

SAINT BENEDICT CATHOLIC CHURCH

ARCHDIOCESE OF ANCHORAGE-JUNEAU

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time



July 12, 2026

Mission and Core Values

Saint Benedict Parish is a community of Catholic, Christian stewards, working to live and preach the Word of God in thought, word and deed. As a ministry of Saint Benedict Parish, Lumen Christi High School provides a rigorous Catholic education in a Christ-like environment. We are called to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ, to build community, and to serve our brothers and sisters. We are united in our core values of living Faith, Celebrating Family and Achieving Excellence!

Mass Times:

Monday - Friday: 9:00am

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:30am, 12:15pm

Adoration:

Monday - Friday: 10am - 10pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday: 6pm - 7pm

Saturday: 3:45pm - 4:45pm OR by appointment

Parish Office

8110 Jewel Lake Road
Anchorage, AK 99502

☎ (907) 243-2195

FAX: (907) 243-0088

OFFICE HOURS:

TUESDAY - FRIDAY: 10AM - 5PM



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MONDAY - FRIDAY: 7:30AM - 3PM

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THOUGHTS FROM OUR PASTOR



Happy Feast Day!

Happy Feast Day! This weekend invites us to step away momentarily from the busy pace of summer to find spiritual renewal, as our Patron Saint offers insight for our parish family. Saint Benedict sought God in the stillness of the wilderness, ultimately writing a monastic rule that transformed Western civilization. The opening word of the Rule of Saint Benedict is simple yet challenging: "Listen." He instructs his followers (and each of us!) to incline the "ear of the heart". In a world filled with endless political gossip, division, and just plain "noise", true listening has become a lost art. We often listen merely to reply or argue. Saint Benedict challenges us to listen with a quiet, receptive attention—first to the prompting of the Holy Spirit in prayer, and then to the needs of our families and neighbors.

His most famous motto is Ora et Labora ("Pray and Work"), that reminds us that the spiritual life is not confined to an hour at Sunday Mass. Prayer and daily labor are meant to beautifully harmonize. Prayer ensures that our efforts are rooted in God's grace. Work becomes an offering of prayer, transforming ordinary tasks into holy acts. Every moment is an opportunity to build up the Kingdom of God. Finally, Benedictine spirituality calls us to radical, Christ-centered hospitality. His Rule firmly states that "all guests who arrive should be received like Christ." It is easy to welcome those who are friendly, familiar, or share our exact opinions. It is far more demanding to show patience, warmth, and compassion to the person who disrupts our comfort. Yet, whenever we open our hearts to others, we open them to Christ, Himself. Happy Feast Day! -- Fr. Tom

WELCOME TO SAINT BENEDICT PARISH!

Our Community at a Glance

Prayer Chain: email Shirley Arnold at s_arnoldak@outlook.com

Outreach: Emergency food for those in need call 907-273-1596

Clare House: 4th Tuesday each month; contact Beth Waetjen @ 907-242-2384

Youth & Young adult Catechesis: call Gabe O'Lena 907-215-7058

Choir: See Steve Ring after Mass or email sring1316@outlook.com

Samoan Mass: 12:15 Mass, 1st Sunday of the Month

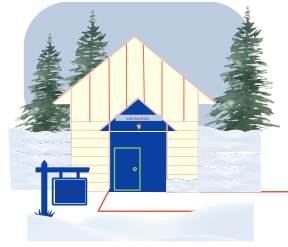
Filipino Mass: 12:15 Mass, 3rd Sunday of the Month

Hospitality Sundays: Coffee /donuts, after 8am-10:30am Masses

Pancake Breakfast: Served 8am to 12:15pm the 2nd Sunday of the month, Oct - Apr

Knights of Columbus: Meets 1st Wednesday at 7pm in the Parish Hall.

Legion of Mary: Meets Mon. at 5:30pm; call Ed Wassell



Archangel Attic Hours:

Tues.-Thurs. 12pm - 3pm

Fri. 10am – 3pm

Sat. 10am- 4pm

 907-215-7079

To volunteer call:

Colleen: 354-4372 or Mary: 868-3453

The Archangel Attic is the St. Benedict/LCHS Thrift Store! Come shop with us!

MONDAY 07/13	TUESDAY 07/14	WEDNESDAY 07/15	THURSDAY 07/16	FRIDAY 07/17	SATURDAY 07/18	SUNDAY 07/19
<u>Mass: 9am</u> The Smith Family SI <u>Office Closed</u> Adoration 10am-10pm Legion of Mary 6pm	<u>Mass: 9am</u> Edison & Nancy Garcia SI Adoration 10am-10pm Video & discussion 9:40am Hollow Harold Holy Hour 7pm	<u>Mass: 9am</u> Maximo Polintan ROS Adoration 10am-10pm Samoan Chior 6:30pm Confessions 6p.-7pm HS youth night 7pm	<u>Mass: 9am</u> John P Mitchell ROS Adoration 10am-10pm HS youth night 7pm	<u>Mass: 9am</u> Brendan Kohlbeck, ROS Adoration 10am-10pm Jr. Legion 10am Samoan Chior 6:30pm	<u>Vigil Mass: 5pm</u> Juliet DeGuzman SI Confessions 3:45-4:45 Samoan Chior 6:30pm	<u>Masses:</u> 8am: John Arnold ROS 10:30am: People of the Parish SI 12:15pm: John Gaoiran ROS

Mass Intentions:

SI= Special Intentions

RTH= Return to Health

ROS= Repose of Soul

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Readings:

Sunday 07/12
Isaiah 55:10-11
Romans 8:19-23
Matthew 13:1-23

Sunday 07/19
Wisdom 12:13, 16-19
Romans 8:26-27
Matthew 13:24-43

Sacramental Information

•**OCIA:** Contact Office at 243-2195

•**Baptism of infants:** celebrated either during Mass, after the 12:15 Mass on Sundays or at any other time approved by the Pastor. Parents are required to attend a baptismal preparation class prior to the baptism of the child.

•**Weddings:** scheduled by meeting with the Pastor at least six months prior to the wedding date. Please call the office for more details.

•**Funerals:** contact the parish office following a death and we will be pleased to assist you.

•**Anointing of the Sick, or Communion to the Homebound:** Please call the parish office to request a visit.

For questions, contact the parish office: (907) 243-2195.

PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATE

Stewardship of Treasure:

Offertory	WEEK 1	YTD
Income	\$ 13,512.88	\$ 13,512.88
Other Income	\$ 315.00	\$ 315.00
	\$ 13,827.88	\$ 13,827.88

Expenses: (avg. wk. \$17,162.20)

YTD Expenses: \$ 2,913.19

COMBINED PARISH & SCHOOL

Total Income	\$ 13,827.88
Total Expense	\$ 2,913.19
	\$ 10,914.69

Our new fiscal year just began 1 July 2026

Online Donation Income:

- There were 53 gifts made online
- There were 0 Families new to online giving
- There were 12 Maintenance Fund donations
- There were 0 Parish Outreach donations
- There were 4 Special Collection donations
- There were 0 Faith Formation donations

Dear Lord,

Thank you for teaching me to be generous as you have been generous with me. Thank you for showing me that all I am and have are gifts from you. And that these gifts from you, Lord, are meant to be shared. Show me the joys of generosity. Help me to understand others, perhaps unknown to me, depend on me for help. Remind me that my world, my parish, needs “Good Samaritans” to heal the wounds of our times. Make me a gift to others in your name.

Amen

Hope Soup Kitchen

Thank to all those who come and put together meals for Hope Soup Kitchen!

Next date is

Saturday August 1st!

Call Andy Flores @
907-887-4917

Clare House

Thank you to all who provide meals for Clare House Next dinner date is **July 28!**

The Traveling Madonna

Please say a rosary each day she is in your home. Thank you for welcoming the Lord’s mother.

Questions call the office
907-243-2195

CELEBRATIONS JULY ANNIVERSARIES

Ralph and Cheryl Feriani	7/24/2071
Edison and Nancy Garcia	7/14/2073
Bob and Carrie Haskell	7/26/2076
Jerry and Pat Scott	7/17/2078
Paul and Katherine Hendrickson	7/24/2081
William and Georgia Polley	7/26/2086
Gregory Julie Pepe-Phelps	7/29/2089
Michael and Misty Cain	7/15/2000
Chris and Regan Hamey	7/28/2000
Tai Wei and Wendy Sturdivant	7/10/2004
Rodney and Sarah Madril	7/21/2005
Jeffrey and Lea Bouton	7/15/2006
Anthony and Sara Kriz	7/7/2007
Gabriel and Dyan Garcia	7/17/2011
Kalolo and Mary Jane Iosefo	7/4/2015
Adam and Jessica Kincaid	7/25/2015
Fono and Linda Solaita	7/13/2017
Josh and Olivia Milla	7/27/2019
Mike Pauline Moevao-Ulberg	7/25/2020
David and Rebecca Dilley	7/5/2024



*"For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and
 shall cleave to his wife; and the two shall become one flesh." -
 Eph. 5:31*

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Lonnie Adkins
 Diane Peterson
 Christina Del Rosario
 Shirley Arnold
 Bea Freeman
 Waetjen Family
 Alicia Warren
 Fr. Tim Saur
 Anthony Mitchell
 Rosemary Dunn
 Connie Budahl
 Danny Lee
 Franklin Ellenson
 Hien Pham
 Terry Tutor
 Marty Goblowski
 Jim and Sally Seeley
 Fr. Rob Evenson
 Sam Waetjen
 Damon Carey
 Gerry Rapp
 Alicia Datuin
 Mike & Bettye Smith
 Pat Scott
 Julie Allard
 Bernie & Marian Simon
 Kim Randolph
 Will Davenport
 Nicole Johnson
 Jessica Randolph
 Bernadette Boring (RIP)

Geneva Colon
 Michele Waetjen
 Denise Trefry
 Richard Campbell
 James Mitchell & sons
 Fontaine Wilhelm
 Theresa Dolan
 Ofelia Domingo
 Maipele Burns
 Mike Keenan
 Kevin Pfeiffer
 Steve Taylor
 Lara Krill
 Joseph Mitchell
 Dan Rollins
 Ted & Agnes Mayac
 Doris Clausen
 Ellison Williamson
 Jackie & Greg Kern
 Paul Larson
 Mary Dubois
 Glen Allen
 Virginia Aberle
 Elizabeth Bastiani
 Solita Balones
 Mark Blumenthal
 Deneen B. Bozeman

TO ADD OR REMOVE

please call (907) 243-2195



LUMEN CHRISTI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

LIVING FAITH, CELEBRATING FAMILY, AND ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE



PRINCIPAL UPDATE

*Have a blessed summer!
Continue to check your email for
important details during the summer!*

• Campus Minister:



KNIGHT'S TABLE

CONGRATULATIONS JUNES...

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH:

Fr. Rob Evenson

FAMILY OF THE MONTH:

Rudy Poglitsch Family

THE KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

We chose Fr Rob he has been with us 'filling-in' for the past few weeks and also last year. We enjoy the good spirit and his help at St Benedicts. He may enjoy his visits to Alaska but we also enjoy his toiling out at camp and helping definitely with duties around the parish. Fr Rob has been a Knight of the 4th degree and our St Benedict's council would like to recognize him as Knight of the month for June!

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

We chose Ruth and Rudy look after St Therese's Camp - Retreat and Conference Center in Wasilla. Leading (our) campers to fun, faith and friends is one thing but the day to day operations of the camp and conference center is another thing. Besides a full summer of camp - our youth retreats, men's and women's retreats, Knights retreat's are all looked after and supported by these two (and their family). We need to recognize the years of dedication to our youth and this facility the Poglitsch's have put in - without them it would not be so successful!

Patriotic Rosary- 07/06 and 07/20 at 6:00 pm
K of C Council meeting - 07/01 at 7:00 pm
4th Degree meeting - 07/06 at 7:00 pm
Officer's meeting - 07/30 6pm



Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Have you been wondering who The Catholic Daughters of the Americas are?
Would you like to know more about us?

CDA is one of the largest Catholic women's organizations established in 1903 by the Knights of Columbus. Our local court was chartered in at Holy Family parish in 1961. We are a spiritual, charitable, social and service group. We invite all Catholic women to join us as we plan this year's events. Our next meeting will be on Monday, September 14th, 2026, beginning 6:30pm in the Lunney Center at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Please join us.

For more information contact cecistanley2013@icloud.com.



United In Mission

"Many Gifts, One Church"

2026 Annual Catholic Appeal

Saint Benedict Parish



Archdiocesan Goal

\$ 80,975.96

Parish Goal

\$40,487.98

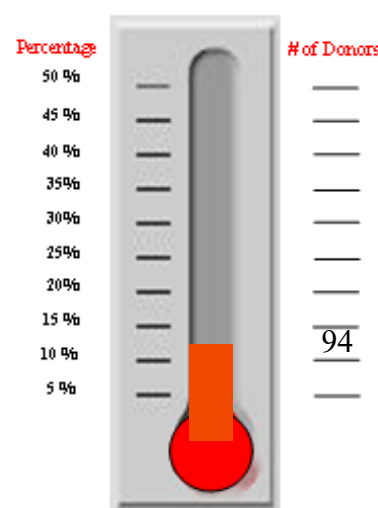
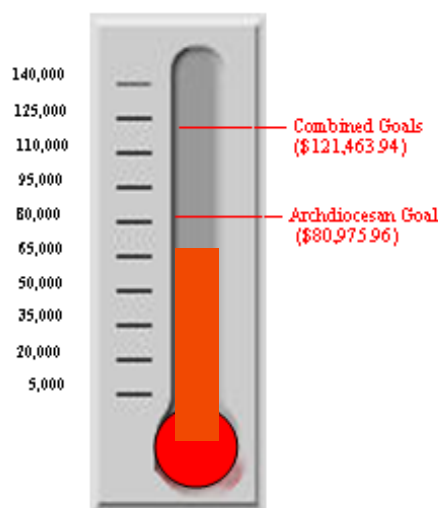
Participation Goal

40 Percent *

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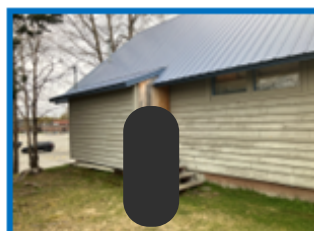


* Parish census: 670 households

Contributions beyond our Archdiocesan goal help us to:



Prep and paint exterior.



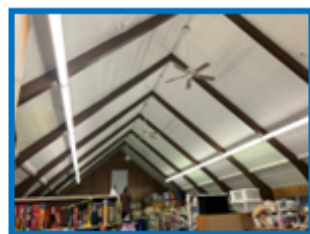
Close off old access.



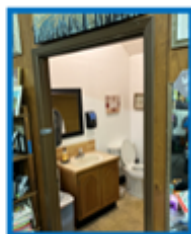
Weatherproof the foundation.



Replace all windows.



Convert lighting to LED.



Update bathroom.



Install secure door.



Paint the interior.



Install a new furnace.

Renovate the "Archangel Attic"

Why? Didn't we already do this project last year? Answer: We completed phase I. We raised approximately \$36,000 and that amount will allow us to install new windows, a new secure entry door and paint the exterior of the building this summer. Proceeds from this year's appeal will allow us to complete this two-year renovation project. In the summer of 2027 we will install a new furnace, renovate the bathroom, and replace all lighting with LED fixtures. Once completed, the Archangel Attic will be ready for the next decade! The Attic serves as an outreach to the needy in our community, as well as a revenue source for scholarships to Lumen Christi Catholic High School (generating more than \$1.4 million since 2011!). All staff, including managers Mary and Colleen, are volunteers. **Thank you!**

ADULT ED

TUESDAY MORNINGS

We are watching season 5 of The Chosen. Join us for coffee, pastries, an episode, and discussion after

9AM Mass.

Times New Roman

BIBLE STUDY

Meets the 2nd –4th or 5th.

Wednesday's of each month at 7pm

See you in the Fall!



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

BLESSED AMONG WOMEN

Our next gathering will be on Thursday evening at 7pm, July 10th in the Rectory.



This is a monthly gathering to seek a more profound understanding of what it means to be a woman of God through quarterly presentations by local speakers and spiritual teachings from Pope St John Paul II and female Saints (while sharing food and fellowship with other women).

MEN'S MINISTRY

ESTRO VIR

Our next Meeting will be on

Thursday, September 10th.

We meet in the Parish Hall, for food, fellowship, and faith.

Food: TBD

Topic: TBD

Speaker: TBD



WHAT'S OUR PARISH UP TO?



BOOK CLUB



Thursday July 8th

The Tibor house

We will be discussing '*The Forgotten Way*', by Matthew Kelly.

St. Benedict Parish Lending Library –

Pick up a book to enjoy, leave a book to share. Look for the bookcase near the Adoration door, where we have some books, publications, etc. that may be of interest to our Parish community and enrich our Catholic faith. Come see what we have - more to come! Contact Lynn Stuhr @ lstuhr18@gmail.com or 907-830-1627.

ADORATION

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration is offered:

Monday—Friday

10:00AM-10:00PM

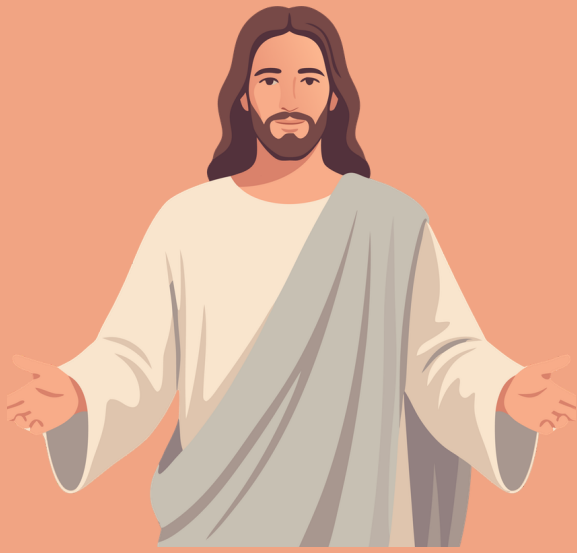


You are welcome to come in to pray during these times.

Call the office to get the code to the adoration door.

"Could you not watch one hour with me?" (Mt. 6:21; 26:40)

WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY. ...



WE ARE CALLED TO SERVE

We'd like to give a special shout-out to Jane Garrow, who has been a great help sorting donations and clothing for the Clare Closet at Clare House and has made some great touches to the remodeled space. Thanks Jane!



NEW donation opportunity!! Donate cars to a program and CSS will receive the funds from the sale of the car. The company we work with will pick the vehicle up. Find out more at our website: [Donate a Vehicle - Catholic Social Services - Alaska](#)

Saint Francis House Food Pantry Current Needs:

(Drop off at 3710 E. 20th Ave. from 1-4 pm Monday through Thursday and 9-4 on Fridays. Donations for specific CSS programs should be taken to each program location.)

- Canned meat
- Canned Veggies
- Canned Beans
- Dry goods
- Rice
- Pastas
- Beans
- Oats

Clare House Current Needs:

(Clare House needs some snack food items for their peer support groups aimed at youth and adults, along with general activity items.

Drop off from 10 am – 6 pm, Monday-Friday, 4110 Spennard Rd.)

- Paper cups
- Prepackaged snacks:
 - Healthy chips (Sun Chips, etc.)
 - Cheese crackers
 - Dried fruit/trail mix

Any other shelf-stable snack items

- Coffee creamer
- Half & half
- Cups
- Polymer clays (esp. black, translucent, and white)
- Seed beads
- Beading needles
- Nail files
- Bottled water
- A portable Brita water dispenser

Current Volunteer Opportunities

See our updated current volunteer opportunity page and fill out a fresh application if you don't have a current one on file. Background checks are required for all individuals volunteering with CSS. Group volunteers are welcome. Visit the group volunteer page on our website and someone will contact you about current group opportunities (not all are listed on the website).

Pause for now!

WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY. . .

NEWS AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE OF ANCHORAGE!

Welcome to this week's Communication Email! Here's a look at the latest news, events, and updates from around our Archdiocese. Stay connected and informed as we continue to grow in faith and community together!

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Mark Your Calendars! We've got some great events coming up and hope you'll be there. Share the invite with others—it's always better together!

Maryland State Boys Choir at Holy Family in Anchorage:

Holy Family parish in Anchorage will welcome the Maryland State Boys Choir on Saturday, August 1. They will present a 20-minute concert of sacred music as a prelude to the 5:30 Mass, during which they will also sing at the Offertory and Communion.

Anchorage Bowl Confirmation Mass Pictures: Please let your parish communities know that they can find Anchorage Bowl Confirmation Mass pictures on the AOAJ Faith Formation page at this link: <https://aoaj.org/confirmation-mass-pictures-2026>. This page can also be accessed by clicking a button on the main Office of Faith Formation page. As Confirmation Masses happen, photos will be processed and uploaded. They will be available for download until June.

- **New training from the Tribunal Office:** The office of the Tribunal has a memo to share with parish employees about their new training. Please read their memo attached to this email for important information.

JOBS WITHIN THE ARCHDIOCESE!

Payroll and Benefits Specialist – Archdiocese of Anchorage-Juneau:

The Office of Finance for the Archdiocese of Anchorage-Juneau is seeking a detail-oriented and highly skilled Payroll and Benefits Specialist. This position is fulltime and is responsible for ensuring accurate payroll processing and effective administration of employee benefits for more than 250 Archdiocesan employees.

This role also supports the Alaska Conference of Catholic Bishops (ACCB) by coordinating benefits processing for Catholic entities across the state. The position requires strong technical proficiency, strict adherence to data confidentiality, and up-to-date knowledge of federal, state, and local labor and tax regulations.

The ideal candidate is organized, adaptable, and capable of managing multiple priorities in a professional office environment while supporting the mission of the Archdiocese.

For more information about the job please visit: <https://aoaj.org/jobs>

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School Principal: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish is seeking a dynamic, Christ-centered leader to serve as Principal of our wonderful parochial elementary school. The successful candidate will be one who understands the principles of Catholic Education, has an unwavering commitment to student achievement, staff advancement, school advancement, and who exercises these qualities within the traditions and teachings of the Catholic Church.

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IS GOD CALLING YOU?



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING THE
CATHOLIC CHURCH?

DO YOU FEEL YOU ARE ON THE OUTSIDE
LOOKING IN?

WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT
THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

MAYBE YOU WERE RAISED CATHOLIC
AND HAVE STRAYED?

HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED, 'WHY AM I
EVEN DOING THIS'?

DO YOU REMEMBER ALL THE REASONS OF YOUR FAITH,
THE BEAUTY OF OUR FAITH?

We meet, Monday evenings at 6:30pm in the
parish rectory!
We would love to have you join us.
Everyone is welcome!

Contact the office 243-2195

SAINTS FUN FACTS

by mario d. macari

SAINTE BENEDICT WAS A MERE TEENAGER WHEN HE LEFT THE SINFUL WORLD IN 497 TO LIVE LIFE FASTING AND PRAYING IN THE INACCESSIBLE DESERT MOUNTAINS. HE WAS THEREFORE QUITE SURPRISED ONE DAY TO SEE A PRIEST BEARING FOOD APPEAR IN THE REMOTE REGION. "IT'S EASTER DAY!", THE PRIEST SAID, "SHARE THIS FEAST WITH ME!"

AFTER PRAYING AND EATING TOGETHER, THE YOUNG SAINT WONDERED WHY THE PRIEST HAD FOUND HIM.

AS HE WAS ABOUT TO SIT DOWN TO HIS DINNER THAT DAY, THE PRIEST REPLIED, HE HAD HEARD A GENTLE VOICE SAY: "YOU ARE PREPARING FOR YOURSELF A BANQUET, WHILE MY SERVANT BENEDICT IS DISTRESSED WITH HUNGER." THE PRIEST IMMEDIATELY PACKED UP THE MEAL AND SET OUT LOOKING FOR BENEDICT!



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Interruptions

Most of us are aware of interruptions which make up our day. We are interrupted by minor changes such as the weather or a road detour, which may not allow our original plans to continue. We deal with that and move on to Plan B.

Sometimes, the interruption is major: a loss of health interrupts our career/education; economic demands interrupt our plans to choose to purchase a house; family demands interrupt our chance to travel. Countless things constantly derail our agendas, force us to alter our plans, and slowly kill our dreams. David Steindl-Rast once commented we tend to be resentful when things interrupt our work until we realize, perhaps, interruptions are our real work. Sometimes this resentment may take a more radical form: "I've wasted my life. I'm a victim of circumstances. I've given in to the demands of others. Now there's no chance to do what I really wanted to do."

Sometimes, as Steindl-Rast points out, the opposite happens. Instead of resentment there is gratitude. We realize the interruptions, so unwelcome at the time, are salvific and far from derailing us from our real agenda. THEY were the agenda.

We could (and must) look for the hand of Providence in our interruptions. Perhaps these are a conspiracy of accidents in our lives guided by God. If we were totally in control of our own agendas, if we could simply plan and execute our lives according to our own dreams with no unwanted derailments, would we (slowly and subtly) become very selfish and (also slowly and subtly) find our lives empty of joy, enthusiasm, family life, and real community? We do not live by accomplishment alone!

The very word baptism means derailment. Christ baptizes Peter on the rock when he tells him: "Because you said you love me, your life is no longer your own. Before you said this, you fastened your belt and you walked wherever you liked. Now, others will put a belt around you and take you where you would rather not go." To submit to love is to be baptized... and to let one's life be forever interrupt-ed. To not let one's life be interrupted is to say no to love. Will we spend most of eternity thanking God for those prayers he didn't answer? Will we spend part of eternity thanking God for those interruptions derailing our plans, but which baptized us into life and love in a way we could never have planned or accomplished?

This, though, is not always true. Our lives are not meant to be left to pure circumstance and fate. We must also actively choose and create destiny. It's not always good to accept whatever happens. We have dreams and talents, which are God-given, which we must fight too for our agenda. Adapted from (ronrolheiserinterruptions7-16-90)

Questions

1. What was your last interruption at work/home?
2. How did you handle it?
3. Do you remember when an interruption made a difference in your life?

Challenge:

Be aware of your interruptions this week. Can you understand why God allowed them to happen?

Quote:

"The most deadly poison of our times is indifference. And this happens, although the praise of God should know no limits. Let us strive, therefore, to praise him to the greatest extent of our powers."

~Maximilian Kolbe

& FOR OUR YOUTH... ↪

WITH OUR YOUTH

WHATS IS GOING ON THIS SUMMER?



SUMMER EVENTS

31 MAY
12:00 PM

KINCAID BEACH! JOIN US FOR A TRIP DOWN THE HILL TO THE BEACH! MEET AT THE CHALET.

12 JUNE
6:00 PM

BASEBALL! WATCH THE BUCS PLAY AT 6 PM. MEET AT MULCAHY STADIUM. WE WILL BE DOWN THE FIRST BASE LINE.

28 JUNE
12:00 PM

ALASKA HIGHLAND GAMES @ THE STATE FAIRGROUNDS. CONTACT GABE IF YOU NEED A RIDE.

11 JULY
12:00 PM

PARISH FEAST DAY SOFTBALL GAME! WE WILL MEET AT DE LA VEGA PARK AND SELECT TEAMS THERE!

19 JULY
12:00 PM

HIKE AT BICENTENNIAL PARK. MEET AT THE NORTH BIVOUAC TRAILHEAD AT NOON.

26 JULY
12:00 PM

DISC GOLF AT KINCAID! BRING A FRISBEE AND MEET US THERE!

30-2 JULY - AUGUST

YOUTH MISSION TRIP TO VALDEZ. JOIN US FOR WORK AND OTHER EVENTS IN VALDEZ!

9 AUGUST
12:00 PM

FLATTOP! JOIN US AND SUMMIT THE MOUNTAIN!

15 AUGUST
6:00 PM

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION. JOIN US AT ST. BENEDICT FOR AN END OF THE SUMMER CELEBRATION!

SUMMER MISSION

ST BENEDICT PARISH INVITES YOU!

Trip

GO TO VALDEZ AND SERVE THE COMMUNITY THERE!



COST:

\$100

JULY 30 - AUGUST 2

THERE WILL BE WORK AND FUN. WE WILL GO ON HIKE AND DO SEVERAL PROJECTS FOR THE PARISH THERE.

For more information contact Gabe at golenaestbenedictsak.com or at 907-215-7058

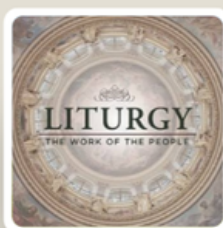


YOUTH CORNER

St. Andrew Bobola, S.J.
Patron of our E/C
Team, Pray for us.



UPCOMING *Youth Nights*



Wednesday 7-9 pm

Living Liturgically

What is a liturgy? How do we live liturgically? Find out this and more!
Gabe will be back as well!!!

July
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2026



Wednesday 7-9 pm

Feast Days

What is your feast day? How do we celebrate it? Why do we celebrate it?!
Many questions, few answers. Lets talk.

July
15
2026



Wednesday 7-9 pm

Mystery Night

We will choose from a mystery bag what the topic of the night is. What is in the bag? You will have to come to find out!

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07/08 High School Night 7pm!

09/08 Jr. High Night 6pm

ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

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