

# St. Benedict Parish for the Deaf

## Sunday, November 27 2022

Welcome to Advent! What better way to begin this season than with the invitation in today's first reading: "Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!" (Isaiah 2:5). At Mass today, the first candle on the Advent wreath will be lit. Then, for the next three Sundays, the light coming from that wreath will grow stronger as one more candle is lit. And that's how Advent is supposed to be for us spiritually: four whole weeks of coming more and more deeply into the light of Christ. There are lots of ways you can let that light grow stronger in you as Christmas approaches.

- Bring yourself to the light through daily prayer. Spending just a few minutes a day in Jesus' presence can open your heart to the warmth of his love. You can even use this magazine to help you.
- Enlighten your heart and mind through spiritual reading or a Bible study. Let Jesus "instruct [you] in his ways" so that you can "walk in his paths" (Isaiah 2:3).
- Ask the Lord to shine a light on those parts of your life where you are content to live in the shadows. Then, take those areas to the Sacrament of Reconciliation and do as St. Paul says: turn from darkness and "put on the armor of light" (Romans 13:12).

Spread the light of Christ by joining other believers to serve those in need. Provide them with meals or Christmas gifts. Bring supplies to a homeless shelter. Pray for them. We don't have to walk in darkness! Every time you turn to the Lord in these ways, his light in you becomes brighter and shines out more clearly. So let the Advent wreath remind you that Jesus, the light of the world, can overcome all darkness. Come and walk in the light of the Lord!

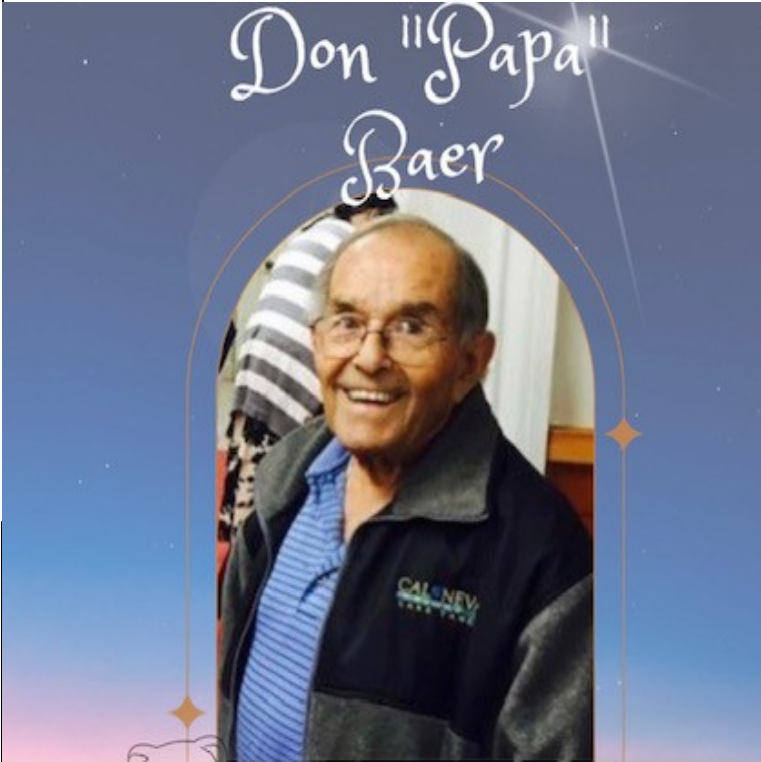
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Lord, let your light in me grow throughout Advent!" © The Word Among Us



St. Benedict Sunday Mass		
November 20, 2022 Collection		
Currency:	\$	76.00
Envelopes:	\$	135.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>211.00</b>

Thank you very much for supporting with your gifts



YOU are INVITED to  
**Don "Papa" Baer  
 Memorial Mass**  
 On Sunday, December 11 at 10:30am at  
**Saint Benedict Parish for the Deaf**  
 Reception to follow after Mass

**Sunday Mass Readers**  
 All are welcome to volunteer  
**November 27**  
 Michael Callejas  
**December 04**  
 Vanessa Baxter  
**December 11**  
 Clarebyll Mabanta  
**December 18**  
 Nancy McCormick  
**December 24**  
 Markensy Jacques  
**December 25**  
 Aaron Cruz

### CALENDAR 2022

**Sunday, November 27**  
**First Sunday of Advent**  
**Mass at 10:30AM**  
**President: Father Paul**

**Sunday, December 04**  
**Second Sunday of Advent**  
**Mass at 10:30AM**  
**President: Father Paul**

**Sunday, December 11**  
**Third Sunday of Advent**  
**Memorial Mass for Papa Baer**  
**at 10:30AM**  
**President: Father Paul**

**Sunday, December 18**  
**Fourth Sunday of Advent**  
**Mass at 10:30AM**  
**President: Father Paul**

**Sunday, December 24**  
**Christmas Vigil**  
**Mass at 7:00PM**  
**President: Father Ghislain**

**Sunday, December 25**  
**Christmas Day**  
**Mass at 10:30AM**  
**President: Father Paul**

# MASS INTENTIONS

## DECEASED

Gerry Riippa  
Joyce Carolan  
Victor Lampe  
Mako Rova  
Mariya Yasumura  
Elizabeth Heurtin  
Bill Mortensen  
**Shanon Quinn Manini**  
Francine Inami  
Atsuko Jurenes  
Marie Conroy—Salbi  
Barry Coen  
Sugako Berne  
Sumi Honami  
Jeanette Affolter  
James Travonich  
Donald Baer  
Maria Cristina Purdy  
**Joseph Byrne**  
Betty Blue  
Elizabeth Mallorca  
Rena Riippa  
Carmen A Molina  
Norman K Wong  
Dick Carlen Sr.  
Jean RNC Cowan  
Brigid Byrne  
Patricia Cavagnaro  
Frankie Zaldivar, Sr

## LIVING

Aldo Didero  
Jennie Lee Jordan  
Henry K Wong  
Nancy K Wong  
Frank Wong  
Neal Fancroft  
Donald Glickman  
Lucille McNulty  
Maureen McBride  
Wilda Kelleher  
Maria Garcia  
Reena Angeli Alejar  
Jose Ordonez  
Jane Lampe  
Palmgra Morrell  
Micaela Pablo  
Aida Seballos  
Donovan Mulligan  
Edward Passos, Jr.  
Winnie Cuevas  
Isabella Harris  
Robert & Diana Zunino  
Jose Ruiz  
Modesta Orque  
**Wilda Kelleher**  
Maffy Gaya  
Sprouse Family  
Frankie Zaldivar, Jr  
Ernesto Ortega



**St. Benedict  
Parish at St.  
Francis Xavier  
Church**  
1801 Octavia  
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San Francisco,  
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A Roman Catholic  
Ministry to the  
Deaf, Hard of Hear-  
ing and Japanese  
Communities and  
people of God in San  
Francisco, San  
Mateo and Marin  
Counties.

“Lo, I am with you always, even to the end of age.” Matthew 28:20

Mass in American Sign Language at St. Benedict Parish at St. Francis Xavier Church.

Sunday at 10:30AM

**Holy Days of Obligation**

January 1: Mass at 10:30AM

August 15: Mass at 7:00PM

November 1: Mass at 7:00PM

December 25: Mass at 10:30AM

Sacrament of Baptism

One or two baptism classes are required.

Contact the Pastor at least two months for appointment.

Religious Education & Youth Ministry

Ages 4 to High School on

**Sundays at Saint Benedict** after the Liturgy of the Word

RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

By arrangement with the Pastoral Team for those who may be interested in becoming followers of Jesus Christ in the Roman Catholic Church. Programs are available for those who wish to be baptized, to receive First Holy Communion, to be confirmed and to learn more about the faith of the Roman Catholic Church.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Reconciliation service during Advent and Lent. Appointment with the Pastor every **First Saturday** of the month at 3:00PM whenever needed.

Sacrament of Marriage

Contact the Pastor at least 6 months in advance to make arrangements (Archdiocesan regulations).

Sacrament of Anointing the Sick

Please contact the Pastor immediately whenever needed.



PARISH STAFF

**Fr. Paul Zirimenya, Pastor**  
Fr. Ghislain Bazikila, **Parochial Vicar**  
Mary Ann Schmitz, **Admin. Assistant**

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Also, dial 711 For Relay Service or Sorenson Video Relay Service.

**PARISH MINISTRY & PROGRAMS**

Religious Education, Youth Ministry and Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

**Parish Council Meetings:  
Fourth Sundays of the month  
by Announcement**

**St. Benedict Program**

Food Baskets are usually given out on **Palm Sunday** and Sunday before Thanksgiving.

**Please remember  
St. Benedict Parish in  
your WILL and BEQUESTS**

**PROTECTING GOD'S  
CHILDREN**

If you believe you are a victim of sexual abuse. Please call our SF Archdiocesan Clergy Abuse Hotline:

**415-614-5506**

**RR Code: 2487**