

THE STEWARD

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
AUGUST 27, 2023

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By Kim McMillan, Director of Youth Ministry

One of the valuable experiences I am able to offer our young people at St Benedict Parish is an opportunity to see their faith through a different lens.

This opportunity is the benefit of attending Notre Dame Vision and it reveals itself to everyone who accepts the invitation to attend.

This summer 5 young people from our parish accepted this invitation. Because of their courage to try something new and their willingness to be present in the moment, they each were able to acknowledge God's continual presence around them and grow in faith. We heard several speakers throughout the week and each one provided something to reflect on and think about.

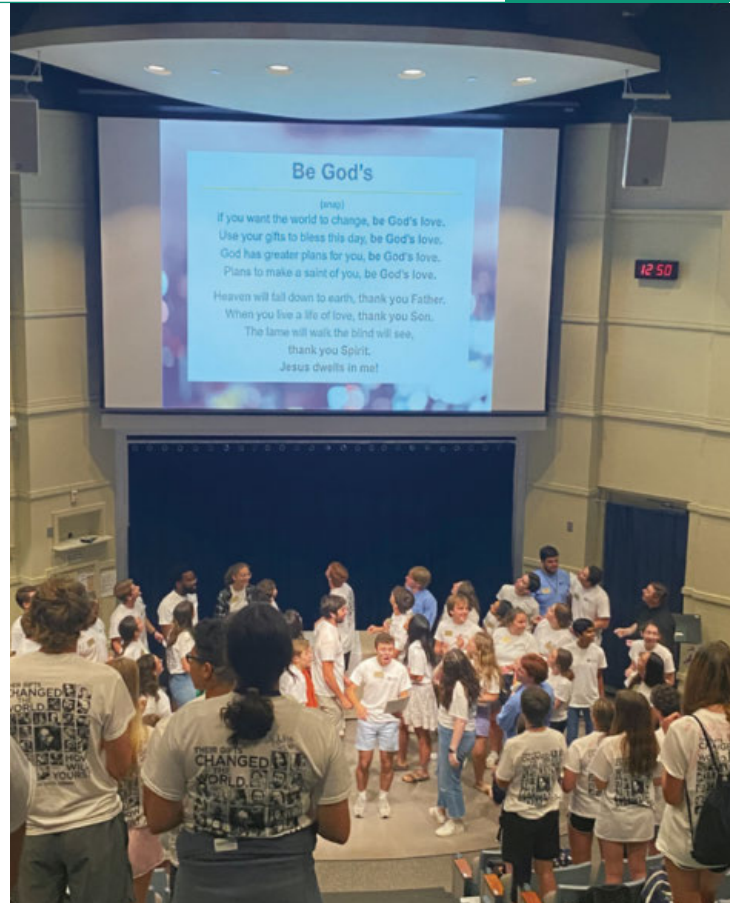
It's easy to say "no" to something new. Familiarity can make us comfortable but, these young people took a chance and benefited from it. Their courage has the potential to change them and everyone they interact with, and I am grateful for their "yes."

HENRY TIM I attended Notre Dame Vision for the second time this year. I attended in 2022 and 2023. One of the speakers we heard, Mike Patin, said something that really stuck with me. He said; "What happens at Vision leaves Vision and CONTINUES."

I had never really thought about that before he said it. It means my experience of ND Vision cannot just stay at the University of Notre Dame. His statement is inspiring to me because we learned so much at Vision about God through the plays that the mentors acted in. I spent a lot of time thinking about walking in other people's shoes and why it's important not judge others as I walked around the campus during Vision. God accepts people for who they are, and I took that away with me and I will try to think about that in my own life every day.

CHARLIE MAIDA During my time at Notre Dame for Vision this year, I was able to slow down the outside world of busy life and find peace through God and His works. The time I spent in reflection at Vision, gave me a deeper understanding on how to turn to God when my life becomes difficult. I feel because I made this effort to look for God, I was able to see His presence in the people that were with me in my small group. They showed me that we all have the opportunity to receive God's love and it is really beautiful to see it revealed in others.

I, at last, was able to see the path of balance here. Through the action of taking a step back and allowing myself to grow



where I am, I have the best way forward for God, and with Him. I now will not worry so much about living my life because I have the fortitude and courage to just be with God.

DILLON LISH I attended Notre Dame Vision and had a fantastic time. Whether it was eating meals in South Dining Hall, walking around campus with my roommate, talking about God in our lives during small group sessions, or learning of God's love in DeBartollo Hall, Notre Dame Vision was a fun and unique way of getting closer to God and learning of his compassion towards me.

I really enjoyed that we got to stay in real college dorms and even experience what it is like to miss your alarm and not have a parent there to wake you up. It really felt like I was going to college in the fact that we had no chaperone. You wake up



when you want, you go eat, then you do whatever you want until you have to be at DeBartollo around 9:00am. I highly suggest going to Notre Dame Vision and learning more about your relationship with God.

ROBBIE HAYES When I went to ND Vision it was great. At first, I was nervous because I didn't know anyone. I realized I didn't need to be nervous because I got to know so many people and I had a ton of fun.

My favorite speaker was Fr. Augustino Torres. Fr. Augustino Torres, C.F.R. is a priest with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal based in the Bronx, NY. His community is dedicated to working with the poor and to evangelization. He shared some amazing stories about men who were homeless but got baptized because his community shared their faith with them.

Notre Dame Vision wasn't just church camp, and I enjoyed the free time we had, also. We each were put in a small group with other people the same age and we really got to know each other. We shared thoughts and hopes and learned more about our God who loves us. It is a great experience, and I would recommend it to everyone.

LIAM GOULD My experience at Notre Dame Vision influenced me in positive ways such as realizing God is in everything around me and helping me find peace in prayer. I made friends

with some of the other participants, even with those who are older than me.

Notre dame Vision is a good experience because it reminds you and helps you see God in other people, regardless of your first impressions about them.

Because of this experience, I intend to be more positive and a good example of my faith. I wish to spread that to my friends and family around me. I am so grateful for this opportunity and would highly recommend this trip.

Notre Dame Vision is a 5-day experience on the Notre Dame campus designed to help participants discover and renew God's call in their lives. Notre Dame Vision is open to all 8th grade graduates and high school students. Participants connect with hundreds of other high school students, learning from the witness of the saints and developing practices to live their faith. A week at Notre Dame Vision invites participants to experience the Notre Dame campus and sharpen their spiritual vision to recognize God's grace at work in your life. With the rich insights of nationally-known speakers and the mentorship of active college students, in large group sessions and in small faith-sharing peer groups, Notre Dame Vision gives each person the space and community to ask big questions about how God is speaking and invites us to use our talents in service to the Church and world.

Special Music

8AM
Roger Reupert, trumpet
In Gratitude for our Liturgical Ministers
Anonymous Gift

10AM
Roger Reupert and Davide Andrizzi, trumpets
*In Celebration of Father Steve,
 Father Tom and Father Oswald*
Anonymous Gift

TODAY!

Hear more about the Sapaterre Mission in Haiti from guest speaker, Fr. Rodlin THIS WEEKEND AT ALL MASSES



Sapaterre Mission is dedicated to providing the best possible academic, physical and social education to the children of Hispaniola to achieve a slow growing transformation from poverty to empowered and caring citizens of the island. Fr. Rodlin will be visiting St Ben's at all Masses on August 26/27 to talk about the importance of the Sapaterre Mission and how you can help. We hope you will join us.



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WE WELCOME MRS. NORMA VAQUEZ AND FR. OSWALD NKYANUNGI TO ST. BENEDICT PARISH!



MRS. NORMA VAZQUEZ | I was born and raised in the city of Chicago and have been married to my high school sweetheart for 41 years. I have two kids and three grandchildren. I started her career at A Finkl & Sons Co. and worked with the Executive Management team as well as with Human Resources and Safety personnel where I devored my sincere efforts to learning about the company culture and understanding the needs of the employees, which was unlike any other. After 28 years with the company, I retired to spend the last few years to take care of my mother. I earned her Bachelor of Arts in Communication from Loyola University Chicago and recently graduated from the University of Saint Mary of the Lake with a Certification of Studies in Lay Leadership. For the past six years, I volunteered at St. John Berchmans Parish as a Catechist, a team member of RCIA/Parish Council, and also taught Childrens Liturgy. This past year I worked part-time teaching Religion to Junior High students. I also volunteered at St. Luke and St. Bernardine Parish in Forest Park assisting in the office of Faith Formation. I plan to continue my education at the University of St. Mary of the Lake. My love for volunteering came from a deeper understanding of the importance in creating opportunities for real and personal encounters with God. I am excited and looking forward to creating those moments with the St. Benedict Community.



FR. OSWALD NKYANUNGI

"Master, it is good for us to be here" Luke 9:33

The above words that St. Peter used to speak to our Lord during the transfiguration reflect my experience of a few days that I have so far spent at St. Benedict Parish here in Chicago. I am Fr. Oswald Nkyanungi from Uganda in East Africa. I have spent seven years as a Priest and six of those have been in a Parish in Uganda as Pastor. I thank God for this wonderful grace of becoming a family member here at St. Ben's. It is a parish so wonderful with amazing Christians so hospitable right from the Pastor, Fr. Steve who has truly made me to feel at home. My brothers and sisters, what a wonderful gift to belong to the Catholic Church! That she brings us together from all the earth and we speak the same language of love and peace. I am here for advanced studies at DePaul University but also for serving God's people at St. Ben's at least for the next 2-3 years. Looking forward to growing more in faith with you at St. Ben's. Many Blessings upon you all!



I WANT YOU FOR THE CHOIR!

DATE CHANGE: Wednesday, September 6, 2023

TIME CHANGE: 7:30pm

Meet in the church

For more info, call Scott at 773.206.6785

ALL ARE WELCOME



SAVE THE DATE - BLOOD DRIVE AT ST. BEN'S - SUNDAY, OCTOBER

St. Vincent de Paul Society will host a blood drive in partnership with Vitalant. Like last time, the blood drive will be in Beaven Hall.



Register now to claim your spot early! Visit tinyurl.com/SvdPBloodDriveOct8 or scan the QR code to register today!

Parents,
Save the Date for

Parent Mixer! 2023

Friday, September 8th
in the courtyard!

August 27, 2023

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 22:19-23 | Rom 11:33-36 | Mt 16:13-20

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

God is not looking for perfection when it comes to his leaders, he is looking for true and loving hearts. In the first reading, God is not impressed with the master of the palace as a father for the people of Jerusalem. Eliakim the servant has the heart God desires. God will give Eliakim whatever he needs to guide his people - the right clothes, authority, and a place of honor. And we learn in the Gospel that Peter has the heart of love Jesus knows is necessary to guide his followers after he is gone. There are more learned and powerful men, but they lack Peter's faith. Jesus knows Peter is not perfect and he has much to learn, but Peter has the right foundation for the Church. We don't need to be the smartest people or have money and influence to be God's leaders. We need hearts of love and faith, and God will give us the tools we need to do the work.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

There is much to be done in our parishes and God needs our hearts and faith to get to work. How can we use our gifts and talents to help make the parish a welcoming place? For some it might be liturgical ministry, but every church needs people to work behind the scenes. Dusting and cleaning the church is not a glamorous job, but caring for the house of God is a blessing in itself. Helping the parish office with special mailings or weekly tasks is welcome to the staff who have so many responsibilities. Why not use the eyes of the Father to look in our hearts and see how we can make our parish a foundation of faith for all our family? We can also use God's sight to look for people at Mass who need an invitation to be more active in the parish, sharing the reminder none of us have to be perfect people to participate. We just need hearts of love.

ACT Look over the bulletin this week and reflect on where your talents could make a difference in your parish. Ask the Holy Spirit to give you the wisdom and guidance you need to find where God wants you to be and what he wants you to do. Extend an invitation to one person to join you in participating in a church ministry.



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Sunday, Aug 27, 2023

The value in variety

A founder of the NAACP, W.E.B. Du Bois knew the cure for racism wasn't simply telling the truth. It was inducing people to act on it. The first African American to receive a Ph.D. from Harvard in 1895, Du Bois dreamed broadly of a world of "valuable variety ... in height and weight, color and skin, hair and nose and lip.... Each effort to stop this freedom of being," he argued, "is a blow at democracy—that real democracy which is reservoir and opportunity.... There can be no perfect democracy curtailed by color, race, or poverty." Let us act on this truth.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 22:19-23; Romans 11:33-36; Matthew 16:13-20 (121). *"I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven."*

Monday, Aug 28, 2023

The great romance

Saint Augustine is known as a great thinker—arguably the most significant Christian theologian after Saint Paul. But his writing is as much heart as head. He is also known for leaving behind a life of hedonism. But he remained a passionate man—only, after his conversion, passion for God alone. "Late have I loved you, O Beauty, ever ancient, ever new, late have I loved you!" he lamented. It's never too late to be swept away by what Augustine has to say: "To fall in love with God is the greatest romance; to seek him the greatest adventure; to find him, the greatest human achievement."

MEMORIAL OF AUGUSTINE, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 8b-10; Matthew 23:13-22 (425). *"Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, you hypocrites. You lock the Kingdom of heaven before men."*

Tuesday, Aug 29, 2023

Prepare the way

Painting after painting shows John the Baptist pointing to Jesus. John knows it's not about him: "He who is coming after me is mightier than I" (Matthew 3:11) and "I am not the Christ, but I have been sent ahead of Him.... He must increase, but I must decrease" (John 2:28-30). Christian tradition also calls him John the Precursor and John the Forerunner, prepping us for the Messiah by being something of a prototype. Like Jesus, he's conceived miraculously. Both preach repentance, have disciples, and suffer in death. But as Saint Peter Julian Eymard knew, "The true secret of love consists in this—we must forget self like Saint John the Baptist and exalt and glorify the Lord."

MEMORIAL OF THE PASSION OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 (426); Mark 6:17-29 (634). *"We drew courage through our God to speak to you the Gospel of God."*

Wednesday, Aug 30, 2023

Make a better choice

A mother of 11 foster children always had a gaggle of kids buzzing around her. They were happy and well cared for. When there was even a hint of one crossing the line from lively to obnoxious, she simply said, "Make a better choice." Amazingly, they did. Those are powerful words. How can you make a better choice today?

What will help you walk in a manner worthy of the God who calls you into his Kingdom and glory? This advice from Saint Francis de Sales might prove useful: "Never miss an opportunity to do good."

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13, Matthew 23:27-32 (427). *"We treated each one of you as a father treats his children, exhorting and encouraging you and insisting that you walk in a manner worthy of ... God."*

Thursday, Aug 31, 2023

Education for the whole person

As a school year begins anew, it's worth taking a moment to appreciate the proud tradition of Catholic education. In the United States, Catholic religious orders have built an extensive network of primary, secondary, and college-level institutions whose shared mission has been education of the whole person: spiritual, intellectual, and human development. Millions have been positively impacted by these schools, including many poor people who have improved their quality of life. Offer a prayer of thanks for the educators and others who pour their energies into this holy and wholistic education.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Thessalonians 3:7-13; Matthew 24:42-51 (428). *"Stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come."*

Friday, Sep 01, 2023

Celebrate the season of creation

In Catholic culture we use the phrase "care of creation" in our work to protect the Earth and develop sustainable ways to live. This phrase is deliberate because it underscores the inherent connection between God and all that is. Pope Francis writes in *Laudato Si'*, "The ultimate destiny of the universe is in the fullness of God, which has already been attained by the risen Christ." On this World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, let us renew our commitment to care for one another, land and sea, all creatures great and small, as together we move into the fullness of God to which all are called.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8; Matthew 25:1-13 (429). *"Therefore, whoever disregards this, disregards not a human being but God, who also gives the Holy Spirit to you."*

Saturday, Sep 02, 2023

Talent contest

The parable of the Talents is about much more than money. It speaks of the gifts that God has given to each of us and how we choose to "invest" those gifts in the community. Are we seeking only the most limited return, for ourselves? Or are we sharing our gifts, doing our part to help build up the community? The questions are more than hypothetical, for one day, at an unexpected hour, we will be called to account. Invest wisely for a generous return!

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Thessalonians 4:9-11; Matthew 25:14-30 (430). *"Should you not then have put my money in the bank so that I could have got it back with interest on my return?"*

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



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Welcome Back SBPS Students and Staff!

St. Benedict Preparatory School welcomed back hundreds of enthusiastic students for the first days of school last week. In all, 615 students will be on "the block" this year.

First day highlights included review of school behavior expectations with Lower School students. In addition, Middle School students welcomed new sixth grade and transfer students House members at the House sorting ceremony.

Our youngest kindergarten and preschool Bengals were excited to meet new friends and start a new year.

Judging by the excitement throughout the school buildings on the first days, it looks like another exceptional and productive year of learning at St. Benedict Prep.



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Oktoberfest '23

FRI
SEPT 29
3-10PM

SAT
SEPT 30
1-10PM

SUN
OCT 1
1-7PM

2023 Sponsorship Opportunities

Oktoberfest here at St. Ben's is truly a wonderful family event celebrating the unique community that is our parish. Proceeds helps the parish maintain the campus and supporting our ministries from the school to RE and everything in between. Underwriting an event such as Oktoberfest allows for the event's revenue to go directly to parish needs. Won't you consider becoming a sponsor to help us reach that goal? There is a giving level for every family.

Main Tent Sponsor \$5000 (2)	Stage Sponsor \$2500 (6)	"Prost!" Bar Sponsor \$1000 (10)	"Zum Wohl!" Community Sponsor \$500	"Freundschaft" (Friendship) Fan \$250	"Ein Prosit!" Beverage Fan \$150-\$50
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2023 Participation Benefits:

MAIN TENT SPONSOR \$5000 (2)

- All the benefits of a Stage Sponsor, PLUS,
- Recognized as Co-presenter of OktoberFest
- Supporter banner on Irving Park Rd. using your artwork provided by the parish

STAGE SPONSOR \$2,500 (6)

- All the benefits of a "Prost!" Bar Sponsor, PLUS,
- Recognized as the Main Stage Entertainment supporter or solely as Kids Stage Sponsor
- Your company logo or family name on either the Main Tent or Gymnasium Stage banner

"PROST!" BAR SPONSOR \$1000 (10)

- All the benefits of a "Zum Wohl!" Community Sponsor
- Recognized as a bar supporter with company logo or family name on Bar Sponsor banners

"ZUM WOHL!" COMMUNITY SPONSOR \$500

- All the benefits of a "Freundschaft" (Friendship) Fan
- Recognized as a main tent table sponsor with company logo or family name on a table display

"FREUNDSCHAFT" (FRIENDSHIP) FAN \$250

- Promote your company with a 24 x 48 inch banner (provided by supporter) that will be hung around the inside perimeter of the Main Tent
- Company or Family name listed on Oktoberfest website, event poster, and on Facebook
- Company name and logo with link on website
- Acknowledgement in The Steward weekly parish bulletin and the BUZZ school newsletter
- Host a vendor table inside the Gymnasium to promote your products or services

"EIN PROSIT!" BEVERAGE FAN—VARIED

- \$150 per keg of beer
- \$100 per case of wine
- \$50 towards beer stein costs
- Company or family name listed on supporter banner, and at the all beverage serving stations

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Questions please contact Mr. Accardi at jaccardi@stbenedict.com or at 773.509-3832

Interested in joining our planning committee?

Our next meeting is Tuesday, August 29th at 6 pm at the rectory at 2215 W. Irving Park Rd.

Masses for the Week

Saturday, August 26 - Weekday

- 8:30AM James J. Dinchak - *Friends*
5PM Ronald Egan - *The Egan Family*
Carol Ritscher - *The St. Benedict Parish Community*
Patricia Hardy - *Friend*
Deceased Members of GS Class of 1969 and HS Class of 1973

Sunday, August 27 - Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8AM Linda Jouzaitis - *Family*
Paul Hester - *Judy Hester*
Amanda Kate O'Connell - *John Lynch and Family*
George DeYoung - *John Lynch and Family*
10AM John A. Hauser - *The Suh-Hauser Families*
Suzie Libao - *Bernie Libao*
Loretta Josephine Barker - *Gloria Ottesen*
Paul M. Rowland - *Bernie McNally*
12PM Living and Deceased Members/Benefactors of St. Vincent de Paul Society
Jose T. Cortes - *Jorge and Aurora Cortes*
Special Intention for John Behzad - *Family*
John Arsenia - *Lazar and Wilma Bityou*

Monday, August 28 - Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

- 8:30AM Special Intention for Steve and Starla Vertucci - *Chris and Rachel Bernhardt*

Tuesday, August 29 - The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

- 8:30AM John McDonagh - *Family*
Special Intention for Sophia Celeste Rodriguez - *The Bityou Family*

Wednesday, August 30 - Weekday

- 8:30AM Theresa Latino - *Jules and Carol VanRengen*
Helene Jerger - *Family*

Thursday, August 31 - Weekday

- 8:30AM Leonardo M. Baylon - *Jorge and Aurora Cortes*
Special Intention for Eppie Salazar - *Lucy Consing*
Felix B. Endriga - *Family*

First Friday, September 1 - Weekday

- 8:30AM Doris Kaye - *Angela Rebello*
Jack Kelly - *B. Kelly*
Barbara Lynn Laber - *The Saint Benedict Parish Community*
Virginia Stangl Harbinson - *Family*

First Saturday, September 2 - Weekday

- 8:30AM Special Intention for Paul Mateo - *Lucy Consing*
Special Intention for Ceferina S. Paez
5PM Steve Carmelo Renteria - *Marge Lawlor and Christa O'Keefe*
Jesse Gorney - *Marge Lawlor and Christa O'Keefe*
Loretta O'Donnell - *Friend*
Bruce Trebes - *Ron and Christa O'Keefe*

Sunday, September 3 - Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8AM Gloria C. Recede - *Family*
Barbara Laber - *Husband, Karl*
Archana Diwan - *Bernie McNally*
10AM John A. Hauser - *The Suh-Hauser Families*
Ilona Weber - *Family*
John M. Canchola - *The St. Benedict Parish Community*
Anita S. Fernandez - *Gloria Ottesen*
12PM Special Intention for David III, Sophia and baby Behzad - *Grandma and Grandpa*
Anita Sobrepena Fernandez - *Dorenda Sumatra*
Patrick Kramer (Class of 2001) - *The St. Benedict Alumni Office*

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	Julie Raheja-Perera
Carmen M. Clarin	Kevin Risten
Mayden H. Eichendorf	Marla Rizzuti
Michelle Frank	Pietro Rizzuti
Amy Joy Goldie	Ann Ulrey-Ryan
Tim Gollehon	Alex Sandoval
Elain Hijazin	Cecilia Fell Schott (Class of 72)
Insaf Hijazin	Bill Shaver
Nashat Hijazin	Abraham Sobrepena
Anne Hoellich	Eden Sobrepena
Art Hundrieser	Jim Strzalka
Marilyn Jerger	Arthur Varilla
Charlene Johnson	Audrey Venkatesh
Patricia Keating	Leda Wildner
Sidney Kennedy	
Pepito Lim	

Baptisms

Margaux Jean Angeles, *daughter of Alexander Angeles and Maxine Bacerdo*

Wedding Banns

- III - Caitlin Beauchamp and Patrick O'Malley
II - Angela Gielniewski and Grant Grevenstuk



Coming Up at St. Ben's | AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Mass and Mission Appeal 8am, 10am, and 12pm in Church Knights of Columbus Meeting 11am Sewng Room	28 Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church St. Vincent de Paul Society Monthly Meeting 6pm Sewing Room Troop 865 Meeting 7pm Heidenreich Hall Knights of Columbus Assembly Meeting 7:30pm Beaven Hall	29 Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Cub Scout Pack 3865 Recruitment Night 6pm Beaven Hall Oktoberfest Committee Meeting 6pm Rectory Meeting Rm	30 Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church AA Group Meeting 8pm Beaven Hall	31 Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church	1 Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND BENEDICTION 9AM - 12PM	2 Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Reconciliation 11am Church Mass at 5pm Church
3 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Mass at 8am, 10am, and 12pm in Church	4 LABOR DAY MASS 9AM CHURCH	5 Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Middle School Back to School Night 6:30pm Gym	6 Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Spirit Shop 2pm Gym Lobby Elementary Back to School Night 6pm Gym Baptismal Preparation 6:45pm Pine Room - Rectory Gallery Singers Choir Rehearsal 7:30pm Choir Area, Church AA Group Meeting 8pm Beaven Hall	7 Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Preschool Tours 8:30am SS Library Grade Rep Kick Off Meeting 6pm SS Library	8 Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church	9 Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church Reconciliation 11am Church Mass at 5pm Church

Stewardship



SUNDAY & HOLY DAY OFFERTORY

WEEK OF AUGUST 13, 2023



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. Thank you for your remarkable generosity to the parish.

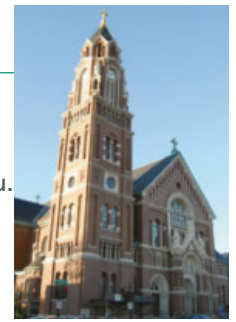
Electronic Giving: \$7,111
 Envelope: \$1,835
 Loose: \$2,042
 Holy Day: \$130
 Total: \$11,118 (81% of goal)
 Weekly Goal: \$13,673

Fiscal YTD: \$87,745 (92% of goal)
 Fiscal YTD Goal: \$95,712
 Above/(Below) YTD Goal: (\$7,966)

Connection Corner

3 BEDROOM APARTMENT FOR RENT Sunny Second floor, 3 bedroom apartment in Owner Occupied Building (Scott Arkenberg is the Landlord) Upgraded Kitchen and Bath, Mini Blinds, Ceiling Fans, Hardwood Floors, 3 season back porch overlooking a colorful garden and waterfall. For information or to rent, Call Scott 773.206.6785

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 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.

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Sunday Eucharist: Saturday 5PM,
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Reconciliation: Saturdays, 11AM - 12
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**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
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Religious Education: For the religious
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Handicapped Accessibility: An elevator is
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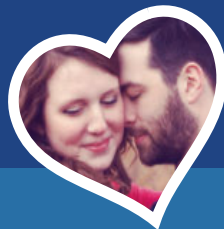


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