate the Passion of the Lord. The Mass begins outside with a commemoration of the Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem. We encourage you all to join us at this Mass that marks the beginning of Holy Week.

I would also like to invite you to join us for the Triduum Mass celebrations. The natural seasons show us the gift of new life that comes from death as the earth transitions from Winter into Spring and barren trees reveal new buds. Our church gifts us with the liturgical year, which guides us as we move through our own times of barrenness and joy. The Triduum, in particular, helps us to experience this gift within our community during a concentrated time.

Please join us for Holy Thursday Mass as we celebrate the re-enactment of the Last Supper and the Good Friday service as we recall Jesus' death on the cross. Holy Saturday is a time of waiting as we reflect on the sadness that comes when we lose those that we love. Then, join us at the Easter Vigil or on Easter morning for a most joyous celebration, made even more meaningful after experiencing the Triduum with the St. Benedict community.

Thank you for your wonderful support of our parish, our students, and those in need in our community. Your generosity of time, talent, and treasure has been inspirational during this Lenten season!

~ Fr. Bob



Faith Formation & More

Parish Endowment Fund

Insurance is a great way to give a larger gift to the parish endowment fund than you would normally be able to give through cash. You can do this by designating the parish endowment fund as the beneficiary of your insurance. Speak with your insurance professional about the tax benefits in life and through your estate. For additional information regarding gifts of insurance, please contact Suzanne Percy in the parish office at **480.961.1610, ext. 308**, or go to our website at stbenedict.org.

2016 Liturgical Day of Reflection

Save the date for “Come Fill the Well” on **Saturday, April 16**, between 9 am and 12 pm. Guest facilitator will be Paul Hillebrand, a national and international retreat and workshop leader, Director of Music at St. Patrick’s Parish in Scottsdale, and published songwriter. Join us as we explore how we can develop a deeper, more open connection with God through our ministries. Be ready for a morning of beautiful music, reflection and prayer! Lunch will be provided following the session. For more information or to RSVP contact Debbie Brines at dbrines@stbenedict.org.

Welcome New Parishioners!

- Roy and Diane Fuchs
- Robert Galvan
- Maryjo and Corey Kolar
- Jennifer Ryan, Elizabeth, Erin, James and Daniel Lau
- Helen Schutkoske

Rummage Sale Results

On behalf of the Rummage Sale Committee, we would like to say a special thank you to everyone that helped make this year’s sale an amazing success! Whether you volunteered your valuable time or donated your treasures, we wish to express our deepest gratitude for your contribution.

The remaining items leftover after the sale benefited 4 organizations. St. Vincent de Paul filled their truck; Furnishing Dignity received beds, end tables, a bookcase, chairs, a table, and various housewares; Helen’s Hope Chest received baby clothes; and the rest was sold to EPIC Thrift for \$1,100.

This year’s grand total is over \$9,000! All proceeds have gone to the Parish Debt Reduction Fund.

CEA Giving Deadline Extended

Now you can donate to Catholic Education Arizona until **Monday, April 18!** Please consider supporting our school by designating your Arizona state tax dollars to St. John Bosco so we can provide tuition funding for those in need. For more information, please go to stbosco.org/cea.

Discover Our Preschool Program

St. John Bosco Catholic School is proud to announce that we are launching a preschool program for 3-year-olds beginning in the 2016-2017 school year. We have two, three and five day options available for full-day or half-day programs.

For more information or to schedule a private tour, go to sjbosco.org/preschool or call our Admissions Office at **480.219.4845**.

Faith Formation

This Week in Children and Youth Faith Formation

March 13

EPIC - "Let's Get Together"
No Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

March 14

No Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

March 15

No JAM
No Journey of Faith

March 16

No Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
Sacramental Prep. for Grades 6-12

March 20

EPIC - "Source & Summit"
No Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Jr. High NET Retreat - April 2

Attention all middle school students! There will be a one day retreat offered just for you at Corpus Christi Catholic Church on **Saturday, April 2**, from 10 am to 4 pm.

This retreat will be led by NET Ministries whose mission is to challenge young Catholics to love Christ and embrace the life of the Church. This is an amazing opportunity for youth to dive deeper into their faith through, games, activities, crafts and leader discussions.

For more information and to RSVP, please contact David Rees at drees@stbenedict.org or call **480.961.1610 ext. 307**.

EPIC - "Let's Get Together"

One of the most important things to learn in life is the power of community and fellowship. Coming together for a common purpose or goal can help you achieve your wildest dreams and form you into the person God has called you to be.

Join EPIC this **Sunday, March 13**, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at Corpus Christi for "Let's Get Together." We have a fun social night planned that you definitely don't want to miss! See you all there!

EPIC - "Source and Summit"

Have you ever climbed to the summit of a mountain before? Possibly South Mountain or Camelback Mountain here in the valley? Or maybe something even higher? About five years ago, I climbed a 12,441-foot mountain known as *Baldy Mountain* in New Mexico. Standing on top of this mountain was an absolutely breathtaking experience. I could see for miles since I was truly above the clouds. It was an amazing experience that I will always remember.

Did you know, the Catholic Church has a "summit" that is truly breathtaking as well? Every now and then I hear Catholic speakers referring to the Holy Mass as, "the source and summit of our faith." The Mass is what separates us as Catholics. The Mass is where we encounter the true body and blood of Jesus Christ. *It is where heaven meets Earth and the place where the true heart of the Church is revealed* (CCC 1398, CCC 1407).

All high school students are encouraged to attend EPIC, **Sunday March 20**, for "Source & Summit" a night about the Holy Mass! We will be meeting at St. John Bosco from 6:15 to 8 pm.

Organizations & Ministries

Prayer Workshop

Fr. Bill Faiella is facilitating a workshop entitled "Prayer Forms to Help You Live in His Presence." Please come to the Franciscan Renewal Center (5802 E Lincoln Dr, Paradise Valley, AZ) on **Saturday, April 2**. The workshop begins at 9 am and ends at noon. You can register online at thecasa.org.

Knights of Columbus

Congratulations to Jay Iole, recipient of the 2015 *Knight of the Year Award* for St. Benedict Council 12216. Jay is a Past Grand Knight and current Trustee. He and his wife Marcia are longtime parishioners of St. Benedict. Jay is actively involved in many council activities and chairs Coats for Kids. Congratulations Jay!

Welcome David Schenach, Frank O'Bleness, Mike Rojas, Justin Hagert, John Templeton, and Ed Van Vianen, the newest members of Council 12246.

Some of our upcoming events include Stations of the Cross on **March 18**, Golf Tournament on **April 2**, Father/Son Fishing Trip on **April 29**, Blood Drive on **May 22**. Adoration is held the 1st Friday of every month.

If you're interested in helping those in need, serving our parish, growing in faith, and meet other amazing men of the parish then joining St. Benedict Council 12246 of the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you.

A Knight may contribute as much or as little time as desired but is encouraged to be an active member through attendance of meetings and volunteering for the council's projects. If this interests you, please contact Paul Hagert, the Grand Knight, at azhagerts@q.com.

St. Vincent de Paul

Thank you for everything you provide to the onsite pantry. Here is a list of some items we have an ongoing need for:

- Canned Fruit
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Hot Cereal
- Laundry Soap

Annual Knights of Columbus State Raffle Ticket Sales

The annual raffle is now here. The Council is happy to announce that proceeds will be donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

This year's prizes are as follows:

1st Prize - \$10,000

2nd Prize - \$7,000

3rd Prize - \$5,000

4th-10th Prize - \$3,000, \$2,000, \$1,000, and four prizes of \$500 each

The K of C will be distributing ticket envelopes after all the Masses this weekend at the doors as you leave. Ticket envelopes will also be available during the week in the church lobby until **Sunday, May 8**. What a great way to have some fun and also support the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Chrism Mass

Everyone is invited to the Chrism Mass, the Mass of Oils and Priestly Commitment on **Monday, March 21**, beginning at 7 pm at Sts. Simon & Jude Cathedral (6351 N. 27th Ave., 27th Ave. and Maryland, in Phoenix). At this popular event the sacred oils will be blessed by Bishop Thomas J. Olmstead and all Priests will renew their Priestly Commitment.

[More](#)

Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament

Come and join us on **Saturday, April 2**, at the Foothills Golf Course! Have a blast while supporting St. Vincent de Paul and other parish ministries. All are welcome to sign up as a group or a single, and we will pair you up! The cost is \$85 per golfer.

Opportunities are also available to advertise your business by being a Hole Sponsor. Hole Sponsorships are \$100 for a professional sign with your company name and logo displayed at a tee box. Lunch, Raffle and Silent Auction in the Clubhouse will be provided after the tournament.

For more information contact Paul Spatz at **602.469.3812** or spatman68@centurylink.net.

Lenten Reconciliation Services

- March 16** *St. Steven*
March 17 *Corpus Christi*
March 18 *Holy Spirit*

(All services begin at 7 pm)

Stations and Soup

Please join us for our Stations and Soup gatherings each **Friday** at 6 pm. During Lent a Ministry or group will lead us through the Stations of the Cross in a different way.

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| March 18
<i>Hosted by the
Knights of Columbus</i> | March 25 (3 pm)
<i>Hosted by the St.
Benedict Youth Ministry</i> |
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Liturgy Corner

The liturgy on Good Friday is the second ritual step on the Triduum journey. Good Friday is not a time of mourning, but rather, of remembering, of seeing once again, the boundless love of God expressed in the offering of his own Son. The Celebration of the Lord's Passion has three distinct parts: the Liturgy of the Word, the Communion Service, and the Veneration of the Cross. In John's gospel the victory of Christ's death is not seen as defeat but rather as the passage of Christ into his glory. At 7 pm, we will begin the liturgy in silence. We do not provide opening music or a call to worship. During the liturgical year, only the Good Friday and the Easter Vigil liturgies begin in this way. This reflects the true nature of the three days of the Triduum as being one extended celebration. The primary symbol of today's liturgy is the cross as a sign of victory and salvation. Young and old, rich and poor, healthy and infirm, we all come to the Cross to find hope and be saved. We again depart in silence until we gather for the Vigil on Easter.

Beginning at 7:30 pm, the Easter Vigil liturgy relives, in ritual, the night the Israelites stayed awake waiting for the Lord to deliver them from their slavery in Egypt. Similarly, we wait with the disciples for the Good News that Jesus indeed is risen! The liturgy of this night has four parts: the Light Service, Liturgy of the Word, Rites of Initiation, and the Celebration of the Lord's Supper. Each part is embedded with powerful symbols: light and darkness, fire, word, water, oil, touch, and a meal shared as friends. We gather as family to re-tell the wondrous stories of our salvation and draw strength as we remember. We wait together in joyful hope for the Good News of Christ's victory over death. In the process, we discover for ourselves the glory of the Cross.

~ www.danschutte.com - *The Easter Triduum*



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