Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Sing to the LORD, praise the LORD, for he has rescued the life of the poor.”
~ Jeremiah 20:13

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.

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

Monday, 6/22
8:15 am | Mass

Tuesday, 6/23
8:15 am | Mass
7 pm | JAM Unleashed (Online)

Wednesday, 6/24
8:15 am | Mass

Thursday, 6/25
8:15 am | Mass
7 pm | EPIC Unleashed (Online)

Friday, 6/26
8:15 am | Mass

Saturday, 6/27
3:30 pm | Reconciliation
5 pm | Mass

Office Hours
Monday - Thursday 9 am - 4 pm
Friday 9 am - 12 pm
Closed Daily 12 pm - 1 pm

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

Reconciliation
Sat 3:30-4:30 pm, in Church

Mass Intentions
Sunday, 6/21/2020
9 am | People of the Parish
11 am | David Lopez †
5 pm | Frank Galvan †

M 6/22 | People of the Parish
Tu 6/23 | People of the Parish
W 6/24 | Israel Garza †
Th 6/25 | People of the Parish
F 6/26 | Anthony Loh & C.S. Kim †
Sat 6/27 | Waldo & Virjean Schinzel †
Liturgy & Administration

Scripture Readings
For This Week

**Monday:**
- 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18;
- 6/22 Ps 60:3-5, 12-13; Mt 7:1-5

**Tuesday:**
- 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Ps 48:2-4, 10-11; Mt 7:6, 12-14

**Wednesday:**
- Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1-3, 13-15;
- 6/24 Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80 (Nativity of St. John the Baptist)

**Thursday:**
- 2 Kgs 24:8-17; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Mt 7:21-29

**Friday:**
- 2 Kgs 25:1-12; Ps 137:1-6;
- 6/26 Mt 8:1-4

**Saturday:**
- Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Ps 74:1b-7, 20-21; Mt 8:5-17

**Sunday:**
- 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-19; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11;
- 6/28 Mt 10:37-42

Presider Schedule*
the Week of
June 22 - 28

**Monday** 8:15 am - Fr. James

**Tuesday** 8:15 am - Fr. Wilfred

**Wednesday** 8:15 am - Fr. James

**Thursday** 8:15 am - Fr. Wilfred

**Friday** 8:15 am - Fr. James

**Saturday** 5 pm - Fr. Wilfred

**Sunday**
- 9 am - Fr. James
- 11 am - Fr. James
- 5 pm - Fr. Wilfred

*Please note: this schedule is subject to change without notice.

** Dcn Ed Preaching, All Masses

Parish Contributions
Regular Contributions - June 13/14, 2020

*Weekly Plate - Actual: $ 4,592
Weekly Plate - Budget: $ 11,250

*Last week of the month includes Faith Direct online giving totals.

LIVING our FAITH | BUILDING our HOME
As of April 2020

Campaign Pledges: $ 3,548,859
Collected Campaign Pledges: $ 2,072,509
A Letter from Fr. James

Happy Father's Day!

I wish all fathers - biological fathers, adoptive fathers, foster fathers, grandfathers and Godfathers - a Happy Father's Day and God's blessings! We are thankful for the sacrificial love our fathers and father figures share with us throughout our lives. On this day, we honor and celebrate the indispensable role fathers play in our families and communities. Our relationship with our fathers and father figures is often a reflection of the nature of our relationship with God.

The joy of fatherhood is facing unprecedented challenges in our time, especially with the new redefinition of marriage. One can hardly talk about fathers this day without sounding “old fashioned” or offending someone. Someone once said that it is easier these days for fathers to have children than for children to have fathers. Let us remember to pray for all fathers and father figures who are facing different challenges in their personal and family lives. I encourage all fathers to look up to St. Joseph, husband of the Blessed Mother, as their role model. Despite his holiness, he experienced challenges as he sacrificed his own personal dreams in order to fulfill God's will by protecting his wife and child, Jesus. I pray again for God's special blessings upon you through the intercession of St. Joseph on this day.

Thank you and remain blessed,

Fr. James

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Battles & Blessings: My Experiences with Cancer  by David Rees

This is the story of David's battles, blessings, and experiences of dealing with cancer at the age of 26 while also planning a wedding, continue working, moving back in with his parents, and having a sense of mental stability. While there were many battles throughout the next nine months, he also found countless blessings and joys. This book is for anyone who is battling cancer, has a loved one battling cancer, or who wants to learn more about the “behind the scenes” of a cancer diagnosis. (Note: adult content/language is present in book.)

Available at the parish office or through AmazonSmile.com for $15.

A Prayer for Father's Day

Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son Jesus to the care of Joseph, an earthly father.

Bless all fathers, this Father’s Day and always, as they care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience. Support them in the work they do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to you for love and salvation. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Teaching Our Children About Racism

Racist ideas and prejudice are harmful to the Body of Christ since every person is created in the image and likeness of God. Celebrating the wonderful diversity of God’s family and recognizing the inherent dignity of each person often begins at home. Although it may not always feel like it, children hear parents when they speak to them. More importantly, children watch their parents interact and respond to others. It takes courage to speak out against racism and other injustice, but when children have grown up in a family where respecting and defending the dignity of human life is innately part of their Christian identity, it makes it easier for them to do so.

Children easily can understand the central message of the Gospel as Jesus continually teaches about love, often loving those who look different than him or who are marginalized by society. Books are a great teacher when our children feel anxious or unsafe! Everyone Belongs is a book inspired by the USCCB’s statement “Open Wide Our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love, A Pastoral Letter Against Racism.” It empowers young readers to reflect on the reality of racism in our society, to see it through the lens of history and faith, and act towards respect, understanding, and friendship. It is fully illustrated for children ages 5-12.

Everyone Belongs
Verse to Remember - June 21

“So do not be afraid, you are worth more than many sparrows.” ~ Matthew 10:31

At first glance, we may be tempted to chuckle at this Bible verse, thinking to ourselves, “Wow, I am worth more than two sparrows. That's big money.” However, we must understand the worth that God places on these sparrows. He counts them, He watches them, He cares for them, He offers them His full attention and love. If God the Father cares that much about a simple sparrow, imagine how much He must care for us as His beloved children?

Song of the Week
By David Rees

“No Longer Slaves” by Bethel Music

Favorite Verse: “You split the sea, so I could walk right through it. My fears were drowned in perfect love. You rescued me and I will stand and sing, I am the child of God.”

This is one of the most powerful Christian songs I have ever heard. In this song, Bethel Music affirms the undoubtable truth that we have endless worth in the eyes of God. Our Father will stop at nothing to show us how much we are loved, which is clearly visible by the fact that He calls us His children.

Listen to this song and allow the Father to show you your true worth.

YM Gatherings this Week

Our youth ministry programs, EPIC and JAM, will be virtually meeting on ZOOM this week! Our middle school program, JAM, will be meeting Tuesday, June 23 and our high school group, EPIC, will be meeting Thursday, June 25. Both groups meet from 7 pm to 8 pm.

We hope your teen can join us for this week’s session, “After Death: Hope for Eternal Life”. Come learn how we, as Catholics, can anticipate and long for the joys of Heaven!

For more information and to RSVP, contact, David Rees, drees@stbenedict.org

Family and Faith Resource

Spending more time at home with our family members can cause a bit of a stir in the family dynamic. Our parents, children, and siblings see the unedited version of us and it isn’t always a pretty picture.

Fr. Mike Schmitz tells us that spending more time with our family can actually help us grow in holiness! Check out his recent video, “Family Brings Out the Worst in You” on Youtube for his insights into the blessings family members can offer us! Go to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KhHrPkpthrg
Current Events & More

Marriage Encounter Community - At Home

Worldwide Marriage Encounter has put together a special website for these times of social distancing. It’s called “Finding Community at Home” and is located at www.wwme.org/Finding-community-at-home/.

Here you will find a wonderful resource for most anyone to continue to be faith-filled and growing in faith. Choose a category for prayers, dialogue, presentations and videos to support your faith and well-being. Categories include: personal, couples, family, priest/religious, and community.

“Lord, in your great love, answer me.”
~ Psalm 69

Knights of Columbus

Last week we elected new officers for the next two years. Congratulations to Rudy Cavolina for becoming the next Grand Knight. Isauro Amaro will serve as his Deputy Grand Knight, and both will guide the Father Bob Binta Council to new heights.

Congratulations to John Garrity for becoming the Knight of the Year. John’s passion for volunteering is an inspiration to us all.

Our members make all the Knights’ charities possible—now and in the future. Membership in the K of C makes men better Catholics, better husbands, better fathers and citizens. To sign up to be a Knight, go to www.kofc.org/joinus

Vivat Jesus!
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St. Vincent de Paul

Please know that we at SVdP are here to serve YOU as well as our less fortunate brethren. If you or your neighbors are struggling, especially in this COVID19 setting, please call us here at St. Benedict’s at 480.961.1610 extension 315.

Our motto is to “Feed, Clothe, House, and Heal.”

Free Catholic Movies and More

Where is a great place to enjoy a wealth of resources for our Catholic faith in a variety of media? There are movies, books, videos and more....FORMED.org!

It’s easy and free to use as the St. Benedict Church gift to you:

1. Visit FORMED.org and click “sign up”
2. Select “I Belong to a Parish or Organization”
3. Find “St. Benedict” and enter your email.

Water Drive Update

On Friday, June 12, the St. Vincent de Paul Water Truck picked up 17 cases of water bottles from our parish lobby to take to the SVdP dining room in Mesa. We are up 2 cases from the prior week!

If you would like to help, please bring your donation of 12-16 oz. bottles of water to the parish lobby anytime between 9 am and 4 pm, Monday through Friday. Thank you!

Vocations

“Be not afraid.”

Do not fear how Jesus is calling you to build his Church. If you are discerning your vocation, contact the Vocation Office at 602.354.2005 or dphx.org/vocations.
St. Thomas More (1477-1535)
Feast Day, June 22
From Robert Bolt's classic *A Man for All Seasons* to Showtime's *The Tudors*, Thomas More endears himself still: lawyer-statesman of impeccable integrity, remarried widower and affectionate father delighting in a lively household—four children, a pet monkey, even a paid jester! And challenges still: humanist-reformer, yet champion of Catholic faith and papal primacy. John Paul II named him Patron of Statesmen and Politicians, citing More's generous work, both as a lawyer and in government service, on behalf of the poorest and most marginalized people of his time, as well as his promotion of education for all sectors of society. More's decision for principle over politics, conscience over convenience prompted his final words: “I die the king's good servant, but God's first.”

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Welcome Back
St. Benedict Church continues to celebrate all of its regular Masses with limited seating capacity and physical distancing protocols.
Monday - Friday at 8:15 am
Saturday at 5 pm,
Sunday at 9 am, 11 am, 5 pm
We live-stream the weekday 8:15 am, Saturday 5 pm, and the Sunday 9 am Masses on YouTube/Facebook. (Note: the Sunday 11 am and 5 pm Masses are NOT livestreamed.) Communion after Masses, for those individuals watching the live-streaming, is offered ONLY after the Saturday, 5 pm Mass, and the Sunday, 9 am Mass.
Seating is limited, face masks are recommended, and social distancing is observed. Use of hand sanitizer as you enter/leave the church and reception of Holy Communion in the hand are highly encouraged.
WHY IS IT
A man wakes up after sleeping under an advertised blanket on an advertised mattress and pulls off advertised pajamas in an advertised shower. He shaves with an advertised razor, brushes his teeth with advertised toothpaste, washes with advertised soap, puts on advertised clothes, drinks a cup of advertised coffee, drives to work in an advertised car, and then... refuses to advertise believing it doesn’t pay. Later if business is poor he advertises it for sale.

WHY IS IT?
Did you know that you could support our school while you shop at your favorite store?

We are pleased to announce that the Scrip Office is rolling out a new online ordering system through Formstack so you can purchase scrip cards directly from our office. Place your order by going to https://sjb.formstack.com/forms/scrip, choose the cards you wish to purchase, and enter your credit card information.

Online orders will be filled on Monday and Wednesday mornings. Pick up your cards in the front office Monday through Thursday from 7:30 am to 3:30 pm, and Friday 7:30 am to 1 pm. Please keep in mind that this is a brand new way of sales and we are still working out the kinks. Also, scrip cards are subject to availability. If we are out of a specific card from your order, the Scrip Office will reach out to you directly.

Since we are unable to have open window hours, this is a great way to purchase your scrip and continue to support your school! You are also encouraged to keep purchasing electronic scrip through www.shopwithscrip.com. Feel free to email the Scrip Office at sjbscrip@sjbosco.org with any questions.

New Student Enrollment

If you have a child who will be joining us for the 2020-2021 school year, you may begin to enroll them now! Go to our website and click on Admissions. Under the Admissions page will be an “Apply Now” button. Follow the instructions and ensure the application is “Submitted.” Our Preschool programs fill up early, so apply now to secure your child’s spot.

If you are interested in learning more about St. John Bosco, we encourage you to call 480.219.4848 or email admissions@sjbosco.org today for a private virtual tour.