

Become a Minister of Hospitality

Ushers and greeters serve the assembly in a variety of ways. Perhaps the most important way can be summed up in the word *hospitality*.

The reason behind having ushers and greeters in a ministry of hospitality is not simply a desire to be sociable or friendly. Rather, as Christians, we believe that Christ reveals his presence to us in the Eucharist in various ways including his presence in the assembly itself. And this presence of Christ in the assembly may be the one least recognized by Catholics today. It is not stretching things to say that the tabernacle which Jesus chose as his primary dwelling place was not a metal box in a church building. His primary dwelling place is in each of us. We are each a tabernacle where he dwells.

Hospitality is Reverence of Christ

Hospitality at worship, therefore, is an expression of reverence of the presence of Christ in each member of the assembly. To ignore those who gather with us to celebrate the liturgy is irreverent; it is to ignore Christ himself. To welcome them into our lives is to welcome Christ himself.

New Ministers of Hospitality Needed

As we thank our present ministers of hospitality for their continued service, we invite parishioners to help build this ministry at St. Benedict by joining the ministry.

Please review the qualities of a minister of hospitality and respond either by volunteering yourself or recommending a parishioner who is suited for the ministry.

Qualities of a Hospitality Minister

A minister of hospitality is a youth, man or woman who:

- has a gift for welcoming with genuine warmth and joy
- is at ease with one-to-one social encounters, and can put others at ease
- can look people in the eye and converse easily
- has skills, knowledge, and temperament to deal with the unexpected
- can recognize the presence of Christ in the gathering community
- sees service in this ministry as an outgrowth of their day-to-day life as a baptized person.

Who me? Yes, you!

For further inquiries or to volunteer,
kindly contact

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*Always remember to welcome strangers,
for you were strangers once yourself.*

(Deuteronomy 24:14-22)

Praying for Salesians in Formation

Please keep in prayer:

Br. Michael Eguino

Born in Bronx, NY

28 years old

2nd Yr. Theology



Br. Mike met the Salesians

In Gr. 9 at Salesian High School

in New Rochelle, NY. He began his

formation in the fall of 2002. Br. Mike loves salt water fishing. He also enjoys playing his guitar and singing.

...More Good News about our Refugee Family

In a recent conversation with our refugee family, Susan Sala, a member of our parish refugee committee, learned that the family has had their medical examination as required by the Canadian Embassy. With the medical exam and other parts of the application process complete, the family now waits for their visas. This could take up to two months.

With the timeline of the family's arrival coming into better focus, the core committee held an organizational meeting last Tuesday evening with parish volunteers to put into action our parish settlement plan.

With enthusiasm and anticipation, the volunteers generously assumed a lead role of the various subcommittees necessary to support the family; from airport welcome, to stocking the house, to finances, transportation, education and employment. Heartfelt thanks to the small and dedicated group that came out! In the coming weeks we will be hearing from some of the group leaders as to ways in which we can contribute further to support the various aspects of the settlement process.

In the meantime, let's continue to pray for our family in their preparations to come to Canada. Let's pray too for ourselves that we may be gracious in our hospitality to our brothers and sisters in need.

*The LORD is a refuge for the oppressed,
a stronghold in times of trouble.*

*Those who know your name trust in you,
for you, LORD, have never forsaken those who seek you.
Psalm 9:9-10*

WALK - IN LEGAL CLINIC

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 24
9:00 am - 11 am

St. Benedict parish Youth Room
(enter at north side & go downstairs)

The clinic operates as "walk-in":

NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY

All consultations are private and confidential.

AVAILABLE SERVICES:

COMMISSIONING AND NOTARIZING DOCUMENTS

Sunday October 21st, 2012 – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today is **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**. Today, every Catholic community and parish throughout the world takes part in World Mission Sunday. It is a global effort to bring spiritual and material help to our brothers and sisters who long for hope and love that comes from knowing Christ's love for them. Your kind support will assist all missionaries across the world. It will help new churches to grow, be strong and vital faith communities. Please continue to pray for all those who serve in mission countries and please be generous in your support of their work. May God bless you always.

2013 SUNDAY ENVELOPES AVAILABLE NEXT WEEKEND. Please pick up your boxed set as soon as possible at the entrance to the church. The use of these envelopes is an excellent way of supporting your parish on a regular basis and also ensures that a receipt for tax purposes is available at the end of the year. Do **NOT** use these new envelopes until the New Year at which time **ALL remaining 2012 and prior years' envelopes should be DISCARDED.** Please contact the parish office, if your boxed set is not available and if you wish to receive one or if you have never been registered and wish to do so. Finally, your co-operation in ensuring that your donation is clearly entered on the envelope each and every week would be greatly appreciated by those of us who are responsible for opening and recording your donations.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT YOUR BOXED SET CONTAINS
FOUR ENVELOPES FOR THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUND.**

**PLEASE USE THESE ENVELOPES
AT YOUR CONVENIENCE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.**

IF 100 PARISHIONERS GAVE \$2,400, OUR DEBT WOULD BE ELIMINATED.
Can you be the one in 100?

**MADONNA CATHOLIC
SECONDARY SCHOOL**
20 Dubray Avenue

Cordially invites Grade 8
girls and their parents to an
Information Evening

**Thursday, October 25
7:00 p.m.
Madonna F.C.J. Theatre**

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

THANK YOU

St. Benedict School
students, staff & parents

for your generous donation of
food and money to help those
in need in our area at
Thanksgiving.

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We are in need of

- 1 double bed & dresser
- 1 coffee maker
- 1 microwave
- Kitchen table & chairs (x2)
- Bookcase
- TV stand

Thank you for your continued and generous support.
Call Josephine Muscat at 416-743-3830 ext 3.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

SUNDAY OFFERING \$7,356 AVERAGE ENVELOPE DONATION \$13.81

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 22

8:00am Special favours rec'd from Sacred Heart of Jesus
and St. Jude by Theresa McIntosh
7:00 Memorial Mass – Mario Marrelli

Tuesday, October 23

10:30am Mass at Kipling Acres
7:30pm Fortunato & Maria Assunta Matassa
by Soccia family

Wednesday, October 24

8:00am Leo Marineau by Gertrude

Thursday, October 25

8:00am Emmanuel De Giorgio by Maria Lourdes De Giorgio

Friday, October 26

8:00am Melan D'Cunha by Almir D'Cunha

Saturday, October 27

8:00am Rita Birch by Cathy McKenna
5:00pm Rodney Williams by Emily Williams & family

Sunday, October 28

8:00am Rosalia Ierfino by Rosa Zavaglia & family
9:30am Antonio & Marcella Bertani
by Renato Bertani & family
9:30am For the People
11:00am Rosario, Gianni & Clement
by Benedetto & Anna Maria Tuzi & family
12:45pm Antonio & Concetta Ruberto by family

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

GENERAL MEETING

A reminder to the Knights that there will be
a General meeting on **Wednesday,
October 24.** Mass at 7:00 pm followed by
the General meeting.

EUCHRE NIGHT

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a
Euchre Night on **Saturday, November 3.**
The cost is \$15, which includes a dinner of
pizza and salad beginning at 6:15 pm, with
progressive Euchre beginning at 7:00 pm.
Cash prizes for Yellow and white Card
winners of \$ 50, \$25, and \$15. Door Prizes,
coffee and snacks. For tickets call Wolf
Hartmann at 416-745-7983 or Ray Gallant at
416-748-3344.

GIORNATA ANNUALE DI RADIO MARIA

Domenica 28 Ottobre è la **GIORNATA
ANNUALE DI PREGHIERA PER RADIO MARIA.**
Radio Maria è una radio che porta in ogni
casa la Parola di Dio e l'invito alla
testimonianza cristiana. Ringraziamo il
Signore per questo dono prezioso, facciamo
conoscere questa radio a chi non la conosce
e sosteniamola con generosità.