

ST. BENEDICT HOLY NAME SOCIETY



AUGUST 2017 Newsletter Calendar

Monday, August 7
Radio Rosary
5:50pm

Thursday, August 10
Regular Meeting
7pm



From Mel's Desk
Mel Calderone, President

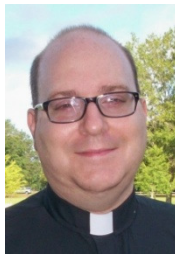
August is here already.

Last month's luncheon was well attended and I hope everyone enjoyed it as much as I did. Warner Daniel presented the Life Time Achievement award to *Richard Antolik* and the Man of the Year award to *Vern Nordman*. Both members work tirelessly behind the scene to make our functions successful. Congratulations guys.

We will host a dinner on August 13th at St John's in Folsom for the confirmation retreat. This is an annual event that we support and as usual I am looking for help. It should only take about six members but more are welcomed. More details to come at the August meeting.

Construction has started on the catechetical building expansion and with Ft. Charles' oversight, everything seems to be going well. Father has worked many hours with the contractors, engineers, and architects to keep this project on time and on budget. *Thanks Father.*

**Blessed John of
Vercelli, Pray for Us!**



Padre's Piece
Fr. Charles Benoit, O.S.B.

This month children, teachers, and school officials throughout our area will begin the 2017-2018 Academic Year. Some will be excited while others will dread the start of a new year. But isn't this how people of all ages approach things? Some become excited at the prospect of growth and change while others fear or despise it.

St. Benedict calls a monastery "the school of the Lord's service," as he challenges monks to grow in wisdom, faith, and fidelity daily. But this challenge is not just for monks: it is actually for all Christians. The Book of Sirach states: "If you wish, my son, you can be wise; if you apply yourself, you can be shrewd. If you are willing to listen, you can learn; if you pay attention, you can be instructed. Stand in the company of the elders; stay close to whoever is wise. Be eager to hear every discourse; let no insightful saying escape you. If you see the intelligent, seek them out; let your feet wear away their doorsteps! Reflect on the law of the Most High, and let his commandments be your constant study. Then he will enlighten your mind, and make you wise as you desire" (6:32-36).

Let each of us, then, embrace this new Academic Year as we dedicate ourselves to learn more of Christ so as to grow in faith, wisdom, and love.

**Blessed Be the
Name of Jesus, Now
and Forever!**



July Meeting Highlights

**St. Benedict Church
Holy Name Society
July 13, 2017**

The Meeting was called to order by President Calderone at 7pm. Fr. Charles led the members in the opening prayers, Wayne led the Holy Name Pledge and Mel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

There was no new members to introduce. Mel asked if there were changes to last month's minutes. There were none so Vern moved the minutes be adopted as written. Seconded by Wayne. Motion adopted.

John Karpa reported income for the month of June of \$383 and expenses of \$3,836. (Expenses were donations to various organizations) The Opening balance was \$11,726. The balance in the account was \$8,273 at the end of the month. Jerry moved the finance report be adopted. Harry seconded. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Fr. Charles had nothing to report from the Pastoral Council.

The members attending the luncheon at Keith Young's Restaurant were pleased with the food and service.

Mel gave a menu for the Confirmation Retreat to be held at St. John's. The main course will be meatballs and spaghetti. Help is needed and cooking will begin at 10:30 at St. Bens on August 13th.

The Knights of Columbus is selling tickets for a chicken dinner. Members are encouraged to buy

tickets.

A day of Reflection is scheduled for August. Think of possible topics to report on at our next meeting.

New Business

Clint asked what kind of activities are being planned since we can't have dinners due to the on-going construction. He suggested a trip to a winery and maybe a fishing trip. Clint will look into the possibility of a winery visit.

Warner made a presentation of the Lifetime Achievement Award to Richard Antolik that will be made at the August meeting.

Adjourn and Closing Prayer

Vern moved we adjourn Wayne seconded. Motion passed, Fr. Charles led the group in saying the closing prayers. Warner adjourned the meeting at 7:55pm

Upcoming Events

Radio Rosary - Monday, August 7
HNS Meeting - Thursday, August 10

Remember in Your Prayers

Please pray for our members and their loved ones and friends experiencing health problems:

Jan Nordman, Gloria Nordman & Vern Nordman-Caregiver, Jerry Luke, Deacon Nelvin Luke, Joyce Luke, Karen Tamporella (Family of Nelvin Luke), Jim Prattini, Marie Labat, Don Ducote, Christian & Trey Clark, grandsons of Ione Clark & her nephew, Austin Brotman, Ed & Sheryl Pussegur, Tom & Sylvia Norton, Abe Hebert, Pam Mingo, Deacon Danny Musso, Raymond Boudreaux and Fay Ponthieux & Ron Ponthieux - Caregiver.

May God bless them and restore them to good health.

(If you know of any member or their families who are in need of our prayers, please call *Dan Berlin* at 892-4993.

Final Thoughts of Warner Daniel, Retiring President

This is my last correspondence to you. It has been a pleasure to serve as your president over the past 2 years. I cannot recall ever having worked with a better group of guys, you are the greatest.

I cannot recall there ever being disputes in even one meeting.

I thank all of the people who agreed to serve with me as my fellow officers. Mel Calderone must have fielded a hundred phone calls from me and was a tremendous sounding board for ideas an always had helpful suggestions. Don Mastio was always there to help in any way he could.

John Karpa kept our money straight and performed many other services for the Holy Name Society, I do not know what we would have done without him.

Fr Charles has done more for us probably than all of the other previous priests combined, he has been super.

Virtually everyone else was equally ready to lend a hand. All of you should be the Man of The Year.

Thank you.

Its Mel's turn to take the Presidency and I look forward to working with him in any capacity that is needed and I am sure all of you feel the same.

The Altar Society has been there to support us in any way possible. Cathy Calderone and the other ladies have lent support to us for the entire 2 years.

The required list of our activities as defined in our constitution and by-laws was recently sent by email to the membership. You may be surprised at all our activities we performed. Thanks to all for making this possible.

God Bless all of you,
Warner