

January 29, 2017

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/Ps 146/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a



☪ 10:00 AM ~

- ✦ God's Healing for Isaac Polite,
Georgeann Campbell & Father Tony
Boateng-Mensah
- ✦ In Memory of Celestine Adjoavi Gbovi
Req. Refine Agbata

☪ 12 Noon ~

- ✦ In Memory of Claudia Renwick
Req. Renwick Family

☪ 5:00 PM ~

- ✦ Prayers for the Parish Families

Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, make Me Holy.
 Body of Christ, Save Me.
 Blood of Christ, Fill Me with Your Love.
 Water from Christ's Side, Wash Me.
 Passion of Christ, Strengthen Me.
 Good Jesus, Hear Me.
 Within Your Wounds, Hide Me.
 Never Let Me Be Parted From You.
 From the Evil Enemy, Protect Me.
 At the Hour of My Death, Call Me,
 and tell Me to
 Come to You, That with Your Saints
 I May Praise You
 Through All Eternity.
 Amen

Food Pantry ✦ Tuesday, February 14th
 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM
 Bring shopping bags &
 Acceptable Identification.

Morning Mass – 8:30 AM

Monday – Wednesday – Friday

St. Bonaventure

Tuesday – Thursday ~ St. Benedict the Moor

Weekly Readings & Observances

Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31/Mk 5:1-20

In Memory of Martina Martinez

Tuesday: *St. John Bosco, Priest*

Heb 12:1-4/Ps 22/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: *Presentation of the Lord*

Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40

Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday:

Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23/Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday:

Is 58:7-10/Ps 112/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16

Wedding Banns for
Silvan Atkins & Tiffany Romain



March 25th ☪ 2:00 PM
St. Benedict the Moor

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The beatitudes in today's Gospel give us a program for following the path to heaven. They offer a kind of twofold image. There are, on the one hand, the beatitudes about what we should do and be: poor in spirit, meek, merciful, clean of heart, and peacemakers. Such qualities are reflections of the nature of God in whose image we are meant to live. When we embrace and reflect this image to the world, there is no doubt we are walking on the path of God's will.

Then, there are also the beatitudes about what we are called to endure: mourning, hunger for righteousness, persecutions and insults due to our belief in Jesus. These are the trials that often beset the life of a faithful Christian. Everything seems to be changing so rapidly and much of that change doesn't seem to be for the good.

The Church is slowly experiencing resurgence and a strengthening, but it will have to in the face of an increasing culture of atheism and selfishness. But Jesus makes it clear that even these trials and struggles are a sign that a Christian is on the right path, not that God has abandoned him or her, but that the reward of heaven lies around the corner.

One of the greatest consolations of our faith is that even when life does not unfold according to our own desires, even when there is suffering to deal with, even when we do not have great success in the eyes of the world, we can maintain hope and peace as we await the "reward" of the just. The eternal happiness of heaven will be worth every ounce of temporary trial here on earth.

In his book, *Life of Christ*, Bishop Fulton Sheen said this: "The Sermon on the Mount is so much at variance with all that our world holds dear that the world will crucify anyone who tries to live up to its values." Living a stewardship way of life means bringing the beatitudes into our daily lives in a profound way. However, it also means living in a way that others may turn away from us because of it. But with the reward in the end is being in the Kingdom of Heaven!

Our Sacrificial Giving to our Parish



Together let's meet our weekly goal of \$5,000.00

✦ 10:00 AM 180 - \$ 1,708.00

✦ 12 Noon 93 - \$ 950.00

✦ 5:00 PM 19 - \$ 216.00

Please consider making your offering to our parish through our Electronic Funds Transfer "Parish Pay"

ParishPay is the easiest and most effective way to give back to our community on a consistent and supportive basis weekly or monthly.

www.ParishPay.com ☞ Diocese: Brooklyn ☞

Our Parish on page 3 ☞ Enroll to give!

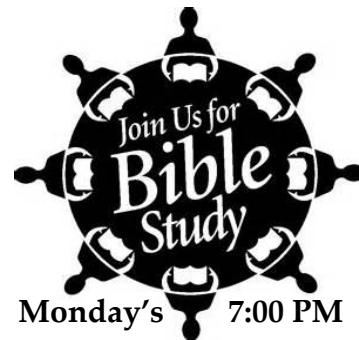
A campaign such as *Generation of Faith* does not simply end when all the pledges are collected. Please make your payments! Remember, over 50% of the funds collected will be returned to the parish!

To date \$51,327.00 has been collected.

I will like to give my genuine and heartfelt thanks to all the families and individuals that helped make the campaign a success. PLEASE BE SURE TO SEND YOUR PLEDGE PAYMENTS IN BY MAIL OR SUBMIT YOUR PLEDGE TO THE PARISH.

You have the opportunity to submit your pledge in the "Blue Generation of Faith envelopes" or see Angela to enroll into Electronic Payment. You may also visit www.cfbq/generations/payments. Thank You!

"Ephesians - Discover our Inheritance"



Monday's 7:00 PM

St. Benedict the Moor Meeting Room

Save the Date...

Sponsored by the Rosary Society

Mardi Gras – Sunday, February 26th



Make your reservation to see...

JONAH!

Annual Bus trip to Sight & Sound

Saturday, June 24th

Refer to flyer at entrance of Church.

Fitness Class



Thursday's ✦ 7:00 PM

St. Bonaventure Church Hall

Wear workout clothes, Yoga mat & bring towel

\$20.00 per month • Ages 12 & Above!

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Women's New Year Retreat with Sr. Ave Clark, O.P.

Saturday, February 4th

9:45 AM- 12 Noon

"Inspiration and Transformation"

American Martyrs 79-43 Bell Blvd

Sullivan Hall – Accessible

Register 718-428-2471



Mini Brunch Retreat with Sr. Ave Clark
Wednesday, February 15th after 8:30 am Mass

"A Beautiful Heart Gives Love Away"

Bring brunch to share!

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Connecting and supporting families of individuals with Special Needs.

Support Parent Matching Program assist parents/caregivers who have children with special needs, developmental challenges, learning disabilities or special health care needs, by locating a volunteer support parent who has a child with a similar background or who has had a similar experience.

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