

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 3:00pm

Saturday:

9:00am until 1:00pm

Sunday: Closed

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Monday through Saturday in the Adoration Chapel from
9:00am until 1:00pm.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:

Every Monday after the 8:30am Mass.

ST. ANTHONY PRAYERS:

Every Tuesday after each Mass there will be devotional prayers
to St. Anthony.

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 becom-
ing 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!

SCHOOL:

1016 Edison Avenue, Bronx, NY 10465
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<http://www.stbenedictschoolbx.org>

CLERGY:

Reverend Nikolin Pergjini
Pastor

Reverend Christian Amah
Parochial Vicar

Reverend Richard Veras
Sunday Associate

Deacon A. Michael Salvatorelli

PASTORAL STAFF:

Ms. Mary Scheer, *School Principal*

Ms. Joann LaDisa, *Religious Education Office*
718-829-1200 or StBenedictRELEdu@gmail.com

Mrs. Anne Myers, *Director of Music*

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, 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 7:00pm

Holy Days of Obligation:

Vigil 7:00pm (Night before)

6:45am, 8:30am and 12:00 Noon

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: (Confession)

Saturdays: **After** the 8:30am Mass and 3:00pm--4:00pm

Confession is also available a half hour **before** the Sunday
Masses, and any time by appointment.

Bulletin - September 26, 2021

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul; the decree of the
LORD is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.

— *Psalm 19:8*

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

SUNDAY, September 26th; Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary

Time; Priesthood Sunday

- 7:00 Louis S. Dinio
- 8:00 Michelangelo Cipollone
- 9:30 St. Benedict's Parish
- 11:00 For the Parents Who Have Lost a Child of any Age
- 7:00 Maria C. Ferrara

MONDAY, September 27th; St. Vincent de Paul

- 6:45 John Freyne
- 8:30 James M. Schmitt
"Happy Birthday in Heaven"

TUESDAY, September 28th; St. Lawrence Ruiz; St. Wenceslaus

- 6:45 Maria Palmiero
"Living - Healing"
- 8:30 Dominick & Anna Vigliotti

WEDNESDAY, September 29th; Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael

- 6:45 Catherine Andreozi
- 8:30 Ursula Romano

THURSDAY, September 30th; St. Jerome

- 6:45 Frank Pallet
- 8:30 Rocchio Family

FRIDAY, October 1st; St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus; First Friday

- 6:45 Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary
- 8:30 St. Benedict's Regional School Mass

SATURDAY, October 2nd; The Holy Guardian Angels;

First Saturday

- 8:30 Andrew & Teresa Granitto
- 4:00 Assunta Vitiello

SUNDAY, October 3rd, Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:00 St. Benedict's Parish
- 8:00 Pietro & Libera Piacquadio
- 9:30 Maria R. Boiano
"Happy Birthday in Heaven"
- 11:00 Anne Fucci
- 7:00 Carmela & Giuseppe Falzetta

**Second Collection THIS Weekend for St. Joseph's Seminary
125th Anniversary this year!**

There will be a Second Collection **THIS** weekend for St. Joseph's Seminary. Please be as generous as you can for this collection. Thank you for your support.

BANNS OF MATRIMONY

- II. *Christina DelVecchio & Jesse McCullough*
- II. *Lauren McCarthy & Artie Villiano*
- II. *Kiersten Panke & Michael Coiro*

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

*Her Children and Grandchildren
IN LOVING MEMORY OF:
Geraldine Eschment*

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

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| Joseph Abbate | Richard LoCascio |
| Ramon G. Barreiro | LauMei Sheung Louie |
| Anthony Battista | Louis |
| Judy Berardinone | Elizabeth Mandile |
| Elisabeth Bikoko | Elaine Marin |
| Eleanor Blasucci | Ann Marro |
| Jack Bonacorso | Jenny Mauro |
| Kathleen Bowers | Kevin McCarthy |
| Apollonia & Wendelin | Chris McPadden |
| Brenner | Denise McPadden |
| Walter Buddington | Sue McVey |
| Peter Burnett | Jose Mendez |
| Amy Buscamonte | Christie Madonna Muccino |
| Inez Cantamessa | Rosa Munoz |
| Carolyn Chiappetta | Lisa Murphy |
| Kari-Lynne Clark | Maylee Roman Overman |
| Lillian Corrado | Angelo Palumbo, Sr. |
| Carlos Cruz | Lorraine Parisi |
| Tom Curran | Rob Passanisi |
| Vinny D'Amico | Pasquale Preziosa |
| Mike & Louis D'Annuncci | Paolo Principe |
| Carla DeCicco | Kim Rappold |
| Pat Eaccirano | Philip Rebia |
| Sandra Edwards | Phillip Rivera |
| Sean Fagan | Antonette Roublick |
| Ann Faleri | Ruth Sakola |
| Francisco Fernandez | Ann Samhammer |
| Isabelle Mercedes | Dave Samhammer |
| Fernandez | Joseph P. Santangelo |
| John Fernandez | Ashley Saucedo |
| David Fisher | Margaret Geddis Schmidt |
| Tyler Gallagher | Kathy Selvaggio |
| Debra Ann Garcia | Nina Serpati |
| Marion Gruber | Robert Siniscalchi |
| Sharon Holzapfel | Maria Soto |
| Eileen Jennings | Theresa Stanton |
| Edward Kennedy | Pasquale Tartaglione |
| Daniel Kundig | Thomas Vecchio |
| Elise Lawle | Leeann Williams |
| Frankie Lettera | Robert Ziehl |
| Jessica Lettera | |

+ Babies/Children +

Baby Amari, Brinley, Baby Rose, Mia Carolla, Daniella Grace Comblo, Charli Mary Carozza, Sebastian DeLuca, Caleb DeJesus, Marco Garcia, Joseph Gentile, Blake Salvatore Haddock, Olivia lafelice, 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 +**

Lorenzo Piscitelli, Cesar A. Rivera, Jr., Cesar Rodriguez, John Vinciguerra

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

*Her Children and Grandchildren
IN LOVING MEMORY OF:
Geraldine Eschment*

Overnight Eucharistic Adoration

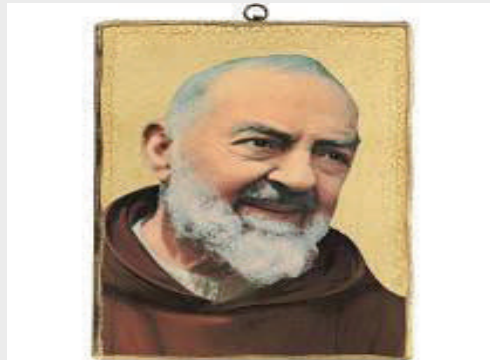
The next First Friday for Overnight Eucharistic Adoration will be **October 1, 2021** from 8:00pm until 6:00am.

We always need volunteers. If you are interested, please sign the book in the vestibule of the Church.

Thank you!

Spanish Mass Every Thursday

We have a Spanish Mass here at St. Benedict's Church every Thursday. We will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 5:30pm with Confession, and then followed with the Holy Mass in Spanish in the Church. Please tell your family, friends, and neighbors.



Padre Pio Shrine, Barto, Pennsylvania - NEXT Tues., September 28, 2021

We will be having a bus trip to Padre Pio's Shrine, Barto, Pennsylvania on Tuesday, September 28, 2021 leaving from in front of St. Benedict's Church. The bus will leave at 8:00am sharp and then leave Barto, Pennsylvania at 4:00pm.

The cost is \$45.00 per person. You must wear a mask.

Bring your own food - picnic tables available. Mass, talk, and video will be provided on the life and works of St. Padre Pio. On the way home we will stop at one of the Farmer's Markets (not far from Padre Pio's Shrine.)

If you are interested, please come to the rectory to reserve your seat and pay \$45.00 per person. Thank you.

Message from Father Pergjini:

Last Thursday, Sept 23rd it was the feast day of Saint Padre Pio. This coming Tuesday we are going as a parish to the National Center of Saint Padre Pio, Barto PA. Every year in September I used to go with our parish to this beautiful and peaceful place. This year marks the 53rd anniversary of his death and also 103rd anniversary of his stigmata. The story of the Shrine of Padre Pio in PA is unique. Fifty three years ago, in Barto, PA, a little girl was diagnosed with kidney cancer. The doctors told her mother that she could die at any time, and there was no hope for her to recover from that kind of cancer. Her mother during those tormenting days thinking the death of her dear child, suddenly felt the smell of roses in her room and a voice telling her to take her terminal sick daughter and go immediately to see Padre Pio in Italy. Amazingly, she trusted and took very seriously the unknown and mysterious voice. She took her sick daughter and went to San Giovanni Rotondo, near Foggia, Italy. The first day she joined the huge crowds desperately trying to let Padre Pio see her daughter. Padre Pio very tired and close to his death could not see them. The next day she insisted saying to the superior that she came from the United States and needed to see Padre Pio who mysteriously invited her to bring her daughter to see him. Finally, her request was granted. Padre Pio came in his wheelchair approaching the mother and the little sick girl in her arms. He placed his hands on her head assuring that everything will be fine. Filled with trust and peace they went back to Pennsylvania. They went to the doctor who noticed that the cancer was gone. A real miracle that science could never explain how it happened. Her parents grateful and thankful to Almighty Father, for this miracle that saved the life of their daughter, through the intercession of Padre Pio. Promised to build in Barto, PA, a replica of the friary of San Giovanni Rotondo, where Padre Pio lived. It is a beautiful and very peaceful place surrounded by the farms. The shrine has many relics of Saint Padre Pio, including one of his gloves used to cover his bleeding hands from his stigmata. Thousands of people come to this shrine begging the intercessions of Padre Pio. Last May, for the first time, we decided to have the confirmation retreat at the Shrine of Padre Pio in Barto, Pa. We had two full buses with students soon to be confirmed. I never can forget that our students were touched by listening to the life of Saint Padre Pio, his numerous miracles, and the miracle that saved the life of the little girl fifty years ago. The retreat was given by the older sister of the girl who was cured through the intercession of Padre Pio. She is an excellent speaker who has the gift to share the story of her sister and touching the hearts of those who carefully listen to her. Padre Pio was a saint who spent hours in the confessional, praying, fasting, by locating, counseling people, giving spiritual directions, and above all celebrating Holy Mass with his bleeding hands covered by his glove. He celebrated Holy Mass with great passion and love knowing well the redeeming value of the sacrifice of Christ on the Altar. He used to say that "It would be easier for the world to exist without the sun than without the Holy Mass." It is very true indeed. Amen! He told thousands of people who came to see him to pray in silence, to kneel to the feet of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament confiding our needs to Him, to place the confidence in divine Providence, not to be afraid but to lift our spirit to the love of Christ. He always insisted and encouraged the faithful to make a good confession and begging Christ's mercy. We beg the intercessions of Saint Padre Pio, and take refuge in his saintly and powerful words:

My past, O Lord, to your mercy; my present, to your love: my future, to your providence!

Amen!

St. Benedict Church Hours:

Monday through Friday

Church Opens at 6:15am and will close after the 8:30am Mass unless there is a funeral.

Saturday

Church Opens at 8:00am.

Sunday

Church Opens at 6:15am and will close after the Baptisms. The Church will re-open at 6:30pm for the 7:00pm Mass.

Catholic High Schools Open Houses

Preston Virtual:	Wed., 09/29	6-8pm
In Person:	Sun., 10/24	11am-2pm
	Mon., 10/25	6-8pm

www.prestonhs.org 718-863-9134, Ext. 131

St. Raymond for Boys Sun., 10/17 12:00-3:30pm

Ursuline	Sat., 10/23	11-1pm or 2-4pm
	Wed., 10/27	6:30-8pm
Virtual:	Wed., 11/3	6:30-8pm

OLA SENIOR BINGO

We will resume our OLA Senior Bingo on **Tuesday, Sept, 28th** at 12:00 Noon in the Church Hall (entrance up Roberts Avenue Drive-way downstairs.) We play 10 games and cards, 3 for \$10.00 and coffee and cake is served for \$1.00. Everyone is welcome to come and join us over the age of 18 for a fun afternoon.

Masks and Social Distancing are suggested.

Any questions, please call Fran at 718-828-5073

SACRAMENTS

This is an invitation to all Adults who have not received their sacraments. You are invited to attend classes here at St. Benedict's beginning the end of September. If you are interested, please come to the rectory to register. 718-828-3403, ext. 101.

BAPTISM INSTRUCTIONS FOR 2021

**First Monday of the Month at 6:00pm in the Church
October 4th, November 1st, December 6th**

Part-Time Work ... Fort Schuyler House, a local apartment building housing seniors, is looking for individuals interested in working part-time on the front security desk. If interested, please call Deacon John Murphy at 718-597-4100.

*Please remember to pray for Americans in
Afghanistan that they come back home safely.
Lord, hear our prayer.*

CHOIR REHEARSALS EVERY WEDNESDAY:

Choir rehearsals have begun! Meet in the Choir Loft.

Youth Choir
2:45-4:00pm

Adult Choir
7:15-8:30pm

Looking forward to a wonderful year!

Anne Myers

**Petition To Stop The Up Zoning Of Bruckner
Boulevard In The North East Bronx-Schuylerville,
Pelham Bay, Throggs Neck— 10461 & 10465**

There is a Petition circulating to stop the above "Up Zoning." There are copies of the Petition in the back of our Church and in the rectory. Please sign the Petition.

**Remember, this is our Community!
Let's Protect our Community!**

Bereavement Support 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 Saint Benedict's will be in the **Convent upstairs** (1082 Edison Avenue) on Saturdays starting **Sat., October 9th** from 11am-12:30pm. If interested, please call the rectory at 718-828-3403, Ext. 101.

**VERY IMPORTANT FOR THOSE WHO WANT TO RECEIVE
HOLY COMMUNION ON THE TONGUE**

If you want to receive Holy Communion on your tongue, you must kneel. This is to avoid the spreading of germs. If you do not kneel, holy communion will be given to you in your hand. Otherwise, you will be spreading germs. Thank you for your cooperation.

40 Days for Life: September 22nd - October 31, 2021

Your prayers can save lives and change hearts. **40 Days for Life** is a life-saving prayer campaign that will take place throughout our Archdiocese starting on **September 22nd and concluding October 31st**. 40 Days for Life is a peaceful initiative consisting of 40 days of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil at abortion facilities, and educational outreach with the goal of protecting mothers and their children from abortion. More than 18,000 unborn children have been saved from abortion during 40 Days for Life campaigns. To learn more about the 40 Days for Life campaign, visit: www.40daysforlife.com
Leader: Bronx, Eastchester: Cecile (347-697-7589)
40daysforlifebx@gmail.com

Spiritual Readings for the Week of September 26, 2021:

Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Mt 18:1-5, 10
Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

WEEKLY OFFERINGS:

SUNDAY, September 12, 2021 **\$8,358.07**

SUNDAY, September 19, 2021 **\$7,134.57**

50/50 WINNER:

Mr. & Mrs. Phil Reitano **\$140.00**

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 at 718-829-9557 for a tour. A limited amount of scholarships are available for those eligible.

(RE) CCD

Registration for Sept. 2021-2022 religious education is currently open for in-classroom learning. **Please Note:** Classes begin for our **(RE) CCD** classes on **Sunday, Sept. 26th and Wednesday, Sept. 29th**. If you have not registered, please call Ms. J. LaDisa to make an appointment (929-318-9172.) We still need more CCD teachers either Wednesday afternoons **(4:15pm-5:45pm)** or Sunday mornings **(10:30am-12:00pm)** that are over 18 years of age and a Catholic in good standing. If you are interested in donating your time teaching our children on one of the above days, please call 929-318-9172.

THROGGS NECK HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION will resume in-person meetings **Tuesday, September 28th at 6:30pm** at the Villa Barone Manor. **Please note: New time is 6:30pm.** Social distancing and masks are required. Check Facebook if you would like to join us via Zoom. Hopefully, the Captain of the 45th Precinct will be our guest speaker.

Priesthood Sunday, September 26, 2021

Priesthood Sunday is a special day set aside to honor priesthood in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church as a central one.

Pray for Our Priests

**Preston Center of Compassion (PCC)
Senior Citizen Program**

PCC sponsors a senior citizen program every other week on Thursday mornings between 10-12 noon. Bingo and other fun activities are offered.

**Preston Center of Compassion (PCC)
After-school Programs**

PCC is offering a few After-School programs and are looking for adult volunteers in the afternoons for easy... yet so important workthat would so help us in our ministry of providing afternoon Programs.

Hours can be very flexible and could be daily or a few days a week. Hours are between 2-6pm or even less time ...and, if needed, we can even come and pick you up to volunteer on our beautiful Preston Campus!

Prayer List For Our United States Servicemen and Women

U.S. Air Force:

1st Class Airman Eric Bosco, General 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 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, Lieutenant Colonel Frank Parisi, Reserves, In Basic Training Daniel Smith Peters; 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, E-2 Edwin Vargas, Pvt. Nicholas Zayas

**The Throggs Neck Community
Alliance Food Distribution**

The Throggs Neck Community Alliance is a group of volunteers from Throggs Neck trying to help people in the Throggs Neck Section of the Bronx who may need food and other necessary items. The Alliance will be on the corner of Bruckner Boulevard and Edison Avenue every Wednesday and Saturday beginning at 12:00 Noon.

They need volunteers of all ages. Please contact St. Benedict's Rectory and leave your name, contact number and email address. A staff member from the Alliance will contact you directly to set up a day and time you can volunteer.

You can also help by continuing to bring non-perishable food items to Church on Sundays for the Throggs Neck community. The Alliance will distribute the items according to the needs of the people from Throggs Neck who need help, especially during this difficult time of this on-going pandemic. Please call the rectory at 718-828-3403, ext. 101 to volunteer. Thank you!

REMINDERS

Baptisms

Sundays, Sept. 26th, Oct. 3rd, 17th, 24th, 31st at the 11am Mass

Sacro Cuore

**Friday, Oct. 8th
12:00 Noon, Church**

Nar-A-Non

**Wednesdays in the Convent
upstairs from 7:00pm-8:30pm**

Al-Anon

**Fridays in the Convent
downstairs from 7:00-9:00pm**