



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"

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Year C – Revised Common Lectionary / Daily Office Year One
MARCH 30 AND 31, 2019

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

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Joshua 5:9-12

The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day. While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year. The Word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

Psalm 32 *Beati quorum*

1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, *
and whose sin is put away!

2 Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, *
and in whose spirit there is no guile!

3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *
because of my groaning all day long.

4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.

5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *
and did not conceal my guilt.

6 I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." *
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.

8 You are my hiding-place;
you preserve me from trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *
I will guide you with my eye.

10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; *
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,
or else they will not stay near you."

11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.

12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; *
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

The Epistle: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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

+The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (15:1-3, 11b-32)

All: GLORY TO YOU, LORD CHRIST

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So Jesus told them this parable: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven

and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe--the best one--and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. "Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

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:

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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)

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.***

The Greatest Story You Ever Heard!

Scripture scholars, artists, and authors have for centuries praised today's gospel story as the greatest. Luke depicts a younger brother in the Judean culture as the worst of all possible sinners. He takes his father's inheritance before he dies; moves to a gentile country, and "blows" the money. He, a Jew, takes a job tending pigs, and then his greatest insult to Judaism: his desire to eat the gentile garbage the pigs were consuming. Still, his father peers daily down the road longing for his return. One morning, his heart leaps for joy - he spots his son approaching. The older man runs to him with kisses and embraces. No conditions! No recriminations! He answers sin, with forgiveness and answers garbage with a rich banquet. We children are on the way home. - *Norm Carroll spiritualsummit.net*

COMING UP @ ST. BENEDICT'S



WEDNESDAYS IN LENT – 7:30-8:15 PM

"THE WAY OF LOVE: FOLLOWING JESUS TODAY"

A SPECIAL BIBLE STUDY WITH FATHER ALBERT



Children and Youth Choir rehearsals in preparation for Easter are on Thursdays at 6:00 PM in the church. All in our community are welcome! See our Choir Master, Xavier Richardson, for more information.

Relay for Life: It's that time again – time to walk for a cure for cancer. Historically, St. Benedict's has been one of the best fundraisers for the event. To make this happen, we need volunteers to walk during the event and to help with the set-up. Relay for Life is scheduled for April 12, 2019, from 6pm to 9am the next day – in recognition of the fact that cancer never sleeps. You can walk for as long (or as short) as you like. It will be held at Central Park in Plantation, on the track by the football field. Please register online at RelayForLife.org or by calling 1-800-227-2345; be sure to register under St. Benedict's. For more information, contact Cheryl Hill at 954-292-8700.

Lent Retreat/Quiet Morning: *Heads of Ministry, Vestry Members, and all those involved in any leadership capacity at St. Benedict's* are required to attend and every adult in the parish is also welcome to attend our Lenten Quiet Day on Saturday, April 6th from 9:00 am – Noon. Do all that you can to attend this important event. Thank you for your service!

CONFIRMATION AND RECEPTION

CONFIRMATION WILL BE HERE, AT ST. BENEDICT'S, ON SATURDAY, JUNE 8TH AT 6:00 PM

EMAIL: DEBRAMBLACK@AOL.COM TO REGISTER.

(THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE "RECEIVED" AS MEMBERS OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH – HAVING BEEN PREVIOUSLY CONFIRMED IN THE ROMAN CATHOLIC OR ORTHODOX CHURCHES ARE WELCOME TO BE RECEIVED AS MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNION.)

BAPTISMS FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND ADULTS

THOSE ADULTS, TEENS, OR CHILDREN WHO HAVE NOT BEEN BAPTIZED ARE WELCOME TO THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER BAPTISMAL FESTIVAL ON SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH AT 6:00 PM – SEE FATHER ALBERT, AUSTIN CARTY, OR NORM CARROLL FOR MORE DETAILS

Eucharist Forever: We guarantee an amazing life experience in the chapel Monday April 1, at 7:00 pm and that's no April fool's joke.

Sunday Gospel: From Luke to Rembrandt to St. Benedict's, we examine at 9:30 am in the chapel the greatest short story ever told. Don't miss it.

Faith in Music Ministry: We will be listening and studying sacred classical music this Tuesday at 9:30 am.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew: The next upcoming meeting will be on Sunday, April 14 in the St. Elizabeth's Room promptly following the 10:00 am Mass. We invite all men of the church to come and join us for fellowship. Please see Kevin Walford for more details.

The Mothers' Union High Tea will be on Sunday, April 28 at 3:00 pm. Please sign up for tables.

Quilt Raffle: The Mothers' Union is raffling a beautiful quilt. Please purchase your tickets this morning from Blossie Lewis who is selling tickets after the service in the narthex.

Mark your calendars! Saint Benedict's will once again be hosting the mothers and children of Hope South Florida Mission on Monday May 20th - Friday May 25th, 2019. We need assistance with overnight monitors, nightly dinners, children's activities, donations for food for lunches and breakfast. And prayers. "Therefore, I command you, 'you shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor, in your land.'" Deuteronomy 15:11.

Do you have a smile? Then you are a Greeter. We are in need of Greeters; if you would like to know or join this ministry, please meet with us on Sunday, April 7 in the chapel right after the 10 am mass.

To all of the wonderful Parishioners and Clergy members of St. Benedict's: I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their prayers, thoughts and support during my recent battle with cancer. The final treatment is over, and I am now in full remission. May God bless you all. *Jill Furzer.*

Spiritual Thought: "You never depart from us, but yet, only with difficulties do we return to You." - Saint Augustine

Our offerings to God for March 23 and 24, 2019 – Thank you for your generosity!

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| Operating: | 8,267.00 |
| Building Fund: | 745.00 |
| Total: | 9,012.00 |
| Operational Costs: | 9,900.00 |
| Shortfall for the week: | 888.00 |