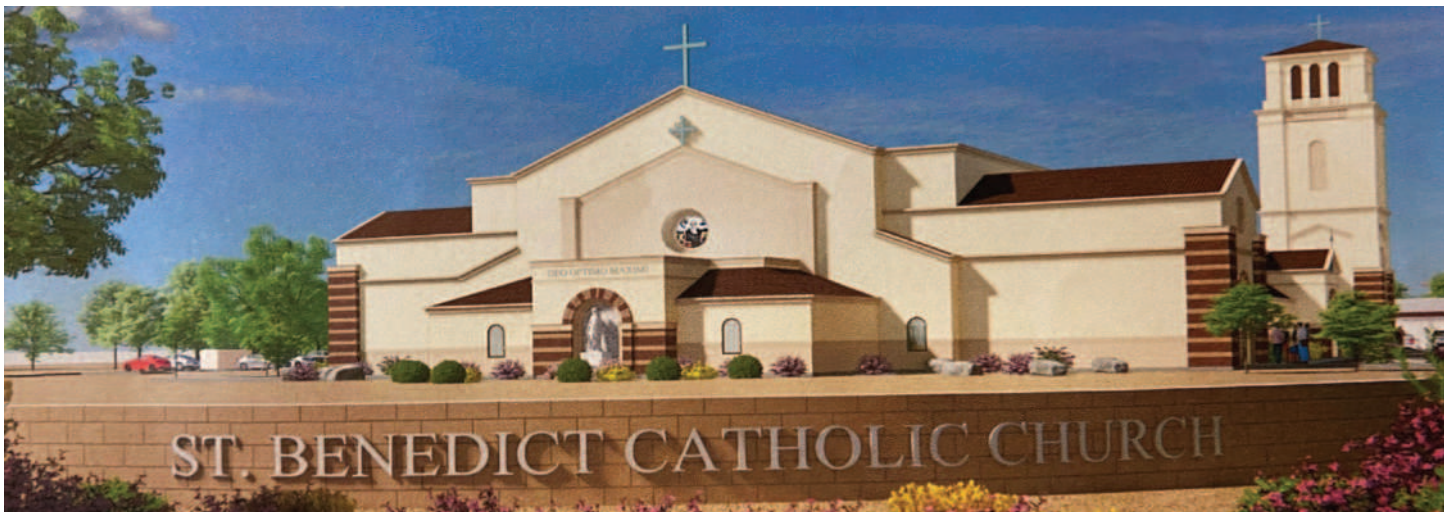




December 7, 2025
2nd Sunday of Advent



“ **Justice shall flourish in his time,
 and fullness of peace for ever.** ”

~ Ps 72

“Where All Are Welcome”

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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 9 am - 3 pm

Closed Daily 12 pm - 1 pm

Mass Schedule _____

Sat 5 pm, Sun 7, 9, 11 am, 1 pm-Spanish, 5 pm

Weekdays Mon-Thurs, Chapel: 8:15 am

Weekdays on Fri, 8:15 am, Church

Reconciliation _____

Fri 5-6 pm, Sat 8-9 am

Upcoming Events _____

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

Monday, 12/8	Tuesday, 12/9	Wednesday, 12/10
<i>Immaculate Conception</i>	8:15 am Mass	8:15 am Mass
Masses: 8:15 am, 12 pm, 7 pm	6 pm Teen Sac Prep 6:15 Journey of Faith	5:30 pm Legion of Mary 6 pm Jubilation Choir
Thursday, 12/11	Friday, 12/12	Saturday, 12/13
8:15 am Mass 6 pm K of C 6 pm Adult Choir 6 pm Spanish Choir	<i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i> 8:15 am Mass 5 pm Confession 7 pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass	8 am Confession 8 am Teen Choir 9:30 am Baptism Class 5 pm Mass

Mass Intentions _____

Sunday, 12/7/2025	W 12/10 Beverly Leonard †
7 am Ron Sutherlin †	Th 12/11 Camille Alcasid (lvg)
9 am Deceased Members of the Dominican Order †	F 12/12 8:15 am Apolinar & Lucia Samin †
11 am Ralph Reamer †	7 pm Lynnette Barr †
1 pm Parishioners	Sat 12/13 Katie Bauer †
5 pm Hector Ruiz (lvg)	Sunday, 12/14/2025
M 12/8 	7 am Kathleen Hutcheson †
8:15 am Ruby Garcia (lvg)	9 am Esperanza McLeod †
12 pm Kevin Howard †	11 am Francisco R. Corona †
7 pm Hoffman Family (lvg)	1 pm Frank & Victoria Galvan †
Tu 12/9 Elijah Morrison (lvg)	5 pm Parishioners



Liturgy & Administration

Scripture Readings

Monday: 12/8	Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Eph 1:3-6, 11- 12/Lk 1:26-38 (<i>The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>)
Tuesday: 12/9	Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3, 10ac, 11-12, 13/Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday: 12/10	Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10/ Mt 11:28-30
Thursday: 12/11	Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1, 9-11, 12-13ab/Mt 11:11-15
Friday: 12/12	Zec 2:14-17/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38 (<i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i>)
Saturday: 12/13	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13 (<i>St. Lucy</i>)
Sunday: 12/14	Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-10/ Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11 (<i>3rd Sunday of Advent</i>)

Parish Contributions

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

Contributions for
October 2025

Actual: \$ 68,507*

Budget: \$ 77,500

**Oct. Mortgage Support:
\$ 4,978**

* Realm

Online: \$ 41,486

Cash/Check: \$ 27,021

(Contributions are recorded
on a monthly basis per
fiscal year
July 1, '25 to June 30, '26)

Debt Reduction

As of Oct 31, 2025

Church Construction	
Loan:	\$4,500,000
Current Loan Balance:	\$4,249,797
Monthly Mortgage Payment:	\$21,682
Fiscal YTD Principal Paid:	\$65,562
Fiscal YTD Interest Paid:	\$61,776



Live the Liturgy

The story of Advent is a story of repentance. John the Baptist held up a mirror to the chosen people. He urged them to look at what they saw there. This Advent, will we look in the mirror? Will we choose repentance?

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Gospel Reflection

REPENT FOR THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS AT HAND!



As we know, the First Sunday of Advent each year always invites us to a reflection on the second coming of Christ and the end of the world. On this Second Sunday of Advent, the Readings customarily introduces to us John the Baptist, the precursor of Christ who always comes with a call to repentance because the Kingdom of God is near. Although very pivotal to the Messiah's mission, John the Baptist remains one of the most underappreciated figures in salvation history.

Long before the Baptist ministered on the banks of the Jordan, prophets of old had prophesied about the coming of the One who would save us all and whose reign would usher in an unprecedented period of tranquility that can only be compared to the serenity of the peace before the fall of man in the Garden of Eden. Prominent among these prophets of hope was Isaiah from whose oracles we have our First Reading for this weekend. In his message of hope to a despairing Israel whose kingdom was ailing and whose Davidic dynasty could be compared to a stagnant stump of a hitherto cut down tree, Isaiah prophesied that from this neglected stump a shoot shall sprout on whom the Spirit of God shall rest and who will bring with him a reign of Justice and peace that would seem almost incredible that predators would make friends with their natural prey.

To usher in the reign of peace and tranquility, John the Baptist appeared in strange circumstances announcing a message of repentance. As we prepare to celebrate the coming of the Lord, let us recognize the voice of the Baptist in the voice of of Holy Mother Church, calling on us to repentance, humility, and mortification of the flesh as a preparation to worthily receive Jesus Christ, who comes to us in the Eucharist.

John had a strange birth (having been born to aged parents), he lived in the desert, ate locusts and honey, and was dressed in camel skins. He did not shy away from the truth when even Pharisees and Sadducees came to him to be baptized in preparation for the coming of the savior. He urged them to "produce good fruits as evidence of your repentance." This is the message of this weekend's Readings to us as we await the coming of the Lord. John utilized neither diplomacy nor political correctness in addressing contemporary evil. Like John, Advent should embolden shepherds to call out evil by its name and risk the benefits we hope to receive from those who sustain it in our condemnation of it. The situation where evil thrives here and elsewhere and shepherds remain reluctant in calling it out, either in condemnation of evil or in solidarity with those who suffer its consequences, is never a credit to witnessing to the Gospel of Christ. Silence in the face of evil is not a Christian option.

When he was mistaken for Christ, John in humility cleared their doubts without hesitation. He told them the one who was coming after him would be mightier than him as he was not worthy to carry the sandals of the Christ. There is always the temptation to feel needed, indispensable and even invincible especially when we believe that we have many accomplishments to our name. This attitude is deceptive and unchristian. John at Advent reminds us that without God we are nothing and that God will do greater things in our lives if we acknowledge our perpetual need for His Holy Spirit in us.

May we become Apostles of Hope and Oracles of Truth in our time and community, and may we be given the courage and humility we need to properly prepare for the coming of the Savior.

Please be kind and may God bless you.

Fr. Manasseh Iorichir, VC

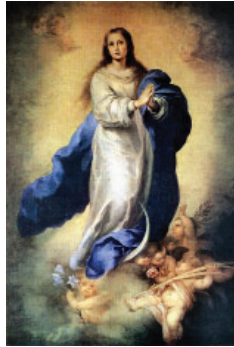


Current Events and More

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Monday, December 8 is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception when we celebrate the sinlessness of the Blessed Virgin Mary from the first moment of her conception.

This year it is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. Masses will be at **8:15 am, Noon, and 7:00 pm**.



Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Our Lady of Guadalupe is the Patron Saint of our Diocese and her feast day commemorates the appearance of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Juan Diego in 1531.



On **Friday, December 12**, we will celebrate her Feast day with Aux. Bishop Edward E. Nevares. We have planned a Procession and Rosary beginning at 6 pm, with Mass at 7 pm. After Mass we invite all the attendees to a reception in the Narthex. Please join us!

Advent Penance Service

The St. Benedict Advent Communal Penance Service this year will be on **Monday, December 15** at 7 pm in the church. The evening begins with prayer and an examination of conscience. Individual confessions follow. Priests from our neighboring parishes will also be here to hear confessions.

Here are the schedules for two neighboring parishes:

Corpus Christi Wed Dec 10 @ 7:00 pm

St. Andrew's Tues Dec 16 @ 7:00 pm

Angel Giving Trees

The Angel Trees are up and full of ornaments! Please select a paper ornament or two for a child who may not otherwise receive a gift this Christmas.

We are asking that these gifts are **NOT WRAPPED**, but attach the ornament to the gift. Return the gift no later than **Friday, December 19** so that they can be sorted and delivered to the two organizations we are helping this year: *Catholic Charities of East Mesa*, and *Helen's Hope Chest*. Both of these organizations help children, ages birth to 17-years-old...some are foster children, some are in need.

Thank you for sharing your time and treasure through your participation in this worthwhile outreach!



Holiday Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve Masses:

Wednesday, Dec 24 at 4, 6, 8, & 11 pm

Christmas Day Masses:

Thursday, Dec 25 at 9, 11 am & 1 pm

New Years' Eve:

Wednesday, Dec 31 at 11:59 pm

Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God:

Thursday, Jan 1 at 9 am



A Request From the Porters of St. Joseph

The security and the safety of all during Mass are our top priorities. To achieve this, we need to control where congregants enter and exit the Church. To this end, we request that, except in emergencies, please restrict entry and exit during Mass to the main doors. Also, please, never prop-open a door. Thank you.





Faith Formation and More

Happenings in Children and Youth Faith Formation

Sunday, December 7

*Liturgy of the Word With Children
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
H.S. Youth Ministry*

Monday, December 8

M.S. Youth Ministry

Tuesday, December 9

*Journey of Faith
Teen Sacramental Prep*

Sunday, December 14

*Liturgy of the Word With Children
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
H.S. Youth Ministry*

The Season of Advent

This time of year is often busy for families, filled with high expectations and long to-do lists. Please remember that it is important to slow down and reflect upon the true meaning of Advent, as we prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus.

Some weekly questions for families to explore during dinner, at bedtime, on a walk, or even individually in a journal are:

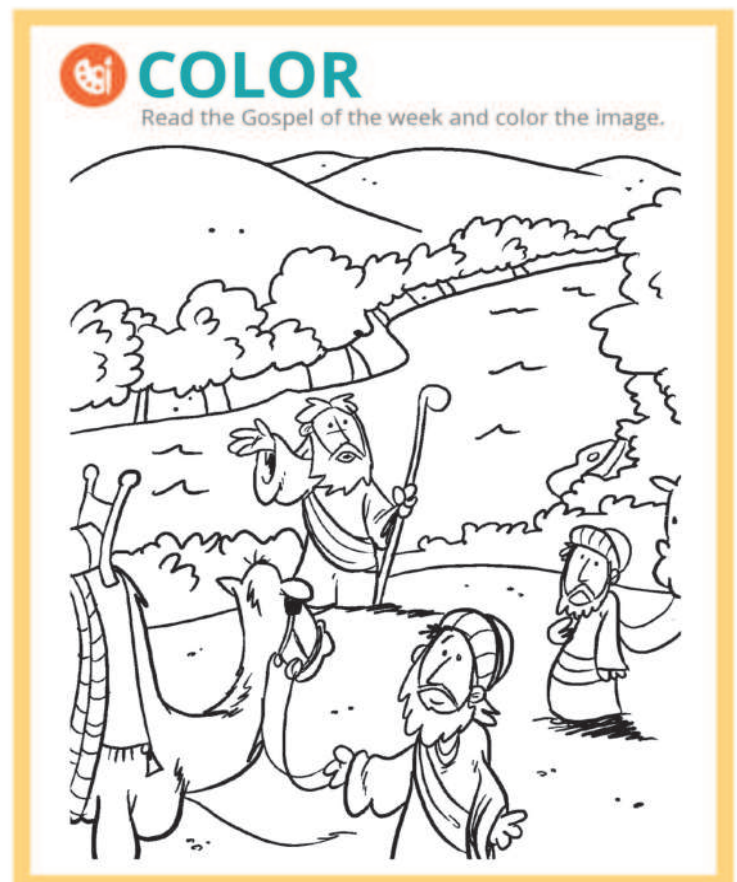
- **Week 1:** How can we spread the hope of Christ in our community?
- **Week 2:** What can we do this week to bring the love of Christ to someone in need?
- **Week 3:** How can we share the joy and anticipation of Christ's coming with others?
- **Week 4:** What areas in my life am I most in need of Christ's peace?

Winter Break for Our Youth

Our religious education programs are getting ready for break in a week or so, but that doesn't mean our faith has to be on break as well! Let's continue to prepare for the coming of Jesus Christ this Advent by adopting some of these holy habits!

- Start your day with prayer and ask God to help guide you throughout the day!
- End your day with prayer thanking God for all the blessings He gave you.
- Find some things around your house that you no longer need/use, but someone else might use or appreciate as a gift!
- Prepare your heart to receive the Holy Spirit in your life by going to Confession at the Parish Penance Service on Monday, Dec 15 at 7 pm.
- Do one small act of kindness every day in gratitude for those around you!

Wishing you all the best this Advent season!





Ministries & More

Knights of Columbus

"The greatest, among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humble himself will be exalted." (Matthew 23:11-12)

The Gospel passage above is very clear. Greatness is found in servanthood. Exaltation is enjoyed only through humility. Is the ideal lifestyle one that is filled with indulgence, entertainment, luxury, and the like? Certainly not! The ideal life, the greatest life, the most exalted life is the life of the most humble service of others as possible. That's essentially what Jesus tells us in this passage.

Note that Jesus uses the words "greatest" and "must" in the same sentence. There is no one greater than the "greatest," and the path to that greatness requires, without exception, that the greatest be a servant of everyone else. In many ways, this truth defies most human conceptions of greatness. Most often, if someone is considered great, then they are served and treated with an honor and respect not given to most.

Jesus was, without question, the most humble person to ever live. Only his mother shared perfectly in this holy virtue. Humility enables a person to break out of every selfish tendency and turn their love to the good of the other.

Reflect today, upon a life of true greatness. Reflect, especially upon how you can live such a life. How can you more completely serve others? How can you make their holiness your primary goal? How can you help others grow in their love of God? Humble yourself and turn your eyes from yourself to others. Doing so will make an eternal difference for others and also yourself.

Upcoming Events:

Dec 6 - Fourth-Degree ornament exchange, 6pm at Corpus Christi

Dec 11 - Monthly Council meeting, 7pm in Annex 2

Dec 13 - Council Christmas Dinner (time TBD)

Vivat Jesus,
John Garrity, Grand Knight
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St. Vincent de Paul



In today's Gospel, John the Baptist urges us to "Prepare the way of the Lord." This is what Advent is all about, for we are called to help prepare the way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our own hearts, in our family and to reach out to those in need.

Please consider donating the following to the onsite pantry to help those who are suffering from food and housing insecurity:

- Detergent
- Dish Soap
- Cereal
- Soups
- Canned Chicken
- Chili, Stew, etc.

As always, if you find yourself in need of St. Vincent de Paul assistance or information, please call the parish office at **480.961.1610 ext. 315**.

SVdP - 5th Sunday Collection

Thanks to the generous support of our parishioners and community this past quarter, the St. Benedict conference of St. Vincent de Paul collected more than \$24,200 in total donations!

We were able to provide our neighbors with more than \$9,900 in Housing/Eviction Prevention, \$12,100 in Utility Assistance, \$3,700 in Food Purchases, and \$2,800 in Other Assistance, while also distributing 370 bags of donated groceries!

Blue donation envelopes were distributed last weekend and can be returned anytime in the collection basket or at the parish office. Thank you!

Coping with Grief During the Holidays

If you are grieving the loss of a loved one, please consider joining us to recognize the uniqueness of grief during the holidays. We will identify some coping mechanisms for grief and discuss the ways to assist children with their grief. Save the date of **Saturday, December 20**, from 10 am to 11:30 am in Annex 2. Please register at pastoralcare@stbenedict.org.





Ministries & More

Poinsettia Memorial Display

We are excited about building a memorial display of poinsettias to beautify the Church and remember our loved ones during Advent and Christmas! Please consider sponsoring a plant or two by using the donation envelopes located in the lobby and narthex.

Place the names of your loved ones on the envelope, include a donation for the flower(s), and return the envelope to the church before **Sunday, December 14**. Questions? Contact Sr. Liza at srliza@stbenedict.org



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Disciple Maker Index Survey

St. Benedict Church is on a journey to know, love, and serve Christ as a parish community. Together we will embrace Christ's vision for missionary discipleship so our parish can thrive and be a place to grow together in faith through the use of a survey from the Disciple Maker Index.



Many thanks to those who have already completed the 10-15-minute survey that was emailed out to our parishioners over the weekend. For those of you who are waiting, your online link will be accessible through January 6. All responses are confidential and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole. Remember that paper surveys (in English and Spanish) are also available in the parish office.

Thank you for helping with this important project and please continue to pray for this intention and for the growth and protection of our parish.

Save the Date: Parish Picnic Sunday, February 15, 12:30 to 3 pm

Plan to attend the St. Benedict Parish Picnic at Desert Breeze Park to enjoy a day of food, fun and getting together with our fellow parishioners! Lawn games, music plus free hotdogs and hamburgers that our Knights of Columbus grill for us. Bring your own picnic blankets and chairs to relax. RSVP coming soon!

If you would like to volunteer at this special event, please contact Lani at events@stbenedict.org





Reflexión sobre las Escrituras

¡ARREPENTÍOS, PORQUE EL REINO DE DIOS ESTÁ CERCA!

Como sabemos, el primer domingo de Adviento de cada año nos invita siempre a reflexionar sobre la segunda venida de Cristo y el fin del mundo. En este segundo domingo de Adviento, las lecturas nos presentan habitualmente a Juan el Bautista, el precursor de Cristo, que siempre viene con una llamada al arrepentimiento porque el Reino de Dios está cerca. Aunque es una figura fundamental en la misión del Mesías, Juan el Bautista sigue siendo uno de los personajes más infravalorados de la historia de la salvación.



Mucho antes de que Juan el Bautista ejerciera su ministerio a orillas del Jordán, los profetas de la antigüedad ya habían profetizado la llegada de Aquel que nos salvaría a todos y cuyo reinado marcaría el comienzo de un período de tranquilidad sin precedentes, solo comparable a la serenidad de la paz que reinaba en el Jardín del Edén antes de la caída del hombre. Entre estos profetas de la esperanza destacaba Isaías, cuyos oráculos nos proporcionan la primera lectura de este fin de semana. En su mensaje de esperanza a un Israel desesperado, cuyo reino estaba decayendo y cuya dinastía davídica podía compararse con el tronco seco de un árbol talado, Isaías profetizó que de ese tronco abandonado brotaría un renuevo sobre el que descansaría el Espíritu de Dios y que traería consigo un reinado de justicia y paz tan increíble que los depredadores se harían amigos de sus presas naturales.

Para dar paso al reinado de la paz y la tranquilidad, Juan el Bautista apareció en extrañas circunstancias anunciando un mensaje de arrepentimiento. Mientras nos preparamos para celebrar la venida del Señor, reconozcamos la voz del Bautista en la voz de la Santa Madre Iglesia, que nos llama al arrepentimiento, la humildad y la mortificación de la carne como preparación para recibir dignamente a Jesucristo, que viene a nosotros en la Eucaristía.

Juan tuvo un nacimiento extraño (ya que sus padres eran ancianos), vivió en el desierto, comía langostas y miel, y vestía pieles de camello. No rehuyó la verdad cuando incluso los fariseos y saduceos acudieron a él para ser bautizados en preparación para la llegada del salvador. Les instó a «dar buenos frutos como prueba de vuestro arrepentimiento». Este es el mensaje que nos transmiten las lecturas de este fin de semana, mientras esperamos la llegada del Señor. Juan no utilizó ni la diplomacia ni la corrección política para abordar el mal contemporáneo. Al igual que Juan, el Adviento debería animar a los pastores a llamar al mal por su nombre y arriesgar los beneficios que esperamos recibir de quienes lo sostienen al condenarlo. La situación en la que el mal prospera aquí y en otros lugares y los pastores se muestran reacios a denunciarlo, ya sea condenándolo o solidarizándose con quienes sufren sus consecuencias, nunca es un mérito para dar testimonio del Evangelio de Cristo. El silencio ante el mal no es una opción cristiana.

Cuando lo confundieron con Cristo, Juan, con humildad, despejó sus dudas sin dudar. Les dijo que el que vendría después de él sería más poderoso que él, ya que no era digno de llevar las sandalias de Cristo. Siempre existe la tentación de sentirnos necesarios, indispensables e incluso invencibles, especialmente cuando creemos que tenemos muchos logros a nuestro nombre. Esta actitud es engañosa y poco cristiana. Juan, en Adviento, nos recuerda que sin Dios no somos nada y que Dios hará cosas más grandes en nuestras vidas si reconocemos nuestra necesidad perpetua de Su Espíritu Santo en nosotros.

Que podamos convertirnos en apóstoles de la esperanza y oráculos de la verdad en nuestro tiempo y nuestra comunidad, y que se nos conceda el valor y la humildad que necesitamos para prepararnos adecuadamente para la llegada del Salvador.

El reino unido de Israel había desaparecido

Fr. Manasseh Ior chir, VC

Ministerio hispano y más



Vivir la liturgia

La historia del Adviento es una historia de arrepentimiento. Juan el Bautista le puso un espejo al pueblo elegido. Les instó a mirar lo que veían allí. Este Adviento, ¿nos miraremos en el espejo? ¿Elegiremos el arrepentimiento?

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Encuesta sobre el índice de formación de discípulos

La iglesia de St Benedict se encuentra en un camino para conocer, amar y servir a Cristo como comunidad parroquial. Juntos abrazaremos la visión de Cristo para el discipulado misionero, de modo que nuestra parroquia pueda prosperar y ser un lugar donde crecer juntos en la fe. mediante el uso de una encuesta del Índice de Formadores de Discípulos.

Muchas gracias a quienes ya han completado la encuesta de 10 a 15 minutos que se envió por correo electrónico a nuestros feligreses durante el fin de semana. Para aquellos que aún están esperando, el enlace en línea estará disponible hasta el 6 de enero. Todas las respuestas son confidenciales y la parroquia solo recibirá información sobre la comunidad en su conjunto. Recuerde que también hay encuestas en papel (en inglés y español) disponibles en la oficina parroquial.

Gracias por colaborar en este importante proyecto y, por favor, sigan rezando por esta intención y por el crecimiento y la protección de nuestra parroquia.

Cómo lidiar con el duelo durante las fiestas

Si está pasando por el duelo por la pérdida de un ser querido, considere unirse a nosotros para reconocer la singularidad del duelo durante las fiestas. Identificaremos algunos mecanismos para afrontar el duelo y discutiremos las formas de ayudar a los niños con su duelo. Reserve la fecha del sábado **20 de diciembre**, de 10 a. m. a 11:30 a. m., en el Anexo 2. Inscribse en pastoralcare@stbenedict.org

San Vicente de Paúl

En el Evangelio de hoy, Juan el Bautista nos exhorta a «preparar el camino del Señor». De esto se trata el Adviento, pues estamos llamados a ayudar a preparar el camino del Señor haciendo que el verdadero significado de la Navidad cobre vida en nuestros corazones, en nuestras familias y en nuestra ayuda a los necesitados.

Por favor, considere donar lo siguiente a la despensa del lugar para ayudar a quienes sufren de inseguridad alimentaria y de vivienda:

Detergente	Sopas
Jabón para platos	Pollo enlatado
Cereales	Guiso o chili en lata



La temporada de Adviento

Esta época del año suele ser muy ajetreada para las familias, llena de grandes expectativas y largas listas de tareas pendientes. Recuerden que es importante tomarse un respiro y reflexionar sobre el verdadero significado del Adviento, mientras preparamos nuestros corazones para la llegada de Jesús. Algunas preguntas semanales que las familias pueden explorar durante la cena, a la hora de acostarse, durante un paseo o incluso individualmente en un diario son:

- **Semana 1:** ¿Cómo podemos difundir la esperanza de Cristo en nuestra comunidad?
- **Semana 2:** ¿Qué podemos hacer esta semana para llevar el amor de Cristo a alguien que lo necesita?
- **Semana 3:** ¿Cómo podemos compartir con los demás la alegría y la expectación por la venida de Cristo?
- **Semana 4:** ¿En qué áreas de mi vida más necesito la paz de Cristo?

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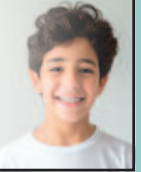
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