



**ST. BENEDICT'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
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**We welcome you in the name of the Lord!**

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*"The mission of St. Benedict's Church is to know Christ's love and to make His love known"*

**The First Sunday after the Epiphany:**  
**The Baptism of Our Lord**

Year C – Revised Common Lectionary / Daily Office Year Two  
January 9 and 10, 2016

**Weekend Schedule**

**Saturday:** Holy Eucharist Rite II – 6:00 pm

**Sunday:** Morning Prayer - 7:45 am

Holy Eucharist Rite I – 8:00 am

Eucharist Rite II – 10:00 am

*(With Sunday school for Children and Youth of all ages)*

**Weekday Eucharist/Prayer in Community**

Tuesday: Intercessory Prayer Group – 8:00 am

Tuesday: Holy Eucharist - 8:30 am

Wednesday: Holy Eucharist/Healing Service – 7:00 pm

Thursday: Holy Eucharist – 8:30 am

**Order of Service - Holy Eucharist: 6:00 pm and 10:00 am (BCP 355) – 8:00 am (BCP 323)**

**The Collect of the Day**

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

**The First Lesson: Isaiah 43:1-7**

Thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth--everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made." The Word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

## **Psalm 29 *Afferte Domino***

- 1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, \*ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; \*worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; \*  
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; \*the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; \*the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \*and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; \*  
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe \*and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the LORD \*all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; \*the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; \*the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

### **The Epistle: Acts 8:14-17**

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

### **+The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 3:15-17,21-22**

**ALL: GLORY TO YOU LORD CHRIST!**

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord. **ALL: PRAISE TO YOU, LORD CHRIST**

**Sermon/Homily: 6:00 pm Saturday, 8:00 am and 10:00 am Sunday: Father Albert R. Cutié**

**Prayers of the People: 6:00 pm & 10:00 am: Form I; 8:00 am (BCP 328)**

**Blessings for anniversaries and birthdays and the laying on of hands for healing**

**The Great Thanksgiving: 6:00 pm and 10:00 am (BCP 361); 8:00 am (BCP 333)**

*All baptized Christians who affirm the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Sacrament are welcome to receive communion in the Episcopal Church.*

**Post Communion Prayer: BCP, 365 (8:00 am BCP, 339)**

### **Sending out the Lay Eucharistic Visitors**

**Celebrant:** N. (and N.) we send you out to share Communion this week with (names).

**People: *May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's body and blood.***

**Celebrant:** May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in the community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ.

**People: *Amen.***

## **WHAT'S NEW? - THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT'S**

**Confirmation Classes begins today January 10th, 2016:** 9th-12th grade students in the Youth Office, from 12:30pm - 2 pm. Confirmation coordinator is Cheryl Burley. If you are interested in confirmation, please see Cheryl for more information

**The Annual Parish Meeting:** We will have the regular weekend schedule of services on January 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Our Annual Parish Meeting will take place at noon on the 24<sup>th</sup> of January. Those who are interested in attending the meeting may want to worship at the 10:00 AM Mass on that Sunday or you have the choice to attend your usual service and then return on Sunday at Noon for the meeting. We ask that you make every effort to attend. All Pledging Members are welcome to participate and vote. Child care services and meal will be provided on January 24<sup>th</sup> during the Annual Meeting. Please contact Donna Carty @ (954) 801-3814 if you will need this service in order for her to have an accurate count.

**Following is a list of the Vestry nominees showing the services that they regularly attend:**

Saturday, 6:00 pm: John Quinn

Sunday, 8:00 am: Muriel Freund

Sunday, 10:00 am: Susan Brillinger, Dwight Douglas, Barrington Edwards and Peter Furzer.

**Heads of Ministries/Coordinators:** Please hand in your Annual Meeting reports by January 14<sup>th</sup>. We would like to have all ministries represented in this year's Annual Report. Do not forget to include whatever new activities/programs you are offering.

**Wednesday Evenings KEEP THE FAITH NIGHT/BIBLE STUDY with Father Albert.** Join us on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM for Healing Eucharist followed by Adult Spirituality/Bible Class. We are studying the Gospel of John. All are welcome – invite a friend.

**Sunday School Classes:** Classes resume on January 10<sup>th</sup> 2016. Sunday School begins at 10:00 am. We will begin Sunday School over in St. Steven's Hall at 10:00 am. If your child is not registered, please see Donna Carty.

**Calling all High School Youth!!** Our High School Youth Group will meet every Sunday immediately after the 10:00 am service instead of Wednesday evenings. Bring \$5 for lunch and be prepared for some fun until about 2:00! We will do community outreach, projects around the church, fundraising, planning of mission trips and many other exciting activities together! Invite your friends, bring a change of clothes, but parents need to find their own fun! This is just for our teens! Questions? Contact Tara Fiore 503-510-2051 or [fiorefamily1@att.net](mailto:fiorefamily1@att.net).

**2016 Pledge Envelopes are in the Narthex (Entrance of the church) - Here are some suggestions to help make it easier for you to make your 2016 pledge donations:**

**Sign up for EASY TITHE** – It is free! You can do it on the St. Benedict's website [www.saintbenedicts.org](http://www.saintbenedicts.org) and go to the category ONLINE GIVING. You can also use it with your PHONE APP. It is easy, fast, secure and you can set it up automatically so you don't have to bring CASH or CHECKS to church. You would be surprised how many people do not give a dime, simply because they are accustomed to using Credit/Debit cards for everything else... Yet, the church still needs your generous support. We want to make the process of your offering as "easy" as possible so we can all get on with worship and what matters most – our relationship with God!

**Pledge envelopes for 2016** are on the table at the back of the church for those members who have *completed and submitted* pledge cards for 2016. If you have not completed a pledge card for 2016 please do so, so that we can provide you with envelopes. Note that your envelope number may change in 2016, so please do not use an envelope number from a previous year, this will make it difficult to track your pledge. If you give your offerings online, you do not need envelopes – and it saves the church money too.

**I FORGOT!** If you should forget your pledge envelope and want to use a pew envelope for your donation, please write your pledge envelope number on the line provided. Operating pledges and Building Fund pledges go into two different accounts, therefore two different checks should be written – one for your Operating pledge and another for your Building Fund pledge. We thank you for making a pledge and look forward to an exciting 2016 at St. Benedict's.

**God and His Music:** Beginning on Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, we will begin a year of study going through all of J.S. Bach's Cantatas. We will get to know one of the greatest composers of religious and secular music of the Baroque and Rococo eras.

**666, Dragons and Angels:** Come to discuss the meaning of the famous Book of Revelation with Deacon Norm 7:00PM in the chapel Monday night.

**Next Friday, January 15 we will begin an eight week Bible Study on the Beatitudes of Matthew 5:3–12.** We will devote almost a week to each one. We will begin by focusing on the group as a whole in the wider context of Jesus' ministry. We have to answer the questions, what are these beatitudes? Do they spell out conditions we must meet in order to inherit eternal life? Do they celebrate the power of God in the life of the disciples? Could it be both? How do we know? The Study will be from at 9:30 am-11:00 am. We will meet in the office until further notice. If there are any questions please call 954-530-0901.

**Save the date: "Relay For Life of Plantation"** will begin on Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup> and ends on the 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016 from 6:30pm Friday to 9am on Saturday at Plantation Central Park, 9151 NW 2nd St, Plantation. It is never too early to start fundraising. If you are interested in being a part of the planning committee, you need to register first. Please see Donna Carly or Garth Sill. Email us at [Stbennyouth@gmail.com](mailto:Stbennyouth@gmail.com) or phone 954 801 3814

**ECW meeting will be held on Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup>,** immediately following the 10 am service. All women are encouraged to attend. We will be hosting ECW Sunday here on February 14th with approximately 300 women in attendance and are hoping that the women of St. Benedict's will assist to make this special Sunday a very successful event!

**ECW is holding a very special raffle, Dinner with My Sweetheart,** to benefit our graduating seniors in high school. For only \$15, you can purchase a raffle ticket for dinner for two at a 4-Star restaurant and a limo ride to and from the restaurant. The drawing will be held on Sunday, February 14th during ECW Sunday. Please help support the ECW Scholarship fund and have a FABULOUS night out! See ECW members for tickets or call Jackie Singletary at 954.439.6556

**International Cuisine:** Please plan on joining us at St. Benedict's on Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup> after the 6:00 pm Mass for our Annual International Cuisine. It is always a great celebration!

**There will be an American Red Cross CPR/AED Certification course** on January 31st at 12 p.m. in Deshaies hall. This is a 2 year certification, the cost is \$26. Please see Cheryl Burley for more information. A sign-up list will be in the narthex.

**The Brotherhood of St. Andrew will provide assistance to St. Benedict's families and friends,** demonstrating God's love through helping the elderly, widows and single moms with home projects; such as, moving, painting, light home/garden maintenance. Brotherhood members are available to assist on Saturdays between 8 am and 12 noon. We ask members to give at least 1 week advance notice. Please email or call Garth Sill at [Gsill@live.com](mailto:Gsill@live.com) or 954-330-4729.

**Cruise from Barcelona to Venice:** There has been a big savings in price for the European Cruise. Balcony Blow Out \$1559 per person! For more information call Father Bob at 954-591-6800.

**Spiritual Thought for the week:** *"One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all."* (Ephesians 4: 5-6)

**Our offerings to God for January 2 and 3, 2016**

**Operating Fund:** Pledge and Plate \$8,694.50

**Building Fund:** Pledge and gifts \$3,457.50

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