

# St. Benedict Parish for the Deaf

## Sunday, December 04 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 27, 2022 Collection		
Currency:	\$	230.00
Envelopes:	\$	1022.61
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1252.61</b>

Thank you very much for supporting with your gifts

**Sunday Mass Readers**  
All are welcome to volunteer

**December 04**  
Vanessa Baxter

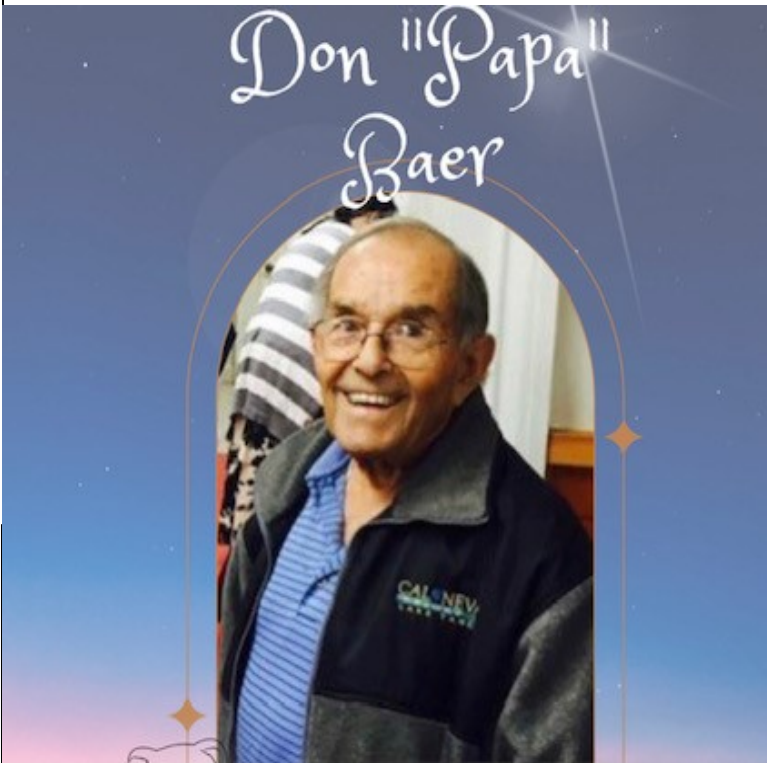
**December 11**  
Clarebyll Mabanta

**December 18**  
Nancy McCormick

**December 24**  
Markensy Jacques

**December 25**  
Aaron Cruz

**January 01, 2023**  
Michael Callejas



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

**CALENDAR 2022**

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

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

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

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

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

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**Sunday, January 01**  
New Year's Day  
Mass at 10:30AM  
President: Father Ghislain

# 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 Street  
 San Francisco, CA 94109  
 A Roman Catholic Ministry to the Deaf, Hard of Hearing 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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**[TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS]**

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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:

**Abuse Hotline:**

**415-614-5506**

**RR Code: 2487**