## **EASTER SUNDAY 2024**



### Saint Benedict Catholic Church 336-272-0303

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Parish Office Hours: 9:00am-3:00pm on Monday, Wednesday, Friday

<u>PARISH MISSION STATEMENT</u>: As the Roman Catholic Mother Church of Greensboro, St. Benedict's Parish mission, responding faithfully to Christ's call, is to bring all people closer to God through liturgy, fellowship, service, outreach, and works of charity.

Rev. James Duong, Pastor Lynne McGrath, Secretary & Faith Formation Coordinator

#### **Weekend Mass**

Sat. Miraculous Medal Novena at 4:45pm Mass at 5:00pm Sun. 8am & 11am

#### **Confessions**

Weekday before 12:15pm Saturday 4 - 4:30pm and by appointment

#### Weekday Mass

Weekly bulletin requests must be in the Parish Office by 12:00pm on Wednesday, ten (10) days in advance of the weekend of publication. **PARISH REGISTRATION:** Welcome all new families and individuals. Membership is a condition for the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion at St. Benedict, and for the parish to issue a sponsorship certificate for those asked to be sacramental sponsors. You must be a registered, contributing member for at least three (3) months before a certificate will be given. Registration forms are available in the parish office.

**SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** If you are seriously ill, going in for surgery or weak from old age, you may receive the sacrament of the anointing of the sick. Please contact Fr. Duong if you desire to receive this sacrament.

**HOSPITAL & NURSING HOME & SHUT-IN VISITS:** If you or any members of your family are sick and, in the hospital, or a nursing home, and you'd like Communion brought to them, please call the parish office.

**FAITH FORMATION:** All classes from Pre-K to High School are on Sundays from **9:15-10:30am** in the parish hall. For more information call Lynne McGrath.

**RCIA:** Please call the parish office for more information.

**MARRIAGES:** Arrangements must be made with a priest/deacon at least six (6) months in advance. Call the parish office for more information.

#### EASTER SUNDAY MARCH 31, 2024

May the Risen Christ grant us joy as we follow Him, embracing God's gift of life.

#### MASS SCHEDULE

#### **INTENTIONS**

3/30 3/31	Saturday-Easter vigil Easter Sunday	8:00 PM 8:00 AM 11:00 AM	For the Parishioners For the Parishioners For the Parishioners
4/1 4/2 4/3 4/4	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday	12:15 PM NO MASS NO MASS NO MASS	Lynne McGrath - birthday
4/5	Friday	12:15 PM	Guadalupe Doyle
4/6 4/7	Saturday Sunday	5:00 PM 8:00 AM + 11:00AM	For the Parishioners Deceased of the DeGuzman Family In honor of the Divine Mercy

#### **Keeping Our Military in Our Prayers**

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Capt. John Brock	Mohammid Karim
Mark Bracich	Michael Knudsen
Cpl. Kevin Bryan	Danny McGranahan
Lt. Andrew Chess	Capt. Kyle Payne
Maj.Timothy Chess	Jose Rodriguez
Jason Davidson	Christopher Simmons, E3
Aaron Gaither	Sgt. Bryanna Spade
C. Grubey, PFC	Sgt. Kyle Spade
Sgt Tony Grant	Fred Todd
Maj. Russel	Kharll Skycer Villarin
Henderson	Sgt. W.R. Williams III
Richard Hughes	Stephen Zenbileski
	Maj. Russel Henderson

#### Sick and Shut-In

Please remember our brothers and sisters in your prayers and at Mass:

Richard Collings, Martha Eakes, Bill Kalbaugh, Angie Kuklinski, Bill McCutcheon, Bonnie McIntyre, Angela Miller, Dan Popik, Cam Reitzel, Manny & Laura Rodrigues, Anne Sopp, Vivian Speetjens, John & Bunny Stuart, Teresa Thu Tran, Beth Wilson, Brian Wilson, Deborah Wilson, Jean Wilson

#### WEEKLY COLLECTION

Weekly Offertory ....

\$ 3,336.00

#### THANK YOU

\*\* Next weekend, April 6 & 7, we will have a second collection for the Maintenance Fund.

#### MINISTER SCHEDULE: April 6 and 7, 2024

MASSLECTORSE.M.CANTOR5 PMJohn FoleyGeoff StephanyMyra Vazquez

8 AM Linda McLendon Evangeline Layug

11 AM Ed Campbell Choir



#### **REFLECTION**

"Think of what is above, not of what is on earth." - COLOSSIANS 3:2

On this day we thank God for His Son, Jesus, who died, rose, and opened the gates of heaven for us. We celebrate and sing "Alleluia." Let's try to keep the joy of this Easter season in our hearts throughout the year! Pray daily and listen for how God is calling each of us to joyfully use our gifts to fulfill His salvation plan.

#### **LEAVE A LEGACY**

Alleluia! Christ is risen and is victorious over sin and death! We are good stewards of our faith if, like St. Paul, we share this good news whenever and wherever we can.

#### **QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

How has the Resurrection transformed my life? How can it continue to do so?



#### **PARISH NEWS**



<u>DIOCESAN SUPPORT (DSA) 2024</u> We are now nine weeks into the Diocesan Support Appeal campaign. We need each of you to help us reach our goal of \$28,753.

**RICE BOWL 2024** Please return your Rice Bowls by placing them in the containers at the back of the church. Thank you for your contributions.

**SECOND COLLECTION** This weekend, March 30 and 31, we will have the Spring Seminarian Education Collection. Your generosity to this collection is an important part of educating our 21 seminarians.

**FIRST FRIDAY** is this Friday, April 5. We will have benediction and adoration following the 12:15 p.m. Mass.

<u>DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY</u> is next Sunday, April 7. On that day, we reflect on God's love for us and the whole world. We will have the Divine Mercy liturgy with adoration, Divine Mercy chaplet, and benediction at 2:30 p.m. Let us come to pray and give thanks for the gift of God's love for us.



#### **FAITH FORMATION**

There will be no Faith Formation classes on Easter Sunday, March 31.

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by our Confirmation class, will take place following the 11 a.m. Mass on Easter Sunday. All children of the parish are invited to participate.

This week let us say Happy Birthday to:

Nicholas Torres (3/30), William Schwartz (3/30), Margie Walston (3/30),

Veronica Higinson (3/30), William Estes (3/31), Michael Higinson (4/1),

Lynne McGrath (4/1), Zachary Busch (4/3), Colleen Lepore (4/3), Roman Simpsc.

# The Lord is Risen! Alleluia! Happy Easter!



**EASTER NOTES:** Continuing the celebration of Easter, St. Benedict's Parish would like to say "THANKS" to all parishioners who helped and participated during Lent and Easter:

- Altar servers, the choir, lectors, Eucharist ministers, and ushers
- Those who participated during Holy Thursday liturgy as "the Apostles"
- Those who helped clean and decorate our church and helped with the Vigil reception
- Those who donated Easter flowers
- Youth Group for the Easter Egg Hunt.

May our Risen Lord - Jesus Christ - bless you, your family and your ministries.

#### EASTER FLOWERS IN MEMORY / HONOR OF ...

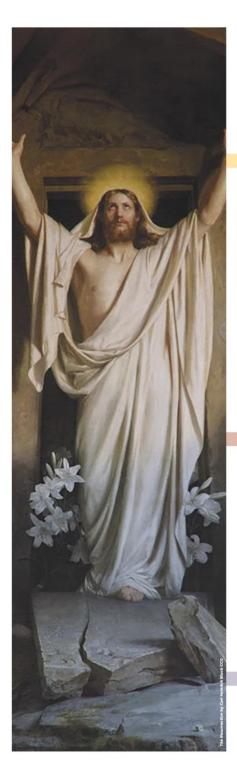
All Deceased Parishioners of St. Benedict Catholic Church

All Benefactors of St. Benedict Catholic Church

- + Don & Bea Clark
- + Bill & Doris Saffer St. Benedict Catechists
  - The Saffer Family
- + St. Benedict deceased Parishioners
- + Santiago Vazquez
- + Anthony Vazquez
- + Haydee Pereira
- + Alan Pagan
- + Marsha Barfield
- + Jean Ray

- + Bob Higginbotham
- + Joe Ray
- + Popik Family
- + Raducha Family
- + Sister Kathryn Edward McDermott
- + Aunt Diane
- + Dan Hererra
- + Sister Alice Lamping
- + Doris Kauder
- + John & Janice Watterson

- + Cook Family
- + Sonia Caldona
- + Carl Hagerstrom
- + Sabina Hagerstrom
- + Mr. & Mrs. Joseph DePaoli
- + Roy Hagerstrom
- + Fantigrossi Family
- + Joseph DePaoli Jr.
- + Mr. & Mrs. W.F. Kauder
- + John P. Watterson II



March 31, 2024

## Easter Sunday

#### The Resurrection of the Lord

Acts 10:34a, 37-43 | Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8 | Jn 20:1-9

Written by

DISCIPLE

THE FAITHFUL

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Wishing you a blessed Easter! One of our commitments in growing as disciples of Jesus, especially at the beginning of this most important season of Easter, is to study Scripture. John's Gospel today depicts the story of the empty tomb - the reactions of Mary of Magdala and the two disciples trying to make sense of what they had seen. What we may have missed, however, are the words of St. Peter in the first reading from Acts speaking of Jesus: "This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead." Jesus appeared post-resurrection to those to whom he was closest - the witnesses chosen by God whom he had commissioned to preach the Gospel to all people, so all might believe in him. In this way the chosen few, Christ's heralds, would bring the Good News of his resurrection to the many. So we too, now, are witnesses, chosen by God in our baptism and come to this table of thanksgiving and sacrifice. By faith we grow as his disciples, ready to go forth to lead others to him.

#### GO EVANGELIZE

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

As we know, these first disciples of Christ went on mission throughout the known world to preach to the Jews as well as the Gentiles. Their task was not easy; all endured opposition and hardship; many were martyred. But gone was the fear they may have felt at the crucifixion; by the power of the Holy Spirit these early missionaries were full of courage and commitment, and were driven to proclaim the risen Jesus to all. What does this have to do with us today? By virtue of our baptism, we also are chosen by God to be his witnesses in the world. We are called to "preach the Gospel" with how we live our lives. When we trust in the promises of Christ and know the peace that only he can bring, it gives us the strength to testify to friends, family and others that God loves us and has redeemed us. Good News indeed.

GROW & GO Christ is risen, Alleluia! The Resurrection means that nothing can separate us from God's love and presence with us. Spend time this week in prayer contemplating these two truths: The purpose of our lives is to continually GROW in intimate relationship with God; and Jesus' final command to his disciples and us is to "GO and make disciples of all nations." (Mt 28:19)