



**Saint Benedict's Episcopal Church**  
**The Second Sunday of Lent**  
**February 28 and March 1, 2026 | 6pm, 8am and 10am**

*Welcome to Saint Benedict's Episcopal Church, a church that feels like family! We are glad to have you worship with us today. If you are a newcomer, please complete a Welcome Card and place it in the offering plate so we can extend our welcome beyond this service. Additional information about Saint Benedict's and our ministries may be found online at [www.saintbenedicts.org](http://www.saintbenedicts.org). The people's responses can be found in **BOLD**. The music for the service is taken from The Hymnal 1982 (H-1982) and Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS). Let us prepare our hearts to celebrate in Word and Sacrament, the Risen Lord.*

**Processional**

**The God of Abraham praise**

Hymnal 401

**The Lenten Acclamation**

✝ Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.  
**His mercy endures forever.**

**Collect for Purity**

*Celebrant* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Kyrie eleison**

Lord have mercy    **All Lord have mercy**  
Christ have mercy    **All Christ have mercy**  
Lord have mercy    **All Lord have mercy**

**The Collect for the Day**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you. \*(8am) And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**A Reading from the Book of Genesis**

**Genesis 12:1-4a**

The LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. The Word of the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 121 *Levavi oculos***

*(10am ~ sung by Choir)*

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; \*  
from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the LORD, \*  
the maker of heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved \*  
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel \*  
shall neither slumber nor sleep;
- 5 The LORD himself watches over you; \*  
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, \*  
nor the moon by night.
- 7 The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; \*  
it is he who shall keep you safe.
- 8 The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, \*  
from this time forth for evermore.

**A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans**

**Romans 4:1-5, 13-17**

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn**

**Jesus, remember me**

**Taizé**

*Jesus, remember me  
when you come into your kingdom.  
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*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? “Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. “Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.” The Gospel of the Lord. *People* **Praise to you Lord Christ!**

**Sermon**

**Father Albert R. Cutié, Rector**

### **The Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## The Prayers of the People (Form I)

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "**Lord, have mercy.**"

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

In the communion of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Benedict - our patron - and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

**To thee, O Lord our God.**

Today, in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we remember Anglican Episcopal Church in Japan.

We pray for St. Michael and All Angels Church our partner churches in Madagascar and our Missionary, Jacky.

We pray for those celebrating Birthdays and Anniversaries this week (Feel free to add names silently or aloud).

## The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you. *People* **And also with you. \*(8am) And with thy spirit.**

## Announcements by the Rector

*Feel free to make a secure donation ONLINE [www.saintbenedicts.org](http://www.saintbenedicts.org) and go to "Online giving" or give by clicking on the QR CODE below... God bless you for your generous support!*



Offertory Hymn (6pm, 8am)	My faith looks up to thee	Hymnal 691
Offertory Anthem (10 am)	And Can It Be	
Doxology	Praise God from whom all blessings flow	Old Hundredth

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### The Great Thanksgiving

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Lord be with you.	
<i>All</i>	And also with you.	<b>*(8am)</b> And with thy spirit.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.	
<i>All</i>	We lift them up to the Lord.	<b>*(8am)</b> We lift them up unto the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	
<i>All</i>	It is right to give him thanks and praise.	<b>*(8am)</b> It is meet and right so to do.

### Preface

### Sanctus

The Lord's Prayer Albert Hay Malotte (1895-1964)

Fraction Anthem at the Breaking of the Bread *said during Lent*

Agnus Dei David Hurd

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us Thy peace.

### **\*(8am)** Prayer of Humble Access

*All* We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Communion Hymn Jesu, Jesu LEVAS 74

### The Post Communion Prayer during Lent

Loving God,  
we give you thanks  
for restoring us in your image  
and nourishing us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.  
Now send us forth a people,  
forgiven, healed, renewed;  
that we may proclaim your love to the world

✠The Blessing

Recessional Hymn

O how I love Jesus

LEVAS 95

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!  
Thanks be to God.

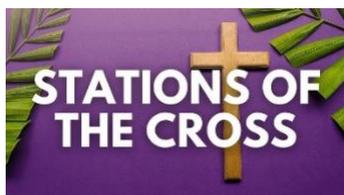
## NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



### WELCOME TO SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10am Service

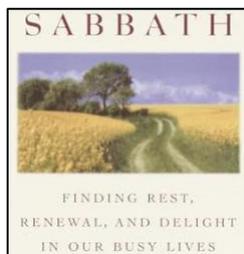
ALL children and youth are WELCOME to participate in this year's exciting program

A safe and private communication group has been created for the Sunday School parents. It will serve as secure space to share important updates, weekly lesson updates, event reminders and any schedule changes related to the children's ministry. **Parents** – please see Karla if you wish to be part of this group.



### Stations of the Cross

Wednesdays | 6:30pm  
Fridays | 12 Noon



### Wednesdays in Lent

7pm – 8pm | In the Church  
“Sabbath” by Wayne Muller

### March Mission of the Month

#### Missionaries of the Poor



The **Missionaries of the Poor** is a Roman Catholic monastic religious institute of Brothers and Sisters dedicated to "*Joyful Service with Christ on the Cross*" to serve the poorest of the poor. It was started in 1981 by the Very Reverend Father **Richard Ho Lung** in Kingston, Jamaica, and has now grown to over 550 members from 13 countries.

For more information about this ministry please go to <https://missionariesofthepoor.org/>

**Missionaries of the Poor** representatives will speak at all of four services the weekend of March 7 and 8 and letting us know how St. Benedict's can assist in this wonderful ministry

You are encouraged to place a monetary donation in the Mission Box located in the back of the church



## Seafarers House

Ship Visit | March 5 | 10am

We will leave the church at 9:30am or you may meet the group at Seafarers at 10am  
Our crew loves chocolate, candy, peanuts in the shell or jar, almonds and coconut water

**Please Contact Allan 954.682.4130 for additional information**

## Friends in Faith Luncheon

Deshaies Hall | Monday, March 16 | 11:30am – 2pm

Caribbean Luncheon (salad, rice and peas, vegetable, dessert, beverage)

Tickets are available for sale after all of the services (\$15)

**All are welcome but tickets need to be purchased in advance**

Questions - Please contact Allan at 954.682.4130



## Think BIG Think RED

The One Blood Bus Will Be Here

Sunday, March 8 | 8:30am-12:30am

\$20 Gift Card, Long Sleeved T-Shirt, Wellness Checkup  
More Information and Sign-Up Sheet in the Narthex



A gentle reminder

Please pick up your 2025 Contribution Statements the Narthex

## LAST WEEK'S OFFERING TO GOD

Operating \$9,445

Building Maintenance \$2,526

Total \$11,971

*Thank you for your dedication to your parish, and may God bless you for your generosity.*

*To sign up for ONLINE GIVING please visit our website and select the "Giving" tab. [www.saintbenedicts.org](http://www.saintbenedicts.org)*



## OUR CAMPAIGN PRAYER

*Oh God of Love, you have brought together from many nations the people of our parish family of Saint Benedict's.*

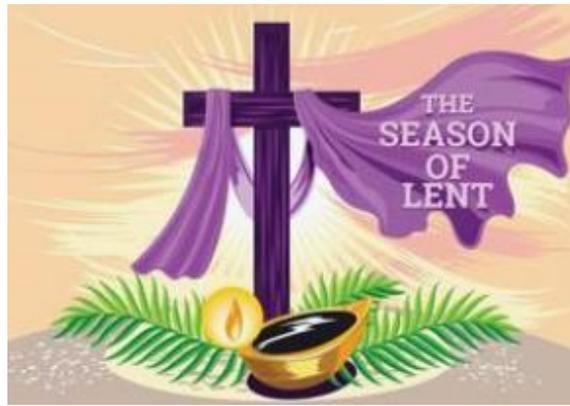
*We thank you for the countless gifts which your Holy Spirit has bestowed upon this community of faith.*

*We pray for the success of our Capital Campaign:*

*May this be a time of generous and sacrificial giving,*

*that we may all work together to build an enduring legacy of faith for future generations.*

*We ask this in the most Holy Name of Jesus Christ our Lord.*



**SAINT BENEDICT'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
DIOCESE OF SOUTHEAST FLORIDA – ANGLICAN COMMUNION  
*Our mission is to know Christ's love, and to make it known*

**Weekly Worship Schedule**

SATURDAYS

**Yoga in the Sanctuary 9:30 AM**  
**6:00 PM Holy Eucharist Rite II** (*"Dog-friendly" Service*)

SUNDAYS

**8:00 AM** (*Rite I*), **10:00 AM** (*Rite II*), **12:00 PM** (*Misa en español*) **Holy Eucharist**

MONDAYS

**Bible Study 7:00 PM**

TUESDAYS

**Holy Eucharist 8:30 AM**

WEDNESDAYS

**Stations of the Cross 6:30 PM**  
**Special Lenten Program – "Sabbath" 7:00 PM**

THURSDAYS

**Holy Eucharist 8:30 AM**

FRIDAY

**Bible Study 9:00 AM**  
**Stations of the Cross 12 Noon**

**The Reverend Albert R. Cutié, Rector**  
**The Reverend Debra McLaughlin, Deacon**  
**Ms. Linda Schlepp-Gray, Parish Administrator**  
**Mr. Ashworth Matthews, Organist and Choirmaster**

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