

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:

Reverend Stephen P. Norton
Pastor

Reverend Christian Amah
Parochial Vicar

Deacon A. Michael Salvatorelli
Deacon John Scott

PASTORAL STAFF:

Mr. Ray Vitiello, *School Principal*
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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



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:

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

Bulletin - April 25, 2021
Fourth Sunday of Easter

See what love
the Father has bestowed on us
that we may be called the children of God.

— 1 John 3:1

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

SUNDAY, April 25th

Fourth Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations

7:00 Louis S. Dinino
8:00 MaryAnn D'Abbraccio
9:30 St. Benedict's Parish
11:00 Robert & Joseph Chiappetta
7:00 Pat & Marie Ziello

MONDAY, April 26th

6:45 James Szekely, Jr.
8:30 Carmelo & Lucia Macaluso

TUESDAY, April 27th

6:45 Charles Vieni
8:30 Marie McCaffrey

WEDNESDAY, April 28th

St. Peter Chanel; St. Louis Grignon de Montfort

6:45 Vincent Carotenuto
8:30 Marie McCaffrey

THURSDAY, April 29th

St. Catherine of Siena

6:45 Charles Giardino
8:30 John Bruno, Sr.
"25th Anniversary in Heaven"

FRIDAY, April 30th

St. Pius V; National Arbor Day

6:45 Kenneth Marin
8:30 Joseph DeFedele
"Happy Anniversary in Heaven"

SATURDAY, May 1st

St. Joseph the Worker; First Saturday

8:30 Vincent Carotenuto
4:00 Deceased Members of the Kamocsai and Duane Families

SUNDAY, May 2nd

Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:00 Mary Marco
8:00 MaryAnn D'Abbraccio
9:30 Robert & Mary Johnson
11:00 Virginia Parisi
7:00 St. Benedict's Parish

Archdiocese of New York - Respect Life Office

Please promote this to your friends and keep the spiritual fruitfulness of this effort for Life in your prayers.

Every 3rd Saturday of the month! May 15th, June 19th, July 17th, August 21st

Witness for Life: Bronx - St. Anselm and St. Roch Church, 685 Tinton Avenue, Bronx, NY at 8:00am Mass and Procession. Come witness to the sanctity of life and pray for an end to abortion. Join us for Mass and a peaceful rosary procession to a nearby abortion clinic. Thank you.

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

The Vieni and Salvatorelli Families

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Charles Vieni

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

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

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

Marie Aceto, Edward Bird, Frank Eisele, Carmela Giustino, James M. Schmitt, Hugo E. Vera



II. Luz Velasquez and Jesus Naveda

I. Briana Monaco and Anthony Barrella

THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP HAS BEEN DONATED BY:

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From the Pastor:

My Dear Parish Family,

Spring is upon us and Easter has been celebrated yet we are still in the midst of this terrible pandemic. I do not like this virus any more than all of you. I wish it was behind us but it is not over yet. Each week we have funerals for people who died from COVID-19. As we hear about a vaccine and more and more aspects of our lives “re-opening” we can tend to let our “masks down” but that is a huge mistake. I am sure that all of the members of our parish, like myself, want this virus to be forgotten. However, despite the fact that all of us do not like it I will maintain the mask requirements, social distancing and other safety measures at St. Benedict’s Parish. I will not let go of not even one regulation until such time as the medical community tells us that the virus is no longer a threat. This means Sunday Mass, any upcoming events at the parish including First Communion and weddings, must have masks worn at all times. Social distancing and all the other safety precautions will be maintained at all times while in St. Benedict’s Church.

Our children will have the opportunity to receive Jesus for the first time on Saturday, May 1st, but we will maintain the directives I have in place. This means only the First Communicant and their two parents or guardians are allowed to attend First Communion. No one else will be allowed to attend the First Communion Mass. It will be live-streamed. If others attempt to attend the First Communion Masses I will not come out to celebrate the Mass. I will send everyone home until next year. None of us wants this but I promise I will do exactly what I am stating. In other words, there will be no exceptions to the rule for First Communion of attendance being limited to - the child receiving Communion and two guests.

Upcoming weddings will require everyone attending the wedding, including the bride and groom, to wear a mask. I have already received my vaccination but, I will not allow others to perhaps get the virus simply because they are attending Sunday Mass or some other parish event. Unfortunately, I still preside over too many funerals every week due to COVID-19 to relax the safety measures. I am not trying to be difficult but, instead I am trying to keep all of us safe and free from COVID-19. Please help one another by staying vigilant regarding all safety measures in all public places including Church. Thank you.

Pray with me for an end to this terrible virus. Let us continue to remember all those who have died due to COVID-19, all those who are sick with this virus and kindly remember all those who mourn the loss of loved ones who have died because of COVID-19.

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

Fr. Stephen Norton



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25th and 50th Wedding Anniversaries

Couples celebrating their **25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary** anytime during 2021 are invited to attend a Mass here at **St. Benedict’s Church on Sunday, June 27th at the 11:00am Mass**. We honor all married couples as they celebrate their Wedding Anniversary. If interested, please call the rectory at 718-828-3403, X101 **no later than Tuesday, June 22nd**.

Summer Theology Courses at Saint Joseph’s Seminary (Dunwoodie)

Expand your understanding of the Catholic faith this summer with thought-provoking lectures offered in a prayerful, collegial setting!

Join us in person, or ZOOM in from any location to join a class, even from your home.

Classes taught from June 1st through July 14th.
50% off tuition for new students

For more information: www.dunwoodie.edu

REMINDER (For Parents of Scheduled Baptisms:)
Fr. Stephen Norton is inviting you to a scheduled Baptism Instruction Zoom meeting as follows:

Monday, May 3, 2021 at 7:00pm,
Monday, May 17, 2021 at 7:00pm,
Monday, June 7, 2021 at 7:00pm,
Monday, June 21, 2021 at 7:00pm

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82058645489?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82058645489)
pwd=L2FHM1Y2VThPU0NNRTIUXR2MUVhZz09

Meeting ID: 820 5864 5489 Pass code: 474331

Spiritual Readings for the Week of April 25, 2021:

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Jn 12:44-50
Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20
Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14 or (for the memorial) Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58
Sunday: Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-28, 30-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

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WEEKLY OFFERING:

SUNDAY, April 18, 2021 \$7,713.00

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:

StBenedictRELeu@gmail.com or 718-829-1200.

God Bless you, Joann LaDisa, DRE

The following is an important date:

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 your support and may God Bless you and keep you safe!

Please come join us for **Preston High School's 12th Annual Golf Outing** on **Friday, May 14, 2021** at the Pelham Bay/Split Rock Golf Course, Bronx, NY. For more information, please contact Cristina Fragale at 718-863-9134 ext. 132

cfragale@prestonhs.org. R.S.V.P. by May 1, 2021

Aloha!

Please join us at **Preston High School's Luau Card Party** in person **Saturday, June 19, 2021 from 6:00 pm - 11:00 pm.**

2780 Schurz Avenue, Bronx, NY 10465

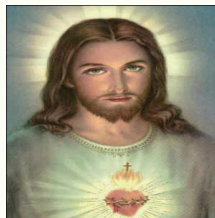
\$25 per person or \$200 for a table of 10

To purchase tickets, please call 718-863-9134 ext. 131 & 148

R.S.V.P by June 11, 2021

Every family moving into the Parish is invited to register at the Rectory. Please introduce yourself to one of the Clergy. If you change your address, please notify us.

All are welcomed to join our parish family!



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 & prayerful time with the Lord. We will expand the time in the future and return to the Adoration Chapel when circumstances allow.

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, 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, Lieutenant Colonel Frank Parisi, Reserves, Sgt. Benjamin Rodriguez, Staff Sgt., Randy Vaccaro, Reserves, Pvt. 1st Class, 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-3, Sea Bee Sammy Pizzano, Petty Officer William F. Ramos, Ralph Romero Sanchez, Richard Torrens, Lt. Victor Schaeffer, Pvt. Nicholas Zayas

Advocates of Life - The Advocates of Life have resumed prayer vigils every Saturday at 12:00 Noon in front of the Yonkers Planned Parenthood, 22 South Broadway. We will assemble prayerfully and peacefully to pray the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy! Our time outside the abortion facility will save lives. Thank you for caring and for your support. advocatesoflife@optonline.net

REMINDERS:

Baptisms

Sun., April 25th, Sun., May 2nd, Sun., May 16th, Sun., May 23rd at the 11am Mass.

You must maintain social distancing; You MUST wear a Mask

NO Baptisms

Sun., May 9th and Sun., May 30th

Baptism Instructions

**Mon., May 3rd, Mon., May 17th
Zoom meeting
(see page 3)**

