

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:

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CLERGY:

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Reverend Christian Amah
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Deacon A. Michael Salvatorelli
Deacon John Scott

PASTORAL STAFF:

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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 in the Church from 12:00 Noon until 3:00pm (see page 4 of this bulletin)

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Cancelled until further notice



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Fifth Sunday of Lent

I will place my law within them
and write it upon their hearts;
I will be their God,
and they shall be my people.

— Jeremiah 31:33

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

SUNDAY, March 21st

Fifth Sunday of Lent; Third Scrutiny

7:00 Joseph Panarese
8:00 Bettina & Francesco Ficarra
9:30 St. Benedict's Parish
11:00 Ada Riccoboni
7:00 Joseph Duffy

"4th Anniversary in Heaven"

MONDAY, March 22nd

6:45 Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary
8:30 Domenico Rocchio and Maddelena Paolo

TUESDAY, March 23rd

St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

6:45 Margie Dell'Accio
8:30 Agnes Moruzin

"22nd Anniversary in Heaven"

WEDNESDAY, March 24th

6:45 Mike McCabe
8:30 Helen Pace Daversa

THURSDAY, March 25th

The Annunciation of the Lord

6:45 Nilda Esther Gonzalez
8:30 Anna Caputo

FRIDAY, March 26th

Abstinence

6:45 Joseph Primerano
8:30 Carmello Pepe

"2nd Anniversary in Heaven"

SATURDAY, March 27th

8:30 Frederick J. Ludwig
4:00 Members of the Carroll and Forte Families

SUNDAY, March 28th

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

7:00 Louis S. Dinino
8:00 MaryAnn D'Abbraccio
9:30 Simone & Concetta D'Abbraccio
11:00 Charles Tassone
7:00 St. Benedict's Parish



**RECONCILIATION,
MONDAY, March 29, 2021**

We will have confessions from **4:00pm until 8:00pm** in our Church. This has become known as Reconciliation Monday around the Archdiocese of New York. We hope you will go to confession and also encourage others to go to confession to embrace your Easter Duty.

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*

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

Joseph Abbate	Elizabeth Mandile
Ramon G. Barreiro	Elaine Marin
Anthony Battista	Ann Marro
Judy Berardinone	Jenny Mauro
Eleanor Blasucci	Kevin McCarthy
Jack Bonacorso	Chris McPadden
Kathleen Bowers	Denise McPadden
Apollonia & Wendelin	Sue McVey
Brenner	Kesnel Menard
Walter Buddington	Jose Mendez
Amy Buscamonte	Christie Madonna Muccino
Inez Cantamessa	Rosa Munoz
Carolyn Chiappetta	Maylee Roman Overman
Lillian Corrado	Lorraine Parisi
Carlos Cruz	Rob Passanisi
Tom Curran	Pasquale Preziosa
Vinny D'Amico	Paolo Principe
Mike & Louis D'Annuncci	Kim Rappold
Carla DeCicco	Philip Rebia
Sean Fagan	Phillip Rivera
Francisco Fernandez	Antonette Roublick
Isabelle Mercedes Fernandez	Ashley Saucedo
John Fernandez	Ann Samhammer
Mario Fidanza, Sr.	Dave Samhammer
David Fisher	Margaret Geddis Schmidt
Diane Freitas	Kathy Selvaggio
Debra Ann Garcia	Nina Serpati
Marion Gruber	Robert Siniscalchi
Eileen Jennings	Maria Soto
Edward Kennedy	Ronald Stanton
Daniel Kundig	Theresa Stanton
Elise Lawle	Pasquale Tartaglione
Frankie Lettera	Thomas Vecchio
Jessica Lettera	Antonio Vitiello
LauMei Sheung Louie	Leeann Williams
Louis	Robert Ziehl

+ Babies/Children +

Baby Amari, Mia Carolla, Daniella Grace Comblo, Charli Mary Carozza, Sebastian DeLuca, Caleb DeJesus, Marco Garcia, Joseph Gentile, Blake Salvatore Haddock, Olivia Iafelice, 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 +
Joan Bell, Antonio J. Gentile, Marcella Marziliano**

REMINDER (For Parents of Scheduled Baptisms:)

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

Monday, April 5, 2021 at 7:00pm

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82058645489?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82058645489?pwd=L2FHM1Y2VThPU0NNRTIiUXR2MUVhZz09)

[pwd=L2FHM1Y2VThPU0NNRTIiUXR2MUVhZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82058645489?pwd=L2FHM1Y2VThPU0NNRTIiUXR2MUVhZz09)

Meeting ID: 820 5864 5489 Pass code: 474331

THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP HAS BEEN DONATED BY:

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From the Pastor:

My Dear Parish Family,

During each week of Lent I have tried to give you, my dear parish family, an understanding of all the ways we can more fully embrace Lent. I began with prayer and followed up with columns on fasting and abstaining and now we turn our attention to almsgiving.

Almsgiving is most often money that we give to help the needy and the poor. We can give to the St. Vincent de Paul Society or send money directly to the parish and identify it as money for those in need. Often we purchase Foodtown and Target gift cards to have available when someone comes to the rectory looking for assistance. Also, we still take donations of non-perishable food; we give these items to food pantries we know in the Bronx.

Almsgiving can also be thought of giving of our time, talent or treasure. In other words, maybe you can volunteer at a food pantry or other places that need help. This is more of a challenge as we continue to battle with the COVID-19 virus. However, there are simple ways to volunteer like checking on a neighbor or shopping for an elder neighbor. Giving of your time to another can be a beautiful sacrifice that benefits another as well as yourself.

Almsgiving can also be using your talents to help someone. Recently, we had a father and son make our parish a new donation box. It is in the center aisle of the church and it is fantastic! Another parishioner has finished working on our confessionals and, still another parishioner is doing some needed repair work on our perpetual candles. What is your talent and how might you help others?

A family purchased for our parish the automatic sanitizer dispensers now located in the back of the church as an anonymous gift to the parish community. Of course, we can always financially support the Cardinal's Appeal which supports and helps many people throughout the Archdiocese. In other words, there is no limit to how we can give alms!

Thank you to all who have and continue to give in so many generous ways. I assure you that I thank God for all of you in my prayers everyday.

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

Fr. Stephen Norton

This is the correct Holy Week Schedule to follow and not the one that is in the envelope packet. Thank you!

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2021

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

Regular Mass Schedule

Monday, March 29th is Reconciliation Monday

Confession from 4:00pm until 8:00pm

HOLY THURSDAY

8:00am Church Opens

8:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Church is open until 12:00 Midnight

GOOD FRIDAY

8:00am Church Opens

3:00pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

HOLY SATURDAY

8:00am Church Opens

2:00pm until 4:00pm Confessions in the Church

8:00pm Vigil of Easter Mass

Please Note: **NO 4:00pm Mass**

Prayer • Sacrifice • Good Works

LENT
A TIME OF PREPARATION

LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE

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

“Lenten Fast and Abstinence”

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

“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 encouraged to join in this discipline to the extent that they are able.

GOOD FRIDAY is a day of Fast and Abstinence!
FRIDAYS in Lent are days of Abstinence!

DURING LENT

Every Friday during Lent we will have English Stations of the Cross on our website. Go to: www.stbenedictchurchny.org Then scroll down the page on the left side and click on “Click here for Lenten Stations of the Cross from St. Benedict’s Chapel.”

In addition, Stations of the Cross will be in Church at 7:00pm on Fridays.

We will continue to have Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesdays and Fridays from 12:00 Noon until 3:00pm in the Church unless otherwise noted.

**You must maintain social distancing;
You MUST wear a Mask!**

GOOD FRIDAY - There will be a special collection for the Holy Land on Good Friday. A collection box will be in the middle aisle of the Church or you can make a donation online “We Share.” Thank you for your generosity and support!

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES:
7:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am

Please note: **NO 7:00pm Mass**

RECTORY

Holy Thursday, April 1st	Rectory Closed
Good Friday, April 2nd	Rectory Closed
Holy Saturday, April 3rd	Rectory open from 9:00am-12pm
Easter Sunday, April 4th	Rectory Closed
Monday, April 5th	Rectory Closed
Tuesday, April 6th	Rectory opens at 9:00am

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WEEKLY OFFERING:

SUNDAY, March 14, 2021 \$7,811.00

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

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 **2021-2022** 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.

RE (CCD)

If you have any questions and/or concerns regarding RE (CCD), please contact me at:

StBenedictRELeDu@gmail.com or 718-829-1200.
God Bless you, Joann LaDisa, DRE

The following are important dates regarding sacraments:

First Penance: April 17th
First Holy Communion: May 1st

**The CARDINAL'S Annual Stewardship Appeal,
Sharing God's Gifts
Support Our Parish**

Your continued support of the Appeal ensures that the archdiocese is equipped to serve all people in need when they approach our parishes for help.

Even small sacrifices can make a big impact. Parish #: 230

For more information: <https://cardinalsappeal.org/>
You can complete a pledge form or go to: www.cardinalsappeal.org and click donate. Thank you for support and may God Bless you and keep you safe!

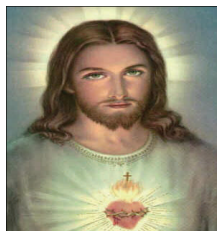
**45th Precinct Easter Egg Hunt - Sunday, March 21st
Throgs Neck Little League Field, 12:00 - 2:00pm, FREE!**

Ages 0-4 Egg Hunt begins at 12:30pm
Ages 5-12 Egg Hunt begins at 1:00pm

Games, Prizes, Picture with Easter Bunny, and More!
45th Pct Community Affairs: 718-822-5449

Spiritual Readings for the Week of March 21, 2021

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62];
Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42
Thursday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56
Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 (procession);
Is50:4-7; Ps22:8-9,17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk14:1-15:47[15:1-39]



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



We have **Eucharistic Adoration every Tuesday and Friday from 12:00 Noon until 3:00pm (unless otherwise noted)** in the Church (not the Chapel) for the time being. Please join us (**masks and social distancing is mandatory**) for some quiet and prayerful time with the Lord. We will expand the time in the future and return to the Adoration Chapel when circumstances allow.

Due to the Chrism Mass, there will be **NO Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesday, March 30th and NO Eucharistic Adoration on Good Friday. Eucharistic Adoration will resume on Tues., April 6th.**

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, 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, Pvt. Matthew 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, Sgt., Randy Vaccaro, Reserves, Pvt. 1st Class, Lieutenant Colonel Frank Parisi, Reserves, Sgt. Benjamin Rodriguez, Staff Jason R. Wager, Reserves.

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

REMINDERS:

Baptisms Sun., March 21st, and Sun., April 11th at the 11am Mass
You must maintain social distancing; You MUST wear a Mask

Baptism Instructions Mon., April 5th - Zoom (page 2)
You must maintain social distancing; You MUST wear a Mask

NO Baptisms Sun., March 28th (Palm Sunday) AND Sun., April 4th (Easter Sunday)

