

**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.

**CALLING ALL WOMEN!**

**Magnificat SOTI, a Ministry for Catholic Women, invite all to join them at a Prayer Breakfast, September 16, 2017 9:30-12:30, Crowne Plaza, 45 John Glenn Drive, Concord, CA.** Please join us in welcoming our speaker, author Annette Baber! Annette was born and raised into a Jewish Orthodox family. She committed her life to Christ 48 years ago after a life shattering crisis leads her to cry out for salvation! She begged the Father to save her family and amid many miracles, one by one her family members turned their lives over to Christ. Come and hear her fascinating testimony and how she has served the Lord since that incredible night. Men are always welcome to attend! **Tickets are \$33/\$40 after Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>. Go to [www.magnificat-ministry.net](http://www.magnificat-ministry.net) for more information about our guest and tickets or call Jennifer at 503 709 8449 for reservations.**

**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.

<b>St. Benedict's Weekly Events</b>			
<b>Sunday, August 27</b>	8:30 am & 11:00 am	Mass	Church
<b>Monday, August 28</b>	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Wellness Group	Parish Hall
<b>Tuesday, August 29</b>	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Wellness Group	Parish Hall
<b>Wednesday, August 30</b>	9:00 am - 11:00 am	SVDP - Distribution of Food Bags	Parish Hall
	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Wellness Group	Parish Hall
<b>Thursday, August 31</b>			
<b>Friday, September 1</b>	1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Line Dancing Class	Parish Hall
<b>Saturday, September 2</b>	4:30 pm	Mass	Church

**PLEASE JOIN US!**

<b>PARISH PASTORAL PLANNING</b>	
Dr. Chiquita Tuttle	Chair/Facilitator
Dionne Cola	Vice Chair/ Assistant Facilitator
Leonard Pete	Meeting Recorder
<b>MEMBERS</b>	
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](http://www.cfcsoakland.org)

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:**



In today's Gospel reading, Jesus first asks his disciples what others are saying about him and then he asks them for their own opinion. The various answers to this question tells us there must have been some debate about the meaning of Jesus' ministry.

Some people believed Jesus was John the Baptist. Although King Herod killed John, many people who saw the signs and miracles Jesus performed wondered if he might really be John the Baptist resurrected. Other people thought Jesus was Jeremiah or Elijah.

Jeremiah was a great Old Testament prophet who took the Arc of the Covenant (the box in the Temple containing the Ten Commandments) and hid it in a cave on Mount Nebo just before the Babylonians conquered Jerusalem in 586 B.C. (2 Maccabees 2:4-8). Since no one ever found the Ark of the Covenant, some Jews believe Jeremiah would return to the earth just before the Messiah's arrival to reveal where he hit it. So Jeremiah's reappearance would indicate that the time of the Messiah is near.

Elijah was the greatest of the Old Testament prophets. According to the Second Book of Kings, Elijah never died but went to heaven in a fiery chariot. Some Jews believe Elijah would one day return to the world to prepare the way for the Messiah. When Elijah appears, the Messiah will not be far behind.

The people showed great respect for Jesus when they compared him to these three great men but they did not recognize him as the long awaited Messiah. Only Simon Peter understood that Jesus was even more important than the greatest of the old testament figures and his believe in Jesus as the Messiah earned him a place of honor in the early Church. Simon Peter's faith is the sturdy rock on which the Church is built.

Close your eyes and pretend Jesus is asking you who you think he is. What is your answer?

I am writing this on Wednesday, 23 August, while I am still in Hawaii. Tomorrow night is the annual fundraiser for the parish that I am currently residing in the Waikiki section of Honolulu. St.

Augustine by-the-Sea Catholic Church is in the process of building a museum to honor Saint Damien and Saint Marianne, both of whom served at the leper settlement at Kalaupapa, an isolated peninsula on the Hawaiian island of Moloka'i, where my mother hails from. Saints Damien and Marianne are dear to the Catholic Community here in Hawaii, and St. Augustine parish wishes to honor them by establishing a museum as tribute to their ministry with those afflicted with Hansen's Disease.

As you read this, the Bay Area will have already experienced one or two rallies sponsored by right-wing groups. Scheduled for San Francisco and Berkeley, these protests are meant to provoke and antagonize, as well as to instigate and ferment other protests. The message of the right-wing groups only serve to stir a strong response by those who fight the injustices and inflammatory rhetoric and hateful words spewed by the current ministrations. Most recent one is a threat to shut down the U.S. government the building of the border wall with Mexico. Scary.

We can either ignore these protests or resist their derogatory stands or perhaps to both. Many clergy and Berkeley and Oakland are planning to take part in vigils to counter the right-wing rallies. If my time and schedule allows, I plan to join them.

I have heard that a number of our St. Benedict parishioners have experienced deep and profound losses. My condolences to Col. Leo Galloway, Lil Brown-Parker and John Wilson upon the passing of family members. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of them.

God bless,  
*Fr. Jayson*

*Please pray for the sick, especially:*

Alex Donaville  
Kevin Donaville  
Anita Recania  
Emelda Wright



NAMES WILL BE REMOVED AT THE END OF EACH MONTH

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**

Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center.

**2017 – 2018 FAITH FORMATION (CCD)**

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.

**GOLDEN GATE BOYS CHOIR AND BELLRINGERS FALL 2017 PROGRAM**

The Golden Gate Boys Choir and Bellringers celebrates 30 years of music making and voice training for bay area youth! Fall membership is open for new boy singers ages 6 to 12 with unchanged voices. No experience necessary. Weekly regular rehearsals are held in 3 locations- San Francisco (Mondays, Saint Vincent de Paul Parish Hall, 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.), Oakland (Wednesdays, St. Margaret Mary Parish Hall (4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.) or Hayward (Thursdays All Saints School Auditorium, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.). For information, view the GGBC web page at [www.ggbc.org](http://www.ggbc.org), or call and leave a message at (510-887- 4311). You are invited to meet Bay Area GGBC boys and their families and learn more about the choir at Singer Saturday at St Vincent De Paul in San Francisco on September 9th at 1:30 PM.

**SECOND COLLECTION**  
**SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL - THIS WEEKEND**  
**"100" CLUB - NEXT WEEKEND**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sunday, August 27	8:30 a.m.	Joseph Clement†
	11:00 a.m.	Percy & Brunella Amos†
Monday, August 28	7:30 a.m.	
Wednesday, August 30	7:30 a.m.	
Friday, September 1	7:30 a.m.	Rufus Fisher 88 <sup>th</sup> Birthday
Saturday, September 2	4:30 p.m.	For The People

**CHURCH SUPPORT**

Collection:	<b>August 20, 2017</b>	\$4,184.00
	Mission Coop Appeal	\$1,189.44

**"100" CLUB**

Beginning Balance	<b>\$7,266.18</b>
Total Income for July 2017	\$570.00
<b>Ending balance as of July 31, 2017</b>	<b>\$7,836.18</b>

**PENNY HARVEST**

<b>Ending Balance as of July 31, 2017</b>	<b>\$1,195.24</b>
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*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**

**SEPTEMBER 2/3, 2017**

<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>
G. McCullough	M. Soublet	M. Trevigne
L. Palmeri	J. Outley	L. Galloway #
		J. LaFitte-Tutson *
		L. Brown-Parker*

**A'S CELEBRATE BREAST CANCER AWARENESS**

Join us to celebrate Breast Cancer Awareness with the A's on Sunday, September 10, 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.