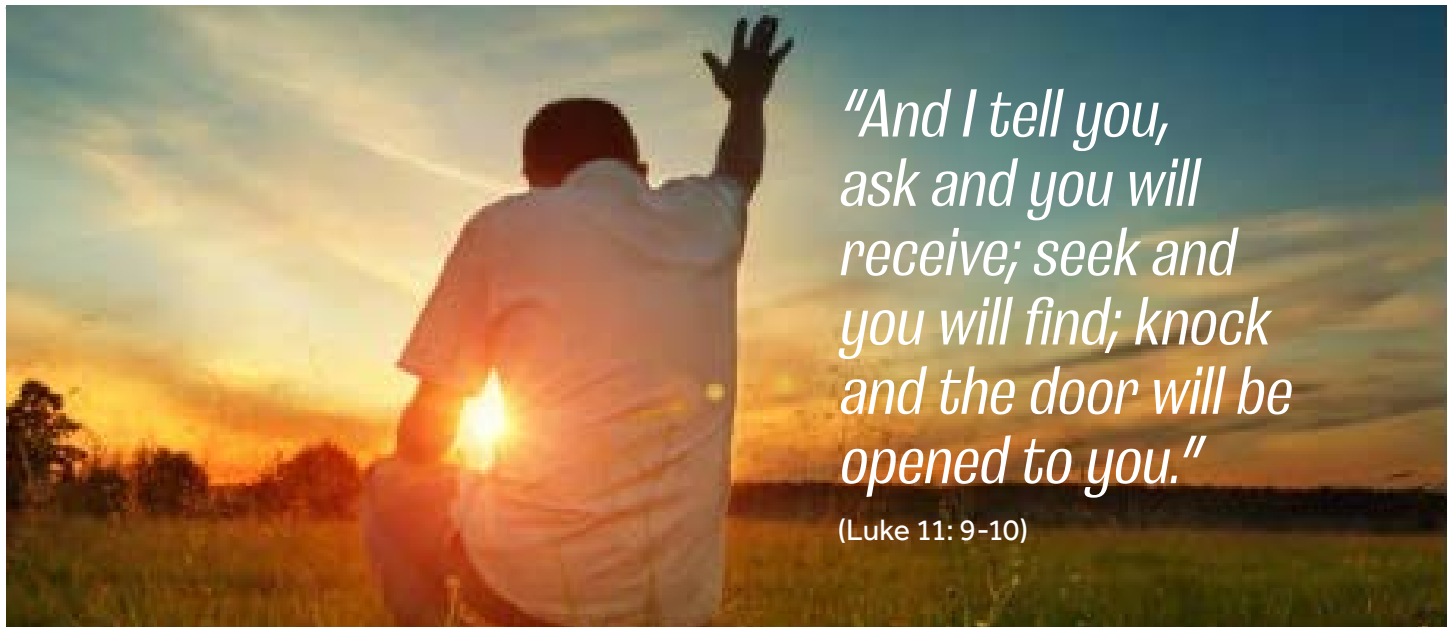


# THE STEWARD

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
SUNDAY, JULY 24, 2022

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*"And I tell you,  
ask and you will  
receive; seek and  
you will find; knock  
and the door will be  
opened to you."*

(Luke 11: 9-10)



BY ELAINE LINDIA, DIRECTOR OF CATECHESIS

When we read these encouraging words from Jesus and think about our prayers, we can think that the meaning behind the words is that you can ask Jesus to give you anything you want and then be guaranteed to receive it. We know that God loves us and wants to bless us, but we also have to understand that He wants to do so in ways that are truly best for us.

When we make a request of God in prayer, do we pray for God's will as well? Are we open to receiving what's truly best for us from a loving God even though it may turn out to be different than we could ever imagine?

When the disciples asked Jesus to teach them how to pray and He shared with them the Our Father prayer, do we take the time to really understand the words of that prayer every time we say it? As we say "thy kingdom come, thy will be done," do we really want God's will for us even if it is different than our own vision of what needs to be happening in our lives?

As I reflect on the gospel passage for today, I realize that I need to understand that the deeper purpose of prayer is to learn how to align my will with God's. I know that often my prayers focus on what will make life easier but I know that God wants me to grow spiritually and that may mean a more

difficult path. I know that instead of putting all my efforts into asking for things, my prayer efforts would be better spent trying to become closer to God, to become more like Him.

Rather than going through life focusing on what I think I want for my life, my focus is now more what does He want from my life? What is His divine plan for me? What do I need to do with the gifts He has given me to make this world a better place, to fulfill my part of His mission? When aligning my goals with God's will, I know I have to be willing to take a path that I wouldn't have chosen for myself. It may be more challenging and may cause some pain, but I can be at peace because I know that He only wants what is best for me.

I also have to remember that God's timing is not always my timing, and that I need to have patience and have trust that He has heard my prayer and is working on what is best for the situation. Having this confidence in that He is listening and knows my need, I can let go of the anxiety and take one day at a time, always asking Him to help me discern the next steps in alignment with His will.

Prayer is so powerful and making the effort to pray is so necessary, especially in our world today with all the challenges we face. At the beginning of the pandemic, a group of us at St Ben's gathered together on Zoom to pray

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the Scriptural Rosary. It has been such a gift and we still gather today. As each person takes a turn in praying a decade, they begin their prayer with any request that they may personally have, any request that has been given to them by others, or any concern in our world that we all hold in our hearts. Being able to vocalize our intentions together is so powerful and provides the peace that only God can provide. When we realize that we are not alone, that He walks with us and hears our prayers, we can live in confidence that He is in charge and that He will help us to discern the next best steps, no matter what the challenge is we are facing.

I hold many prayers in my heart for our faith community here at St. Ben's, such as praying for families to enroll their children in Religious Ed, for us to be able to have RCIA and encourage people to join the faith. I pray that we will have people that wish to use their gifts by serving as catechists and be part of sharing their faith with our young people.

I pray that our parish and school become places where families of faith can grow spiritually – both personally and as a community; where we experience a profound and personal encounter with Jesus Christ through His Church; where we can fulfill our desire for mission and service; where we feel welcome, loved and a deep sense of belonging.

It is easy to become discouraged or worried that our prayers may not be answered in the way we want, but if we have confidence that the Holy Spirit will accomplish His work in presenting our prayers to the Father according to His perfect will and timing, and we can rest in the knowledge that He is working all things together for our good.

Truthfully speaking, prayer is the most powerful force or weapon on earth. We can be in one place and impact situations around the world simply by asking God to intervene. That's why it is important for us to make prayer a priority and not leave it on the back burner. When we do, we position ourselves to see God's power in operation, which will happen when his people pray. God's power activated in response to his people calling upon his name. So let us pray!

## Music for July 23/24

**Entrance:** Lord, Teach Us How To Pray (W 658)

**Gloria:** Mass of Redemption Readings: W 1159

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia in C (W 329)

**Offertory:** Instrumental

**Holy, Holy, Holy:** Mass of Creation (W 365)

**Memorial Acclamation B:**

Mass of Creation (W 366)

**Amen:** Mass of Creation (W 367)

**Lamb of God:** Holy Cross Mass (W 381)

**Communion Processional:**

Bread of Life from Heaven (W 948)

**Recessional:** Lead Me, Guide Me (W657)

## PLEASE WELCOME REV. FR. PAUL SHIRIMA WEEKEND OF JULY 30-31, 2022

**Fr. Paul will be representing the Catholic Diocese of Tanga in Tanzania/East Africa, speaking at St. Ben's at all weekend Masses on July 30 and 31.**



Fr. Paul is a bona fidei priest from Tanzania. Since his ordination, Fr. Shirima has done parish ministry as the associate priest in several parishes in Tanzania, as a teacher at our diocesan junior seminary and as the diocesan youth director. The mission needs of our diocese are many, but currently we are very challenged to meet the tuition fees for our 29 diocesan major seminarians who are now in formation and studies in our national Philosophical and Theological seminaries. Any help we can get from this mission appeal (MCP 2022) will be of vital in supporting the formation of these fine young men who will soon move on into priesthood. Your generous financial and spiritual help will make the difference.



RCIA is the process of spiritual and educational formation through which adults become fully initiated members of the Roman Catholic Church. It is a program of prayer, conversion, learning, and faith sharing. It is a process of evangelization when one experiences an encounter with Jesus Christ and makes a conscious choice to explore the Christian faith. If this sounds like something you are interested in, there is no obligation or cost, just contact Elaine Lindia at 773-509-3806 or at [elindia@stbenedict.com](mailto:elindia@stbenedict.com) for more information on the process.



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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION 2022-23

Registration for Religious Education is now open! Please register as soon as possible so we can determine the number of classes and catechists that will be required. If you are interested in serving as a catechist or helping in the program in any way, please contact Elaine Lindia at (773)509-3806 or at [elindia@stbenedict.com](mailto:elindia@stbenedict.com).

# Become a Sponsor!

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## 2022 Sponsorship Opportunities

Oktoberfest here at St. Ben's is truly a wonderful family event celebrating the unique community that is our parish. Proceeds helps the parish maintain the campus and supporting our ministries from the school to RE and everything in between. Underwriting an event such as Oktoberfest allows for the event's revenue to go directly to parish needs. Won't you consider becoming a sponsor to help us reach that goal? There is a giving level for every family.

Main Tent Sponsor	Stage Sponsor	"Prost!" Bar Sponsor	"Zum Wohl!" Community Sponsor	"Freundschaft" (Friendship) Fan	"Ein Prosit!" Beverage Fan
\$5000 (2)	\$2500 (6)	\$1000 (10)	\$500	\$250	\$150-\$50

## 2022 Participation Benefits:

### MAIN TENT SPONSOR \$5000 (2)

- All the benefits of a Stage Sponsor, PLUS,
- Recognized as Co-presenter of OktoberFest
- Supporter banner on Irving Park Rd. using your artwork provided by the parish

### STAGE SPONSOR \$2,500 (6)

- All the benefits of a "Prost!" Bar Sponsor, PLUS,
- Recognized as the Main Stage Entertainment supporter or solely as Kids Stage Sponsor
- Your company logo or family name on either the Main Tent or Gymnasium Stage banner

### "PROST!" BAR SPONSOR \$1000 (10)

- All the benefits of a "Zum Wohl!" Community Sponsor
- Recognized as a bar supporter with company logo or family name on Bar Sponsor banners

### "ZUM WOHL!" COMMUNITY SPONSOR \$500

- All the benefits of a "Freundschaft" (Friendship) Fan
- Recognized as a main tent table sponsor with company logo or family name on a table display

### "FREUNDSCHAFT" (FRIENDSHIP) FAN \$250

- Promote your company with a 24 x 48 inch banner (provided by supporter) that will be hung around the inside perimeter of the Main Tent
- Company or Family name listed on Oktoberfest website, event poster, and on Facebook
- Company name and logo with link on website
- Acknowledgement in The Steward weekly parish bulletin and the BUZZ school newsletter
- Host a vendor table inside the Gymnasium to promote your products or services

### "EIN PROSIT!" BEVERAGE FAN—VARIED

- \$150 per keg of beer
- \$100 per case of wine
- \$50 towards beer stein costs
- Company or family name listed on supporter banner, and at the all beverage serving stations

Questions please reach out to Mr. Accardi at [jaccardi@stbenedict.com](mailto:jaccardi@stbenedict.com) or at 773.509-3832.



July 24, 2022

## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 18:20-32 | Col 2:12-14 | Lk 11:1-13

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

### **GROW** AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

I miss my friend, Carol, a second mother to many of us navigating young adulthood in one of my adopted hometowns. Carol offered wisdom and perspective – and binders full of recipes for any occasion. So, even after moving away, I knew that I could “Dial A Cook” at a moment’s notice and Carol would drop everything and patiently dictate a recipe. Today’s Gospel fills me with gratitude for Carol, who through her love and generosity hints at God’s love and generosity toward us. Carol is with God now, so I still talk to her from time to time. Today’s Gospel reminds us that, likewise, we can bring anything to our loving God in prayer, and the Father will listen and respond. We may think we can power through our days, and our lives, on our own, but Jesus reminds us to persist in prayer: “And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find.”

### **GO** EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Remember the time before smartphones? When you needed a cup of flour or an egg, that meant knocking on a neighbor’s door. Now we most often text ahead, making the request a bit less awkward. Well, despite the proliferation of Catholic and spiritual apps, praying still requires “putting ourselves out there” before God. While God knows all and sees all, it is up to us to bring our deepest needs and desires to him. Our smartphones can help us here: We can set a reminder to pray each morning and each evening. We can model our persistence in prayer to our children and others by praying with and for them, especially at times when they are struggling with something or facing a difficult choice or situation. If an earthly Mother or Father knows how to give good gifts to their children, after all, “how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?”

**PRAY** Recite the Lord’s Prayer, understanding that God knows our needs and will give us each our daily bread.

## Sunday, Jul 24, 2022

### This year the award goes to . . .

Are you a prize-winning parent? Do you know someone who deserves recognition for nurturing the future of society? Every fourth Sunday of July since 1994, our country has celebrated Parents' Day. Nationwide, parents are nominated for exemplary service and dedication to their families and to the broader local community. Of course, most parents have humbler aspirations than garnering a trophy for their trouble. They hope simply to nurture honest, decent adults who feel empathy and treat others kindly. Celebrate the courage of parents and support the essential work they do.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 18:20-32; Colossians 2:12-14; Luke 11:1-13 (111). *"What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish?"*

## Monday, Jul 25, 2022

### You can't do it all

Distinguished poet and scholar Sister Madeleva Wolff, C.S.C. was the author of more than 20 books and the third president of her alma mater, Saint Mary's College, in Notre Dame, Indiana, where she served for 26 years. She accomplished much—but like most of us, struggled with how much more there always was to do. She wrote, "Thinking of things to be done, hopes to be realized, persons to be helped, I say laughingly that I go to a multitude of funerals daily, burying so many deceased projects, so much of what I have had to let die and must bury without regret." On this, the anniversary of her death, pray for the grace to surrender to God when you are overwhelmed with busyness.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Matthew 20:20-28 (605). *"Can you drink the chalice that I am going to drink?"*

## Tuesday, Jul 26, 2022

### A grand mission for grandparents

At a time when grandparents shoulder an ever-greater role in the nurturing of children—helping young families navigate the many complex realities of modern life—it's fortunate we have an international Catholic Grandparents Association, founded in 2009, to help fulfill a dual mission: "passing on the faith and keeping prayer at the heart of family life." With Saints Joachim and Anne as patrons, the association hosts a podcast and encourages parishes to develop a thriving ministry for and by grandparents, recognizing their unique evangelizing presence. Remembering grandparents, pray today the official prayer of the 2022 World Meeting of Families.

MEMORIAL OF JOACHIM AND ANNE, PARENTS OF MARY

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 14:17-22; Matthew 13:36-43 (402). *"The field is the world, the good seed the children of the Kingdom."*

## Wednesday, Jul 27, 2022

### Take responsibility

Racial tension, economic unrest, and summer heat have fueled countless murderous altercations throughout America's short history. July 27, 1919 marks the start of one of the most violent and tragic race riots sparked by the stoning and drowning of a young black boy in Chicago who inadvertently swam into an area of Lake Michigan reserved for "whites only." By the end, 38 people were dead, 537 injured, and 1,000 families made homeless. These statistics are stacked upon decades before and after this date of

the extreme violence that plagues our nation. In their 1994 statement, *Confronting a Culture of Violence: A Catholic Framework for Action*, the U.S. Catholic Bishops conclude that "our society needs both more personal responsibility and broader social responsibility to overcome the plague of violence in our land and the lack of peace in our hearts."

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21; Matthew 13:44-46 (403).

*"I will free you from the hand of the wicked, and rescue you from the grasp of the violent."*

## Thursday, Jul 28, 2022

### Divine by any name

An accomplished Catholic writer used to joke that "God" was the worst nickname ever: The term had acquired way too much baggage for him. Fortunately, the church has dozens of terms and metaphors for God, including the vivid image of God as potter. The reality of God is beyond any one term or comparison, so it is fortunate that the Christian tradition gives us so many. Light, Rock, Creator, Wisdom, Savior, Shepherd, Fortress, Vine, Shield, and on and on. What terms help bring God alive for you?

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 18:1-6; Matthew 13:47-53 (404).

*"Indeed, like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand, house of Israel."*

## Friday, Jul 29, 2022

### What friends are for

It's not easy to picture God as one of our friends. We can't just call God up to meet us for a cup of coffee. But friendship has many characteristics that help us better understand our own relationship with God. "Friendship," writes Pope Francis, "is no fleeting or temporary relationship, but one that is stable, firm and faithful, and matures with the passage of time. A relationship of affection that brings us together and a generous love that makes us seek the good of our friend" (*Christus vivit* §152). For further reflection, look to Jesus himself and his friends Martha, Mary, and Lazarus.

MEMORIAL OF MARTHA, MARY, AND LAZARUS, FRIENDS OF JESUS

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 26:1-9 (405); John 11:19-27 or Luke 10:38-42 (607). *"Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him."*

## Saturday, Jul 30, 2022

### Golden moments

Peter Chrysologus (c.380–c.450) is the hands-down champion homilist of our tradition. Known as the "doctor of homilies," his name literally means "golden-tongued." Have you been moved by a great homily? Pope Francis (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 135) said that "The homily can actually be an intense and happy experience of the Spirit, a consoling encounter with God's word, a constant source of renewal and growth." Great homilies can be life changing, bringing about a deep conversion. May you encounter a great homily and be touched by the golden word of God.

MEMORIAL OF PETER CHRYSOLOGUS, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24; Matthew 14:1-12 (406).

*"For in truth it was the LORD who sent me to you, to speak all these things for you to hear."*

*Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time*



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## MEMORIES SHARED AND OLD FRIENDSHIPS REKINDLED AT ST. BEN'S ALL CLASS REUNION

Grade School and High School Alumni from around the country came out for the All Class Reunion Weekend. Many thanks to all who travelled near and far to join us as we celebrated the gift of Catholic Education in our parish.

At the high school all class reunion, four nominees were inducted into the Alumni Hall of Fame. We are very grateful to Fr. Steve, Ms. Gemo, Andy and Peggy Galus who assisted on both days, and Janet Gallagher, Joe Genslak, and Maria Tubay who assisted on Saturday evening. Thanks to Reclaimed Bar and Restaurant along with Cardinal Liquors for providing our great barbecue dinner and beverages.



### UNIQUE RELIGION TEACHER POSITION AVAILABLE AT ST. BENEDICT PREP

SBPS is looking for a middle school religion teacher to cover a maternity leave. This position would be suitable for a retired professional who loves his/her faith, a parishioner in-between paid positions or even a parent of younger children looking to earn a little extra income. The curriculum/program is set and there would be regular support and planning meetings with the lead teacher. This position would begin August 11, 2022 and end mid-January. Daily hours are M-F from 7:30AM to 3:30PM. Candidates need to be Catholic, possess a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree and clear a national background check.

**Interested candidates may email Head of School, Ms. Rachel Gemo, at [rgemo@stbenedict.com](mailto:rgemo@stbenedict.com) to learn more about the position.**



### **Abusers can use the internet to control and intimidate survivors through financial abuse, but there are ways to protect yourself**

The internet is a crucial source of information and connection, but for survivors and victims of domestic violence, it can also present an opportunity for abusers to control, manipulate and endanger their victims. Victims and survivors of domestic violence report cyberstalking and financial fraud as a frequent form of abuse. Unfortunately, given abusers typically already have access to a great deal of their victim's personal information like Social Security Numbers, dates of birth, mailing addresses and more, succeeding in these tactics is often easier for a partner than for a hacker or faraway cybercriminal.

**Use Strong Passphrases:** Passwords and pins are used by an infinite number of websites and accounts as the first barrier to entry with most, making strong passwords incredibly important.

**Use Credit, Not Debit Card:** Perhaps the single most effective way to protect your finances digitally is giving up your debit card entirely. The benefits of paying with a credit card have nothing to do with the card's security defenses—but rather what happens to the user when a breach happens. Thanks to Zero Liability policies created by banks many years ago to encourage shopping online, resolving issues of credit fraud are often painless. With a debit card, however, this scenario is different.

**Install Protective Software and Keep Your Device Updated:** Use antivirus software, anti-spyware and a firewall on your computer. Be sure to install your computer's updates quickly—or automatically if possible. This will help ensure no ill-intentioned individuals—abusers or otherwise—can access or infiltrate your device.

**Shred Documents With Sensitive Information:** Whenever possible, don't leave behind documents with personal information. In the event of a move or relocation, set up mail forwarding so that credit card offers and other sensitive data reach only you and your family. If you're preparing to or have recently left an abuser, contact credit agencies and other companies with which you have accounts to notify them of the individual who should no longer have access to your information or account.

**Explore Fraud Alerts:** In the case of a lost wallet, for example, you might be suspicious that identity theft *will* occur—even if it hasn't, yet. Contact one of the three credit bureaus and ask them to set up a free fraud alert—the bureau you contact will notify the two others.

**Freeze Your Credit:** It's not uncommon for an abuser to access his or her victim's credit—whether to monitor reports for insights on financial or other recent activity or to open new lines of credit on the victim's behalf as a power and control tactic. While it can be inconvenient to freeze your credit, this is a great way to prevent identity thieves—or including abusers—from opening new lines of credit using your SSN.

**VPN is Essential:** Virtual private networks (VPNs) have been used in corporate environments for decades. Today, however, they are essential for consumers to protect communications, whether on a desktop, laptop or a mobile device. For victims or survivors of domestic violence, VPNs offer a safe, secure and anonymous way to browse the web, access accounts and make purchases.

With thanks to [domesticshelters.org](http://domesticshelters.org)

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**Childhelp National  
Child Abuse Hotline:**  
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(1-800-422-4453)

# Coming Up at St. Ben's | July & August 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>24</b> <b>17th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Mass at 8am, 10am, and 12pm Church	<b>25</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church  Summer Volleyball Camp 9AM Gym  Summer Basketball Training 6pm Gym	<b>26</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church	<b>27</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church  Summer Volleyball Camp 9AM Gym  Pilates with Ms Hyland 12pm Beaven Hall  Summer Basketball Training 6pm Gym  AA Group Meeting 8pm Beaven Hall	<b>28</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church  Summer Volleyball Camp 9AM Gym  Summer Basketball Training 6pm Gym	<b>29</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church	<b>30</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church  Reconciliation 11am Church  Mission Appeal Mass at 5pm Church
<b>31</b> <b>18th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Mission Appeal Mass at 8am, 10am, and 12pm Church	<b>1</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church  Summer Volleyball Camp 9AM Gym  Summer Basketball Training 6pm Gym	<b>2</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church	<b>3</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church  Summer Volleyball Camp 9AM Gym  Summer Basketball Training 6pm Gym  AA Group Meeting 8pm Beaven Hall	<b>4</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church  Summer Volleyball Camp 9AM Gym  Summer Basketball Training 6pm Gym	<b>5</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church  Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction 9am - 12pm Church	<b>6</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church  Reconciliation 11am Church  Mass at 5pm Church

## Sunday Giving



There won't be a weekly/YTD stewardship report for a couple weeks as we close up the books on our fiscal year that ended on June 30, and transition to the new fiscal year. We saw an increase in online donations in the last few days of June - thanks to everyone who logged in to GiveCentral to ensure that their contribution schedules were on track! If you need assistance checking yours, please feel free to contact

Jeanne Anderson (janderson@stbenedict.com or 773.588.6484 x5109.) Thank you for your continuing support of St. Benedict Parish and Preparatory School.

We've now reached the end of our fiscal year. Currently, we're projecting a deficit of more than \$65,000 for our combined offertory collections. Reasons for this are many, including church attendance that's still in COVID-recovery mode, as well as inflation and economic uncertainties.

One of the great things about GiveCentral is its 'set and forget' convenience. The downside of that can be we don't always notice when our donations stop for one reason or another, such as an expired card or closed bank account.

We're asking everyone to please log in to your GiveCentral account in the next few days to ensure your recurring donations are in line with your planned giving, and if not, make up the shortfall or even increase your donations if you're able.

If you need assistance checking your online giving history or making changes to payment methods or giving schedules, please email Jeanne Anderson at janderson@stbenedict.com or call 773-588-6484. Thank you!

**GiveCentral is our partner for secure electronic giving. Here are three easy ways to get started:**

- > Visit [GiveCentral.org](https://GiveCentral.org) and search for St. Benedict – Chicago under My Charity
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- > Scan the QR code (below) with your phone or tablet



**Questions? Contact our Director of Operations and Finance, Jeanne Anderson, at 773.588.6484 x5109 or [janderson@stbenedict.com](mailto:janderson@stbenedict.com). Thank you for your remarkable generosity to the parish.**



# Masses for the Week

## Saturday, July 23 - Saint Bridget, Religious, BVM

8:30AM Leonila Limon - *Terencia Limon*  
5PM Rachel Rodriguez - *Rosemary McDonnell*  
Dee Halliday - *Rosemary McDonnell*  
Suzie Libao - *Rosemary McDonnell*  
Kelley Halper - *Ron and Christa O'Keefe*

## Sunday July 24 - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8AM Special Intention for Mary Newell -  
*Kathy Fergus*  
John A. Hauser - *Laurie Tauer*  
10AM Kathleen Matthews Halper (Class of '64) -  
*The St. Benedict Alumni Office*  
Michael Bartley - *Ken and Pat Woodhouse*  
Jerry Byrne - *Mike and Margaret Burns*  
12PM Special Intention for Carol Brimstin

## Monday, July 25 - Saint James, Apostle

8:30AM Special Intention for Deacon Dave Reyes - *Friends*  
J. Patrick Beattie - *The Mendes Family and*  
*Angela Rebello*

## Tuesday, July 26 - Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30AM Anna Consing - *Ken and Pat Woodhouse*  
Anita S. Fernandez - *Ken and Pat Woodhouse*

## Wednesday, July 27 - Weekday

8:30AM Kelley Halper - *Lori Nagle*

## Thursday, July 28 - Weekday

8:30AM Joe Rexing - *Ken and Pat Woodhouse*  
Susano Sanchez Paez - *Ceferina Paez*  
Frederico and Aurora Jundos - *Julieta Mojica*

## Friday, July 29- Saint Martha

8:30AM Catherine Gilger Segni - *The Gilger Family*  
Susano Sanchez Paez - *Ceferina Paez*

## Saturday, July 30 - Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30AM Christine Albrecht - *Wilma, Emily, Lisa, Tara, Jen, Krista, and Erin*  
5PM John, Ann, and Mary McDonagh - *Family*  
Susano Sanchez Paez - *Ceferina Paez*  
Donald E. Lewan (Class of '39 Grammar School) -  
*The St. Benedict Alumni Office*

## Sunday July 31 - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8AM Living and Deceased Members/Benefactors of  
St. Vincent de Paul Society  
Kelley Halper - *The St. Benedict Women's Club*  
Francisco Fortunado - *Cordy Fortunado*  
10AM Gabriel Robello - *The Mendes Family*  
Susano Sanchez Paez - *Ceferina Paez*  
George Skinner, Jr. - *The St. Benedict*  
*Parish Community*  
Brian Martin - *Ken and Pat Woodhouse*  
12PM Christine Albrecht - *Lazar and Wilma Bityou*  
Special Intention for Priscilla Poulos - *Lazar and*  
*Wilma Bityou*  
Special Intention for Aurora Sabarre - *Lazar and*  
*Wilma Bityou and Family*

## Please Pray for Healing

Please call the Rectory at (773) 588-6484 to add your name or the name of an immediate family member for whom you would like the parish to pray for healing. The name of the person will appear quarterly unless otherwise instructed at the time the request is made.

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# Parish Information

If you are visiting, we hope you enjoy your stay. We're glad you decided to join us in this celebration. If you are new to the St. Ben's community, welcome home! **To become a registered parishioner, complete a Registration Form on our website: [parish.stbenedict.com](http://parish.stbenedict.com).** One of our Ministers of Hospitality will be glad to assist you. If you are a former parishioner or a graduate of our schools, we are glad to see you back home. We hope you will return often. Contact Joe Accardi, Director of Alumni Relations at [jaccardi@stbenedict.com](mailto:jaccardi@stbenedict.com). Our weekly bulletin, The Steward, tells you about parish life. Submissions for the bulletin are generally due by Friday at 9 am of the week previous to publication. Electronic submissions are preferred via e-mail to [bulletin@stbenedict.com](mailto:bulletin@stbenedict.com). Flyers should be submitted in camera-ready format and will be used if space permits. If you would like to receive our online weekly newsletter-"The Block", please contact the rectory to be placed on our emailing list. If you have any questions, please call the rectory at (773) 588-6484. We look forward to hearing from you.



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### MASSES AND SERVICES

**Sunday Eucharist:** Saturday 5PM,  
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**Holy Day Eucharist:** 6:30AM, 8:30AM  
and 7PM  
**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help:**  
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