

☰ St. Benedict the Moor

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Committee Leaders:

Worship and Spiritual life President—Modwena
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Finance Council President— Al Goodwin
Choir Director— Lynette Spurlock—Hardnett
8:00am Musician— William Tate
Website Director —Ron Gaspard

Mass Schedule:

Daily mass everyday at 11:00am in the church
Rectory except Thursday.
Sunday Mass: 8am (traditional)
9:30am (gospel)

Sacrament of Penance:

Every Sunday after both masses, and by appoint-
ment on the weekday.

Religious Education K-8:

Saturday from 10am-11:30am

Website:

members.cox.net/stbens

*Fr. Ken is available 24 hours a day for any assis-
tance needed.*

01 November 2009– Feast of All Saints



Pastoral Council Members

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President— Jean Cain

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Secretary— Angela Hardin

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November 01— Feast of All Saints**November 08 – Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time****8:00 Mass****Celebrant:** Fr. Neal Wilken-son**Lectors:** Gerry Schneider
Cheryl Baha**EMHC'S:****Musician:** William Tate**9:30 Mass****Celebrant:** Fr. Ken Vavrina**Lectors:** Diana Vogt
Willa Midder**EMHC'S:** Arlene Dacus
Bryan Cooper**Usher's:** Clemon Cofield
Jimmy Walker**Greeter:** Diane Barbour**Gift Bearer:** KPC**Musician:** Lynette Spurlock
Hardnett**8:00 Mass****Celebrant:** Fr. TBA**Lectors:** Ernest Spicer
Gerry Schneider**EMHC'S:****Musician:** William Tate**9:30 Mass****Celebrant:** Fr. Ken Vavrina**Lectors:** Angela Hardin
Nick Gregor**EMHC'S:** Tammy Hardin
Micaela Moriarty**Usher's:** Jamar Williams
Brea Ross-
Worthington & Family**Greeter:** Diane Barbour**Gift Bearer:** Hannibal
Cofield & Family**Musician:** Lynette Spurlock
Hardnett**DAILY PRAYER THIS WEEK:**

This week guides us deep into our faith in several ways. With the Solemnity of All Saints, we are reminded of all the women and men whose faithful living of the Gospel is so clear that we are sure we can imitate their lives. These are all the named saints. It would be great to name the saints whose example we desire to shape our lives. All Souls day gives us the opportunity to remember and pray for all our brothers and sisters who have died. We confidently hope and pray that they may be embraced by the love and mercy of God, poured forth in the life giving death and resurrection of Jesus. This is a wonderful day to name all those we want to pray for, and to include in our prayer those who have no one to pray for them.

As we go about our very busy lives this week, we can continue to practice focusing our attention on an on-going conversation with our Lord throughout the day. Our desires - for union with our Lord, to know God's love for us, to become more aware of our failings, to become more generous with our family and friends, to be more patient and forgiving, to love as we have been loved - can be expressed in these simple expressions. These expressed desires will naturally interact with the real events of our day.

The gospels this week will draw us into desiring to be more merciful and to not let money or pride dominate our behavior. We won't be "unprepared" if we keep making openings for our Lord to enter the ordinary moments of our days.

Each night, let's look back over the day briefly, and give thanks for a God who listens to our desires.

TAKEN FROM CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY WEB-SITE

Today's Fellowship: KPC

“Let us rejoice in the
Lord and keep a festival
in honor
of all the saints.”

Meetings This Week

Wednesday, November 4, Spiritual Life and Worship Meeting at 5:00 pm

Thursday, November 5, Choir Practice at 6:00 pm

Saturday, November 7, Religious Ed at 10:00 am

Weekly readings:

Sunday: Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps:24:1-6; First John 3:1-3, Matthew 5:1-12

Monday: Wisdom 3:19; Ps 27:1, 4, 7-9; 13-14; Romans 6:3-9; Matthew 25:31-46

Tuesday: Romans 12:5-16; PW 131:1-3; Luke 14:15-24

Wednesday: Romans 13:8-10; Ps 112:1-2, 4-5, 9; Luke 14:25-33

Thursday: Romans 14:7-12; Ps 27:1-4; 13-14

Friday: Romans 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Luke 16:1-8

Saturday: Romans 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11; Luke 16:9-15

Monthly Collection Report

**Expected Expenses for October:
\$9064.80**

**Monies collected for October:
\$9253.82**

TROOPS AWAY FROM HOME

**Aaron Martin
Jeanette McCall**

**Adam Rachwalik
David Rachwalik**

9:30 Mass is for all Parishioners.

Today is the Feast of All Saints.

RCIA will be held today at 11:00 in the Social Hall.

Monday, November 2, is the Feast of All Souls, Mass will be at 5:00 pm.

Sunday, November 8, for those of you who would like to have Masses offered for your loved ones, please write their names on a piece of paper and present these names with a vigil light in a procession to the Alter at Offertory time.

A BIG THANK-YOU to everyone who helped make our Halloween Party such a big success. We had ninety little “goblins” in attendance and they had a great time.

We have basketball starting soon and we are in need of 4th & 5th grade boys and girls. Please do not let transportation get in the way of giving your child the opportunity to learn new skills and experience positive competition. The coaches are willing to pick up and drop off if needed. Please see Brea for more details.

The 2008-09 Fiscal Year Budget is posted on the bulletin board in the Social Hall. Father Ken does not take a salary—so we made a profit last year due to his generosity. Please pay close attention to the report and give us your input on how we can generate more revenue. This parish belongs to all of us and in order for us to be financially sound we need for everyone to take an active roll.

Toys for Tots applications can be made at Omaha Family Housing at 24th & Lake on Monday, November 2, at 8:00 am. Parents or Guardians need to bring a photo ID, Social Security Cards for all children 12 and under, plus a piece of mail to verify proof of address. **St. Vincent de Paul** is in need of non-perishable food items for Thanksgiving Baskets. Baskets will be distributed on Saturday, November 21, 2009 at 11:30 am.

Anyone interested in participating in an Advent study program in “Preparing for Christ”? This will be a four week program of Catholic Scripture study on Advent readings. If interested please plan to attend a planning meeting on November 2, at 6:30 pm in the Social Hall.

“The Daughters of Sarah” Liturgical Dancers will have practice on Wednesday, Nov. 4, from 6:15 –7:45 pm. Please wear loose fitting clothes. Questions, please contact Toni Banks@402-453-8093.

The Women’s Society wishes to extend a warm invitation to all ladies of the parish, who are interested in joining the Society, to attend a “Get Acquainted Tea”, on November 14, at 1:30 pm, at Wheatfields Restaurant, 1224 S0. 103rd Street. Please contact a member of the Ladies Society to RSVP—Vannessa Evans, Dana Washington, Joyce Goodwin, Sharon Rhodes, Janet Partridge and Eve Christian. Thank you.

Holidays are coming up with lots of activities. Please send your requests for bulletin announcements to the church website, attn: Brea/Julie, no later than 5:00 pm on Tuesday. All requests must be in writing.