ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC CHURCH

Diocese of Tyler July 16, 2023: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 1379 N. Frankston Hwy, Frankston, TX 75763 Office: 903-876-3309

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St. Charles Borromeo, pray for us!

July is the Month of the Most Precious Blood.

PARISH AND DIOCESAN NEWS

- Next weekend there will be a second collection. It is the yearly collection for the Church in Africa. Please consider supporting this need.
- St. Benedict medals and prayer cards are available in the church and an explanation of the inscription of the medal is the bulletin insert. They are blessed and are sacramentals. A Flocknote sent on Tuesday explains sacramentals.
- Holy Water: With our hot weather you might check your supply of Holy Water. I hope you can keep your Holy Water Stoups filled and used all year long.
- Bible Study, Gospel of Matthew: Meets Thursday, from 6-7pm. Everyone is invited to come!
- Help LOSC help our Students! School starts August 2 and LOSC will be providing our students with \$25 WALMART gift cards to purchase back to school supplies. If you are interested in helping, you can either donate money or a \$25 gift card. There will be a basket in the church in which to put your donations. Please turn them in by July 23.

WINE RAFFLE

• A Big Thanks to all of the St. Charles Borromeo parishioners who contributed so generously for the benefit of the Food Pantry. **The \$1035 that was raised will purchase \$8280 in groceries at the East Texas Food Bank.** Congratulations to Dennis Kutach who purchased the winning ticket!

Our lives are complex and at times we need help. Mosaic is a professional, licensed counseling service of more than 10 years. You can receive 8 free counseling sessions to help you. Issues from child rearing, marital relationships, bereavement, depression, anxiety and more can be discussed. You may meet with the counselor at their offices in Tyler, by way of video conference or here at our Education Building. Meetings are anonymous, no one here will know who is receiving counseling.



HOLY LAND & JERUSALEM PILGRIMAGE with Fr. Mark Kusmirek, September 17-26, 2023! Space is limited. \$5294 per person, from Tyler. Price includes round trip airfare from Tyler, Texas; First class hotels with luggage handling for 1 bag; breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily; all tips for hotels and restaurants; private air-conditioned motor coach with bottled water and wi-fi; professional tour guide; all entrance fees as per itinerary; and daily Mass with Fr. Mark Kusmirek. Registrations accepted on a "First Come, First Serve Basis." Visit https://www.catholicjourneys.com/kusmirek or call Marcelle at Catholic Journeys, 800-715-6670.

Donations for July 4-10, 2023

General Fund Collection\$	3,351.00
Food Pantry\$	100.00
Wine Raffle for Food Pantry \$	1,035.00

ONLINE GIVING OPTIONS:

www.stcharlesfrankston.com or www.dioceseoftyler.org/offertory Online gifts will be deposited directly to our parish.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat July 15	4:00 pm Joe & Therese Burgamy	Thu July 20	8:00 am +Duane Martin by G&R Chance
Sun July 16	9:00 am Pro Populo	Fri July 21	12:00 pm +Olivia Cameron by M Cameron
Tues July 18	8:00 am +Mike Bryte by K&M Cluley	Sat July 22	4:00 pm Pro Populo
Wed July 19	12:00 pm +Glenda Pitre by K&M Cluley	Sun July 23	9:00 am Sue Beams by LOSC

Mass Dates are available. A small monetary offering is appropriate. We will be glad to send a card at no charge.

Mass Attendance for July 8-9: Saturday, July 8:66; Sunday, July 9: 90 (Total: 156)

Sanctuary Lights:

Dates are available; \$10 per week

Flowers: Dates are available, \$150 per week

Please remember these friends and family members who are in need of prayers:

Kamila Chavez Carol Parker	Betty Gracie Linda Setzer	Mary Ann Jordan David Taggart	Scott Jurecka	Jimmy Nichols
Jayne Beddingfield Karyn Marklinger	Eileen Colleton Chris Terry	Elise Fayard Peter Terry	Kenneth Gasch	Pat Skarda

<u>The Pope's Intention for July:</u> For a Eucharistic Life. We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and with all their brothers and sisters.

BIRTHDAYS: For July 15-21: None this week **ANNIVERSARIES**: For July 15-21: July 16: Joe & Therese Burgamy(35th) July 16: Joseph & Dena Pauletti (29th) July 17: Jim & Carol Parker (58th)

MINISTRY SCHEDULE for July 22-23, 2023

Please have someone take your place if you cannot be here. The Ministry Schedule is also available on our website and in the church narthex.



Lectors: EMHC: Ushers: Greeter: Linens:

<u>Saturday 4:00 pm</u>

Dennis Kutach Therese Burgamy Wanda Taylor Betty Caskey **July:** Ramona Chance

Sunday 9:00 am

Cher Emond Gail Eubank B Harbert; L Hernandez Joni Harbert **August:** Barbara Theisen

Sacrament of Penance: This great sacrament is for the healing of thoughts or actions of what we have done or failed to do. Please know confessions are heard on Saturdays from 3:00 pm—3:50 pm and on Sundays from 8:00 am—8:50 am. Examinations of Conscience are available to help guide your preparation.



PREVENT ABUSE: If you know or suspect that a minor or vulnerable adult is currently being abused or is in danger, immediately report it to state/local law enforcement or the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services at (800) 252-5400 or <u>txabusehotline.org</u>.

The Diocese of Tyler is committed respecting the dignity of all persons and to helping anyone who may have been hurt or abused by a priest, deacon, religious, or anyone working in the name of the Church. Any current or past cases of abuse involving Church personnel should be reported to civil authorities and also to the victim assistance coordinator at(903) 266-2159 or <u>vac@dioceseoftyler.org</u>.



The Medal or Cross of Saint Benedict

Origin of the Medal of Saint Benedict



For the early Christians, the cross was a favorite symbol and badge of their faith in Christ. From the writings of **St. Gregory the Great** (540-604), we know that St. Benedict had a deep faith in the Cross and worked miracles with the sign of the cross. This faith in, and special devotion to, the Cross was passed on to succeeding generations of Benedictines.

Devotion to the Cross of Christ also gave rise to the striking of medals that bore the image of St. Benedict holding a cross aloft in his right hand and his Rule for Monasteries in the other hand. Thus, the Cross has always been closely associated with the Medal of St. Benedict, which is often referred to as the Medal-Cross of St. Benedict.

In the course of time, other additions were made, such as the Latin petition on the margin of the medal, asking that by St. Benedict's presence we may be strengthened in the hour of death, as will be explained later.

We do not know just when the first medal of St. Benedict was struck. At some point in history a series of capital letters was placed around the large figure of the cross on the reverse side of the medal. For a long time the meaning of these letters was unknown, but in 1647 a manuscript dating

back to 1415 was found at the Abbey of **Metten** in Bavaria, giving an explanation of the letters. They are the initial letters of a Latin prayer of exorcism against Satan, as will be explained below.

The Jubilee Medal of Montecassino

The above features were finally incorporated in a newly designed medal struck in 1880 under the supervision of the monks of Montecassino, Italy, to mark the 1400th anniversary of the birth of St. Benedict. The design of this medal was produced at **St. Martin's Archabbey, Beuron**, Germany, at the request of the prior of Montecassino, **Very Rev. Boniface Krug OSB** (1838-1909). Prior Boniface was a native of Baltimore and originally a monk of St. Vincent Archabbey, Latrobe, Pennsylvania, until he was chosen to become prior and later **Archabbot of Montecassino**.

Since that time, the Jubilee Medal of 1880 has proven to be more popular throughout the Christian world than any other medal ever struck to honor St. Benedict.

Description of the Jubilee Medal

Because the Jubilee Medal of 1880 has all the important features ever associated with the Medal of St. Benedict, the following description of this medal can serve to make clear the nature and intent of any medal of St. Benedict, no matter what shape or design it may legitimately have.

The Cross of Eternal Salvation

On the face of the medal is the image of Saint Benedict. In his right hand he holds the cross, the Christian's symbol of salvation. The cross reminds us of the zealous work of evangelizing and civilizing England and Europe carried out mainly by the Benedictine monks and nuns, especially for the sixth to the ninth/tenth centuries.

Rule and Raven

In St. Benedict's left hand is his Rule for Monasteries that could well be summed up in the words of the Prolog exhorting us to "walk in God's ways, with the Gospel as our guide."

On a pedestal to the right of St. Benedict is the poisoned cup, shattered when he made the sign of the cross over it. On a pedestal to the left is a raven about to carry away a loaf of poisoned bread that a jealous enemy had sent to St. Benedict. **C. S. P. B.**

Above the cup and the raven are the Latin words: **Crux s. patris Benedicti** (The Cross of our holy father Benedict). On the margin of the medal, encircling the figure of Benedict, are the Latin words: **Eius in obitu nostro praesentia muniamur!** (May we be strengthened by his presence in the hour of our death!). Benedictines have always regarded St. Benedict as a special patron of a happy death. He himself died in the chapel at Montecassino while standing with his arms raised up to heaven, supported by the brothers of the monastery, shortly after St. Benedict had received Holy Communion.

Monte Cassino

Below Benedict we read: **ex SM Casino MDCCCLXXX** (from holy Monte Cassino, 1880). This is the medal struck to commemorate the 1400th anniversary of the birth of Saint Benedict.

Reverse Side of the Medal Crux mihi lux

On the back of the medal, the cross is dominant. On the arms of the cross are the initial letters of a rhythmic Latin prayer: **Crux sacra sit mihi lux! Nunquam draco sit mihi dux!** (May the holy cross be my light! May the dragon never be my guide!).

In the angles of the cross, the letters **C S P B** stand for **Crux Sancti Patris Benedicti** (The cross of our holy father Benedict).

Peace

Above the cross is the word *pax* (peace), that has been a Benedictine motto for centuries. Around the margin of the back of the medal, the letters V R S N S M V - S M Q L I V B are the initial letters, as mentioned above, of a Latin prayer of exorcism against Satan: **Vade retro Satana! Nunquam suade mihi vana! Sunt mala quae libas. Ipse venena bibas!** (Begone Satan! Never tempt me with your vanities! What you offer me is evil. Drink the poison yourself!)

An approved Blessing of the Medal of St. Benedict V.

Our help is in the name of the Lord. R. Who made heaven and earth.

In the name of God, the Father + almighty, who made heaven and earth, the seas and all that is in them, I exorcise these medals against the power and attacks of the evil one. May all who use these medals devoutly be blessed with health of soul and body. In the name of the Father + almighty, of the Son + Jesus Christ our Lord, and of the Holy + Spirit the Paraclete, and in the love of the same Lord Jesus Christ who will come on the last day to judge the living and the dead, and the world by fire. **Amen.**

Let us pray. Almighty God, the boundless source of all good things, we humbly ask that, through the intercession of Saint Benedict, you pour out your blessings + upon these medals. May those who use them devoutly and earnestly strive to perform good works be blessed by you with health of soul and body, the grace of a holy life, and remission of the temporal punishment due to sin.

May they also with the help of your merciful love, resist the temptation of the evil one and strive to exercise true charity and justice toward all, so that one day they may appear sinless and holy in your sight. This we ask though Christ our Lord. **Amen.**