

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 12:00 Noon
1:00pm until 5:00pm

Saturday:
9:00am until 4:00pm

Sunday: Closed

SCHOOL:

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CLERGY:

Reverend Stephen P. Norton
Pastor

Deacon A. Michael Salvatorelli
Deacon John Scott

PASTORAL STAFF:

Mr. Ray Vitiello, *School Principal*
Ms. Joann LaDisa, *Religious Education Office - School*
1-718-829-1200 or: StBenedictREdu@gmail.com
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



M A S S E S:

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: Cancelled until further notice

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Cancelled until further notice

September 13, 2020

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Forgive your neighbor's injustice;
then when you pray,
your own sins will be forgiven.
— *Sirach 28:2*

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

SUNDAY, September 13th

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents Day; Catechetical Sunday

- 7:00 Filomena Tiso
- 8:00 Giuseppe & Rosa Chiodi
- 9:30 Maria Guidotti
- 11:00 St. Benedict's Parish
- 7:00 Ann Marie Bagarozza

MONDAY, September 14th

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

- 6:45 Angelina DelVecchio
- 8:30 Anthony Cristiano

TUESDAY, September 15th

Our Lady of Sorrows

- 6:45 Souls in Purgatory
- 8:30 Mary Elizabeth O'Neill

WEDNESDAY, September 16th

Saints Cornelius and Cyprian

- 6:45 Angelina DelVecchio
- 8:30 Clansel Grant

THURSDAY, September 17th

St. Robert Bellarmine

- 6:45 Souls in Purgatory
- 8:30 Oreste J. Persico

FRIDAY, September 18th

- 6:45 Angelina DelVecchio
- 8:30 Catherine Andreozzi

SATURDAY, September 19th

St. Januarius; Blessed Virgin Mary

- 8:30 Agnes & Radovan Moruzin
- 4:00 Santo Terrasi

SUNDAY, September 20th

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:00 Louis S. Dineen
- 8:00 Jozef & Ndue Gega
- 9:30 St. Benedict's Parish
- 11:00 For Our First Responders
- 7:00 Michael Prince

REMINDER (For Parents of Scheduled Baptisms:)

Fr. Stephen Norton is inviting you to a scheduled Baptism Instructions Zoom meeting as follows:

Monday, Sept. 21st at 7:00pm

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81448971550?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81448971550?pwd=dU9NSDI1dXJnZ09Ndng3bUNZQTNBZz09)

[pwd=dU9NSDI1dXJnZ09Ndng3bUNZQTNBZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81448971550?pwd=dU9NSDI1dXJnZ09Ndng3bUNZQTNBZz09)

Meeting ID: 814 4897 1550

Pass code: Baptism

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

- II. *Lauren Mellusi & Jason Reitsman*
- I. *Lisa Houston & Jacob Rodriguez*
- I. *Giovanna Santiago & Jeremy Hoyfe*

**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 |
| Ramon. G. Barreiro | Kevin McCarthy |
| Anthony Battista | Chris McPadden |
| Judy Berardinone | Denise McPadden |
| Kathleen Bowers | Sue McVey |
| Apollonia & Wendelin | Kesnel Menard |
| Brenner | Jose Mendez |
| Walter Buddington | Ann Monnelly |
| Amy Buscamonte | Rosa Munoz |
| Inez Cantamessa | Maylee Roman Overman |
| Lillian Corrado | Lorraine Parisi |
| Carlos Cruz | Rob Passanisi |
| Tom Curran | Paolo Principe |
| Vinny D'Amico | Kim Rappold |
| Mike & Louis D'Annuncci | Sid Rosenberg |
| 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 | Leeann Williams |
| Elaine Marin | Paul Yeancades |
| Kenneth Marin | Robert Ziehl |

+ Babies/Children +

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

**+ Please Pray for the Recently Deceased Members
of our Parish and their Grieving Families +**

Sam Cummando, June Ricci, Michael Sysak

Second Collection

There will be a second collection the weekend of September 26th-27th for St. Joseph's Seminary Appeal. Please be as generous as you can for this collection. See page 3 of this bulletin. Many, many thanks.

**THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP HAS BEEN DONATED
BY:**

Lorraine Parisi
IN LOVING MEMORY OF:
*The Deceased Members of the
Parisi Family*

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From the Pastor:

My Dear Parish Family:

It seems strange! Something is just not right! We are in the month of September and we all see "Back to School" sales going on, but it just does not feel the same. I guess it's because public schools are being delayed in opening and some students in colleges and high schools are still at home doing remote learning; it makes this September feel differently. Nonetheless, our St. Benedict's School, along with the entire Archdiocesan school system, has opened this week with a blended approach for the welfare and safety of our students. Obviously, so many things will be different this school year, but Mr. Vitiello, as well as all the teachers and staff are continuing to give a solid Catholic education to all our students from Pre-K to 8th Grade. Please join me in praying for all students and teachers as they begin this unprecedented new school year.

As we begin to turn our attention to re-opening school, we must also embrace our Religious Education Program. Our religious education program remains under the guidance of Ms. LaDisa along with a small group of others assisting her. We will have on-line learning for our religious education students beginning in October. We will have a program on-line for all the grades in our program and will be celebrating First Communion and Confirmation in 2021 for all our parish children. Please note that Saturday, October 17, 2020 is reserved for First Holy Communion for all the children of the parish who were not able to receive this Sacrament in May of 2020 due to the pandemic.

I am sorry to say that we will not be able to bless backpacks this year. However, I look forward to blessing them at the beginning of the 2021 school year.

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

Fr. Stephen P. Norton

Spiritual Readings for the Week of September 13, 2020:

Monday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13; Ps 33:2-5, 12, 22; Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28; Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20; Ps 17:1bcd, 6-8b, 15; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10c-14; Lk 8:4-15

Sunday: Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

FAITH

Faith is the union of God with the soul.

—St. John of the Cross

Second Collection for St. Joseph's Seminary

We received the following letter from Cardinal Dolan:

September 2020, Month of the Seven Sorrows of Mary

"Dear friends in the Lord:

As I write to you today, I not only give thanks for our new rector, the Most Reverend James Massa, but also for the exemplary leadership of Monsignor Peter Vaccari, rector for the past eight years; and to Father William Cleary who has been serving as interim rector this year.

Whenever I receive letters from parishioners, no letter delights me more than when I read how much the faithful love their priests. And as you know, many were educated and formed at St. Joseph's Seminary, Dunwoodie.

Our seminarians are not only the future shepherds of our flock, but they will also be spiritual guides and leaders in our wider communities. We must be sure that they are as well prepared as possible to serve the Church in New York. And for the last 124 years, Dunwoodie has been that place of formation. Thousands of holy, dedicated and faithful priests have been ordained over these years. It is nationally renowned, held in the highest regard by bishops from around the country. Each year, other dioceses and religious orders send their candidates to our priestly formation program.

As I write to you today, I ask you to consider, in your own prayer, a sacrificial gift to the *Annual Seminary Appeal*. It will be collected on the weekend of September 27, 2020. Your support will provide tuition, room and board, academic training and spiritual formation for about 25 seminarians of the archdiocese studying here (if you include seminarians from other dioceses and religious orders, the total population is 64.) In a word, your support will help prepare young men who will inspire those letters of admiration that I receive daily about so many of our great priests.

The priesthood is a life of sacrifice and service. As you know, we do not have as many men making the commitment to serve as priests as we did years ago, and I am so grateful to those who accept the Lord's call. Please help me in providing for our seminarians who will hand on the life and traditions of the Church as they embark on their training to become your priests. To learn more visit www.dunwoodie.edu.

With gratitude and prayerful best wishes, I am,

Devotedly yours in Christ,

+Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan
Archbishop of New York"

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

The Archdiocese of New York is hard at work, mobilizing our medical, charitable, and administrative constituencies to make sure we are prepared to serve and care for the people of New York during this public health crisis. Your support of the Cardinal's Annual Stewardship appeal is an essential part of this process, and we invite you to consider making a gift of any size to help our Church make it through this time. To learn more about the Appeal and where your gifts go, I invite you to visit: cardinalsappeal.org. If you have not yet made a gift, please prayerfully consider Your Gift! Thanking you in advance for your generosity!

Your gift promotes the growth and vitality of the Church in New York

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WEEKLY OFFERINGS:

SUNDAY, August 30, 2020 \$6,717.00
SUNDAY, September 6, 2020 \$6,453.00

August 50/50 WINNER:
Thomas Powers \$117.00

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

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When the recording comes on, please dial the extension.

The extension numbers are as follows:

Fr. Stephen Norton	109
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

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 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 - 2020-2021

This coming season of Religious Education we will be learning remotely. The classes will be held virtually at a specific time of the week; 2 times a month. We will let you know the times and dates when they are determined. The teachers will give all work and collect work remotely. The classes can be any where from 60 to 90 minutes; which includes prayer time, lessons, and activities. More information will be given at a later date.

Please Note: if your child was suppose to make First Holy Communion earlier this year, the **new date is Sat., Oct. 17, 2020.**

I am accepting online registration for 2020-2021. If you would like to register online, please email me as soon as possible. However, I can be available during the evenings or weekends **by appointment only.**

Website: <https://stbenedictchurchny.org/>

Along with Fr. Norton, our Pastor, please remember that Masses can be found each Sunday at 11:00am on our Parish webpage, or you may wish to attend an on-site Mass at our Church (*see the front cover of this bulletin for the Masses.*) Any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out and I will make sure to get back to you as soon as possible.

If you are emailing or contacting me via text, please let me know who your child/children are and class for September that they will attend. I am in the office Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:00am until 12:00 Noon taking registrations or by appointment, please call **718-829-1200**, or email me at: StBenedictREdu@gmail.com

May God Bless you and keep you safe.
Respectfully, Joann LaDisa, DRE

Praying the Rosary

Praying the **rosary** is promoted as a means of strengthening one's faith, resisting evil, growing spiritually, and generally benefiting society.

The word **rosary** comes from Latin and means a garland of roses, the rose being one of the flowers used to symbolize the Virgin Mary.

Why Pray the Rosary? Below are reasons that will help you:

Pray the Rosary to grow closer to God. When you get to know someone better, you **often** love them even more. So it is with **God. As you pray the Rosary**, you get to know **God** the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit better. You reflect on **Jesus'** life and you are spending more time with **Him** as you pray.

In the Catholic Church, the **rosary** is one of the most cherished prayers. For Catholics, it is a powerful prayer of intercession to the Blessed Mother.

Pray the Rosary as often as you can!



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, 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 Jiminez, 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 Zayas

