St. Benedict Parish for the Deaf

Sunday, February 26, 2023

Dear Friends: What would our world be like if everyone lived out the teachings that Jesus gives us in today's Gospel? It would be a world where people work out their differences peacefully. Where husbands and wives are always faithful to one another. Where no one tells a lie or engages in dishonest deals. Such a world might seem impossible, but this is the world that God has always intended for his people. It's the kingdom that Jesus announced was "at hand" at the beginning of his ministry (Matthew 3:2). It's the kingdom that he ushered in by his death and resurrection. If it seems hidden in some ways, that's because it's still under construction! We won't experience it fully until Jesus comes again. But that doesn't mean we can't at least begin to experience God's kingdom today. In fact, God is calling us to build the kingdom. How? We can begin by taking Jesus' Sermon on the Mount as a blueprint for our lives. He calls us to pray and not worry about our daily needs. To care for the poor. To forgive as God has forgiven us. To love our enemies. To turn the other cheek. When we do these things, we make God's kingdom visible. Because Jesus' teachings can be challenging, we might try to make excuses for ourselves or think that only the saints can obey them. But the more we try to live out Jesus' words, the more his Spirit fills our efforts with his divine grace—and the more we come to realize that it doesn't depend only on us, but also on God's power within us. Today at Mass, ask the Lord how you might bring God's kingdom to the places where you live and work. Rely on his teachings to guide you and the Spirit to empower you. Above all, stay alert, because opportunities to build the kingdom of God will surely come your way! "Jesus, may your kingdom come through me



St. Benedict Sunday Mass February 19, 2023 Collection

Currency: \$ 33.25 Envelopes: \$ 115.00 T OTAL: \$ 148.25

Thank you very much for supporting with your gifts



MARCH 17-19, 2023

Vallombrosa Retreat Center 250 Oak Grove Ave, Menlo Park, CA

Weekend retreat will include Holy Mass, opportunities for Confession and Adoration.

For more information / registration visit:

www.acdsf.info

or contact Ed Hopfner: HopfnerE@SFArch.org



Sunday Mass Readers

All are welcome to volunteer

February 26 Nancy McCormick

March 05Markensy Jacques

March 12

Aaron Cruz

March 19 Michael Callejas

March 26

Vanessa Baxter

April 02

Clarebyll Mabanta

CALENDAR 2023

Sunday, February 26 1st Sunday of Lent Mass at 10:30AM Presider: Father Ghislain

Sunday, March 05 2nd Sunday of Lent Mass at 10:30AM Presider: Father Ghislain

Sunday, March 12 3rd Sunday of Lent Mass at 10:30AM Presider: Father Ghislain

Sunday, March 19
4th Sunday of Lent
Mass at 10:30AM
Presider: Father Ghislain

Sunday, March 26 5th Sunday of Lent Mass at 10:30AM Presider: Father Paul

Sunday, April 02 Pentecost Sunday Mass at 10:30AM Presider: Father Paul

MASS INTENTIONS

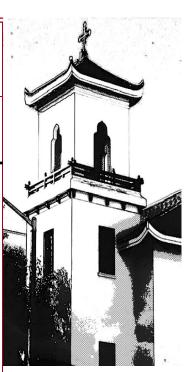
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LIVING

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

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 Gava **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, Office Manager

Office Hours: 10AM - 2PM [TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS] TELEPHONE/ VP 415 - 567 - 9855 V/TTY 415-255-5837/5768 VP

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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