

# *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  
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### **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!**

## *Welcome to Our Parish*



### **MASSES:**

**Weekdays:** 6:45am and 8:30am  
**Saturdays:** 8:30am and 4:00pm  
**Sundays:** Vigil: 4:00pm (Saturday evening),  
**Sundays:** 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 of this bulletin)

#### **MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:**

Monday after the 8:30am  
Mass - Church



**March 1, 2020**  
**First Sunday of Lent**

"The Lord, your God, shall you worship  
and him alone shall you serve"

— *Matthew 4:10*

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**MASSES FOR THE WEEK:**

**SUNDAY, March 1st**

**First Sunday of Lent**

- 7:00 St. Benedict's Parish
- 8:00 Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary
- 9:30 Hector Rivera
- 11:00 Marie & Raymond Cassidy
- 7:00 Francis Hruska

**MONDAY, March 2nd**

- 6:45 Asteria Geigel
- 8:30 Addolorata Iaffaldano

**TUESDAY, March 3rd**

**St. Katharine Drexel**

- 6:45 Mary Elizabeth O'Neill and Family
- 8:30 Bishop Robert Brucato

**WEDNESDAY, March 4th**

**St. Casimir**

- 6:45 Vincent E. McDonnell *"Living"*
- 8:30 Angela Berger

**THURSDAY, March 5th**

- 6:45 Joseph Kobylenski
- 8:30 Catherine Andreozzi

**FRIDAY, March 6th**

**World Day of Prayer; Abstinence;**

**First Friday**

- 6:45 Asteria Geigel
- 8:30 St. Benedict's School Mass

**SATURDAY, March 7th**

- 8:30 Michele & Mary DeBartolo
- 4:00 Mary & Kitty Cawley

**Ss. Perpetua and Felicity; First Saturday**

**SUNDAY, March 8th**

**Second Sunday of Lent**

- 7:00 Henry Van Zandt
- 8:00 Dominick & Pietro Viscogliosi and the Deceased Members of the Cipollone Family
- 9:30 St. Benedict's Parish
- 11:00 Theresa Caiola
- 7:00 Gjeto Gjan Volaj

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

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|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 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           |
| Walter Buddington           | Jose Mendez             |
| Amy Buscamonte              | Ann Monnelly            |
| Inez Cantamessa             | Rosa Munoz              |
| Lillian Corrado             | Maylee Roman Overman    |
| Carlos Cruz                 | Lorraine Parisi         |
| Tom Curran                  | Rob Passanisi           |
| Vinny D'Amico               | Paolo Principe          |
| Mike & Louis D'Annuncci     | Kim Rappold             |
| Carla DeCicco               | Antonette Roublick      |
| Sean Fagan                  | Ashley Saucedo          |
| Francisco Fernandez         | Ann Samhammer           |
| Isabelle Mercedes Fernandez | Dave Samhammer          |
| John Fernandez              | Margaret Geddis Schmidt |
| Marion Gruber               | Kathy Selvaggio         |
| Eileen Jennings             | Nina Serpati            |
| Mary Johnson                | Robert Siniscalchi      |
| Edward Kennedy              | Maria Soto              |
| Daniel Kundig               | Pasquale Tartaglione    |
| Elise Lawler                | Alex Trebek             |
| Frankie Lettera             | Jean Varela             |
| LauMei Sheung Louie         | Thomas Vecchio          |
| Louis                       | Antonio Vitiello        |
| Elizabeth Mandile           | Leann Williams          |
| Elaine Marin                | Paul Yeacades           |
| Kenneth Marin               | Robert Ziehl            |

**+ Babies/Children +**

Baby Amari, Danielle Grace Comblo, 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 +**

Rosa Abad, Joseph Chiodi, Gloria Giordano, Rita Repetti, Mary Palma Sambrato, Margie Signore, Filomena Vitiello

**Bishop Edmund Whalen - Bishop Whalen will celebrate Mass here at St. Benedict's Church on Saturday, March 7th at the 4:00pm Mass.** After the Mass, we will have a wine and cheese reception in Fr. Albert Hall for Bishop Whalen so that all the members of the parish may greet him and promise him our prayers. Please mark your calendars and kindly come to congratulate Bishop Whalen. Let us come together as a parish family to celebrate, once again, the gift of one of "our own" former priest and Pastor becoming a Bishop.

**THIS WEEK'S ALTAR BREAD, WINE AND ALTAR CANDLES ARE SPONSORED BY:**

*The Knights of Columbus  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF:  
The Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney  
who founded the Knights of Columbus  
on March 29, 1882*



**I. Matthew Eguino &  
Tess Haberman**



**DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME IS  
NEXT WEEKEND! SET ALL  
YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD  
ONE HOUR!**

*Don't forget to change the  
batteries in your smoke  
alarms!*

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### *From the Pastor:*

My Dear Parish Family:

We are now in the powerful and beautiful season of Lent. Lent is a time for us, Catholics, to reorganize our priorities. It is a time for us to refocus our lives. It is a time for us to remember the loving mercy of God who sent His only Son, Jesus, to suffer on the Cross so that we may be forgiven from all our sins.

Friday evenings we will have our own Deacon Michael Salvatorelli lead us in the Stations of the Cross in the Convent Chapel at 7:00pm. Everyone is welcome; adults, as well as children. Praying the Stations of the Cross is beautiful and an ancient tradition of the Catholic Church.

We have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Convent Chapel every Tuesday and Friday from 9:00am until 7:00pm. We pray the Rosary at 12:00 Noon on Fridays. Please come spend some time with Jesus Christ during Lent.

Some gentle reminders about Lent; flowers are not permitted in Church during this penitential season. This means no flowers at any of the statues or even in the back of the Church where the large Padre Pio and the Blessed Mother statues are placed. Kindly respect this discipline of Lent. Then in the season of Easter we may all be able to fully enjoy the decorations and flowers so lovingly placed in the Church by so many of you.

Until next week, may we all have a blessed Lent! St. Benedict, pray for us. Servant of God, Terence Cardinal Cooke, pray for us.

*Fr. Stephen P. Norton*

### Mission/Retreat - Fr. Dominic Ciriaco

**"Praying with the Saints in Lent"**

**here at St. Benedict's Church**

**Wed., March 11th AND Thursday, March 12th**

**12:00 Noon Mass** followed by a talk on the Saints found around the doors of St. Patrick's Cathedral.

**In the evening beginning at 7:00pm** will lead us in the Litany of the Saints followed by Fr. Dominic Ciriaco's talk and end with prayers to the Saints discussed in the Mission/Retreat.

I hope you will be able to attend one or both of the sessions for what I am sure will be an uplifting two spiritual days in Lent.

### The Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal 2020 Sharing God's Gifts

#### TEACH SERVE SANCTIFY

**Heavenly Father**, you called your Church to fulfill Christ's commission to teach, serve, and sanctify, and to make disciples of all nations. Bestow on us the grace, O God, necessary to live out this great mission across the archdiocese, at our parishes and in our homes. Enlighten, by your Holy Spirit, all who are called to teach. May they come to know you more deeply as the source of all truth and share our Gospel with joy. May we follow His example and minister to the suffering, the lonely, and the needy in our midst with patience, courage, and love. Illuminate, by the light of your glory, all of the baptized whose calling it is to sanctify, by making your Presence known in the world. May our lives always bear witness to your everlasting love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**CardinalsAppeal.org**

## FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

As a way of reminding everyone about the guidelines for the Lenten Fast & Abstinence, I offer the following explanation:

### Lenten Fast and Abstinence

During the Season of Lent, the Church urges all the faithful to reflect a spirit of penance in their daily lives through performing acts of fast and abstinence.

- Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 26th and ends on Holy Thursday, April 9th

- **FASTING**

Fasting requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two other smaller meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength, but these two meals together should not equal a full meal in quantity. Fasting obliges all those who have reached the age of 18 and continues to oblige until age 59. Those not specifically obliged to fast are encouraged to join in the discipline of fasting to the extent that they are able.

- **ABSTINENCE**

Abstinence prohibits individuals from eating meat on a particular day. Abstinence obliges all those who have reached the age of 14 and continues to oblige throughout their entire life. Those not specifically obliged to abstain from eating meat are able.

- Remember all Fridays of the year are designated as days of penance during which we are encouraged to practice self-denial out of gratitude for the suffering and death Jesus accepted for us.

- The time for fulfilling your Easter Duty extends from the First Sunday of Lent (March 1st) to Holy Trinity Sunday (June 7th.)

**Good Friday is a day of Fast and Abstinence!  
Fridays in Lent are days of Abstinence!**

**Please remember every Friday  
during Lent**

**(unless otherwise noted,) we have:**

- Italian Stations of the Cross at 12:00 Noon in the Church;
- English Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm in the Chapel;
- Adoration from 9am-7pm every Tuesday and Friday;
- Rosary at 12:00 Noon on Fridays in the Chapel.

**(Adoration Tuesdays and Fridays all year long!)**



### Do You Want to Fast this Lent?

**(in the words of Pope Francis):**

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words;
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude;
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience;
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope;
- Fast from worries and have trust in God;
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity;
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful;
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy;
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others;
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled;
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

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### WEEKLY OFFERINGS

SUNDAY, February 23, 2020 \$7,650.19

50/50 WINNER:

Thomas Powers \$160.00

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

### Re (CCD)

- **Sat., March 7th**, First Penance at 10:30am for Sunday CCD and the Villa Maria - Church
- **Sat., March 7th**, First Penance at 12:30pm for Wednesday CCD - Church

### Men and Women Cornerstone Meeting

Monday, March 2nd in the Convent

6:30pm fellowship / 7:00pm meeting

### ATTENTION: ANY CATHOLIC WHO HAS NOT RECEIVED THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION (18 years or older)

In Lent, St. Benedict's will offer a class for Catholics who may be missing the Sacrament of Confirmation; those attending the class may receive Confirmation in the Easter Season. **Please bring proof of your Baptism and First Holy Communion sacraments. Classes will be held each Wednesday in Lent at 7:00pm in the Rectory. The first class will begin Wed., March 4th until Wed., April 1st.**

If you are interested, please call the rectory at 718-828-3403, x101

### St. Benedict's School Annual Parish Raffle Friday, March 20, 2020

Order forms are available at the school and the rectory. You may purchase your ticket at the school office, Monday through Friday from 9:00am until 3:00pm. **Tickets are \$100.00 each.** You can drop off your completed form and check/cash at the rectory or at the school. The drawing will be held on **Friday, March 20th** in our school.

*Winnings are subject to taxes to be withheld!*

1st Prize: \$10,000.00

2nd Prize: \$ 2,000.00

3rd Prize: \$ 1,000.00

4th Prize: \$ 500.00

Please help us raise money for our parish school. Thank you for always supporting us. **Winners need not be present!**

### 22nd Annual Throggs Neck St. Patrick's Day Parade Sunday, March 15, 2020

#### GRAND MARSHALLS:

**Mrs. Sheila Haney and Jack McCarrick**

9:00am Mass at St. Benedict's Church  
11:00am Line of March Assembly at the corner of East Tremont and Lafayette Avenues  
12:00 Noon Parade begins. Reviewing Stand on East Tremont and Harding Avenues (Parade route begins at East Tremont and Lafayette Avenues and continues down East Tremont. Right on to Harding Avenue and concludes at Harding & Brinsmade Avenues.)

## 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!**

**Bible Study** - Please join the St. Benedict's Bible Discussion Group. We are studying the Psalms in the convent upstairs (1082 Edison Avenue.) Food and fellowship at 7pm, discussion starting at 7:30pm promptly and ending at 9pm. **The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 3rd.**

### Prayer List For Our U.S. Servicemen and Women U.S. Air Force:

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

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

Pvt. Michael Careswell, SPC, Army National Guard, Middle East, Marcus Cassin, Fr. (Chaplain) James Collins, Dooley, Sgt. Scott Douglas, Jason Engeldrum, Sgt. Pedro Flores, Pvt. Anthony Grieco, Jr., 2nd Lt. Christopher Hackett, Johnny Jimenez, 82<sup>nd</sup> 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, 1<sup>st</sup> 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. 1<sup>st</sup> 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 Zayas

### IMPORTANT

**Sunday, March 15th** the 9:30am Mass will change to **9:00am** due to the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Throggs Neck. **This change to 9:00am is ONLY for Sunday, March 15th.**

**ST. BENEDICT 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 2020-2021 school year, please visit our website at: [www.stbenedictschoolbx.org](http://www.stbenedictschoolbx.org) for important registration/application information. Please feel free to contact St. Benedict's School (718-829-9557) for a tour. A limited amount of scholarships are available for those eligible.

**St. Benedict RE (CCD) Program**

If interested, please 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](mailto:StBenedictREdu@gmail.com)

**ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK - LITURGY**

**Day of Prayer and Reflection for Liturgical Ministers**

*The Easter Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage*

**Saturday, March 7th from 10am - 3pm - St. Joseph's Seminary**

**Registration fee: \$30.00 (includes lunch)**

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Ushers and Parish Musicians are invited to come together to reflect on the meaning of the Easter Triduum and discover its deep meaning for their lives, their ministry and their parish communities.

Presenter: Dr. Donna Eschenauer. **Register as soon as possible:** [nyliturgy.org/dayofprayer](http://nyliturgy.org/dayofprayer)

**REMINDERS:**

Sun., 03/01	11:00 Mass	Baptisms
Mon., 03/02	6:30pm fellowship 7:00pm meeting	Men & Women Cornerstone meeting, convent
Mon., 03/02	7:00pm	Baptism Instructions - Convent
Tues., 03/03	9am-7pm	Adoration Chapel
Fri., 03/06	9am-7pm	Adoration Chapel
Fri., 03/06	12:00 Noon	Rosary - Chapel
Fri., 03/06	12:00 Noon	Italian Stations - Church
Fri., 03/06	7:00pm	English Stations - Chapel
<b>Sat., 03/07</b>	<b>4:00pm Mass</b>	<b>Bishop Edmund Whalen will celebrate the Mass</b>
Sun., 03/08	11:00 Mass	Baptisms
Tues., 03/10	9am-7pm	Adoration Chapel
<b>Wed., 03/11 and Thurs., 03/12</b>	<b>12:00 Noon and 7:00pm</b>	<b>Two-day retreat "Praying with the Saints in Lent" (see page 3)</b>
Thurs., 03/12	7:30pm	Men's Cornerstone meeting convent, upstairs
Fri., 03/13	9am-7pm	Adoration Chapel
Fri., 03/13	12:00 Noon	Rosary - Chapel
Fri., 03/13	12:00 Noon	Italian Stations - Church
Fri., 03/13	7:00pm	English Stations - Chapel
Sun., 03/15	11:00 Mass	Baptisms



**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 earthly 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!**

Any questions, please contact Fr. Dan at 718-828-3403.

**Bereavement Group**

The Bereavement Support Group is a time for prayerful reflection, sharing one's grief journey, learning strategies for coping, and discovering that you are not alone as you begin to find healing and consolation. The Bereavement Support Group here at St. Benedict's is held in the convent downstairs, 1082 Edison Avenue, **every Saturday beginning Sat., March 7th from 11:00am until 12:30pm.** If interested, please call the rectory at 718-828-3403, ext. 101.

**AARP CHAPTER #1242**

The next meeting will be **Thursday, March 5th** at 12:30pm at St. Benedict's Convent, 1082 Edison Avenue. Regular meeting.

**AMVETS LADIES AUXILIARY POST #38**

**1440 Shore Drive, Bronx, 10465**

**We will be having Bingo on Tuesday, March 10th. The doors open at 7:00pm and Bingo starts at 7:30pm. All are Invited!**

**Throggs Neck Volunteer Ambulance Corps Fundraiser  
Designer Bag BINGO**

**Sat., March 21st** at the Villa Maria Academy, 3335 Country Club Road. Doors open at 5pm and Bingo starts at 6:30pm sharp.

**\$35 per person - \$350 per table of 10**

We provide soda, water, coffee, and cookies. You may bring your own food and drinks. 15 games of bingo, 50/50, raffles for a TV, tablet, laptop, and more great prizes, door prizes, and a most creative Mardi Gras Mask Contest!

Tickets are on sale online at:

[www.tnvacbagbingo2020.eventbrite.com](http://www.tnvacbagbingo2020.eventbrite.com)

All tables must be paid in full. Limited seating. To donate or be a vendor, please contact TNVAC at 718-430-9501. Send check payments to: TNVAC, P.O. Box 302, Bronx, NY 10465

**Spiritual Readings for the Week of March 1, 2020**

**Monday:** Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

**Tuesday:** Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15

**Wednesday:** Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32

**Thursday:** Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12

**Friday:** Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26

**Saturday:** Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

**Sunday:** Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

**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:

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

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](http://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.bsafefhome.com](http://www.bsafefhome.com)  
**Sisters of Life-Post Abortion Help** [www.sistersoflife.org](http://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](http://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.

