

ST. BENEDICT PARISH  
*Confirmation 2023*

The following Confirmation candidates spent the past two years preparing to receive their final Sacrament of Initiation.

They completed service hours in their homes, our parish community, and in the larger community beyond our boundaries. They connected with their sponsor, their Saint, and were able to grow in faith and develop a deeper relationship with Christ with the guidance of our dedicated teachers, catechists, parents, and sponsors. Thank you to all in our community who prayed for these young people throughout their preparation.



Angelo **ANTHONY** Accardi  
Phoenix **SEBASTIAN** Arroyo  
Osezuwa **MARTIN** Ativie  
Jack **JOSEPH** Aylward  
Quinn **JOHN** Beach  
Audrey **BERTHA** Beebe  
Connor **PATRICK** Biggam  
Oliver **MICHAEL** Biggam  
Pia **ELIZABETH** Blomquist  
Fiona **PHILOMENA** Clarke  
Joaquin **FRANCIS** Cordero  
Ian **MICHAEL** Cromwell  
Dillon **PAUL** Curry  
Dario **JOSEPH** De La Pena  
**MICHAEL** De La Pena  
Sonia **THERESE** Dillon  
Patricia **VERONICA** Duke  
Ethan **PATRICK** Finger  
Lucille **CATHERINE** Flores  
Massimo **ANTHONY** Giunta  
David **JOHN** Goetz III  
Emilio **VINCENT** Gonzalez  
Liam **CHRISTOPHER** Gould  
Regan **CECILIA** Gould  
Tyler **ALBERT** Graff  
Nikola **JOSEPH** Grgavac\*  
Grace **JOAN** Grohman  
Jonathan **LUIGI** Hardin  
William **SEBASTIAN** Hauman  
Colette **GENEVIEVE** Heneghan  
Sullivan **IGNATIUS** Inman  
Carly **CATHERINE** King

Grace **ANNE** Kinn  
Connor **CESAR** Koleno  
Frederik **PATRICK** Koning  
Thomas **ALOYSIUS** Kromkowski  
Emelia **CECILIA** Lang  
Dillon **JOSEPH** Lish  
Charles **SEBASTIAN** Lust  
Kieran **MATTHEW** Madden  
Callan **DENNIS** Maher  
Charles **AUGUSTINE** Maida  
Oliver **PHILLIP** May  
Kate **FAITH** McDonald  
Paige **LUCY** Menke  
James **ROBERT** Meyers  
Vada **RAPHAEL** Mihelcic-Delia  
Luke **PAUL** Morgan  
Graham **DANIEL** Morris  
Shane **EDWARD** Mullenix  
Kevin **IGNATIUS** Murphy  
Isla **DOROTHY** Newman  
Quinn **CATHERINE** Nolan

Peri **HOLTERS** Nordloh  
Gus **PETER** Nutkowitz  
Ronald **THOMAS** O'Keefe  
Patrick **ALOYSIUS** O'Rourke  
Henry **SEBASTIAN** Patel  
Elizabeth **CECILIA** Patras  
Elsie **CATHERINE** Polutnik  
William **DROGO** Ports  
Maximos **THOMAS** Pyroulis  
William **SEBASTIAN** Remotigue  
Madeline **CECILIA** Rich  
Hannah **FRANCIS** Richter  
Elizabeth **BRIGID** Roarty  
Ethan **SEBASTIAN** Rodrigues  
Madeline **CATHERINE** Roock  
Ainslie **ELIZABETH** Rooney  
Lauren **ROSE** Rothweiler  
Michael **BENEDICT** Ruder  
Gabriella **CATHERINE** Sarcona  
Alexander **JAMES** Saur  
Sophia **VERONICA** Sessa  
Clayton **IGNATIUS** Stiglicz  
Sofia **VERONICA** Strang  
Natalya **OLIVIA** Szidik  
Ian **FRANCIS** Uting  
Ella **AVA** Walsh\*  
William **JOSEPH** Walton  
Sullivan **ROBERT** Weeks  
Aidan **SEBASTIAN** Williams  
Blake **SEBASTIAN** Yankowski  
Ronin **ROCH** Yankowski

*\*Receiving Sacrament at other parishes*

# THE STEWARD

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

APRIL 30, 2023



**Elaine Lindia, Director of Catechesis**

In today's Gospel, Jesus explains the role of the shepherd: "The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has driven out all his own, he walks ahead of them, and the sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice."

As I reflect on this passage, I am drawn to the words: "*because they recognize his voice.*" How do we recognize the voice of God? This past week, our 8th grade school and Religious Education students were confirmed. During this year, I had the opportunity to teach one of the 8th grade RE classes and really had a chance to get to know the students.

One of my biggest hopes and prayers is that these students will truly spend time with God in prayer and learn to hear His voice. There are so many other voices competing for their attention. In this world of social media, our phones have become the way we communicate and learn. We know that in order to hear

from God we need to spend quiet time in prayer. This time requires that we put the phone away, remove all distractions and intentionally work at connecting with God.

In our class time together, prayer was a very important topic and we explored various ways to pray and using scripture in our prayer time. In my study of Ignatian spirituality, I learned how the Examen prayer can be a powerful way to be in conversation with God and invite Him into our day. I shared this technique as well as others with the students in hopes that they too would find ways to connect with God and hear His voice.

Jesus describes himself as the gate for the sheep and explains how all that came before him are thieves and robbers. He clearly tells us "A thief comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy; I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly."

He wants us to have an

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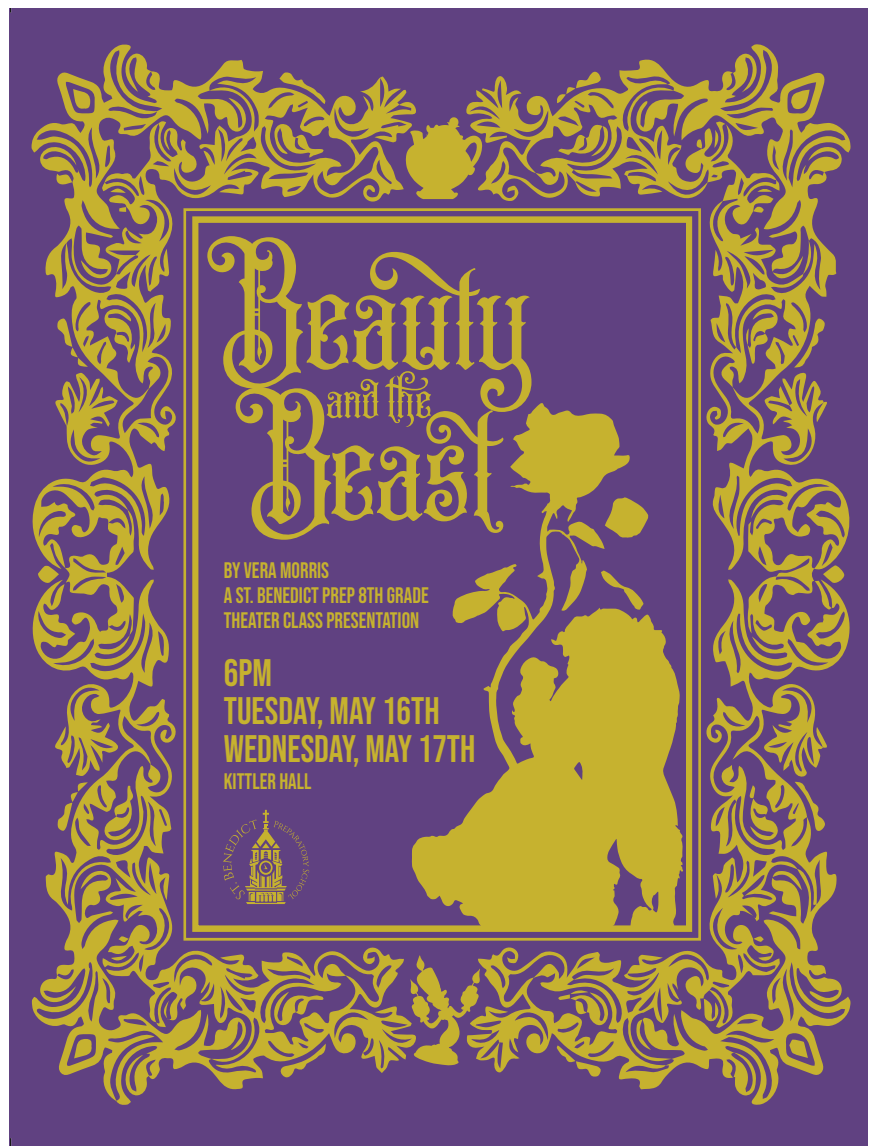
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abundant life, one filled with the joy of serving Him and finding our purpose in fulfilling our own unique mission. In Confirmation preparation, we ask the students to do "service experiences." This request is not simply to add a task to their very busy lives. Our hope is that they will choose experiences that touch their soul; that they will find something that uses the unique gifts God has given them and then be inspired to continue this service after Confirmation.

It is so wonderful when a student shares that they enjoyed the service and were so inspired by the experience that they intend to do it again in the future. It gives me hope that we have helped to make the connection of using our unique God given talents to make the world a better place.

We hear so much today about our youth needing guidance and assistance in finding such experiences. My prayer is that we have planted seeds that will continue to grow in the future. We know that it is the work of the Holy Spirit within each of us to continue this growth. I am grateful we can at least be part of planting these seeds. Although I most likely will not know the future for all of our candidates, I will keep them in prayer, with the hopes that they will be disciples of Christ and be able to hear His voice guiding them throughout their lives.



### FATHER JACK WALL, PRESIDENT OF THE CATHOLIC EXTENSION SOCIETY,

will be here to celebrate Mass on Tuesday, May 9th at 8:30 a.m.

Our school children will present him with what we hope to be a most generous total of everyone's efforts during these 5 weeks of Lent. Many thanks to our Middle School Service Committee for the promotion of this project.

### BUNDLE SUNDAY IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!

Join us on Sunday, May 7 from 9am-2pm for the return of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's Bundle Sunday! Now is the time to start setting aside items to help us help our neighbors in need.

#### WE WILL GLADLY ACCEPT:

- Gently used clothing, shoes, household items
- Furniture
- Small appliances
- Household decorations
- Kitchen utensils, dishes, pots, pans
- Jewelry
- Tools
- Sporting goods, including bikes

PLEASE, NO TVS, COMPUTERS, PIANOS, BABY SEATS, OR PILLOWS/ MATTRESSES!

Clothing should be packed in plastic bags. Household and other heavy items should be boxed. Please wrap glassware and other fragile items in paper or bubble wrap. The trailer will be parked in the St. Ben's courtyard throughout the day and convenient to Mass times. Volunteers will be available to help load your items. We hope to see you there!



April 30, 2023

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 | 1 Pt 2:20b-25 | Jn 10:1-10

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

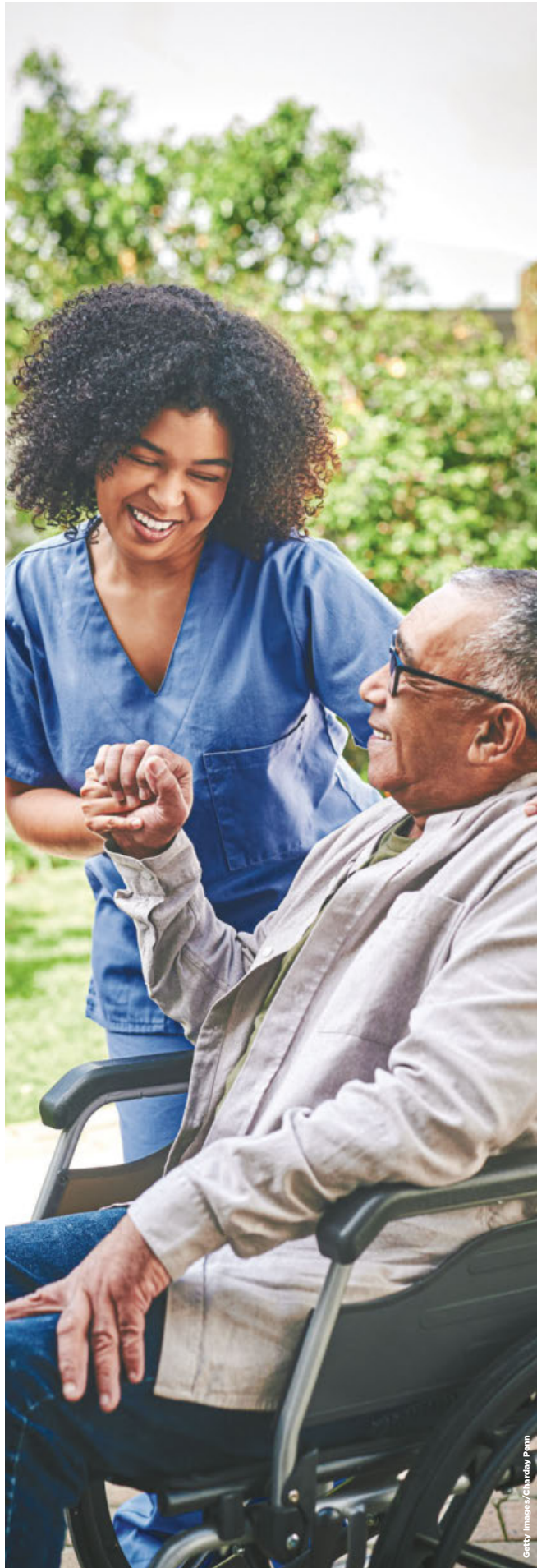
There is much we could ponder in today's Scriptures, but the verses that stood out for me are these: "If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good, this is a grace before God. For to this you have been called." I have a hard enough time keeping my inner child under wraps when I suffer due to my own sinfulness or incompetence, and Peter is telling me to be patient when I suffer for *doing what is good*? Well, yes – "because Christ also suffered for [us], leaving an example that [we] should follow in his footsteps." And the clarity of this truth hits me smack in the face. Doing what is good means we are loving another, in some way; we are doing good, *for good*. We are engaging in self-sacrifice, and some form of suffering is inherent to that. But here's the thing: it's an oddly joyful kind of suffering because it produces good fruit and directs our thoughts and vision to the one who is present among us as "the shepherd and guardian of [our] souls." Let us pray for the ability to see each moment of suffering for doing good as "a grace before God."

### **GO** EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

At this point in the Easter season, we might think, "Why can't we focus more on the joy of Jesus' resurrection and less on the suffering that preceded it?" Well, we certainly can ... but we would lose a great part of the Paschal Mystery. We don't embrace the cross for the sake of suffering in itself. We come to the crucifixion to pass *through* it. We are an Easter people living in a Good Friday world. There's no avoiding suffering in our lives, but the Good News of Jesus Christ is that he has redeemed that suffering. He has given us victory over death and is – quite literally – the way to eternal life. In the Gospel Jesus says, "Whoever enters through me will be saved ... I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly." He is our shepherd and we know his voice. During this Eastertide we have an extraordinary opportunity to attend to that voice in a particular way, and to think about how we might be hearing it in a new way this year.

**ACT** Is there a charity you have been meaning to call to volunteer your time? Is there a neighbor who might be able to use a helping hand? Is there a friend or family member who has fallen out of favor and you just know it's the right thing to do to get in touch? Act this week. Sacrifice just a bit for the sake of good.



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**Sunday, Apr 30, 2023**

### **What are we to do?**

Discernment of our direction is not just a task for young adults. Throughout our lives, we're challenged to consider the course we're following and the consequences of our choices. The apostle Peter called his generation corrupt; in fact, it's a fair assessment of every generation that seeks personal profit at the expense of the common good. Our mutual vocation is to respond to God's call in every hour, with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength. Pray that you know the role you're called to play and have the courage and passion to live it out.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS; FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER; GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 2:14a, 36-41; 1 Peter 2:20b-25; John 10:1-10 (49). "[Peter] was exhorting them, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.'"

**Monday, May 01, 2023**

### **In praise of those who do good work**

Religious Brothers Day is celebrated annually on May 1, which is also the feast of Saint Joseph the Worker as well as International Workers Day (known as Labor Day in some countries). The common theme is that they honor the often low-profile work of keeping church, family, and society running. The men and women who take up these tasks deserve more than one day of thanks—even though they're usually the type who never expect it. Maybe you're blessed to be one of them, who humbly serves and sacrifices and asks for little in return. On this day, and every day, let our gratitude be shown and felt for all the workers who dedicate their lives to making our lives better.

MEMORIAL OF JOSEPH THE WORKER

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 11:1-18; John 10:11-18 (279) or Genesis 1:26—2:3 or Colossians 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Matthew 13:54-58 (559). "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

**Tuesday, May 02, 2023**

### **Everything everywhere all the time**

Thank Saint Athanasius upon reciting the word "consubstantial"—which used to be "one in being with the Father"—the next time you say the Nicene Creed. Athanasius, as deacon, did the theological homework for his bishop, Saint Alexander I, at the Council of Nicea. Together they resisted Arianism. Prior to the council, the central idea of Arianism had been slowly gaining traction among church leaders: that Jesus wasn't God, wasn't co-equal and co-eternal with the Father as taught by the Christian doctrine of the Trinity. As Athanasius insisted of Jesus and the Incarnation, "there is no part of creation deprived of his presence; together with his Father, he fills everything, everywhere, at all times."

MEMORIAL OF ATHANASIUS, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 11:19-26; John 10:22-30 (280). "The Father and I are one."

**Wednesday, May 03, 2023**

### **What remains is the legacy**

Today the church celebrates the feast of two of the 12 apostles, Philip and James, a peculiar pair of martyrs not otherwise associated with one another in Christian history or tradition. James (also called James the Less) is regarded as the first Bishop of Jerusalem, while Philip was said to have preached in Greece,

Turkey, and Syria. The pairing of their feast days is related to their shared reliquary in the Church of the Twelve Apostles, following a secret move from the Roman Catacombs. Thereafter lost to history for some time, their relics were rediscovered in the church crypt in the 19th century. On this holy feast, let's all remember the sacrifices of the church's first teachers and model their lives of holiness and faith.

FEAST OF PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14 (561).

"[Jesus] was raised on the third day . . . After that he appeared to James, then to all the Apostles."

**Thursday, May 04, 2023**

### **We are a people with a history**

When asked to speak at a gathering of the Jewish community in the early days of the church, Paul gives a history lesson. He recounts the liberating activity of God throughout Jewish history and ties God's activity directly to the arrival of Jesus the Messiah and the opening of salvation to all humanity. Our God is the God of history, and our human stories—personal and collective—are part of a much larger historical project of salvation. Play your part in the drama.

EASTER WEEKDAY

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 13:13-25; John 13:16-20 (282). "Fellow children of Israel and you others who are God-fearing, listen. The God of this people Israel chose our ancestors."

**Friday, May 05, 2023**

### **Witness this**

Saints and martyrs are the shining lights when it comes to witnessing to Jesus the Christ, often giving their whole lives and their very lives to communicate God's great love. We too are called to be witnesses. "But I'm no saint!" one might protest. "I can't witness like that." You don't have to be! Pope Francis reminds us that "God guides history through the humble courage of those who pray, love, and forgive. There are so many hidden saints, saints who are next-door, hidden witnesses of life, who with little acts of love change history." Next time in prayer, ask God how you've been a hidden witness of God's great love.

EASTER WEEKDAY

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 13:26-33; John 14:1-6 (283). "These are now his witnesses before the people. We ourselves are proclaiming this good news to you."

**Saturday, May 06, 2023**

### **Choose your destination**

Can someone really be destined, or "predestined," for eternal life? According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, our destiny as beings created by God is eternal life. But because we are free, we can choose to opt out of that destiny. Just like the people invited to the wedding feast in the Lord's parable, we can decide not to come or simply fail to show up. Just so, when we choose to live in hate rather than love, in violence rather than peace, in punishment rather than forgiveness, we're choosing another destiny. The choice is ours to make.

EASTER WEEKDAY

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 13:44-52; John 14:7-14 (284). "All who were destined for eternal life came to believe."

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



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# Education

## SBPS CATHEDRAL SHOWCASE

St. Benedict Prep 8th grade students have been learning about the Catholic Church and the major role it played in history during the Middle Ages. Cathedrals were built at this time as symbols of love and devotion to God. Students researched the process of building the great Cathedrals, gained insight about the architecture and history of the Church, and the influence the Church had on the world at that time. As a final project, students built models and produced a research paper of a famous Cathedral of their choice.



## 2ND GRADE VISITS THE SHEDD AQUARIUM

St. Benedict Prep 2nd Grade students explored the underwater beauty of the Shedd Aquarium recently. Students submerged themselves into learning about our oceans, lakes, and rivers. They also discovered the importance of protecting our aquatic life for future generations. Thank you 2nd grade for being good stewards of God's creation.







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April 10, 2023

Rev. Stephen Kanonik  
Pastor  
St. Benedict Parish  
2215 W. Irving Park Rd.  
Chicago, IL 60618

Dear Father Kanonik:

Christ is risen! *Alleluia! Alleluia!* On behalf of our dear Residents at St. Mary's Home, we Little Sisters of the Poor wish you a blessed and most happy Easter season!

Filled with the grateful joy and bright hope of this most holy season, we again thank the parishioners of St. Benedict and you for your kindness and generous support. We are ever grateful for the opportunity you granted us to share our mission with the caring families and individuals of St. Benedict. This gift of \$3,710.00 on March 27, 2023, helps us provide a comfortable, well-maintained, and attractive home for the elderly entrusted to us and lets these most vulnerable seniors know they are appreciated, cherished, and loved.

Although it seems as though our Lenten journey had only just begun, Easter is now here. But the celebration did not end on Easter morning. Our forty days of prayer and penance during Lent have prepared us for fifty days of celebration of the resurrection of our Lord. We are invited to be lifted by God's limitless love and to free ourselves of the regrets, mistakes, and disappointments that prevent us from experiencing this unconditional love that always brings forgiveness and promises new beginnings.

And new beginnings are indeed here: Spring is finally here! As we look forward to the wondrous vernal colors, the buds and blossoms, blue skies and abundant sun, our community at St. Mary's Home wishes you joy as we pray daily in thanksgiving for your heartfelt generosity.

May our Loving God smile upon you and the caring parishioners of St. Benedict and bless you with His grace throughout this Easter season. *Alleluia!*

Gratefully,

*Sr. Michael Teresa, Lsp*

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God bless you.

We enjoyed being with your parish.

We hope you had a wonderful Easter.

Stay healthy!

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## LIL' BENGALS PLAY & PRAY

Play & Pray with your young cub (6 months – 2 years old) at St. Benedict Preparatory School. Play & Pray provides you the opportunity to socialize, build community, and connect with members of our parish and school. Sessions are held in the Preschool Gross Motor Room with padded floors and age-appropriate play equipment. Parents and children only please. **Questions?** Contact Janet Gallagher, Director of Enrollment & Marketing at [jgallagher@stbenedict.com](mailto:jgallagher@stbenedict.com) or 773-509-3814.

**FRIDAYS 11:30AM-12:30PM : MAY 5, MAY 19, & JUNE 2**

St. Benedict Preparatory Preschool  
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# SHINE JESUS' LIGHT VACATION BIBLE CAMP

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**July 17-21**  
**9am-12:30pm**

Rising K-4th Grade  
\$150 per family  
\$80 per astronaut

Bible stories, songs, crafts.  
JESUS, and out of this  
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## Coming Up at St. Ben's | April and May 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>30</b> <b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> Mass at 8am, 10am, and 12pm in Church	<b>1</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Troop 865 Meeting 7pm Beaven Hall Ravenswood Orchestra Practice 7pm SS Library	<b>2</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church	<b>3</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church 2nd Grade Brownie Meeting 3pm Beaven Hall AA Group Meeting 8pm Beaven Hall	<b>4</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Cub Scout Pack 3865 Wolves Den Meeting 6:30pm Beaven Hall	<b>5</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Wax Museum 8am Gym 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
<b>7</b> <b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> Mass at 8am, 10am, and 12pm in Church Donut Sunday 9am Beaven Hall Mass at 11am St. Kateri Center Convent Chapel	<b>8</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Webelos II Meeting 7pm Cafeteria Troop 865 Meeting 7pm Beaven Hall Ravenswood Orchestra Practice 7pm SS Library	<b>9</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Tiger Scouts Den Meetings 5:30pm Beaven Hall Parish Commission Meeting 7pm Beaven Hall	<b>10</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church 3rd Grade St. Ben's Girl Scouts 3pm Beaven Hall AA Group Meeting 8pm Beaven Hall	<b>11</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church	<b>12</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church	<b>13</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church First Holy Communion Masses 10am and 12pm Church Reconciliation 11am Church Mass at 5pm Church

## Stewardship



### Sunday & Holy Day Offertory Week of April 16



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- > Visit GiveCentral.org and search for St. Benedict – Chicago under My Charity
- > Follow the DONATE links on our parish and school website: [stbenedict.com](http://stbenedict.com)
- > Text the keyword DONATE to our text-to-give number : 773.918.2366
- > 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.**

Electronic Giving: \$6,086  
 Envelope: \$1,572  
 Loose: \$1,492  
 Total: \$9,149 (70% of goal)  
 Weekly Goal: \$12,990

Fiscal YTD: \$530,006 (97% of goal)  
 Fiscal YTD Goal: \$545,580  
 Above/(Below) YTD Goal: (\$15,574)

Easter Goal: \$39,000  
 Easter YTD: \$25,498 (65% of goal)  
 Above/(Below) Goal: (\$13,502)



# Masses for the Week

## Saturday, April 29 - Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

8:30AM Marvelle and Richard Wood - *Family*  
5PM Marianne J. Mazurek-Kurth  
- *The Thomas J. Czarnik Family*  
Special Blessing for Andrew and  
Matty May and Family - *The St. Benedict  
Parish and School Community*

## Sunday, April 30 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

8AM Jackson Kattke - *Rachel Bernhardt*  
10AM John A. Hauser - *The Suh-Hauser Families*  
Special Intention for Esther Robleza  
- *Daisy and Family*  
Special Intention for Leda Wildner  
- *Daisy and Tess*  
Joseph Del Giudice - *Maria Mazzone  
and Family*  
12PM Living and Deceased Members/Benefactors  
of St. Vincent de Paul Society  
Karolina Wiech - *The Hilado Family*

## Monday, May 1 - Saint Joseph the Worker

8:30AM James J. Dinchak - *Friends*  
Pamela Braatz - *The St. Benedict  
Parish Community*  
Ronald and Maryann Siwek and Deceased  
Members of the Siwek and Kanonik  
Families - *LuAnn Kowar*

## Tuesday, May 2 - Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30AM Sean Hadary - *Alex Udvary*  
Eva Marie C. Raña - *The Ramos Family*  
Romeo C. Ramos - *The Ramos Family*

## Wednesday, May 3 - Saints Philip and James, Apostles

8:30AM Mary Ann Lohrmann Behles (Class of '61)  
- *The St. Benedict Alumni Office*  
Colette Morris - *The Hanley Family*

## Thursday, May 4 - Easter Weekday

8:30AM Special Intention for Fr. Robert Pajor  
- *Friends*  
Judy Bruscino McDonnell  
- *Rosemary McDonnell*

## First Friday, May 5 - Easter Weekday

8:30AM Kenneth and Christopher Borowczyk  
- *Diane*  
Celia M. Baylon - *Jorge and Aurora Cortes*

## First Saturday, May 6 - Easter Weekday

8:30AM Lucius Guy Hofilena - *Family*  
5PM Jean Tashiro - *Jerry Buldak*  
Special Blessing for Dr. Angela Duke  
and Family - *The St. Benedict Parish  
and School Community*

## Sunday, May 7 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

8AM Gloria C. Recede - *Family*  
Special Intention for Vanessa Goite  
- *The Goite Family*  
Ilona Weber - *Family*  
10AM John A. Hauser - *The Suh-Hauser Families*  
Brian Martin - *Family*  
Kelley Halper - Karen Cholipski  
Tom Toman - Bernie McNally  
- *Daisy and Tess*  
12PM Rudy Chico - *Alex Udvary*

## 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.

Gloria Arsenia	Jackson James Limburg
Judy Bartley	Giorgio Marconi
Beverly Berganos Johnson	Ken McFadden
Suzanne Brewer	Jose Orellana
Isabella Sofia Casillas	Corazon Pizarro
Vincent Castellano	Erlyn Publico
Carmen M. Clarin	Julie Raheja-Perera
Mayden H. Eichendorf	Marla Rizzutti
Amy Joy Goldie	Ann Ulrey-Ryan
Tim Gollehon	Alex Sandoval
Anne Hoellich	Cecilia Fell Schott
Art Hundrieser	(Class of 72)
Marilyn Jerger	Bill Shaver
Charlene Johnson	Abraham Sobrepena
Patricia Keating	Eden Sobrepena
Sidney Kennedy	Jim Strzalka
Patricia Ann King	Audrey Venkatesh
Pepito Lim	Leda Wildner

## Baptisms

Eleanor Grace, daughter of Michael and Sara Fleming  
Roman Thomas, son of Jeffrey and Linda McWherter

# 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.

## ST. BENEDICT PARISH AND PREPARATORY SCHOOL

### ST. BENEDICT PARISH

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### THE COMMISSIONS OF ST. BENEDICT PARISH

If you are interested in learning more  
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would like to volunteer time or talent,  
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following person(s):

**Parish Council Chair:** Karen Cholipski

**Finance Council Chair:** Chris Graff

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and Lindsay Milanowski

**Catechetical Commission:**

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**Education Commission:** Rachel Gemo,  
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**Human Concerns Commission:** TBD

**Parish Life Commission:** TBD

**Spiritual Life Commission:**

Fr. Stephen Kanonik

### MASSES AND SERVICES

**Sunday Eucharist:** Saturday 5PM,  
Sunday 8AM, 10AM, AND 12PM

Live Stream as well, Sunday

**Weekday Eucharist:** 8:30AM Mon-Sat

**Holy Day Eucharist:** 6:30AM, 8:30AM  
and 7PM

**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help:**  
Tuesdays 9AM

**Exposition and Benediction of the  
Blessed Sacrament:** First Friday of each  
month, 9AM-12PM, in church

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the Masses. Baptism preparation class is  
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