

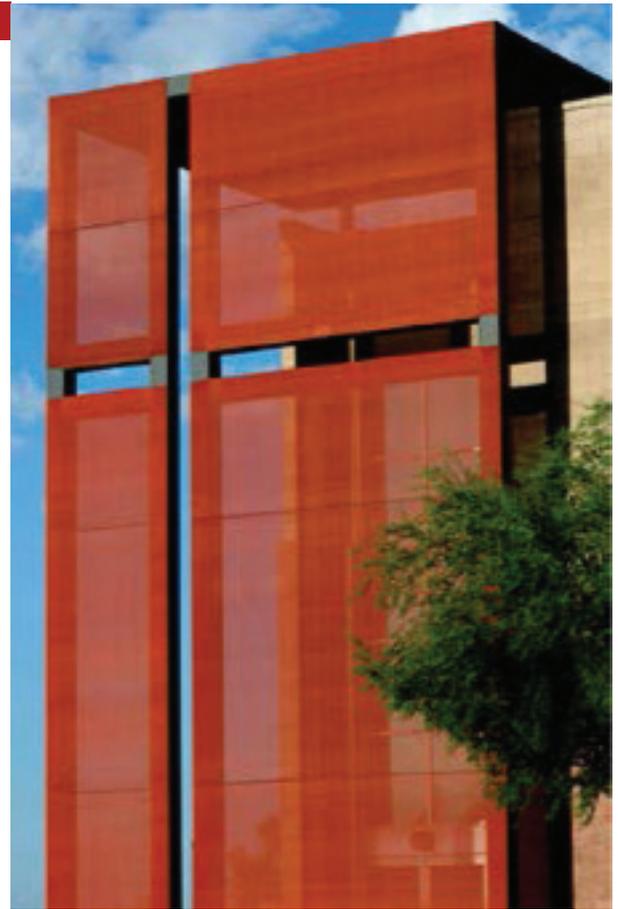


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August 7, 2022

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“ *Our soul waits for the LORD,
who is our help and our shield.* ”

~ Psalm 33:30

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 August 9 am - 12 pm
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

Monday, 8/8 8:15 am Mass 4-6 pm SJB Meet the Teacher Night	Tuesday, 8/9 8:15 am Mass 6 pm SVdP	Wednesday, 8/10 SJB First Day of School 8:15 am Mass
Thursday, 8/11 8:15 am Mass 6 pm Choir Practice 6:30 pm K of C	Friday, 8/12 8:15 am Mass 5 pm Confessions	Saturday, 8/13 8:30 am Confessions 10 am Bereavement Support Group 5 pm Mass

Mass Intentions

Sunday, 8/7/2022 7 am Parishioners 9 am Carol & Don Engel (living) 11 am Don Sterkowitz † 5 pm Parishioners	Th 8/11 Julian Aguilar (living) F 8/12 Ben & Evelyn Korczyk † Sat 8/13 Al Tinti †
M 8/8 Veronica Ruiz (living) Tu 8/9 Jan Medea † W 8/10 Emil Senn †	Sunday, 8/14/2022 7 am Joan B. Specchio † 9 am Parishioners 11 am Emil Senn † 5 pm Rich Libonati †

Liturgy & Administration

Scripture Readings

Monday: 8/8	Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Mt 17:22-27 (<i>St. Dominic</i>)
Tuesday: 8/9	Ez 2:8-3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday: 8/10	2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26 (<i>St. Lawrence</i>)
Thursday: 8/11	Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-59, 61-62; Mt 18:21-19:1 (<i>St. Clare</i>)
Friday: 8/12	Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: 8/13	Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 19:13-15
Sunday: 8/14	Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2-4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

“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 August 3, 2022

Number of Donors: 215
Amount Donated: \$99,256
Donation Goal: \$85,000

Presider Schedule*

*the Week of
August 8-14, 2022*

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

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

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, 2022 - June 30, 2023)

Actual: \$ 66,781*

Budget: \$ 74,375

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

Cash Contributions: \$ 4,193

Check Contributions: \$ 16,391

A Reflection by Fr. Manasseh

“For Where Your Treasure Is, There Also Will Your Heart Be.”

The theme of “waiting” runs across the three readings this weekend. We are accustomed to listening to readings themed with this concept at the beginning of Advent each year when the Church invites us to watch and pray as we wait for the coming of Christ. However, the sudden appearance of the Savior’s directive to wait underscores the essential nature of spiritual vigilance in the life of every Christian.

The first reading, taken from the book of Wisdom, recounts how Israel waited in preparation for the Passover after the date was revealed to them. The letter to the Hebrews, from where the second reading is taken, goes even farther in salvation history to recall how Abraham and Sarah waited in patient hope and uncompromising faith for the fulfillment of the promises made to them by God. Both readings suggest patience and hopeful waiting on God for our salvation.

Each of us today is making his or her own journey. We all have landmark events ahead of us that require preparation. Some of us are preparing to go to school, some to graduate, some to make a life-transforming commitment, while others are preparing for a hospital appointment or even a procedure. The level of preparation suggests the state of measure of awareness of the importance, and sometimes even the success of the event being prepared for. *“Where your treasure is, there also will your heart be.”* Jesus reminds us that in life’s journey, one event deserves and requires adequate preparation. This event is the day we shall meet the Lord, not just in the invisible ways in which He comes into our lives, but in a visible, unmistakable way at the end of this life. It is the event many don’t wish to consider, but is precisely the reason Jesus warns us to prepare for it because our meeting with the Lord is not a matter of if, but of when. And, if His disciples do not prepare adequately they may miss out.

Our preparation for this event is not to be a passive and disinterested watching of the unfolding of events, indeed it is an active waiting in faith, hope and love. Our watching is to be tangible and consistent. It should be seen in our belief in God’s covenant, our charity to our neighbor, and trust in God’s promise of forgiveness and grace. We ought to be so much prepared that should Christ choose to come today, indeed this very moment, He would find us ready.

May we be granted the patience and diligence to watch hopefully without yielding to earthly distractions, may we fix our gaze irrevocably on the example of Christ, and may He find us ready when He comes again.

Fr. Manasseh

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Ministries and More

Beginning of the School Year Prayer

Loving God,

Thank you for the rest and relaxation we enjoyed over the summer. This week, we pray for our children as they begin their new school year. Bless them with joy at seeing friends, excitement at new experiences, and a love of learning. Watch over all who learn, replacing fear with joy, anxiety with peace, and tiredness with energy. Grant teachers wisdom, patience, and joy in serving their students. In Jesus' name we pray,

Amen

Source: D. Flucke



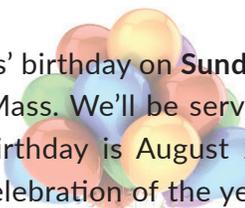
Memorial Mass for Fr. Bob Binta

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 so mark your calendar to attend this year.



You're Invited!

Come and celebrate Fr. James' birthday on **Sunday, August 21** after the 11 am Mass. We'll be serving birthday cake! (His actual birthday is August 24, but we want to be his first celebration of the year! Questions? Email Lani at events@stbenedict.org



Vocations

"Faith is the assurance of that which is hoped for." Will you follow Christ as a priest, deacon, or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocations Office at dphx.org/vocations/contact or 602.354.2004.

Update on the Construction of Our New Worship Space

The rebar is being installed for the south transept, the north restrooms, the elevator shaft area and the back of the new Sanctuary (see photos). The block is scheduled to arrive on Friday. Footings to be completed by Monday, concrete to be poured starting Tuesday, mason is scheduled to start on Wednesday, and the catch basin for the east drain is scheduled to arrive on August 6.

As we were in our construction meeting, a heavy rain storm hit St. Benedict. The footing trenches had 3 feet of water in them. This could impact the above schedule. The footings will need to be inspected prior to the concrete being poured.



Faith Formation and More

Happenings in Children and Youth Faith Formation

Monday, August 1

Online registration begins for
all Faith Formation programs

Sunday, August 28

Faith Formation Kick-Off
at Skateland Chandler

Sunday, September 11

CGS Begins
EPIC Begins

Tuesday, September 13

JAM and Journey of Faith Begins

Speakers/Volunteers for Youth Ministry

"He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully ... You will be enriched in every way for great generosity."

(2 Cor. 9:6/11)

The St. Benedict Youth Ministry is looking for speakers to talk with our middle and high schoolers. If you are interested in speaking (or know someone who can), please email Clare at cgisla@stbenedict.org. We are particularly looking for a therapist to talk about personal healing, and other speakers to present short talks about Church teachings on traditional marriage, redemptive suffering, the lives of the saints, and other topics.

We are also looking for event coordinators for particular service events, fundraisers, and social nights - find a list of roles on the parish website on the Faith Formation pages under EPIC or JAM. However much of your time you can offer, we will find a role for you!

Faith Formation News

ONLINE registration for ALL Faith Formation programs has begun! (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

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
(Sundays & Times TBD)

Level I (Returning Only) PreK-K

Level II (Grades 1st-3rd)



*NOTE: The CGS Atrium is currently closed due to the construction of the Church. Sessions will take place weekly on Sunday mornings in a classroom at St. John Bosco School. Because sessions will not be in the traditional CGS learning model or Atrium environment, Level I (preK-K) is only open at this time for returning children who are already familiar with the Atrium. Limited space is available for both CGS levels.

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.

Current Events & More

Knights of Columbus

* Thank you to SK Luis Acosta and the Brother Knights that helped in the Adopt-A-Street program on Friday, July 29.

* Thank you to all the Brother Knights and parishioners who participated in the Food Drive last weekend, especially to Brother Doug Gasser for his leadership during this important event.

* Thank you to all the Knights who attended the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday, August 5.

Psalm 34:10

Even strong young lions sometimes go hungry, but those who trust in the LORD will lack no good thing.

Although we may be strong and capable, we must trust in Jesus to help us in whichever way. Bring Him in, even with items we feel we can handle. Amen.

Activities

- Fr. Bob Binta Council Meeting on Thursday, August 11, 2022, at 7 pm in Annex 1.
- Pray the Rosary - Fr. Bob Binta Memorial Mass on Friday, August 19, 2022, at 6:30 pm in the St. John Bosco School Multipurpose Room.
- Blood Drive - Save the date 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 and enter "Council 12246" and "GKWAP".

Vivat Jesus,

Isauro Amaro, Grand Knight

Fr. Bob Binta Council # 12246

480.748.1449

grandknight@kofc12246.org



St. Vincent de Paul Thank You

Our SVdP fund/food drive last weekend was a huge success! Our parishioners donated over 130 bags of groceries and \$2,663! Thanks to your generosity we have a well-stocked pantry and funds to continue to assist our neighbors in need. A special thank you to the Knights of Columbus who helped us collect and transport the donated items to our church pantry.

A grateful neighbor conveyed the following message to our parishioners:

"Thank you so very much. Six years ago I lost my well-paying job, my home and have been living in a hotel for the last 6 years. I never thought that I would be struggling for so long. Your generosity has helped me in so many ways. It is my hope that one day I will be able to return the kindness you have shown."



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- Save the Date -

1st Ever Sports Night Fundraiser

Friday, September 16, 2022
@ 6:00 pm in the SJB MPR



Join us for FOOD, FUN, & FELLOWSHIP where all proceeds benefit the building fund

More details to follow via Parish Website: stbenedict.org/event

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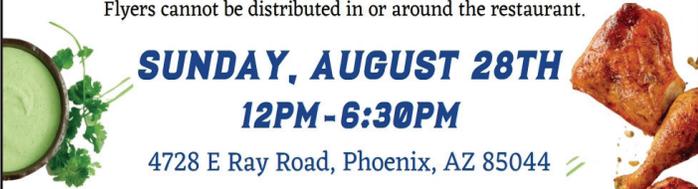
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SUNDAY, AUGUST 28TH
12PM-6:30PM

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*“Blessed the people the Lord has chosen
to be his own.”*

~ Psalm 33

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Special Needs Appeal

Next weekend is the collection for the Special Needs Appeal which helps support the Churches in Latin America, Africa and Eastern Europe. Donations go toward evangelization, church construction, formation of laity, religious and seminarians, and youth ministry and catechesis to name a few. Thank you for your help!

New Parishioners

- James and Patricia Lomuscio
- Jessie Morris
- Kaitlin Thursby

Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary, an apostolic association of Catholics, is looking to open a chapter here at St. Benedict. Members, in union with the Holy Spirit through Mary our Mother, do works during the week visiting people in homes, hospitals, hospices and participating in the spiritual needs of the parish. The purpose of the Legion of Mary is to share the love of God with others and to help bring them back to her Divine Son, by apostolic works. We will be hosting a Meet and Greet after all Masses the week of **August 20-21**. For more information, contact Ann Marie Adams at **480.688.2096**, email annieg7477@cox.net.



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A Note From The SJB Principal

Dear Parishioners,

Our faculty and staff were reunited last **Wednesday, August 3**, at the annual staff retreat at the beautiful Mount Claret Retreat Center. Speaker and author Joyce Coronel once again led this pre- school year spiritual journey to prepare all of us for the year ahead. As always, it was a wonderful, peaceful escape to put us all in the presence of God and remind us of our unique vocation as Catholic School educators and the critical job we've been called to do, i.e., partner with parents to teach, shape, and form young, eager, and impressionable minds.

The teachers also returned to campus and have been busy setting up their classrooms in anticipation of hungry new learners. They will get to meet their new students this Monday at the annual "Meet the Teacher" event. This allows the children and teachers a one-on-one meeting and a convenient time for parents to drop off school supplies before that hectic first day of school.

We are now all looking forward to the BIG day: **Wednesday, August 10!** We are very much looking forward to opening our giant front gates and welcoming all the students back to school for the brand new school year. In some ways it has been a long, dull summer without the energy of the children; in other ways, the summer seems to have flown by with all the campus and curricular updates and improvements that have kept the staff so busy.

Our annual Back-To-School BBQ is Saturday, August 13 @ 6:30 pm in the SJB courtyard. Please stop by and see what all the excitement is about!

Joyful Blessings,

Jamie Bescak, M.Ed., Principal

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