

Saint Benedict's Roman Catholic Church

2969 Otis Avenue, Bronx, New York 10465

The Home Parish of Terence Cardinal Cooke ~ (March 1, 1921 - October 6, 1983)
Cardinal Archbishop of New York—Motto: *Fiat Voluntas Tua*, meaning, "Thy Will Be Done"

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RECTORY HOURS:

Monday - Friday:

9:00am until 12:00pm
1:00pm until 5:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am until 4:00pm

Sunday: Closed

SCHOOL:

1016 Edison Avenue, Bronx, NY 10465
Tel: 1-718-829-9557
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<http://www.stbenedictschoolbx.org>

CLERGY:

Reverend Stephen P. Norton
Pastor

Reverend Daniel P. Tuite
Parochial Vicar

Deacon A. Michael Salvatorelli
Deacon John Scott

PASTORAL STAFF:

Mr. Ray Vitiello, *School Principal*
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Mrs. Anne Myers, *Director of Music*

SERVING YOUR SACRAMENTAL NEEDS:

The Sacrament of Baptism: Please call the Rectory for a date soon after the birth of your child.

The Sacrament of Marriage: Please call the Rectory at least six (6) months prior to date of Marriage.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick: Please inform the priests if you have a family member in the hospital.

The Sacrament of Holy Orders: If you feel called to serve the church as a priest, deacon or in consecrated life, please call the rectory to speak to one of the priests or deacons for guidance.

Interested in possibly becoming Catholic? Please contact the rectory to arrange a meeting to discuss your questions. We have classes to help people learn about our faith and decide if becoming Catholic is best for you. This whole process of inquiry and potential conversion is called RCIA - The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

We will respect your personal journey with God!

Happy New Year

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



MASSES:

Weekdays: 6:45am and 8:30am
Saturdays: 8:30am and 4:00pm
Sundays: Vigil: 4:00pm (Saturday evening),
7:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 7:00pm

Holy Days of Obligation:

Vigil 7:00pm (Night before)
6:45am, 8:30am and 12:00 Noon

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: (CONFESSION)

Saturdays: 9:00am until 9:30am and
3:00pm until 4:00pm

Any time by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Tuesdays and Fridays
(See page 4)

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Monday after the 8:30am
Mass - Church

December 29, 2019

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Over all [other virtues] put on love,
that is, the bond of perfection.

— *Colossians 3:14*

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

SUNDAY, December 29th - *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*

7:00 Christmas Novena
8:00 Luigi & Nina Lafergola
9:30 Angelina Iorio *“Happy Birthday in Heaven”*
11:00 Misael Vasquez
7:00 St. Benedict’s Parish

MONDAY, December 30th - *Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord*

6:45 John & Richarda Powers
8:30 Christmas Novena

TUESDAY, December 31st - *Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Sylvester I; New Year’s Eve*

6:45 Christmas Novena
8:30 Giovanni & Rosa Chiodi
7:00pm Fr. Kenneth Marks and Family

WEDNESDAY, January 1st - *The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; Mary, the Holy Mother of God; World Day of Peace; New Year’s Day*

6:45 Bishop Robert Bructo
8:30 Carmelo Pepe and Carmela Mastrandrea
12:00 Noon Joseph Frabasile

THURSDAY, January 2nd - *Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen*

6:45 Mitchell Sorgie
8:30 Jose M. Falzarano

FRIDAY, January 3rd - *The Most Holy Name of Jesus; First Friday*

6:45 For the Advancement of the Cause of Canonization of Terence Cardinal Cooke
8:30 Addolorata Iaffaldano

SATURDAY, January 4th - *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton; First Saturday*

8:30 Carmine Milagros Rodriguez
4:00 Peter Caiola

SUNDAY, January 5th - *The Epiphany of the Lord*

7:00 St. Benedict’s Parish
8:00 Francesco Chiodi
9:30 Juan Rivera-Feliciano
11:00 Roman Kaminski
7:00 Bishop Robert Bructo

Masses for the New Year, Eucharistic Adoration and the Rectory days/hours, please see page 3

THIS WEEK’S ALTAR BREAD, WINE AND ALTAR CANDLES HAVE BEEN DONATED BY:

Loving Wife Lorraine, Children and Grandchildren

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Loving Husband, Father, and Grandfather Frank N. Parisi, Sr.

**Please Remember to Pray for the Sick!
May they find healing and comfort in Jesus Christ!**

Joseph Abbate	Ann Marro
Zobeida Almodovar	Jenny Mauro
Anthony Battista	Kevin McCarthy
Judy Berardinone	Chris McPadden
Kathleen Bowers	Denise McPadden
Apollonia & Wendelin	Sue McVey
Brenner	Kesnel Menard
Amy Buscamonte	Jose Mendez
Inez Cantamessa	Ann Monnelly
Lillian Corrado	Rosa Munoz
Carlos Cruz	Maylee Roman Overman
Tom Curran	Lorraine Parisi
Vinny D’Amico	Rob Passanisi
Mike & Louis D’Annunzio	Kim Rappold
Sean Fagan	Antonette Roublick
John Fernandez	Ann Samhammer
Marion Gruber	Dave Samhammer
Kathleen Hurley	Margaret Geddis Schmidt
Eileen Jennings	Kathy Selvaggio
Mary Johnson	Nina Serpati
Edward Kennedy	Maria Soto
Elise Lawler	Pasquale Tartaglione
Frankie Lettera	Alex Trebek
LauMei Sheung Louie	Jean Varela
Louis	Thomas Vecchio
Elizabeth Mandile	Leeann Williams
Elaine Marin	Paul Yeacades
Kenneth Marin	Patricia Zayas
	Robert Ziehl

Babies/Children

Baby Amari, Danielle Grace Combo, Charli Mary Carozza, Sebastian DeLuca, Caleb DeJesus, Marco Garcia, Joseph Gentile, Blake Salvatore Haddock, Baby Olivia Iafelice, Baby Noelle Jablonka, Infant Savannah Longo, Sophia Lopez, Infant Lucas Ortiz, Tiffany Toro, Azalea Vargas, Rayne Weiner

**+ Please Pray for the Recently Deceased Members of our Parish and their Grieving Families +
Frank DiGiannantonio, Michael B. DiMartino,
Patricia Jusino**

Spiritual Readings for the Week of December 29, 2019

Monday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
Wednesday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
Friday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
Saturday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

THIS WEEK’S SANCTUARY LAMP HAS BEEN DONATED BY:

Sisters Lucy Passaro and the Late Elena Ardito Caggiano

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

John & Joseph Ardito, Mary & Frank Passaro, Max & Gertrude, Maggie & Carmela, Assunta, Regina & Paul and Gaetano Orzo

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From the Pastor:

My Dear Parish Family:

Thank you to all our parishioners for making Christmas so beautiful here at St. Benedict's! The Christmas Concert a couple of weeks ago was fantastic! The decorations in the Church are always done so well and this year was no exception - thank you to the Liturgy Committee! Thank you for all the cards and baked goods sent to the rectory. Fr. Dan and I are very grateful for all your love and support throughout the year but especially during this holy season of Christmas. Thank you!

The Church throughout the world celebrates Holy Family Sunday when we remember Joseph, Mary and Jesus were a family. Jesus, the Son of God, was obedient to Joseph and Mary. We need to pray for our children to learn to respect the gift of their parents and honor them always. We remember Joseph and Mary as parents. We pray for parents to be holy and watchful over their children, meeting not just their children's physical needs but more importantly their spiritual needs. Parents are called to raise their children to God by bringing them to Church each Sunday and Holy Days and to teach them to pray at home before meals and in the morning, as well as before bed. Children learn by example and for parents there is no better model than Joseph and Mary. Joseph and Mary were a married couple and so they are a perfect model for all husbands and wives to learn to love and respect one another all the days of their married life. I know that marriage is not always easy, but if we ask Joseph, Mary and Jesus to help and intercede for our marriages and our families we will have a greater peace and stronger lives together as a family. Let us pray that all the families of our parish will strive to be like the Holy Family.

On a more earthly note, we continue to work on paying down our parish debt through the generosity of all of you to Renew & Rebuild. Please continue to remember to send in your donation to the Renew & Rebuild Campaign because it remains important for us as a parish community. I continue to "work" with the Archdiocese regarding our boiler which is not functioning to capacity, but I will not release money towards paying off the boiler project until I am satisfied. I have instructed the parish accountant to prepare an end of year report for the parish and we will have that available to you soon into the new year.

Be assured that Fr. Dan, Deacon Michael, Deacon John Scott as well as myself, will hold you in our prayers as we begin the Year of Our Lord 2020. May God continue to bless His Church throughout the world, and in particular, our parish community.

Until next week, Happy New Year! St. Benedict and Cardinal Cooke, Servant of God, pray for us!

Fr. Stephen P. Norton

SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a **Second Collection NEXT** weekend for Communications and The Catholic University of America. Thank you very much for your support.



ST. BENEDICT'S PARISH HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE **November 9, 2020 — November 18, 2020**

We invite you to join us for a Once in a Lifetime Experience to see the very places where our Lord Jesus Christ walked, taught, and lived His earthy life. Come with us on Pilgrimage to the Holy Land led by Fr. Dan Tuite.

"To walk in the footsteps of Our Lord Jesus Christ cannot be described. It can only be experienced."

\$3,498.00 ALL INCLUSIVE!

Tuesday, December 31, 2019 - New Year's Eve Mass

7:00pm Vigil Mass

New Year's Day Masses - Wed., January 1, 2020

Holy Day of Obligation

Masses are as follows: 6:45am, 8:30am, 12:00 Noon

The Rectory will be CLOSED:

- Sun., Dec. 29th (always closed on Sundays)
- Wed., Jan. 1st (New Year's Day 2020)

The Rectory will be OPEN:

- Mon., Dec. 30th 9am until 5pm
- Tues., Dec. 31st (New Year's Eve) 9am until 12:00 Noon
- Thurs., Jan. 2nd 9am-5pm (back to our regular rectory/office hours)

Eucharistic



Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

- There will be Adoration on the following dates:
- Fri., Dec. 27th from 9am-5pm
- Rosary at 12:00 Noon in the Chapel
- Tues., Dec. 31st (New Year's Eve) 9am until 12:00 Noon



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WEEKLY OFFERINGS

SUNDAY, December 15, 2019 \$8,738.67

50/50 WINNER:

Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Berger \$144.00

Thank you to everyone for your generosity and for all that you do for St. Benedict's Parish throughout the year!

Longest Married Couple Search World Marriage Day - February 9, 2020

The search begins for the Longest Married Couple in the Archdiocese of New York! To enter: Couples must be sacramentally married for a minimum of 65 years and reside in the Archdiocese of New York.

The longest married couples will receive commemorative certificates signed by His Eminence, Timothy Cardinal Dolan. The winning couple will be interviewed and featured in an article in *Catholic New York*. Winners are determined by how long the couple has been married as of World Marriage Day, February 9, 2020. For further information, please contact Joan Brisson at the Family Life Office at **646-794-3190** or Joan.brisson@archny.org. Email entries can be sent directly to Joan.brisson@archny.org. **The deadline for entries is 5:00pm on Sunday, January 19, 2020!**

"Keep Christ in Christmas" Magnets

If you would like to purchase a magnet that reads "Keep Christ in Christmas", please stop by the rectory. Our Knights of Columbus have these magnets and brought them to the rectory. **The cost is ONLY \$5.00 for the large size and \$3.00 for the small size. Let's be proud of our Catholic faith! Thank you and God Bless you!**

Let's be proud of our Catholic Faith!

MARRIAGE SAVEHOUSE - Problems in your Marriage?

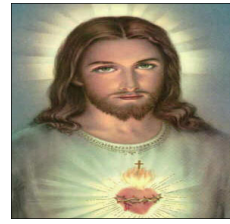
Come to **Marriage SaveHouse**, a parish-based ministry aimed at helping spouses overcome the stress and issues that plague so many couples. Our team of married couples will help and guide you to a long and happy marriage. **We will meet with you and your spouse discreetly. For an appointment, please call Deacon Mike at 718-828-3403, x107.**

Jeanne Jugan Residence - Little Sisters of the Poor

Position Open— All Shifts - CNA (Certified Nurse's Assistant) Throgs Neck, Bronx
Email: bxhumanresources@littlesistersofthepoor.org
Contact Susan O'Connor/HR Director
347-329-1734 (telephone) 347-329-1811 (fax)

Please keep all Military, Police, Firefighters, and First Responders in your prayers. Thank you!

Eucharistic Adoration



ADORATION CHAPEL DAYS AND HOURS

Tuesdays from 9am until 7pm
Fridays from 9am until 7pm
Fridays we pray the Rosary at 12:00 Noon

Please stop by the chapel and spend some quiet time with our Eucharistic Jesus. Please tell a friend, neighbor, and/or relative. Thank you and God Bless you!

IMPORTANT

**There will be Adoration on Tuesday, Dec. 31st
(New Year's Eve) from 9am until 12:00 Noon**

Prayer List For Our U.S. Servicemen and Women

U.S. Air Force:

1st Class Airman Eric Bosco, Lt. Col. Thomas D. Crimmins, Ismael Guiles, Major Roger Illari, Stephanie Mendez, Air Force Airman, Msgt. Daniel Rivera, Lieutenant Colonel Alicia Stumpf, Major Sean Stumpf.

U.S. Army/U.S. National Guard:

Pvt. Michael Careswell, Fr. (Chaplain) James Collins, Dooley, Sgt. Scott Douglas, Jason Engeldrum, Sgt. Pedro Flores, Pvt. Anthony Grieco, Jr., 2nd Lt. Christopher Hackett, Johnny Jimenez, 82nd Airborne, Corporal Jenna Kuhl, Sergeant First Class Javier Mendoza, PV2 James McCarthy, Captain Peter Anthony Orlando, Pvt. Anthony Ottaviano, Captain Fr. Peter Pompisello, Major Lori Robinson, Thomas Robinson, Jr., Pvt. Justin Roman, Ryan Shank, Timothy S. Valentine, S.J., Capt. Javi SanJuan, 1st Lt. Renee SanJuan, Col. Raymond Van Pelt, Franky Perez, Sgt. Andrew Santander, Staff Sgt. Matthew Wickes, SPC Albert Zapata, Staff Sgt. William Ziegler.

U.S. Coast Guard:

Jayke Hooks, Seaman Apprentice, Thomas J. Hooks, Brandon A. Moreno, Seaman Apprentice, PO3 Eberlee Santander.

U.S. Marine Corps:

Master Sgt. Mark S. Lynch, Corporal Kevin S. Major, LCpl Erik M. Mango, Major Frank Parisi-Reserves, Sgt. Benjamin Rodriguez, Staff Sgt. Randy Vaccaro-Reserves, Pvt. 1st Class, Jason R. Wager-Reserves.

U.S. Navy:

Diplomat John Brunetti, Petty Officer Gillen, Lt. Jennifer Groger, ABH3 (AW) Christopher Hough, Naval Airman E-3, Sea Bee Sammy Pizzano, Petty Officer William F. Ramos, Ralph Romero Sanchez, Richard Torrens, Lt. Victor Schaeffer, Pvt. Nicholas Zayaz

Archdiocese of New York (Liturgy)

Online Training and Certification for Lectors!

Have you thought about becoming more active in your parish? Are you a lector who wants to learn more about the Scriptures? Give back this holiday season and sign-up for a new online training program, offered in English and Spanish! Through an instructional video and short quizzes, deepen your connection to this ministry and earn your certification in as little as two hours.

Sign up at: nyliturgy.teachable.com

ST. BENEDICT'S SCHOOL

St. Benedict's School offers FULL & HALF DAY Pre-K 3 and 4 Year Old Programs and FULL DAY Kindergarten through Grade 8. If you are interested in having your child(ren) attend St. Benedict's School for the 2019-2020 school year, please visit our website at: www.stbenedictschoolbx.org for important registration/application information. Please feel free to contact St. Benedict's School (718-829-9557) for a tour.

St. Benedict School

St. Benedict School will be CLOSED for Christmas vacation beginning **Mon., December 23, 2019 through Fri., January 3, 2020**

Classes will Resume on: **Monday, January 6, 2020**
Blessed & Healthy New Year

ANNOUNCED MASSES

It is that time of year again. If you would like to reserve Announced Masses, please complete the "gold" form that **is in the back of the church or the rectory**. After completion of the form, please return it to the rectory with your check. **These Masses will be reserved from Jan. 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020.** The Masses will be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis. Thank you.

Throggs Neck Thunderboltz

The Throggs Neck Thunderboltz Club is an AAU basketball club entering our third season; our first season was a major success and we are looking to build on it. It comprises of boys and girls teams of various ages based on skill level competing in various tournaments throughout the tri-state area and beyond. The season runs from March 2020 into the summer. Tryouts will be at St. Benedict's School (Logan Avenue entrance) on **Monday, Jan. 20, 2020** as follows:

Girls grades 3-5: 9a-10:30a; **Girls grades 6-7:** 10:30a 12p; **Girls grades 8-9:** 12p-1:30p. **Boys grades 3-5:** 2:30p-4p; **Boys grades 6-7:** 4p-5:30p; **Boys grades 8-9:** 5:30p-7. For more information, please call 646-907-8496 or visit our Facebook page or email us at: tnthunderboltz@gmail.com

REMINDERS:

Sun., 12/29		NO BAPTISMS
Tues., 12/31		Rectory Open from 9am-12 Noon (New Year's Eve)
Wed., Jan. 1, 2020		Rectory CLOSED (New Year's Day) Happy New Year
Thurs., 01/02	7:00pm	Women's Cornerstone Meeting Convent, upstairs
Fri., 01/03	9am-7pm	Adoration Chapel
Fri., 01/03	12:00 Noon	Rosary - Chapel
Fri., 01/03	12:00 Noon	Sacro Cuore
Sun., 01/05	11:00am Mass	Baptisms
Mon., 01/06	7:00pm	Baptism Instructions Convent
Tues., 01/07	9am-7pm	Adoration Chapel

**St. Benedict RE (CCD) Program
Registration for 2019-2020
Grades 1 - 8 and high school**

If anyone would like to register your child(ren) for the 2019-2020 RE (CCD) Program, please note the following tuition rates:

1 child:\$125.00, **2 children:**\$175.00, **3 children:**\$225.00

You can contact Ms. Joann LaDisa at her office (at St. Benedict's School) at **718-829-1200**. Ms. LaDisa will be in her office as follows:

- Sundays and Tuesdays from 9:00am until 1:30pm
- Wednesdays from 11:30am until 6:30pm
- Thursdays from 9:00am until 1:00pm.

Therefore, if you would like to make an appointment, please call her at the above telephone number or you can email her at:

StBenedictREdu@gmail.com

RE (CCD)

NO CCD CLASSES:

Wednesday, January 1, 2020

**Wednesday Classes will Resume on:
January 8, 2020**

NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:

Sunday, December. 29th

Sunday CCD Classes will Resume:

Sunday, January 5, 2020

Blessed & Healthy New Year

Transmitting the Faith

Pope Francis has written an Apostolic Letter on the meaning and importance of the nativity scene. He signed the Letter during his visit on a Sunday afternoon to the Italian town of Greccio. The memories of standing before the Christmas crèche when we were children should remind us "of our duty to share this same experience with our children and our grandchildren," says Pope Francis.

It does not matter how the nativity scene is arranged, "what matters is that it speaks to our lives." The Christmas crèche is part of the previous yet demanding process of passing on the faith, concludes Pope Francis. "Beginning in childhood, and at every stage of our lives, it teaches us to contemplate Jesus, to experience God's love for us, to feel and believe that God is with us and that we are with Him."

If you are interested in more information, please go to the following website:

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2019-12/pope-francis-apostolic-letter-nativity-scene-meaning.html>

Archdiocese of New York - Archways

The Winter 2019-2020 edition of Archways, the quarterly magazine of the Archdiocese of New York, is now available online! This issue's cover story, "Young and Catholic," is the antidote to all that, offering ample evidence that the rumors of the Church's collapse and its wholesale abandonment by the next generation — are greatly exaggerated. You'll meet schoolgirls devoted to the Blessed Mother, middle schoolers serving the poor and hungry, and teens and young adults whose selfless dedication to the faith and their fellow humans is an inspiration — and a source of hope — to their elders.

Their stories give us confidence that the future of the Church is in good hands. There are many other stories in the issue.

Email: archways@archny.org / **Website:** archny.org

ORGANIZATIONS:

AA Friday at 8:00pm - *FAH - 1-347-387-0079
Al Anon - Friday from 7:00pm-8:00pm for Beginners and from 8:00pm-9:00pm for the regular meeting in the **Convent - 1-646-281-9522
Bereavement Group - Spring and Fall Sessions Saturday from 11:00am until 12:30pm - **Convent 718-828-3403, ext. 101
Bible Study - Tuesday 7:00pm **Convent upstairs
CCD—RE-CCD Classes Sunday from 10:30-12:00pm and Wednesday from 4:15-5:45pm - *Parish School*
Children of Light Charismatic Group - Monday 7:30pm - *Providence Rest, Waterbury Avenue*
Children of Mary Prayer Group - Wednesday 7:15pm *Adoration Chapel (in the Convent)*
Choir (Adult) Rehearsal Wednesday from 7:15-8:30pm and Sunday Mass at 11:00am
Choir (Children) Rehearsal Wednesday from 2:45pm-4:00pm and Sunday Mass at 9:30am
Fife and Drum Corps - Monday 6:00pm - *Parish School*
NA - Wednesday 7:00pm - **Convent
Nar-Anon - Wednesday 7:00pm to 8:15pm - **Convent
Northeast Bronx Senior Citizen Center, Monday-Friday, 9:00am-3:00pm, 718-892-6090 - *FAH
RCIA Sunday at 11:00am Mass and then over to the **Convent at 12:00 Noon - Classes begin in September and end in May
Respect Life **Convent (Please call Gia if you are interested at 646-247-5528)
St. Benedict's Knights of Columbus
 Website: www.kofc11590.org
 *FAH-Father Albert Hall or **Convent, 1082 Edison Avenue

Reasons to be Registered in the Parish:

- * Helps support the Church;
- * Proves that you are a practicing Catholic;
- * Helps to obtain sponsor certificates, release letters, or any other documentation needed from the Church;
- * Enables you or members of your family to become eligible for any of the sacraments (Baptism, Reconciliation, Holy Communion, Confirmation, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick);
- * Enables you to have your children registered in our Parish School or our Religious Education Program (RE-CCD) for their religious education;
- * Give you a sense of belonging to the Parish Family;
 Stop by the rectory **Monday-Friday**, 9:00am-12:00pm and 1:00pm-5:00pm, and **Saturdays**, 9:00am-4:00pm. 718-828-3403, ext. 101 or go to the website: <http://www.stbenedictchurchny.org>
Closed on Sundays.

We're Always Looking For...

BOX TOPS - EDUCATION: All you have to send in are the actual squares of the box tops, the bar codes of the item you purchased are not needed. You can send them to the school, attention Cristina Cherubino. Everything helps and the school appreciates your participation with this. Go to BTFE.com.

For Your Information: If anyone would like to listen to Radio Maria English...type the web address **radiomaria.us**. Then...on the bottom left where it says "24/7 Live Listening..Listen Live"...click on "Live Stream" on the Radio 620am

RECTORY TELEPHONE #: 1-718-828-3403

TELEPHONE EXTENSIONS

When the recording comes on, please dial the extension. The extension numbers are as follows:

Fr. Stephen Norton	109
Fr. Dan Tuite	104
Deacon Michael Salvatorelli	107
Parish Manager	
(Phil Persico)	101
Carole Janicki	102
Carl Triano	117
Ms. Joann LaDisa (CCD)	1-718-829-1200
School	1-718-829-9557

Helpful Information for Our Parish Family:

If anyone would like to donate furniture, clothing, etc. to charity, contact any of the following organizations:

Bronxworks:	718-731-3114
Catholic Charities:	718-292-9090
Greymore Thrift Shop:	845-424-3635
POTS (Part of the Solution):	718-220-4892
Salvation Army:	800-728-7825
St. Ann's Church:	718-585-5632
St. Mary's Church:	718-529-6070 or 718-529-7825
St. Peter's Episcopal Church:	718-931-9270
Thorpe: They do NOT pick up.	718-933-7312 or
You have to bring your donation to Thorpe. (drop-offs only)	718-295-2550

The above organizations may set a date with you to pick up your donation(s) unless otherwise specified. Thank you for caring.

Catholic Directory:

Familink.com - Internet Protection - www.familink.com
 Catholic Internet provider service which filters the Internet.
PROTECT YOUR FAMILY: Make your computer safe for your children and for yourself. BSAFE ONLINE internet filter will protect you from chat rooms, pornography, violence and other harmful websites. To order and install go to their website at: **www.bsafehome.com**
Sisters of Life-Post Abortion Help www.sistersoflife.org
 1955 Needham Avenue, Bronx, NY 10466. Pro-Life Sisters who pray and fight for all human life, born and unborn. Retreats for women who have had an abortion, please call 1-718-881-8008 and ask for Theresa.
The Catholic League - www.catholicleague.org
 1011 First Avenue, NYC, NY 10022. Fighting anti-Catholic bias in the media and entertainment field. If interested, they ask for a \$15.00 donation for their newsletter.

If you have an emergency, at any time of the day or night, please call the Rectory at 1-718-828-3403



STRENGTH AND GUIDANCE

A prayer for strength is often needed during difficult times. Please remember that God is always here for us, to give us strength, guidance and lift our hearts when all seems hopeless.

