



# St. Benedict Catholic Church

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June 18, 2023

## Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

“ *We are his people: the sheep of his flock.* ”

~ Ps 100

### 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.

### Upcoming Events

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

<b>Monday, 6/19</b> 8:15 am   Mass	<b>Tuesday, 6/20</b> 8:15 am   Mass	<b>Wednesday, 6/21</b> 8:15 am   Mass
<b>Thursday, 6/22</b> 8:15 am   Mass 6 pm   Choir Practice	<b>Friday, 6/23</b> 8:15 am   Mass 5 pm   Confessions	<b>Saturday, 6/24</b> 8:30 am   Confessions 5 pm   Mass



### Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9 am - 5 pm  
Fridays 9 am - 12 pm  
Closed Daily 12 pm - 1 pm

### Mass Schedule

Weekends at the St. John Bosco School MPR:  
Saturday 5 pm, Sunday 7, 9, 11 am, 5 pm  
Weekdays Mon-Fri, St. Benedict Chapel: 8:15 am

### Reconciliation

Fri 5-6 pm, Sat 8:30-9:30 am, St. Benedict Chapel

### Mass Intentions

#### Sunday, 6/18/2023

7 am | Sebastian Aguilar (Ivg) Th 6/22 | Fran Sroka (Ivg)  
9 am | The Melter Family F 6/23 | Fr. Joseph Wambach †  
11 am | Anthony Low & Sat 6/24 | Parishioners  
Cheah Siew Kim †

5 pm | Parishioners

#### Sunday, 6/25/2023

M 6/19 | Damiel Gil (Ivg) 7 am | Eugene Laatsch †  
Tu 6/20 | Ayman Fatho † 9 am | Hans Olsson †  
W 6/21 | Beck Goff † 11 am | Donna Branson †  
5 pm | Frank Galvan †

## Liturgy & Administration

### Scripture Readings

**Monday:** 2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2b, 6/19 3ab, 3cd-4; Mt 5:38-42

**Tuesday:** 2 Cor 8:1-9; Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6/20 6c-9a; Mt 5:43-48

**Wednesday:** 2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112:1bc-2, 6/21 3-4, 9; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18  
*(St. Aloysius Gonzaga)*

**Thursday:** 2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 111:1b-2, 6/22 3-4, 7-8; Mt 6:7-15

**Friday:** 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Ps 34:2-3, 6/23 4-5, 6-7; Mt 6:19-23

**Saturday:** Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 6/24 5-6ab, 15ab, 17; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-1  
*(The Nativity of St. John the Baptist)*

**Sunday:** Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69:8-10, 14, 6/25 17, 33-35 (14c); Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33

### Parish Contributions

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

Regular Contributions for  
**May 2023**

**Actual: \$ 75,516\***

**Budget: \$ 71,238**

\* Faith Direct & Realm

Online: \$ 49,523

Cash/Check: \$ 25,993

*(Contributions are recorded on a monthly basis per fiscal year*

*July 1, '22 to June 30, '23)*

### Construction Project

May 2023

(Month End)

TOTAL COST: \$8,400,000

Total Expenses

Paid To Date: \$5,007,968

Remaining

Balance of Cost: \$3,392,032

TOTAL AMOUNT

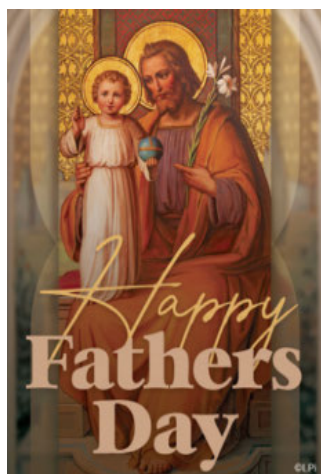
AVAILABLE

(Cash on Hand &

Line of Credit): \$3,095,043

**Additional Funds**

**Need to Raise: \$296,989**



### Father's Day Prayer

God our Father, we give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old.

We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation; may they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.

We pray for our own fathers around the world whose children are lost or suffering; may they know that the God of compassion walks with them in their sorrow.

We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice.

We remember fathers, grandfathers, and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love.

Amen.

Source: [thecatholictelegraph.com](http://thecatholictelegraph.com)

### Parish Staff

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Youth Ministry - Open

Contact the Parish Office at 480.961.1610.

## A Reflection by Fr. James

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### “SHEEP WITHOUT A SHEPHERD”

Let me begin by wishing all fathers a Happy Father’s Day! The Gospel reading this weekend is quite timely. It presents Jesus as a father. We are told that Jesus looked at the crowd coming to Him, and His heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, *“The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest.”* What an image that describes the situation of fatherhood in our society today. The joy of fatherhood is facing unprecedented challenges in our time. One can hardly talk about fathers these days without sounding “old fashioned” or offending someone. We have seen, and studies have shown, that the absence of fathers, or father-figures, in a family has a significant negative impact on the emotional, social, spiritual, and psychological development of many children leading to increasing stress, drug abuse, suicide ideation, and crime among young people. We have many young people in our society today who are like sheep without a shepherd.

In responding to the people’s deepest need and longing for God in their lives, Jesus appointed twelve Apostles and sent them out to go and attend to everyone in their neighborhood. Like the Apostles, we are also called by Jesus and He sends us out to go and minister to others around us. The Vatican II document on the missionary life of the Church, *Ad Gentes*, emphasizes on this task entrusted to us by Jesus when it states that every Catholic is called to be a missionary. We often have fear and doubt about our ability to preach the Gospel to others around us. The Apostles felt the same way, too. Jesus knows that in mission we have to contend with the forces of the secular society around us, the dangerous political leaders, and spiritual forces of evil against us. He therefore equipped us beforehand with power and authority over every human and spiritual challenge we may encounter in the work of spreading God’s kingdom of peace and love.

We may also wonder about how and where to start from in playing our roles as missionaries at our own levels. Learning from the Gospel today, we see how Jesus instructed the Apostles to start with *“the lost sheep of the house of Israel”* (Matthew 10:6), that is, to start from familiar territory. Later on he would commission them to go and make disciples of all nations (Matthew 28:19), but for now they are to limit their outreach to within their own people. Like the Apostles, we are also invited to begin our missionary journey from within our families, to the neighborhood and the wider society. Looking at the urgent needs around us today, a good place to start could be to reach out to the lapsed and lukewarm Catholics in our own families and neighborhood to revive their faith and bring them back to the Church.

Fr. James



## Current Events and More

### St. Benedict Dine-In/Take-Out Night

Join us this weekend for the dine-in/take-out fundraiser on **Sunday, June 18** at *Can't Stop Smokin BBQ* (7250 W. Chandler Blvd. Chandler). Mention St. Benedict Catholic Church between 2 pm and 9 pm when paying your bill and they will donate 15% of your sale to the St. Benedict Building Fund.



### Holy Land Pilgrimage

Are you ready to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land? We are currently organizing a trip to the Holy Land for 50 people, **January 20-30, 2024**, led by Fr. James. The cost of the trip is \$4,095 per person, which includes airfare, accommodations, most meals, etc. (see brochure for details). A brochure with the registration form is available at the back of the SJB multipurpose room and in the office.

### Let's Go To BINGO

BINGO Night is happening on **Friday, July 14** from 6-8 pm in the St. John Bosco multipurpose room. Join us for a fun evening for all ages! For more information (or to donate prizes), email [events@stbenedict.org](mailto:events@stbenedict.org).

## Update on the Construction of Our New Worship Space

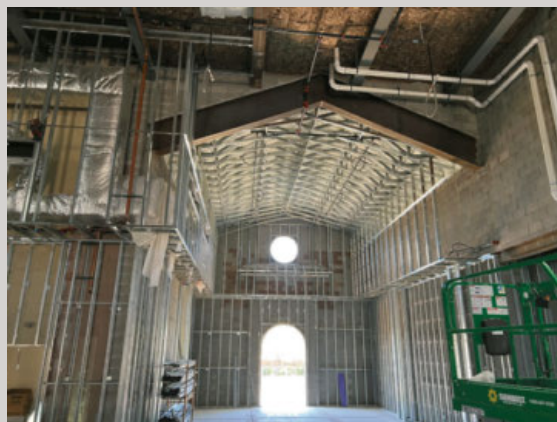
You may have noticed that the west wall has not moved forward for a while. Many discussions have been going on about a structural issue. The architect and structural engineer continue to carve away at inspector concerns. All masonry has been completed and has passed inspection. The metal interior studding continues to move forward. This week's photos are the Sanctuary Wall behind the altar and the south transept. All exterior window frames, except the south transept, have been installed. The large stained glass of St Benedict will be installed, but protected with plywood to allow the studding to be completed. The EFIS, stucco, is moving forward, as planned.

This week's photos:

1. Studding for the Sanctuary wall.
2. Studding for the south transept.



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## Faith Formation and More

### Attention: Singles

Holy Spirit Church's Catholic Singles Society is having a FREE event in June! Come and see the movie "God is Not Dead #1" on **Saturday, June 24** at 6:30 pm in the Holy Spirit Social Hall (1800 E. Libra, Tempe). This is a story about a young man defending his faith against an authority figure who is an atheist. Discussion and questions afterward. Bring a drink and a snack to share. (We invite those who are divorced, widowed, never married who are 21 and up.)

### Kino Catechetical Institute

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Kino Catechetical Institute, a department of the Division of Education and Evangelization of the Diocese of Phoenix, provides foundational formation in Catholic doctrine, strengthening the laity to respond to the call of Christ to discipleship in the Spirit of the New Evangelization.

Choose a class titled *Essentials of the Catholic Faith* or *Catechist Formation*. You can also study a full-course program: *Adult Faith Formation Program* and/or *Adult Faith Formation & Parish Leadership Combined*.

Applications for the 2023-2024 academic year are now open! Please begin by first introducing yourself through the form at [kinoinstitute.org/admissions/](http://kinoinstitute.org/admissions/). The application deadline is **July 15, 2023**.

Questions? Call **602.354.2300**.

### New Parishioners

- Michelle Cromwell
- Alfonso & Maria V. Izaguirre
- David & Patricia Pettit



### Teen Summer Scripture & Social

High School Students: There is still time to join us on Sundays for our Teen Summer Scripture & Social from 3 pm to 4:45 pm in St. John Bosco classroom B100. This will be a combination of Scripture reflection and informal fun. Don't miss this great opportunity to get to know some fellow Catholic teens before the new school year. Bring a Bible and a friend! Incoming Freshmen welcome.

Need more info? Email [hmooney@stbenedict.org](mailto:hmooney@stbenedict.org).



### 2023 Arizona Marian Conference

This year's theme is "Mary Calls Us to the Eucharist." **August 25-27** at the DoubleTree Paradise Valley Resort in Scottsdale. Adults \$60, Young Adults (12 to 21 years) \$25, Child under 12 is free. Priest, Seminarian, Deacon or Religious Sister is free. Learn more or get your tickets at [ArizonaPeaceCenter.org](http://ArizonaPeaceCenter.org) or call **480.964.6111**.

### Retrouvaille means "Rediscovery"

Retrouvaille is a program for struggling couples whose marriage deserves the opportunity to survive, be healed and thrive as a covenant of life and love. The next weekend in Phoenix is **July 7-9**, with registration ending on July 3. For a confidential inquiry, please call **602.254.6723** or email [4001@helpourmarriage.org](mailto:4001@helpourmarriage.org)

### Pastoral Care

Please remember in your prayers *Christiana Iorchir* (Fr. Manasseh's mother) who died recently. We pray that her family and friends will feel God's healing embrace through the prayers and support of our faith community. (Note: Fr. Manasseh will be in Nigeria until the end of July.)

## Ministries & More

### Knights of Columbus

Today is Father's Day. Other important events in history that occurred on June 18:

\* Year 1815, Battle of Waterloo.

\* Year 1928, American aviator Amelia Earhart becomes the 1st woman to fly across the Atlantic Ocean.

\* Year 1940, Winston Churchill gives his "this was their finest hour" speech to the House of Commons.

#### Announcements:

Happy 25th Birthday to Fr. Bob Binta Council 12246. Thank you for your support in keeping our Council strong and active in the past, and future, 25 years.

Congratulations on becoming 4th degree Knights to Brothers *John Jennings, Scott Funaro, Daniel Manzo, and Carlos Amaro.*

#### Activities:

**Food Drive - June 24/25**, please bring a bag of food and other necessities to help our SVdP pantry help others.

**Pray the Rosary - June 28**, St. Benedict Chapel at 7 pm.

To have one year of free membership, join online to become a Knight of Columbus at [www.kofc.org/joinus](http://www.kofc.org/joinus) and enter "Council 12246" and code "GKWAP".

Vivat Jesus,

Isauro Amaro, Grand Knight  
Fr. Bob Binta Council # 12246  
480.748.1449

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### Ministry Contacts

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Hospitality... Karen, [karenmains@msn.com](mailto:karenmains@msn.com)

Knights of Columbus... Isauro, 480.748.1449

### St. Vincent de Paul



Happy Father's Day! We wish all of our fathers, both near and far, a happy day! We would appreciate donations of the following items:

- Peanut Butter
- Jelly
- Hearty Soups
- Nutritional Breakfast Bars
- Personal Hygiene Items
- Canned Meat (no tuna, please)

In April we helped 49 families with 92 bags of groceries and \$8,478 in financial assistance thanks to your donations.

If you are in need assistance or information, call the parish office at **480.961.1610 ext. 315**.

### Food Drive

St. Vincent de Paul and the Knights of Columbus are teaming up for a Fathers Day Food Drive to benefit our on-site pantry and our neighbors in Ahwatukee. The Knights will be handing out bags with a list of suggested items this weekend, **June 17/18**.

Next weekend, **June 24/25**, we ask that you drive by the pantry on your way to or from Mass and drop off your bag. We will be at Annex 4 to receive your donations for 30 minutes before and after Mass. Thank you for your continued generosity!

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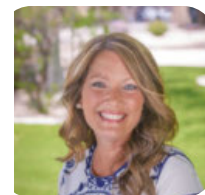
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## A Note From The SJB Principal

Dear Parishioners,

The word is out, and St. John Bosco School is quickly expanding! We cordially invite you to encourage your friends and family to schedule a tour of our campus while there are still a few spots available. While our enrollment continues to climb we stand by our mission to educate the whole child and maintain our 25:1 ratio in K-8 classrooms. Please help spread the word!



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Call for private tour today  
**480-219-4848**  
 or email [admissions@sjbosco.org](mailto:admissions@sjbosco.org)  
**SJBOSCO.ORG**

<p><i>Awarded!</i></p> <p><b>BEST OF 2022</b></p> <p>AHWATUKEE FOOTHILLS NEWS</p> <p><b>1st Place</b></p> <p>Best Private School</p>	<p><i>Awarded!</i></p> <p><b>BEST OF 2021</b></p> <p>AHWATUKEE FOOTHILLS NEWS</p> <p><b>1st Place</b></p> <p>Best Preschool</p>	<p><i>Awarded!</i></p> <p><b>BEST OF 2021</b></p> <p>AHWATUKEE FOOTHILLS NEWS</p> <p>Reader Recommended</p> <p>Best Private Preschool</p>	<p><i>Awarded!</i></p> <p><b>BEST OF 2020</b></p> <p>AHWATUKEE FOOTHILLS NEWS</p> <p><b>1st Place</b></p>
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Because of this recent growth, we have the wonderful opportunity to hire more staff! If you know of any talented individuals who would like to join our dynamic team, please let them know of the following position openings:

- Preschool Teacher
- Part-time Maintenance Employee for School & Parish

The following link contains more details and an application:

<https://catholicschoolsphx.tedk12.com/hire/index.aspx>



Joyful Blessings,

Jamie Bescak, M.Ed., Principal

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