

A'S CELEBRATE BREAST CANCER AWARENESS

Join us to celebrate Breast Cancer Awareness with the A's on Sunday, September 11, 2017. Tickets are \$20.00. Game starts at 1:05 p.m. Get tickets for our raffle; \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. Prizes include Sean Manaea Watch, A's Blanket, Apron with A's Logo. All proceeds benefit the KPCLA Court #336 Scholarship Fund. For tickets contact: D. Minor 415-310-6582, Tara Sykes 510-898-8845 or Mallory Trevigne 510-384-6540.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF ARTHUR J. KNATT, JR. MARCH 21ST, 1939 - JULY 26TH, 2017

The family wishes to announce a Memorial Mass to celebrate Arthur's home going on Saturday, August, 26th, 2017, 12noon, St. Benedict Catholic Church, Fr. Jay Matthews, Officiating. A repast to follow in the Parish Hall immediately following service. Contact Lil Brown-Parker, 510-206-9942 (lilparkerhi@gmail.com); and/or Jakia Parker, 510-206-7021 for questions and/or additional info.

HOPE FOR HAITI MINISTRY

3rd Annual "White Party" on Saturday, August 26, 2017, 4-8 PM at St. Columba Parish House Garden, 6401 San Pablo Avenue, Oakland. Attire: All "White". Wine, Food, Silent Auction, Prizes. Music by The Randy Moore Jazz Trio!! \$30 donation. Advance tickets only. Checks to Hope for Haiti. Tickets and info: Elena Gaudet, 510-684-4837; Tom Luce, 510-575-6326. Thank you for 8 years of continued generosity. You make a big difference in the lives of our 100 children.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

If you know of anyone in the parish who is sick and homebound who would like to receive communion at their home or if you know someone who is sick and is in need of prayers, please contact Divina Cabrera at the church office (510) 632-1847 or fill out one of the request forms at the back of the church. Request for prayers will be listed in the bulletin for one month and extended upon request.

2017 MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to offer a Mass for the (Living) Intentions of your family/friends, or for your deceased family members/friends, stop by the Parish Office during office hours. We will be happy to assist you.

PLEASE JOIN US

If you have stood as a visitor to our community before, and because you enjoyed being with us you continue to come, please, seriously consider registering with St. Benedict as your faith community. We would love to have you as a part of our family. Just fill out the registration form located on the back of this bulletin and drop it in the offertory basket. Thank you. God loves you and so do we.

ARE YOU A FAN OF ST. BENEDICT?

Well if you're a Facebook member, Like our Page! You can find us under the following title:

Fans of St. Benedict Church Oakland, CA

Make sure that you like our page as well as spread the word to many of your family and friends. This is a great way to keep up with the latest News and Updates with St. Benedict Church.

St. Benedict's Weekly Events

Sunday, August 13
Monday, August 14
 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Wellness Group Parish Hall

Tuesday, August 15
 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Wellness Group Parish Hall

Wednesday, August 16
 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Wellness Group Parish Hall

Thursday, August 17

Friday, August 18
 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Line Dancing Class Parish Hall

Saturday, August 19

PLEASE JOIN US!

PARISH PASTORAL PLANNING

Dr. Chiquita Tuttle	Chair/Facilitator
Dionne Cola	Vice Chair/ Assistant Facilitator
Leonard Pete	Meeting Recorder

MEMBERS

Ariana Catherine
 Sidney Fernandes
 Jules Garibaldi
 Romel Lucas
 Emma Morton
 Linda Smith
 Jaylynn St. Julian
 Tara Sykes
 Ofelia Wanzo

ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH? To request a *registration form*, please complete and drop in the offertory basket. Have you moved? Had an information change? Let us know by completing and returning. *We respect your privacy! This information is for St. Benedict Parish use only.*

Name: _____
 Phone# _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ Zip: _____

Send Me A Registration Form

Change of Address Moving out of Parish



MISSION STATEMENT

As the people of God who are loved by the Father, being saved by the Son, and strengthened and endowed with the gifts of the Spirit for the service of the Lord, and all here at St. Benedict, we resolve in the spirit of Christian unity and cooperation to use our gifts and talents in building up the Kingdom of God in East Oakland

PARISH STAFF

Mrs. Divina Cabrera
SECRETARY/BOOKKEEPER

Mr. Leonard Pete
MUSIC DIRECTOR

Mrs. Ofelia Wanzo
CCD DIRECTOR

Rev. Jayson Landeza
PASTOR

Ms. Dionne Cola
PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

Mr. Ron Tutson
DEACON

Rev. Paul Vassar
CLERGY SUPPLY

Mr. Rufus Fisher
BUILDING FACILITIES MANAGER

Dr. Chiquita Tuttle
PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIR

Miss Ariana Catherine
YOUTH MINISTER

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY:
4:30 PM (VIGIL MASS)

SUNDAY:
8:30 AM
11:00 AM (GOSPEL MASS)

MON, WED & FRI:
7:30 AM (8:00AM ON HOLIDAYS)

CONFESSION

SATURDAY:
3:45 PM TO 4:15 PM
(OR BY APPOINTMENT)

BAPTISM
INSTRUCTION OF PARENTS REQUIRED

MARRIAGE
6 MONTHS ADVANCED NOTICE REQUIRED

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

We recommend using Catholic Funeral and Cemetery Services (CFCS):

Holy Sepulchre, St. Mary's and St. Joseph Cemeteries. Contact CFCS/Cooper's Chapel at (510) 362-0424 or www.cfcsoakland.org

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:



Today's Gospel reading begins with Jesus going away by himself to pray, a common event in the Gospels. Many times we read of Jesus retreating to the desert or climbing up the side of a mountain so he could be alone while praying to his Heavenly Father. Why was prayer so important to Jesus?

Most married couples who have been together for a long time say that communication is one of the secrets to success a relationship because without it, their relationship could never have grown and would never have survived. Communication is so important that the relationship begins to die as soon as communication stops.

Sometimes communications as verbal) e.g., saying "I love you"), but at other times husband and wife communicate by the way they look at each other. Sometimes communication is an action (e.g., going out to dinner together) or it may be just being with the other person. What we have to remember is that two people who love each other don't ask if they have to communicate. Instead, they want to communicate because that's what makes their relationship grow.

What does all this have to do with Jesus praying to the Father? If we find prayer as communicating with God, then just as communication is necessary for a relationship between two people to grow stronger, it is also important in one's relationship with God. The more a person prays, the stronger that person's relationship with God becomes. Just as a human relationship will die without communication, a relationship with God will also perish without prayer.

In today's Gospel, Jesus retreats to a quiet place because his relationship with God is important to him, a relationship that would have weakened without regular prayer. In this sense, Jesus needed to pray but, because he loved his father and because people who love each other want to communicate, Jesus also wanted to pray so his relationship with his heavenly Father would grow stronger.

If communication does not have to be verbal, what are some of the nonverbal ways in which we can pray to God? What actions communicate to God that we want a deeper relationship with God?

As I am writing this, the headline news here in Hawai'i is the increasing tension between the United

States and North Korea. With Trump's bellicosity, we are entering into a dangerous phase in this country's relationship with North Korea. Although much of the North Korean threat is directed towards the U.S. Territory of Guam, folks here in Hawai'i are deeply concerned about being a nuclear target as well, since these Islands are supposedly within the range of North Korean missiles. Hawaii folks are also distinctly aware that as a U.S. territory, the Japanese led a surprise attack on the U.S. Naval Base at Pearl Harbor, just outside of Honolulu. Residents here in Hawaii are concerned, but life goes on, although folks here who have connections to Guam (like I do) are deeply worried for family and friends.

We laid to rest Helen Leong, the mother of a priest friend of mine (Father Herman Leong). Herman is a priest of the Diocese of Oakland, although he was born and raised in Hawaii. He was back in Hawaii to care for his mother when she died. Helen was also a dear friend of mine, and very involved at her parish, St. Augustine Waikiki, where I stay when I'm in Hawaii. This weekend I have a 50th wedding anniversary for my father's favorite cousin and his wife, John and Jane Caneda. On Saturday, I'm at a 60th surprise birthday for a cousin - lots of family time over this next week.

God bless,
Fr. Jayson

SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection next weekend for the Mission Cooperative Plan. The yellow offering envelopes are available on the table at the back of the church. Sister Rosaline Nguyen from the Diocese of Oakland will be here to speak at all of the Masses for the Mission Sister of the Holy Cross, Vietnam. Please welcome Sister Rosaline to our parish community and be generous in your gifts. Thank you for your help

Please pray for:

Anita Recania
Emelda Wright



(Will stay in the bulletin for one month)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Please join us as we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation, on Tuesday, August 15. Mass time is at 8:00 am.

CCD CLASSES

Religious Education Program will begin on Sunday, September 10, 2017 at 9:45 am to 10:45 am. Registration forms for students in grades 1-8 are available at the back of the church. Children in second grade this year and older, preparing for the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation and/or Eucharist must be registered in, attending CCD classes regularly. No child will be accepted in the sacramental preparation classes after October 1, 2017.

PARISH BIBLE STUDY

Parish Bible Study provides the nourishment from Scripture that compliments the nourishment we receive in the Eucharist. Participants will: Encounter Christ, Foster Christian Community and grow in understanding the Bible. Come, join Deacon Ron and other participants for Scripture Study on the Gospel of Luke. Scripture Study begins on Wednesday, September 06, 2017 at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center for 12 sessions thru the month of November 29, 2017. Study sets which include a Bible Commentary and a Study Guide are \$15.95, payable to St. Benedict Church.

PARISH OUTREACH EVENT

Community Outreach Staff from the Catholic Funeral & Cemetery Services, a Ministry of the Diocese of Oakland will be here on Saturday, September 9 & Sunday, September 10, 2017 to discuss the spiritual and practical reasons for learning about Catholic Funeral & Cemetery Services. After each Mass, there will be a short presentation along with a question and answer session in the Parish Hall. Please take advantage of this opportunity to better understand the importance of a Catholic funeral and burial.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION CONGRESS

On Saturday, August 26, 2017 from 8am - 4pm at the Cathedral Parish of Christ the Light, 2121 Harrison Street, Oakland, CA 94612. Cost \$20.00. For more information, please contact Raquel Vazquez at 510-532-2068 at St. Jarlath or Martha Marquez at 510-530-0761 at St. Lawrence O'toole.

KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER ST. BENEDICT COUNCIL 336

Scholarship Fundraiser on Saturday, September 23, 2017 at Red Hawk Casino. Donation \$35.00 per person (5 hours stay). Make checks payable to KPC Council 336. Reservation deadline: September 13, 2017. Sorry, no refunds after deadline. For information call: Marvin Millet (510) 638-7263 or Herb Houston (510) 387-7673, Leonard Pete (510) 917-2390 or Clayton Foster (510) 333-1403.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 13	8:30 a.m.	For The People
	11:00 a.m.	Pat Silva†
Monday, August 14	7:30 a.m.	
Tuesday, August 15	8:00 a.m.	Asuncion Domingo†
Wednesday, August 16	7:30 a.m.	
Friday, August 18	7:30 a.m.	
Saturday, August 19	4:30 p.m.	

CHURCH SUPPORT

Collection:	August 5/6, 2017	\$4,306.50
	"100" Club	\$621.60
"100" CLUB		
Beginning Balance		\$7,266.18
Total Income for July 2017		\$570.00
Ending balance as of July 31, 2017		\$7,836.18
PENNY HARVEST		
Ending Balance as of July 31, 2017		\$1,195.24

Please remember to bring your pennies and drop them off by the altar before or after Mass. There's no need to wrap your pennies in a roll.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

LECTORS/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

AUGUST 19/20, 2017

4:30 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
H. Santi	J. Outley	R. Guillory
B. Burns	J. Grant	L. Dixon #
		D. Cola *
		C. Hadnot *

Rest In Peace

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of
ROSEMARY GALLOWAY
(wife of Leo Galloway)
Please remember her family in your prayers.

Funeral Service:

Wednesday, August 16, 2017 - 1:00 pm
Cypress Lawn Cemetery, Colma, CA