

**Alameda County Youth Leadership Academy**  
Interested in a paid internship with Alameda County?

The Alameda County Youth Leadership Academy (YLA) is a free, educational program for high school students in the 11th or 12th grade to learn about local government and complete a career development program alongside their peers from around the County.

Young leaders will have the opportunity to:

- Collaborate with cohort members
- Learn about County programs and services
- Engage with County staff, Department Heads, and Elected Officials
- Build leadership and technical skills to solve community challenges

YLA consists of five Saturday morning sessions (8:30 am - 12:00 pm) focusing on County services, including:

- Health Care
- Social Services
- Public Protection and Safety
- County Budget
- Career Development

Key Dates for the 2017 YLA Program:

- September 2017 — Application period begins
- September/October 2017 — Program starts
- January/February 2018 — Program ends

For more information and to stay up-to date on the 2017 program, use the following resources:

- Program Information: [www.acgov.org/youthleadership/](http://www.acgov.org/youthleadership/)
- Other questions? Email Briana.Brown2@acgov.org or call (510) 272-6695. ~ ~

\*Students will have the opportunity to apply for PAID internships working in Alameda County at the completion of the program.

**THE CHOIR'S CORNER**

What's going on??

**Interested in joining any of the Choirs?**

Please feel free to contact Music Director, Leonard Pete.

Phone: 510-917-2390

Email: [thevoicesofstbenedicts@yahoo.com](mailto:thevoicesofstbenedicts@yahoo.com)

**Or just join us at Choir Rehearsal on Thursdays at 6pm.**

Are you on Facebook?

Like our page! We're titled **The VOICES of St. Benedict - Oakland, CA**

**St. Benedict's Weekly Events**

<b>Sunday, June 18</b>		
<b>Monday, June 19</b>	1:00 pm	Parish Center
	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Parish Hall
<b>Tuesday, June 20</b>		
	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Parish Hall
<b>Wednesday, June 21</b>		
	9:00 am - 11:00 am	Parish Hall
	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Parish Hall
<b>Thursday, June 22</b>		
	1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Parish Center Church
	6:00 pm	Parish Center Church
<b>Friday, June 23</b>		
	1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Parish Hall
<b>Saturday, June 24</b>		

**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

**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

**Ms. 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**

**HOLY SEPULCHRE CEMETERY:**  
510.581.2488

**ST. MARY'S CEMETERY:**  
510.654.0936

**ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY:**  
510.223.1265

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:**



As the Jews wandered through the desert after escaping from Egypt, they started grumbling because they didn't have enough food to eat. God heard their complaints and provided them with bread from heaven, which they called *manna*.

God save the people from starvation by feeding them much like a mother feeds her children with the food they need to grow strong and healthy. So the Jews considered *manna* to be a symbol of God saving power and a sign of God's great love for his people.

In today's Gospel reading from the 6th Chapter of John, Jesus compares his body and blood in the Eucharist to the *manna* God gave the Jews in the desert. Jesus' body and blood is special food from heaven which, like the *manna*, is evidence of God's saving power and his great love.

Although Jesus' body and blood and the *manna* are similar, they are not identical because those who ate the manna in the desert still died but those who eat Jesus' body and drink his blood in the Eucharist will have eternal life. So Jesus body and blood in the Eucharist is greater than the *manna* and is an even better expression of God saving power and God's love for his people.

Jesus promised those who eat his flesh and drink his blood will rise from their graves. This promise is the foundation for the Christian belief that at the end of the world we will rise from the dead just as Jesus rose from the tomb on Easter Sunday morning. Like Jesus' resurrection, our own resurrection will be bodily and not just spiritual.

If we do not eat, our physical body will weaken and we will eventually die. What will happen to our spiritual selves if we do not partake of spiritual food?

It's a rare occasion that many of us would actually know someone famous, and as a daily adherent to the New York Times, I consider anyone featured in "the Gray Lady" to be famous. For whatever reason, it is a rare occasion for me to miss glancing at the Times in the morning, and last Sunday was an

example of my glaring oversight. However, I noticed that at last Sunday morning's 11:00 AM liturgy, the Watson family was present and particularly well-dressed. It wasn't until I settled down for lunch that discovered the wonderful article in The New York Times. This article, featuring our own Rosina and Leon, was written in commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the landmark U.S. Supreme Court decision Loving vs. Virginia, in which the High Court ruled in favor of an interracial couple who were charged and jailed for having violated Virginia's anti-misogyny laws. Loving vs. Virginia struck down such laws, and eventually paved the way for marriage equality within our country. Leon and Rosina were trailblazers in allowing their love for each other and God's call for them to join, be fruitful and multiply as a response of the heart and soul! Please get a chance to read that wonderful New York Times article on our own Watson family! We are so proud of you!

We are also so very proud of our own Golden State Warriors - I share and bask in the joy and immense civic pride in our dear Oakland that this occasion brings. Thank God for this momentous and unforgettable time!

Happy Father's Day to all of you who are fathers or father-figures. We also call to mind and prayers those figures who are no longer with us but are also deserving of our thoughts and prayers on this Father's Day commemoration.

I have asked Dionne Cola to serve as St. Benedict parish's Pastoral Associate. This non-paid position fulfills a function she already serves, which is to act as an assistant for parish pastoral responsibilities for St. Benedict. Dionne is tireless in her work to support the ministry of the parish.

Fr. Paul Vassar will be rejoining us after his absence over the past few months. Fr. Paul has been the temporary parochial administrator of the Catholic Community of Pleasanton during the absence of their pastor for health reasons. It is good to have him back with us.

God bless,  
*Fr. Jayson*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC**

This year's Annual Parish Picnic is Sunday, July 9, 2017 and Mass will be celebrated at the picnic site at 10:30 am. All parishioners are invited.

**LINE DANCE CLASS LUNCHEON**

On August 5, 2017 the line dancing class will celebrate their 5th anniversary with a luncheon and dance. Everyone is invited to attend. Ticket price is \$20 each and must be purchased in advance. Doors open at noon, lunch will be served at 1:00 and we will dance, Dance, DANCE until 4:00. There are less than 50 tickets left. If you're interested, contact Jo Soublet ASAP. [jcsoublet2@comcast.net](mailto:jcsoublet2@comcast.net) or (510) 782-3546. Profits from ticket and beverage sales will be donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

**2017 MASS BOOK**

The parish office will be accepting Mass Intentions for the 2017 Mass Book. 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.

**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.

**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.

**SECOND COLLECTION- NEXT WEEKEND  
SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sunday, June 18	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Percy Amos, Sr.† For all the Fathers in our Parish For The People
Monday, June 19	7:30 a.m.	
Wednesday, June 21	7:30 a.m.	
Friday, June 23	7:30 a.m.	
Saturday, June 24	4:30 p.m.	

**CHURCH SUPPORT**

Collection:	<b>June 11, 2017</b>	\$3,853.21
Other Collection:	Catholic Charities "100" Club	\$538.50 \$70.00

**"100" CLUB**

Beginning Balance	\$5,767.75
Total Income for May 2017	\$876.00
<b>Ending balance as of May 31, 2017</b>	<b>\$6,643.75</b>

**PENNY HARVEST**

<b>Ending Balance as of May 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**

**JUNE 24/25, 2017**

<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>
J. Garibaldi H. Santi	C. Ologbosele J. Grant	L. Galloway # G. McCullough C. Hadnot * M. Trevigne *

*Please pray for:*

Bobbie Brown  
Sean McVey  
Anita Recania



(Will stay in the bulletin for one month)