

# St. Benedict Catholic Church

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July 24, 2022

## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

***"You were buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead."***

*~ Colossians 2:12*

### Parish Mission Statement

*We are a vibrant and welcoming Catholic Church 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

Fridays in July Closed

Closed Daily 12 pm - 1 pm

### Mass Schedule

Weekends at SJB MPR:

Saturday 5 pm, Sunday 7, 9, 11 am, 5 pm

Weekdays Mon-Fri in Annex 2 Chapel: 8:15 am

### Reconciliation

Fri 5-6 pm, Sat 8:30-9:30 am, in Annex 1

### Upcoming Events

For a complete calendar of events, please visit [stbenedict.org/calendar](http://stbenedict.org/calendar)

#### Monday, 7/25

8:15 am | Mass

#### Tuesday, 7/26

8:15 am | Mass  
6 pm | Teen Bible Study

#### Wednesday, 7/27

8:15 am | Mass  
5 pm | Finance Council  
7 pm | Parish Rosary

#### Thursday, 7/28

8:15 am | Mass  
6 pm | Choir Practice

#### Friday, 7/29

Parish Office Closed  
8:15 am | Mass  
5 pm | Confessions

#### Saturday, 7/30

8:30 am | Confessions  
10 am | Bereavement  
Support Group  
5 pm | Mass

### Mass Intentions

#### Sunday, 7/24/2022

7 am | Michael Simbulan †  
9 am | Emil Senn †  
11 am | People of the Parish  
5 pm | Ruben Bugarin †

M 7/25 | Antonio Sanchez †

Tu 7/26 | People of the Parish

W 7/27 | Jonathan Dingwall (living)

Th 7/28 | Emil † and Marilyn Senn (living)

F 7/29 | People of the Parish

Sat 7/30 | James Szura †

## Liturgy & Administration

### Scripture Readings

<b>Monday:</b> 7/25	2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28 ( <i>St. James</i> )
<b>Tuesday:</b> 7/26	Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Mt 13:36-43 ( <i>St. Joachim and Anne</i> )
<b>Wednesday:</b> 7/27	Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18; Mt 13:44-46
<b>Thursday:</b> 7/28	Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53
<b>Friday:</b> 7/29	Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Jn 11:19-27 ( <i>Ss. Martha, Mary &amp; Lazarus</i> )
<b>Saturday:</b> 7/30	Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12
<b>Sunday:</b> 7/31	Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

### Presider Schedule\*

*the Week of  
July 25-31, 2022*

<b>Monday</b>	8:15 am - Fr. James
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:15 am - Fr. Manasseh
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:15 am - Fr. Manasseh
<b>Thursday</b>	8:15 am - Fr. Manasseh
<b>Friday</b>	8:15 am - Fr. Manasseh
<b>Saturday</b>	5 pm - Fr. Manasseh
<b>Sunday</b>	7 am - Fr. Manasseh 9 am - Fr. James 11 am - Fr. James 5 pm - Fr. Manasseh

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

### “Living Our Faith, Building Our Home” Capital Campaign

*As of June 2022*

Campaign Pledges: \$ 3,548,859  
Collected Campaign Pledges: \$ 2,646,142

### Parish CDA Totals July 19, 2022

Number of Donors: 214  
Amount Donated: \$99,166  
Donation Goal: \$85,000

### \*\*Parish Contributions

*A special thank you to those  
who are faithfully contributing*

Regular Contributions for **June 2022**

(Contributions are recorded on a monthly basis  
per fiscal year: July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022)

**Actual: \$ 66,781\***

**Budget: \$ 74,375**

\* Faith Direct & Realm Online: \$ 46,197

Cash Contributions: \$ 4,193

Check Contributions: \$ 16,391

**(\*\* Please remember to transfer your  
Faith Direct deposit over to Realm soon!)**

## A Reflection by Fr. James

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### Praying For Other People

Last Sunday, we heard in the first reading how Abraham showed kindness to three mysterious travelers and was rewarded for his goodness. In the first reading today, which is a continuation of that same story from Genesis, the destination and mission of the travelers was revealed to Abraham. They were Angels of the Lord, sent to destroy the towns of Sodom and Gomorrah. We are told the sin of immorality of the people was so bad that God decided to destroy the cities by fire. The sin of sodomy is named after this town of Sodom. The Book of Genesis 19:1-29 gives accounts of the nature of the sins of Sodom and Gomorrah.

Abraham, knowing that his cousin, Lot, and his family lived in Sodom, pleaded with the Angels of the Lord to spare the towns for the sake of the few righteous people in it. Here, we see Abraham as an advocate for both the good and bad people in the cities.

This scripture reading invites us to reflect on the nature of immorality in our society today and our personal attitude toward it. Do we see any resemblance in our society today compared to the towns of Sodom and Gomorrah? Or do we think our society is morally better than theirs? Naturally, people in every generation think they are better than previous generations. While it is true that our generation has greatly excelled in some areas such as science, technology, and economics, it is also obvious that a new form of immorality such as child molestation, pornography, abortion, and euthanasia have emerged in our generation. Other sins such as suicide, terrorism, and human trafficking and other forms of immoralities have increased in our time compared to previous generations.

Comparing the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah to our present generation, someone once asked me, “*Father, don’t you think that God will soon rain fire and brimstones on our society because of the high rate of immorality in the world today?*” I answered her that I don’t think so because, like Abraham in the first reading today, there are many of us who are praying for God’s mercy on the whole world. I also believe that there are more good people than bad in the world today. It is not enough for us to condemn the immorality in the world today, we need to do something about it, we need to pray and ask God for his mercy and to give us more time to repent and change our sinful behaviors.

In the Gospel today, Jesus’ disciples asked him to teach them how to pray. Like the disciples, we are invited today to reevaluate the nature of our prayer life, particularly, with regards to praying for other people. By calling God our Father in the “Lord’s Prayer,” we acknowledge that God is Father to all of us, both the good and the bad people. Like Abraham, we are called to pray not just for ourselves but to pray even for the bad people as well. And so we pray, “*For the sake of His sorrowful passion, Have mercy on us and on the whole world.*”

Fr. James

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## Ministries and More

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### Safe Environment Renewal Time

The Safe Environment Training year runs from July 1 to June 30. Thus, it is now time for the Safe Environment Training renewal for all active ministry volunteers here at St. Benedict and at the school! Go to <https://phoenix.cmgconnect.org>, update your profile information, and take the renewal today.

If you have any questions or needs, please contact the Safe Environment Coordinator for St. Benedict, Debbie Smith, at **480.529.4828** (call or text), or for the school, Teri Auilar at **480.219.4848** (call).

### Memorial Mass for Fr. Bob Binta

All are welcome to come and celebrate a Memorial Mass for Fr. Bob Binta on **Friday, August 19** at 7 pm in the St. John Bosco Multipurpose Room. Fr. Bob was the Pastor here at St. Benedict for five years beginning in July of 2013. He was later diagnosed with cancer and passed away peacefully on August 20, 2018. Every year we remember our Fr. Bob.

### JP-II Classic on August 5

Get ready for the Priest vs Seminarian Basketball Event on **Friday, August 5** at 7 pm (doors open at 6 pm) at the Xavier College Prep Gym. For more information and tickets go to [dphx.org/event/jpii-classic](http://dphx.org/event/jpii-classic)

### Walking With Moms In Need

We are currently looking for an individual who would like to lead the Walking With Moms In Need ministry. If you are interested or would like more information, please call the parish office at **480.961.1610**.

### Parish Rosary

Please join us as the Knights of Columbus host a Parish Rosary the evening of **Wednesday, July 27** at 7 pm in the Annex 2 Chapel. Let us join together to pray for peace.

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## Update on the Construction of Our New Worship Space

Great news! The concrete work began ahead of schedule! Last Monday for the layout of the footings, Tuesday for the digging of the footings, and for the next three weeks will be the work on the footings for the extensions.

We now have a tentative date for the underground items that we have been waiting for. On Monday, July 25 the construction crew will begin on the drainage work that will impact the road between the main building and the Annex buildings. The goal is to complete this work prior to the start of school on Wednesday, August 10. If there is a chance of impacting this date there is a plan to develop a roadway around (behind) the Annex buildings, so the school traffic flow will not be impacted.



## Faith Formation and More

### Faith Formation News

Registration for ALL Faith Formation programs begins ONLINE on **Monday, August 1**. (Register before August 28 and receive an Early Bird Discount of \$5 off per child/teen!)

Faith Formation and Youth Ministry Sessions begin in September and meet most weeks through April 2023. For a complete schedule, visit our parish website [www.stbenedict.org](http://www.stbenedict.org)

EPIC YOUTH MINISTRY (Grades 9th-12th)

Sundays from 3 pm - 4:45 pm



JAM MIDDLE SCHOOL (Grades 6th-8th)

Tuesdays from 6:15 pm - 7:30 pm



JOURNEY OF FAITH (Grades K-5th)

Tuesdays from 6:15 pm - 7:30 pm



\*CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

(Days & Times TBD)

Level II (Grades 1st-3rd)



\*Please note that the CGS Atrium is currently closed due to the construction of the Church. Registered families will receive session start dates and updates as more information becomes available. Limited space is available for all CGS sessions.

REGISTRATION COSTS for 2022-2023:

\$50 - JAM, Journey of Faith & CGS

\$100 - EPIC Youth Ministry

Financial assistance and scholarships are available for any family in need. We never want cost to prevent your child from participating in faith formation programs or youth ministry events. Contact the parish office for assistance. All families with multiple children have a maximum total registration cost of \$125, regardless of program.

### Looking for Ways to Get Involved?

With summer underway, fall planning for faith formation has begun! Each year, the success of our St. Benedict programs greatly depends on amazing volunteers like YOU! If you feel called to be more involved with the young people of our parish (pre-K through elementary, junior high or high school), we would love to talk to you about joining our team as a catechist, aide or core leader for 2022-2023! No prior experience is required - just a willingness to joyfully accompany our young people in their growing relationship with Christ by sharing your time and Catholic faith. You'll receive materials, support and training. Several different ministries with varying time commitments are available.

Our children and teens value the gift of your time and faith whether you are able to commit to a little or a lot of time. And, as a bonus, being involved with the young people often strengthens our own faith.

Interested? Contact Heather Mooney at [hmooney@stbenedict.org](mailto:hmooney@stbenedict.org) or Clare Gisla at [cgisla@stbenedict.org](mailto:cgisla@stbenedict.org)

### Faith Formation Fall Kick-Off: Let's Go Roller Skating!

Join us on **Sunday, August 28** from 1 pm to 3:30 pm at Skateland Chandler as we kick off another great year of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry for our St. Benedict children, teens & parents!



The cost is \$17 per Skater (All ages 2+). Includes admission, skate rental, 1 slice of pizza & a drink. (Non-skating attendees are free with \$6 for pizza slice & drink.) Pay cash at the door and please let us know if you're planning to attend. RSVP on our website.

Don't miss out on this FUN afternoon for new & returning Journey of Faith, CGS, JAM and EPIC families. Scholarships are available. Contact Clare Gisla for details at [cgisla@stbenedict.org](mailto:cgisla@stbenedict.org) or call 480.961.1610 ext. 307.

## Current Events & More

### Knights of Columbus

*"No king is saved by the size of his army; no warrior escapes by his great strength. A horse is a vain hope for deliverance; despite all its great strength it cannot save." (Psalm 33:16-17)*

Today, bring every project and endeavor before the Lord as you ask for His power and grace to accomplish it using both your natural gifts and the Spirit of God working together.

Safe Environment Renewal:

I would like to remind all our Knights that the month of July is the period for the renewal of the Safe Environment Training in all parishes and schools across the Diocese. The renewal process takes about 30 minutes. Please go to <https://phoenix.cmgconnect.org> to update your profile information and take the renewal class and test before the end of the month.

Activities in the works:

- Food drive - The Knights of Columbus is supporting St. Vincent de Paul food drive this weekend, **July 23/24** by distributing bags. Donations will be collected the weekend of **July 30/31**.
- Adopt-a-Street - Come and join us for an hour on **July 30** at 7 am to clean up S. Mountain Ranch Circle.
- Blood Drive - Remember to mark your calendars for **Sunday, September 18, 2022**

Thinking of joining the Knights of Columbus?

Join online to become a Knight of Columbus at [www.kofc.org/joinus](http://www.kofc.org/joinus) and enter "Council 12246" and "GKWAP".

Vivat Jesus,

Isauro Amaro, Grand Knight

Fr. Bob Binta Council # 12246

480.748.1449

[grandknight@kofc12246.org](mailto:grandknight@kofc12246.org)



### St. Vincent de Paul Update

We hope that everyone is having a wonderful summer! Sadly, this summer has been difficult for many of our neighbors and our pantry has been depleted. We need our parishioners' generous help! Next weekend, **July 30-31**, will be a SVDP 5th Sunday monetary collection. In addition to our 5th Sunday collection, in partnership with The Knights of Columbus, we will be having a food drive in the courtyard outside of the MPR at each Mass. Please be as generous as you are able so that SVDP may assist our less fortunate neighbors. A HUGE thank you, as always!



*"Lord, on the day I called for help,  
you answered me."*

~ Psalm 138



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### 12PM - 6PM

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Thank you in advance for your support! Interested in fundraising?  
Contact Karla Ortiz at (562) 541-8706 or [karla.ortiz@wksusa.com](mailto:karla.ortiz@wksusa.com)



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## Stewardship and Development

By Jennifer Sentz

Very soon St. Benedict will officially end our subscription with Faith Direct and fully incorporate Realm's online giving platform.

### Things To Do:

- Activate your Realm account. Use the link sent to you in an email invitation. If you did not receive an email, please contact Amy Fletcher in the office at [afletcher@stbenedict.org](mailto:afletcher@stbenedict.org) or call 480.961.1610, ext. 300.
- Set-up online giving in Realm. For those who are using Faith Direct, please cancel your Faith Direct payments after setting your giving preferences in Realm. You can log in to your account (if it is already activated) by going to [www.onrealm.org](http://www.onrealm.org) or by downloading the Realm Connect app.

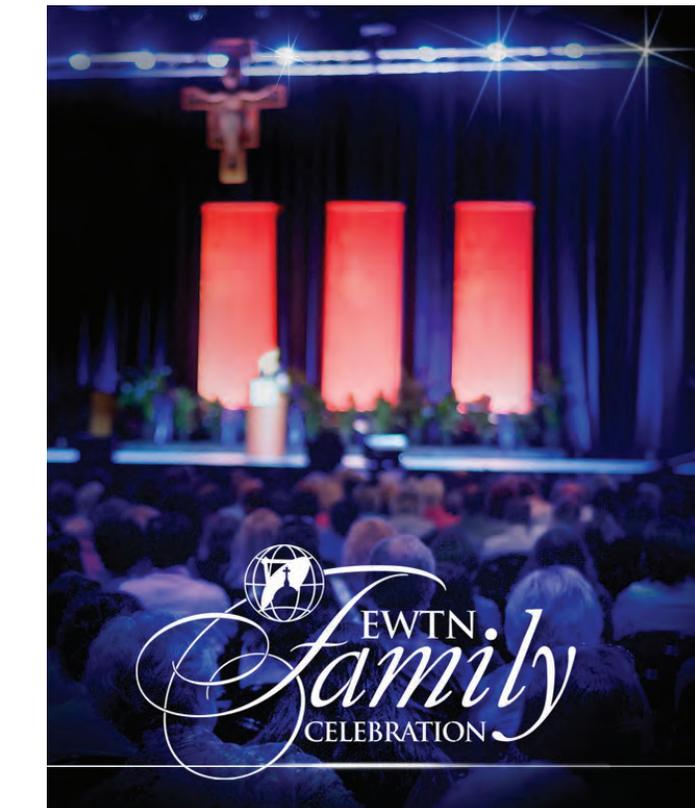
Thank you for transferring your online giving to Realm. It is through your ongoing generosity that we are able to minister to our parishioners and those who visit our Church. Thank you for your continued support!

## August Office Hours

In August the parish office hours change. The hours are the same Monday - Thursday, 9 am to 5 pm, but on Friday the office will be open from 9 am to Noon. Please make a note of it.

## Ministry Contacts

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You are invited to EWTN's FREE Family Celebration event on **Saturday, October 1, 2022** at the Phoenix Convention Center (South Building). Listen to inspirational speakers in both English and Spanish, meet EWTN TV and Radio hosts, and spend time with leading Catholic authors. Confession and Adoration are available throughout the day, as well as the Celebration of the Holy Mass. Doors open at 8 am. Visit [ewtn.com/familycelebration](http://ewtn.com/familycelebration) and click on the registration button to reserve your spot.

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 St. Vincent de Paul... Phil W., 480.961.1610 ext. 315  
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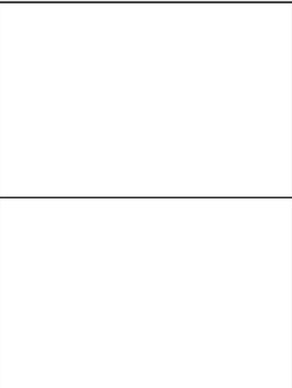
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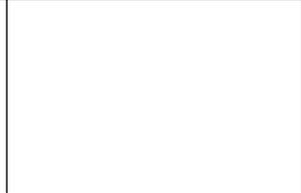
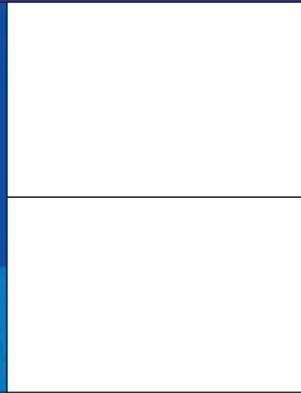
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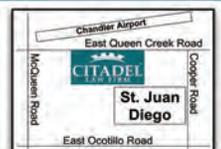
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## A Note From The SJB Principal

Dear Parishioners,

Last week we received a delivery of 300+ Chromebooks and OneScreen Interactive Boards. In keeping our pledge to provide academic excellence to all our 21st-century learners, this will enable every K–8th-grade student to have their own Chromebook to use for the new 2022-23 school year and every classroom will have interactive whiteboards. Such advanced technology opens up a plethora of academic content for teachers to teach, share, and apply.

We are also excited to report that St. John Bosco is now offering Innovation Learning, a brand new, full-service, before- and after-school program for preschool through 8th-grade children who need to be dropped off early (6:30–7:30 am, M - F) and/or be picked up after school is dismissed (M–Th, 3:00–6:00 pm; Friday, 12:30–6:00 pm). This program will provide a valuable service for parents whose workday extends before or after the school day, not merely for childcare but for homework assistance as well.

As we get close to the first day of school on Wednesday, August 10, we continue to offer personal tours and enroll students in all grade levels. In keeping with our small-size classroom pledge, however, some grades are nearing capacity and will start waiting lists soon. If you are interested in checking out our school, call the office (**480.219.4848**) to schedule a private tour with me! I'd love to show you what makes us different and how we make a Catholic education affordable.

**Enrolling Now!**

Making Catholic Education  
Affordable for Everyone

**Preschool-8th Grade**

Call for a private tour today  
**480-219-4848**  
or email [admissions@sjbosco.org](mailto:admissions@sjbosco.org)  
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Joyful Blessings,  
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