

St. Benedict's Episcopal Church

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 it known"

LAST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Year A – Revised Common Lectionary / Daily Office Year Two
FEBRUARY 22 AND 23, 2020

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

Book of Common Prayer

Order of Service

Holy Eucharist Rite II: 6:00 pm and 10:00 am (BCP 355)

Holy Eucharist Rite I: 8:00 am (BCP 323)

The Collect

O God, who before the passion of your only begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Exodus 24:12-18

The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them." Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

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

Psalm 2 Quare fremuerunt gentes?

1 Why are the nations in an uproar? *Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?
2 Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt, and the princes plot together, *
against the Lord and against his Anointed?
3 "Let us break their yoke," they say; *"let us cast off their bonds from us."
4 He whose throne is in heaven is laughing; *the Lord has them in derision.
5 Then he speaks to them in his wrath, *and his rage fills them with terror.
6 "I myself have set my king *upon my holy hill of Zion."
7 Let me announce the decree of the Lord: *
he said to me, "You are my Son; this day have I begotten you.
8 Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance *
and the ends of the earth for your possession.
9 You shall crush them with an iron rod *and shatter them like a piece of pottery."
10 And now, you kings, be wise; *be warned, you rulers of the earth.
11 Submit to the Lord with fear, *and with trembling bow before him;
12 Lest he be angry and you perish; *for his wrath is quickly kindled.
13 Happy are they all *who take refuge in him!

The Epistle: 2 Peter 1:16-21

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God. The Word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

+The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (17:1-9)

All: GLORY TO YOU, LORD CHRIST

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

All: PRAISE TO YOU, LORD CHRIST

Sermon/Homily: 6:00 pm Saturday, 8:00 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.**

A Life-Long Lyric

How devastating that most Christians understand little of the transfiguration. The mountain; the white clothing; Moses and Elijah appearing with a transfigured Jesus; the cloud; God's words: "This is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased. Listen to him!" These symbols paint a portrait of God truly and spiritually present to and in Jesus and those who walk in his sandals. We are not only called to follow Christ but to be a Christ. God orders us to "Listen to him," by living his life. Our every event and relationship carry the opportunity of bringing Christ in our person to that experience. For us Christians, this determines our entire life success. It's no wonder Jesus "touched them, saying, 'Rise and do not be afraid'" - Norm Carroll spiritualsummit.net.

Coming Up @ St. Benedict's

Join us for special services on Ash Wednesday, February 26th at 7:00 am for Holy Eucharist with the Imposition of ashes (approx. 25 minutes) - 12:00 Noon Holy Eucharist (approx. 25 minutes) with the imposition of ashes and 7:00 pm Holy Eucharist with music. We will also have "Ashes to Go" for all in our community on NW 5th Street. All are welcome!

During Lent we will be having Stations of the Cross in the church on Fridays at noon.

We Are Family! Please remember that PLEDGE CARDS must be completed each year. If you are contributing in the plate or online and have not completed pledge cards for 2020, we are **unable to record your contributions** or provide a statement. Please complete a card as soon as possible and put it into the Arc (box), or the collection plate. Sign-up ONLINE and set up your "automatic giving" - never write another check again. www.saintbenedicts.org.

Pledge statements for 2019 are on the table in the narthex arranged in alphabetical order.

The Sunday School is in need of volunteers for teachers. Please contact Keisha Goodison if you are called to share the word of God with children. **Our Nursery is also open every Sunday during the 10:00 am service** for infants and toddlers ages 6 months to 3 years. Please see Cheryl Burley or Yvette Dawson for more information, or to volunteer.

Sunday Searching: Do you value exploring the genuine in-depth wisdom of the Sunday Eucharistic lessons? Come to the chapel at 9:30 am for life-changing discoveries.

Future Church: What will our Christianity look like in the coming years? Come Monday at 7:00 pm to the chapel to explore today's trends and how they will change our churches in years forthcoming.

Faith in Music Ministry will be a combination of Spiritual Music with Spiritual text on Wednesdays from 6:15 pm until 6:45 pm.

Military Ministry: There will be a meeting of committee members and all who are interested in supporting the Military Ministry Program after the 10 a.m. service on Feb 23rd in the Chapel. We will be planning our activities for 2020 and all are welcome to attend.

ECW has been given 2 round trip vouchers on Jet Blue - from any city to any city! We will raffle these off separately from the Gift Baskets. Price for tickets is \$10.00. Drawing will be held on February 23, 2020. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to receive 2 round trip vouchers to a destination of your choice!

ECW 5 FABULOUS GIFT BASKET RAFFLE! Purchase raffle tickets to win one or more wonderful gift baskets from local vendors. Tickets are 6 for \$5.00. Drawing to be held on February 23rd. Please help support our scholarship fundraising effort. Tickets available at each service or by contacting any ECW member. For more information, please call Karen Froniewski at 954-292-0068 or Carla Holness at 954-309-3298. Thank you and God bless.

The Mothers' Union Meeting will be on Sunday, February 23, immediately following the 10:00 am service in St. Luke's Room.

Attention all men! You are invited to be part of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew: The next meeting will be this Sunday, February 23rd in the St. Elizabeth's Room promptly following the 10:00 am Mass. Through the disciplines of Prayer, Study and Service, the Brotherhood aims to always bring men and youth closer to Christ. The Brotherhood also maintains the Brotherhood Corner located in Deshaies Hall where members of the St. Benedict's community who need assistance with various projects around their homes are able to reach out. We invite all men of the church to come and join us for fellowship. Refreshments are generally provided. For information please contact Kevin Walford

at: [AquaOrangeGreen@gmail.com](mailto: AquaOrangeGreen@gmail.com).

Mark your calendars!!! The Forever Young March Luncheon will be on March 24 at 12:30 pm at Las Vegas Restaurant (Cuban Cuisine), 7015 W. Broward Blvd. Plantation 33317. Lunch specials from \$7.95 to \$14.95. All are invited!!! Please call Carol Weller at 954-572-4075 to RSVP by March 19.

The Special Events Ministry is hosting a trip to the Holy Land in Orlando, FL on **March 28th**. There is one bus with 55 seats available. Contact Pauletta Superville at 754-366-8394 or Tanya Holmes at 954-850-9386 for more info. Price \$74.00 for adults and \$59.00 for children 5-17 years old.

LifeNet4Families sandwich donations - last Sunday of each month: We hit a record month in pounds donated to the program in 2019 and would like to keep the momentum in 2020. Please continue your service and commitment to the program and bring items **separately** - bread/meat/cheese. This program is a critical service to the community and serves hundreds of meals daily. THANK YOU for your generosity!

St. Benedict's Quilt Group will be updating the flag quilt located on the east wall of our sanctuary; if your country flag is not represented, please e-mail either Juli Reid (julireid@comcast.net) or Josette Thomas (jmother15@bellsouth.net) with the name of your country.

Walk or Sponsor a walker for Jubilee Center's **Walk 2 Stop Hunger** on **Sunday, March 8, 2020 from 3:00pm to 5:00pm at St. John's Episcopal Church**, located at 1704 Buchanan St., Hollywood, FL, 33020 (just east of US1.) Jubilee Center is a soup kitchen, food pantry, and social services agency that has met the needs of the hungry for more than 25 years **and serves 100-120 hot meals every day, (that's 30,000 a year) and provides food and emergency services to individuals and families in need.** Non-perishable **Food Donations** appreciated. Our own **St. Benedict's Liturgical Dance Team** will be there to entertain you!!! **Registration Fee for Walkers:** \$10/adult, \$5/child (includes t-shirt and lunch). **Walk Sheets** in the narthex or Contact **Jubilee Center** Board Member Deacon Deb at 954-478-1091 or Executive Director Rene Yacinthe at 954-920-0106. Thank you for your continued support!

Abandoned Dogs' Rescue Home: Peter Furzer is collecting old, but gently used towels for the Abandoned Dog's Rescue Home. Please see Peter if you can help.

The Mission of the Month of February is Hope South Florida: Through the Faith In Action program HOPE South Florida provides emergency overnight housing for families & veterans at a local church or hotel, so they are not forced to sleep on the streets while they wait for permanent housing to become available. HSF provides transportation, meals, showers, and other support services to homeless families & veterans recovering from homelessness.

Spiritual Thought: "The ultimate goal of fasting is to help each one of us to make a complete gift of self to God."
-Pope Benedict XVI

Our offerings to God for February 15 and 16, 2020

Operating Fund:	7,665.15
Maintenance/Improvement Fund:	1,600.00
Total	9,265.15
Operational Costs:	9,900.00
Short fall for the week:	634.85