# ST. BENEDICT PARISH AND PREPARATORY SCHOOL The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ





My watch stopped working a couple of weeks ago. But because of the 'busy-ness' of life, I had to wait even longer just to take it in to get fixed. That may not seem like such a big deal but that watch is 52

years old; it belonged to my Dad and, ever since his death, I have worn it faithfully every single day. I also wear a ring on my right hand, a class ring. But again not mine, it was also my dad's for his 1939 high school graduation. It is 81 years old.

Both of them are a constant reminder to me of my dad, our relationship and all the memories I have of him. They give me a feeling that my dad is still here with me, guiding me and encouraging me. But in the end, the watch is not my dad; the ring is not my dad. They are reminders; they are symbols, memories of the past. But it's not the same as having him right here beside me.

I'm holding an unconsecrated host, simple unleavened bread, nothing more. But in a few moments at Mass. it will be transubstantiated into the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. Not symbolically! It's not just a symbol, not just a memory, not just a reminder of the Last Supper. It truly becomes Jesus' Body and Blood. It is real!

We celebrate today the Feast of Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of Christ! The Eucharist, the gift of real spiritual food that feeds our souls! All our readings today speak of God's gift to His people – the gift of manna in the desert to Moses and the Hebrews. Jesus proclaiming Himself the Living Bread that has come down from heaven; all who eat of it will live forever. The cup of blessing and the bread we break!

They all speak to us of God's great love and care for us. It speaks of a great exchange of gifts!

God created all life, human and animal and plants. He created

the wheat in the field and the grapes on the vine. And He gives it all to us to care for and to help it flourish. And what do we do - we take that wheat and grapes and change them into bread and wine. @STBENSCHICAGO

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We then offer it back to God as we present the gifts at Mass. And what does God do – He takes that bread and wine and transforms them into His Body and Blood and offers it back to us – to sustain us on our spiritual journey to eternal life. What a gift!

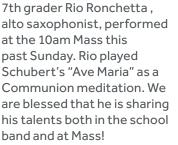
A couple of years ago, we had a group of French visitors at the St. Kateri Center. We celebrated Mass with them. And I will never forget the experience of ministering Holy Communion to them. The quiet awe and reverence they showed! The prayerful care they took as they took the Host in their hands. There was no rush, no hurriedness to just receive the Host and get back to their pew. This was no assembly line or group racing to get their food. It was meditative, prayerful, reverent, as if they were receiving Communion for the very first time! Remember back during Covid when we were all separated – from friends and family, from our livelihood and even our income, from simple pleasures of going to the movies or a restaurant or the park or the library. Separated especially from the Mass and Sacraments! We were separated from the Eucharist, from the Body and Blood of Christ.

My hope, my prayer, is that as we continue to attend Mass and receive the Eucharist, we come with the same reverence, the same piety and hunger for the Eucharist that we saw in those French visitors. And may we never ever take Holy Communion for granted. May we always remember and BELIEVE that what we receive in the Eucharist is not some symbol or memory but truly the Body and Blood of Christ.

# Spotlight on SBPS Students Serving Joyfully!



Recent 8th grade graduate from Saint Benedict Preparatory School, Ainslie Rooney, began ministry as a Cantor for our 10am mass. Congrats!







### ST. BENEDICT GALA COMMITTEE PRESENTS THIS YEAR'S COMMUNITY COOKBOOK!

This wonderful cookbook with submissions from parishioners, alumni, school families, faculty and staff has a tremendous assortment of family favorites including 10 appetizer recipes, 8 soup and salad recipes, 10 breakfast recipes, 6 side dish recipes, 4 pasta recipes, 17 main dish recipes, and 17 cookie and dessert recipes. This hardcover cookbook includes color photos of our contributing families, dish closeups, and student artwork. You can

order one or more today online by scanning the QR code, or send in cash or check in an envelope marked Gala cookbook with your contact information on the envelope. The envelope can be dropped in the collection or at the rectory or school offices during regular business hours. Cost: \$50.





# JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOR THE SECOND SESSION OF INTO THE BREACH.

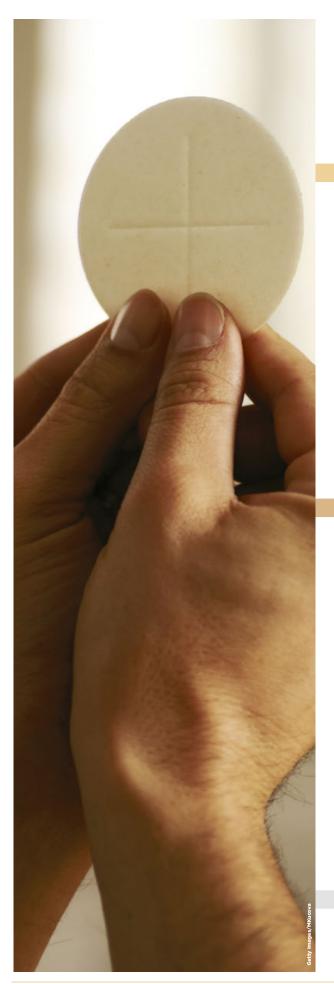
## The topic will be Why Men Need To Pray

We will meet in Beaven Hall after the 12:00 Mass on June 25th. The whole family is invited. Refreshments will be served.

Contact 312-659-9840 with any questions.

COOKBOOK COVER ART BY MOLLY MASSICK, 7TH GRADE





June 11, 2023

# Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a | 1 Cor 10:16-17 | Jn 6:51-58

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

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ, the true, real, and substantial presence of Jesus Christ under the appearances of bread and wine. As Catholics, we know that the Eucharist is not simply symbolic, but is in fact the body, blood, soul, and divinity of Christ who rose from the dead. Our readings remind us of this. In the Gospel Jesus says: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh ... I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you." Although Jesus' words were very difficult for his disciples at the time to understand, we know that the bread and wine that become the body and blood of Jesus satisfy our deepest hunger. This spiritual food is actually an encounter with God through his Son, Jesus. It is a blessing that the Church provides us. Let us celebrate on this solemnity by giving thanks, which is what *eucharist* means!

### GO EVANGELIZE

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

There was a priest at my home parish who could spend hours literally, hours - sitting in eucharistic adoration. If he wasn't out and about serving our parish or in his office for a meeting, you would find him in the adoration chapel gazing at the monstrance which displayed the consecrated host, the Blessed Sacrament. He always would have a small smile on his face, happily losing himself in the Lord. Although everyone has different time pressures on them during the course of a typical week, I think we can all agree that spending only one hour a week with someone is not enough to maintain an important relationship. The same is true with our relationship with Christ. Let's make an effort in the coming weeks to enhance that relationship by spending more time with him. Do you have an hour for adoration? Experience the peace it can bring. Or perhaps now is the time to check the daily Mass schedule in your parish and try to attend once or twice. Jesus offers us his very body and blood under the appearances of bread and wine. Don't squander the opportunity to receive this precious gift.

**ACTION** As part of the National Eucharistic Revival, many dioceses around the country will hold Eucharistic processions for this solemn feast. This is a family-friendly activity. See what is planned in your diocese.

### Sunday, Jun 11, 2023

#### We are one

Unity is what our sacrament of Communion is about: oneness with God and each other. Yet, because we're human, that communion is necessarily paired up with another sacrament that does the work of reconciling. When unity gets torn, reconciliation repairs the damage. Lately, toxic polarization has been shredding our national unity, creating an illusion of insurmountable division. Media sources sharpen the knives of contrasting worldviews, leading to anxiety and depression, fear and violence. Trust in unity. Resist being recruited in the polarization game.

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

TODAY'S READINGS: Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; Lauda Sion; John 6:51-58 (167). *"We, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf."* 

### Monday, Jun 12, 2023

#### **Unexpected blessings**

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus offers the Beatitudes, a list of those who are blessed—some of whom are not who listeners would expect to hear are blessed: the poor in spirit, the mournful, the meek, and the persecuted. In some Bible versions, "blessed" is translated as "happy," which makes it even harder to believe that those named could possibly be that! Jesus was always turning conventional wisdom inside out and upside down—enlightening and enraging people alike. Two thousand years later, we're still trying to figure out how to be happy. If pursuing what the world says "should" make you happy doesn't, take a cue from Jesus and try flipping that faulty logic on its head!

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 1:1-7; Matthew 5:1-12 (359). "Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."

### Tuesday, Jun 13, 2023

#### Go for the grandeur

Church historian Sophronius Clasen liked to say Saint Anthony preached the "grandeur of Christianity," using allegory and symbolic explanations to convey biblical wisdom. Anyone can spot such examples in the Sermons of Saint Anthony, including: "Genesis says: The spirit of God moved over the waters .... Just as the mind of a craftsman broods over the work he is going to do, and as the bird broods over the egg from which her young will be hatched, so the Spirit of God brooded over the waters, from which were to be made all things." Let Anthony's words stir your heart today.

MEMORIAL OF ANTHONY OF PADUA, PRIEST, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 1:18-22; Matthew 5:13-16 (360). *"Just so, your light must shine before others."* 

#### Wednesday, Jun 14, 2023

#### A salute to justice

On this day each year, the United States commemorates the adoption of the national flag, our venerable Stars and Stripes. "A new constellation," it was said to represent, in the vast array of the world powers. But as we, in Christian charity, work for a better world as good and faithful Americans, we must be careful to live as citizens of heaven first and foremost, workers of light rather than earthly empire, children of God and not of worldly dominion. May our Flag Day commemorations also remember those who have been forgotten in the American project and whose cries for justice may still be unanswered. May our waving of "Old Glory" be for the glory of the God above all.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 3:4-11; Matthew 5:17-19 (361). "For if what was going to fade was glorious, how much more will what endures be glorious."

### Thursday, Jun 15, 2023

#### The law as Jesus taught it

Matthew uses the word "righteousness" seven times in his gospel. What is he getting at? The U.S. bishops boil it down to this: "While righteousness in the new age will continue to mean conduct that is in accordance with the law, it will be conduct in accordance with the law as expounded and interpreted by Jesus." In other words, we need to absorb the full example and teachings of Jesus to live a righteous life. That's a tall order, which is precisely why we need each other for support and guidance. How can you support a fellow disciple today?

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 3:15—4:1, 3-6; Matthew 5:20-26 (362). *"I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter into the Kingdom of heaven."* 

#### Friday, Jun 16, 2023

#### Put your heart into it

On May 25, 1899, Pope Leo XIII promulgated the encyclical *Annum sacrum*, which consecrated the entire world to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Leo called this the "great act" of his papacy. In an interview with Catholic News Service, Father Ambrose Dobrozsi of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati says that this solemnity, "shows that humanity still needs and longs for a compassionate and all-powerful God. ... In a society where some live in decadence and prideful luxury while others are destitute, the burning love of Christ's Sacred Heart reminds us that the fires of his mercy are also fires of justice." Consecrate your own heart to the effort to create a more compassionate and just world.

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS TODAY'S READINGS: Deuteronomy 7:6-11; 1 John 4:7-16; Matthew 11:25-30 (170). "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves."

#### Saturday, Jun 17, 2023

#### A heartfelt conversion is possible

Most of us would rather not reveal our inner lives since we often harbor some measure of anger, judgment, prejudice, hatred, lust, envy, jealousy, bitterness, resentment, and fear. Jesus said that all evil in the world springs forth from the human heart. But the Immaculate Heart of Mary is a celebration of a different kind of inner life, with virtues beyond measure and beyond our imagination. Mary, the ultimate intercessor, will help us convert the vices of the heart into virtues.

MEMORIAL OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21; Luke 2:41-51 (364; 573). *"His mother kept all these things in her heart."* 

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



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# Education

# **CONGRATULATIONS SBPS KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS!**

St. Benedict Prep Kindergarten students took a big step in their academic careers last week. The annual promotion ceremony saw our sixty-three students receive their kindergarten diplomas in front of family and friends. Mrs. Metz, Head of Lower School, spoke about our patron saint, St. Benedict. In addition, the classes prayed the Prayer of St. Benedict one last time as kindergarteners. The ceremony was followed by a reception hosted by our Home & School Association. Have a great summer and see you in first grade!















# Human Concerns

# **The Silent Treatment:** An Abuser's Controlling Tactic

# Ignoring another person is a strong communication of power and control

Refusing to listen, talk or respond to a partner is sometimes called "the silent treatment" or "hostile withholding." Many abusers cut off their partners emotionally to hurt, punish or



control them. Some abusers even refuse to acknowledge their partners' existence for hours, days or weeks on end, making the partners feel as if they are somehow less than human-like a ghost.

Being ignored is especially difficult for a person who is isolated by abuse and coercive control, and depends on the abuser's approval to feel worthwhile and safe. Many abuse survivors have said enduring insults or shouts was somewhat less damaging than the silent treatment. When they were shouted at, at least they knew what was on the abuser's mind, and said they felt better able to assess their own and their children's safety. Stone-cold silence can reinforce the feeling of powerlessness and fear.

### **Hostile Withholding**

Some abusers engage in what may appear to be a "milder" form of the silent treatment, in which they do not maintain total silence, but still cut off their partners emotionally.

### **Tips for Responding to the Silent Treatment**

- If you or someone you care about is being subject to the silent treatment, the following steps may help:
- Avoid becoming isolated: Maintaining relationships with family, friends, neighbors and coworkers will make it easier for you to weather the storm of your partner's moods.
- Maintain a rich inner life: Engaging in hobbies, reading, and art projects can help you stay strong and stable in the face of hostility from your partner.
- Remember yourself: One of the problems with being in a relationship with an abusive and controlling partner is that it can be difficult to remember who you are. This is called perspecticide. Do not allow your opinions, desires and goals to be erased.
- Seek professional counseling: A psychotherapist who understands the control and abuse you have suffered can help you understand what you have been through and face the challenges ahead.
- Decide on your limits: Recognizing that the silent treatment is just one tactic in a controlling person's toolbox, decide what your limits are. If you feel like the situation is harmful to you or family members, find a domestic violence advocate who can help you plan a safe way out of the relationship.

### **Time-outs vs. the Silent Treatment**

It is worth noting that sometimes counselors teach people who have been abusive to take a "time-out" so they can calm down and gather their thoughts, before reengaging with their partners. Done properly, the person will ask if it is okay to take a time-out, and then will go for a walk, exercise, meditate or read a book, for example, so they can return to the conversation in a calmer and more productive way. Taking a time-out should lead to improved communication and collaboration, whereas the silent treatment is an assertion of dominance and control. The person who is being victimized can tell the difference. The silent treatment can be a form of emotional abuse.

With thanks to domesticshelters.org

Domestic Violence Victim Services:Catholic Charities Domestic Violence Services: Various Locations: Please call 1.312.655.7725	Illinois Domestic Violence Hotline: 1.877.863.6338 (Toll-Free. 24-hour. Confidential. Multilingual.)	<b>Childhelp National</b> <b>Child Abuse Hotline:</b> 1-800-4-A-CHILD (1-800-422-4453)
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# Coming Up at St. Ben's | JUNE 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
11 THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST Mass at 8am, 10am, and 12pm in Church	<b>12</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Summer Camp Session 1 9am Gym	<b>13</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Summer Camp Session 1 9am Gym Parish Commission Meeting 7pm Beaven Hall	14 Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Summer Camp Session 1 9am Gym AA Group Meeting 8pm Beaven Hall	<b>15</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Summer Camp Session 1 9am Gym	<b>16</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Summer Camp Session 1 9am Gym	17 Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church JUNETEENTH 10AM COURTYARD Reconciliation 11am Church Welcoming Weekend Mass at 5pm Church
18 11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Welcoming Weekend Mass at 8am, 10am, and 12pm in Church Dads Group Get- Together after 10am Mass Beaven Hall	<b>19</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Summer Camp Session 1 9am Gym	20 Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Summer Camp Session 1 9am Gym	21 Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Summer Camp Session 1 9am Gym Advisory Board Meeting 7PM SS Library AA Group Meeting 8pm Beaven Hall	<b>22</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Summer Camp Session 1 9am Gym	23 Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Summer Camp Session 1 9am Gym	24 Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Reconciliation 11am Church Mass at 5pm Church

# Stewardship





# GIVECENTRAL IS OUR PARTNER FOR SECURE ELECTRONIC GIVING. HERE ARE THREE EASY WAYS TO GET STARTED:

- > Visit GiveCentral.org and search for St. Benedict Chicago under My Charity
- > Follow the DONATE links on our parish and school website: stbenedict.com
- > Text the keyword DONATE to our text-to-give number : 773.918.2366
- > Scan the QR code (above right) with your phone or tablet

### QUESTIONS? Contact our Director of Operations and Finance, Jeanne Anderson, at 773.588.6484 x5109 or janderson@stbenedict.com.

### WEEK OF MAY 28

Electronic Giving: \$10,713 Envelope: \$2,636 Loose: \$1,437 Holy Day: \$57 Total: \$10,713 (82% of goal) Weekly Goal: \$12,990

Fiscal YTD: \$600,104 (96% of goal) Fiscal YTD Goal: \$623,520 Above/(Below) YTD Goal: (\$23,416)

# HAVE YOU CONSIDERED A CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY (CGA)?

When you establish a charitable gift annuity with the archdiocese, not only will you receive fixed payments for life, but you can designate our parish as the remainder beneficiary.

You can schedule payments according to your financial needs, and enjoy immediate and future tax benefits, including a federal income tax deduction for a portion of your gift, if you itemize. Also, a portion of each annuity payment will be tax-free (through life expectancy). The funds remaining after your lifetime will support our parish or school – as designated by you.

If you would like more information on how to make a QCD gift to St. Benedict Parish, please contact Jeanne Anderson at 773-588-6484, x5109, or janderson@stbenedict.com.

# Masses for the Week

### Saturday, June 10 - Weekday

8:30AM	Special Intention for Tim Gollehon
5PM	Joe Gudella - Marge Lawlor
	John, Ann, Mary and Barbara McDonagh - Family

# Sunday, June 11 - The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

8AM	Special Intention for Barbara Laber
10AM	John A. Hauser - The Suh-Hauser Families
	Michael Francis Thoele - The St. Benedict
	Parish Community
	Raymond and Mary Simon - The Suh-Hauser Families
	Special Intention for Maria Mazzone -
	Beniamino Mazzone
12PM	Special Intention for Jose Orellana

### Monday, June 12 - Weekday

8:30AM Kelley Halper - Ed Halper Betty Anderson - The St. Benedict Parish Community

# Tuesday, June 13 - Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:30AM Gloria Recede - Family

### Wednesday, June 14 - Weekday

8:30AM Bill and Louise Fitzgerald - *The Gumler Family* Special Intention for Ariya Schmookler - *Family* Victor and Glen Goite and Francisca Reyes -*The Goite Family* 

### Thursday, June 15 - Weekday

8:30AM Special Intention for Judy Bartley

### Friday, June 16 - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

8:30AM Glorieta Gaston - *Ken and Pat Woodhouse* James J. Dinchak - *Friends* 

# Saturday, June 17 - The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 8:30AM Glorieta Gaston Lucy Consing
- 5PM Duke Egan and Anna Sikora *The Egan Family* Gabriel Rebello - *The Mendes Family* Special Intention for Bernard Philip Sue Parsons - *Jan McNeill*

# Sunday, June 18 - Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8AM	Milagros Tolentino - Teresa and Anthony & Family
10AM	John A. Hauser - The Suh-Hauser Families
	llona Weber - Family
	Corrine Zartler - The St. Benedict Parish Community
	Jerome and Marianne Butler -
	The Suh-Hauser Families
12PM	William (Bill) Busler - Rosemary McDonnell

# 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 Judy Bartley **Beverly Berganos Johnson** Suzanne Brewer Isabella Sofia Casillas Vincent Castellano Carmen M. Clarin Mayden H. Eichendorf **Michelle Frank** Amy Joy Goldie Tim Gollehon Elain Hijazin Insaf Hijazin Nashat Hijazin Anne Hoellich Art Hundrieser Marilyn Jerger Charlene Johnson Patricia Keating Sidney Kennedy Barbara Laber

Pepito Lim Jackson James Limburg Giorgio Marconi Ken McFadden Jose Orellana Corazon Pizarro **Erlyn Publico** Julie Raheja-Perera Kevin Risten Marla Rizzutti Ann Ulrey-Ryan Alex Sandoval Cecilia Fell Schott (Class of 72) **Bill Shaver** Abraham Sobrepena Eden Sobrepena Jim Strzalka Audrey Venkatesh Leda Wildner

# Baptisms

Everett Patrick Orszula, son of Stanley Orszula and Elizabeth O'Brien

Giselle Ariana Retamozo, *daughter of Alex Retamozo and Jessica Acevedo* 



# 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. 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. 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 bulle-



tin@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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### THE COMMISSIONS OF ST. BENEDICT PARISH

If you are interested in learning more about or joining one of the many ministries at St. Benedict Parish or would like to volunteer time or talent, please call the rectory or contact the following person(s): Parish Council Chair: Karen Cholipski Finance Council Chair: Chris Graff School Board Co-Chairs: Michael Gerlach and Lindsay Milanowski

**Catechetical Commission:** Elaine Lindia and Kim McMillan Education Commission: Rachel Gemo, Rachel Metz, or Mary Deletioglu 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

Baptisms: Scheduled on all Sundays at 1:30PM; on the fourth Sunday at one of the Masses. Baptism preparation class is required.

Reconciliation: Saturdays, 11AM - 12 NOON; seasonal celebrations, as posted; by appointment in the rectory. Weddings: Arrange with a priest at least four months in advance. Participation in marriage preparation is required.\* Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): For unbaptized persons or baptized persons interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and the process of becoming a Catholic.\*

Religious Education: For the religious education of children attending public schools please call the Director of Catechesis.

Homebound: Call the rectory to arrange communion in home for those unable to attend Mass.

Mass Intentions: Mass intentions may be requested for someone who is living or deceased, to commemorate a birthday, special anniversary, or the anniversary of a loved one's death.\*

\* Please call the Rectory



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