



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.

SCHOOL:

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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 from 3:00pm--4:00pm

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



October The month of the Rosary and the Month of Missions
 October 3rd, Respect Life Sunday
 October 7th, The feast of our Lady of the Rosary
 October 24th, World Mission Sunday

*May Our Lady of the Rosary lead us to a great respect for
 human life! May the recitation of the Rosary lead us closer to
 Christ! Our Lady of The Rosary Pray for us! Amen!*

Bulletin - October 3, 2021

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Let the children come to me; do not prevent them,
 for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.

— Mark 10:14 0

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

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

Respect Life Sunday

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

MONDAY, October 4th; St. Francis of Assisi

6:45 Addolorata Iaffaldano
8:30 James Feeley

TUESDAY, October 5th; Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos

6:45 Angelina DelVecchio
8:30 Robert Moruzin
"Happy Birthday in Heaven"

WEDNESDAY, October 6th; St. Bruno;

Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher

6:45 Deceased Members of the Noonan and Moruzin Family
8:30 Michelangelo Cipollone

THURSDAY, October 7th; Our Lady of the Rosary

6:45 Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary
8:30 MaryAnn & Anthony D'Abbraccio

FRIDAY, October 8th

6:45 John Freyne
8:30 Deceased Members of the Kozar Family

SATURDAY, October 9th; St. Denis; St. John Leonardi;

Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 Christopher Meehar
4:00 Robert Chiappetta

SUNDAY, October 10th; Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 Jenny & Louis Gatti
8:00 Angelo & Teresa DelliCarpini
9:30 Maureen Dennehy Sciuto
11:00 Julio Lopez
"Happy Birthday in Heaven"
7:00 St. Benedict's Parish



- III. *Christina DelVecchio & Jesse McCullough*
- III. *Lauren McCarthy & Artie Villiano*
- III. *Kiersten Panke & Michael Coiro*
- I. *Amanda Lugo & Timothy Calliman*

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

Maria and Charles Spina
IN LOVING MEMORY OF:
Phyllis Mamone

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

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

+ Babies/Children +

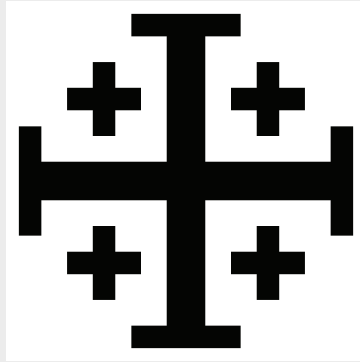
Baby Amari, Brinley, Baby Rose, Mia Carolla, Daniella Grace Comblo, Charli Mary Carozza, Sebastian DeLuca, Caleb DeJesus, Marco Garcia, Joseph Gentile, Blake Salvatore Haddock, Olivia lafelice, Noelle Jablonka, Infant Savannah Longo, Sophia Lopez, Infant Lucas Ortiz, Riku, Noah Santino, Tiffany Toro,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

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

Richard LoCascio, Daniel Rodriguez, Carmine Romano

THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP HAS BEEN DONATED BY:

Maria and Charles Spina
IN LOVING MEMORY OF:
Phyllis Mamone



ST. BENEDICT'S WOMEN'S CORNERSTONE RETREAT
October 15th and 16th

JOIN US!

Want to strengthen your relationship with the Lord? After all this time of uncertainty, continue your walk in faith at the Women's' Cornerstone Retreat. Our retreat is returning to Father Albert Hall beginning with a greeting on **Friday Oct 15th** at 6pm and ending with refreshments after a celebratory Mass on Saturday evening. Come and learn about yourself, grow in your relationship with the Lord and make new friends in your Parish. We will be taking every precaution we can to have a safe and healthy retreat. The applications are in the back of the church. If you have any questions, please call the Cornerstone retreat line at: 917-633-6913 or email: sbcornerstoneny@gmail.com.

Save the date:

The Men's' Cornerstone Retreat is October 29th and 30th



St. Benedict's Sacrament of Reconciliation
(Confession)

Saturdays after the 8:30am Mass AND from 3:00pm-4:00pm

Confession is also available a half hour before the Sunday Masses, and by appointment

Message from Father Pergjini:

“For me prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love embracing both trial and joy.” Saint Therese of Lisieux. “Last Friday, October first, was the feast of Saint Therese of Lisieux. In my confessional room is a picture of Saint Therese of Lisieux. Many years ago that picture was given to me as a gift and since then I placed it in my confessional room wherever parish I was assigned. As I sit on my chair, I look at her face. I feel her eyes have a penetrating look within myself. I take refuge for hope, strength and advice just looking at the face of Saint Therese. She has been and still is the saint who has inspired and moved many souls, and my soul too. Many times, when I am tired from the fatigue of the day or feeling the sinful pain of others and my sinfulness too, I look at her face to console my soul. I always feel and experience through that picture, her presence, her smile, and her amazing look. She penetrates my sinfulness, my fatigue, my stress, my frustration, but also my hopes and joys of priesthood and the tears of those who humbly kneel confessing their sins. The penitent and I experience the grace of forgiveness through the sacrament of confession. Saint Therese knelt confessing her sins. What a great and humble saint was she! Still continues to be in Heaven interceding for us. The mother superior asked her to write her life. Out of obedience she started to write what we treasure today. No one before her death knew what she wrote. After her death the sisters of her convent were the first to read what became famous as “The story of a soul.” They never were able to understand her holiness when she was among them. Her extraordinary humility made it impossible to discover her sufferings and sacrifices. One can see the beauty and power of Christ in the eyes of Saint Therese of Infant Jesus. Her vocation was “love” as she used to say, love for Christ and those around her. Yes, indeed a saint is always hidden in the eyes of many, but never in the eyes of Christ. She was 24 years old when she died. There are thousands who have read and reread the story of her soul, and I am one of them, moved by her unique life since she was a child. It is a real treasure for spiritual food for our broken souls. “The story of a soul” has been an instrument of conversion and healings in every corner of the world. It has been translated into fifty languages.



This book is a powerful instrument to teach the most fundamental Christian virtue of humility and how to love and see Christ in the presence of others. There are many humble and holy events that she witnessed even in small things. She never complained but humbly accepted every experience as a moment of grace. Knowing her life is an amazing experience of humility and love for Christ and others, as I look at her face in my confessional room, I feel that she knows my weaknesses and my sins, the sins of others, their tears, and their pain. As the penitent kneels and begs God’s mercy, I look at the picture begging her to help me to help them in their life. It is a very powerful experience thinking of her life of love and humility and looking the depth of her eyes who looks at me. I am spiritually strengthened during those moments of grace and peace. The penitents are not aware what I think during those moments and how I communicate looking at her picture. A powerful prayer that she wrote embraces all of us who are on our knees in the confessional room begging Christ for mercy. She wrote these words from her humble and loving heart: “O my God! I ask for myself and for those dear to me the grace to perfectly fulfill your holy will, to accept for love of you the joys and sorrows of this passing life so that we may one day be united in heaven for all eternity. Amen.” “And this is my experience in the confessional. It is the power of Christ in my priestly ministry that through the intercessions of Saint Therese and other saints that we are embraced by Christ’s love and mercy preparing us for Eternity. And this is the life of the priest, my life, and your life shared and lived in the power of Christ in my confessional room. “For me prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love embracing both trial and joy.”

May Saint Therese intercede for us!

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	In Person:	Sun., 10/24	11am-2pm
		Mon., 10/25	6-8pm
www.prestonhs.org 718-863-9134, Ext. 131			
St. Raymond (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

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

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 rectory. If you are interested, please come to the rectory to register. 718-828-3403, ext. 101. Thank you.

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.



We Welcome

into the Roman Catholic Church and our Parish community of St. Benedict

Gianluca Michael D'Annucci
Baptized on September 4, 2021

Benjamin Nikac
Baptized on September 5, 2021

Jacob Rafael Acosta, Natalie Grey Oliveri,
Maxwell Jaxson Murphy, Declan Joseph Sullivan
Baptized on September 12, 2021

Taina Jasma Agron-Gardner, Alessandra Joann Tibbatts,
Madison Grace Tibbatts
Baptized on September 19, 2021

Emma Gladys Morales, Logan Bryan Weinheimer
Baptized on September 26, 2021

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.

Spiritual Readings for the Week of October 3, 2021:

- Monday:** Jon 1:1 — 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37
- Tuesday:** Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42
- Wednesday:** Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4
- Thursday:** Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13
- Friday:** Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26
- Saturday:** Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28
- Sunday:** Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90:12-17; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30 [17-27]

WEEKLY OFFERINGS:

SUNDAY, September 26, 2021 \$7,305.21

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. Classes have begun. Classes are on Sunday mornings from 10:30am-12:00pm and Wednesday afternoons from 4:15pm-5:45pm. 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. Thank you. **CCD OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday 9am-3 pm, Wednesday 3pm-6 pm, Thursday 9am-3 pm, Sunday 9am-3 pm and by Appointment.**

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 work ... that 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!

For further information contact: Sr. Patricia Warner, Preston Center of Compassion, 718-892-8977.

REMINDERS

- Baptisms** Sundays, Oct. 3rd, 17th, 24th, 31st at the 11am Mass
- Sacro Cuore** Friday, Oct. 8th 12:00 Noon, Church
- NO BAPTISMS** Sunday, October 10th
- RECTORY CLOSED** Monday, Oct. 11th
- Men's Cornerstone Retreat** Columbus Day October 29th and 30th (more information in next weekend's bulletin)
- 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

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.

Columbus Day Mass - St. Patrick's Cathedral

Monday, October 11th at 9:30am. Celebrant: His Eminence, Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan. To reserve your free tickets, visit: adnycolumbusday.eventbrite.com



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS - SAT., OCT. 9th

We will have the *Blessing of the Animals*. Please bring the animals that share your life to the front of our Church at 12:00 Noon. Your pets will get Blessed. The blessing honors St. Francis of Assisi.

