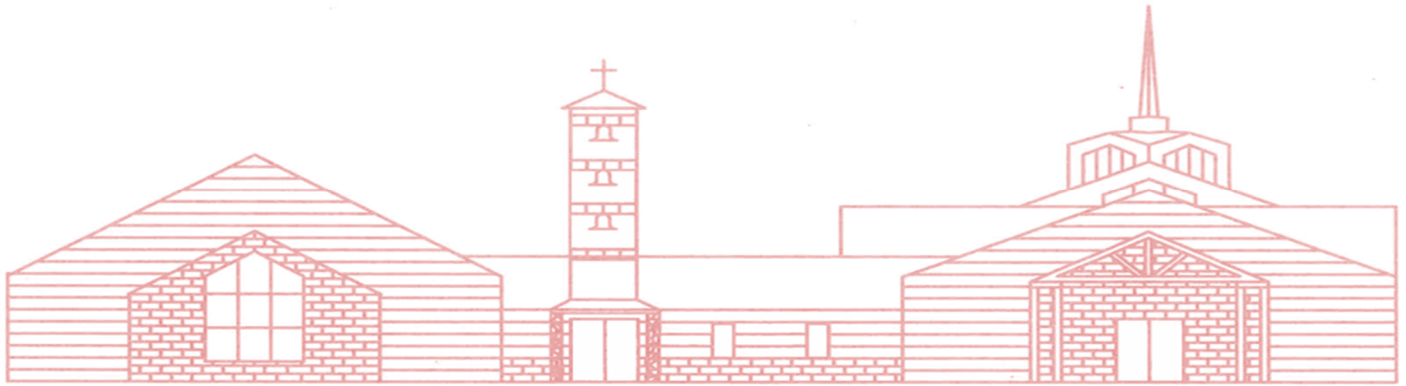


CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

APRIL 13, 2025



MASS SCHEDULE

Daily: Tues. 6:30pm; Mon. Wed., Friday 8am; First Thursdays 7pm, all other 8am; First Saturdays & Saturdays during Lent & Advent; all other no Mass.
Holy Day (Vigil) 5:00pm, Holy Day 8:00am, 7:00pm
(Please check weekly listing for any changes.)
Sunday: 8:30am, 11:00am

RECTORY PARISH OFFICE

2020 Chestnut Hill Rd, Mohnton, PA 19540
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Richard Conte, 610-223-8846 To view plan go to:
<https://www.churchofsaintbenedict.com/wp-content/uploads/St-Benedict-Emergency-Operating-Plan-Rev-00.pdf>

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Celebrated on the first and third Sunday of the month, immediately following the 11:00am Mass. Baptism Preparation Class (Pre-Jordan) held 2nd Saturday of the month. Please call the office to schedule a baptism & class.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples should call the priest at least 6 months before the wedding. A marriage preparation program is offered to every couple.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Please call the parish office if a parishioner is homebound or hospitalized. Sacrament of Anointing is offered any time.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday from 4:00pm-4:45pm or by appointment.

O C I A

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is a program for anyone interested in joining the Catholic Church, receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. If interested or have questions contact Deacon Mark Brezina at the Parish Office.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We the Parish of St. Benedict, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and our patron St. Benedict, are a vibrant, worshiping and welcoming community of God. The strength of our people is obtained through joyful celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Our commitment is to promote the Gospel of the Lord through our prayers, words, and actions with Jesus as our guiding light.

DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR:

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Church of Saint Benedict—April 13, 2025

THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT

SUNDAY, APRIL 13

12:30pm Children's Easter Egg Hunt, FLC

MONDAY, APRIL 14

7:00pm Divorce Support Group, Conference Room

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

5:00pm-9:00pm ChristLife, FLC/Conference Room



*Please keep in your prayers
our 14 children who will be receiving
their First Holy Communion
on Saturday, April 26th.
May they always stay close to Jesus.*

CGS CATECHISTS NEEDED—Catechesis of The Good Shepherd (CGS) is a common religious education experience involving children and specially trained adults in which the religious values of childhood, primarily those values of contemplation and enjoyment of God, are predominant. This experience is shared in a place particularly prepared for the religious life of children called the Atrium. We welcome children from 3 to 12 years old (end of sixth grade). Catechists foster religious values of childhood. For that you will need to attend a Faith Formation course to help our children to enter contemplation and enjoyment of God at their stages of development. There is a course for catechists at the beginning of June and we need to have the new catechists enrolled by the first week of May. For more information, please call Valerie Christo, DRE at 484-269-8744.

From Fr. Stan—

Holy Thursday Reception of the Eucharist

On Holy Thursday, the day we celebrate the institution of the Priesthood and the Eucharist at the Last Supper, we will have the distribution of the Holy Eucharist under both species. Although reception of the Eucharist under both species represents the fullness of the sign of the sacrament, the entire Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus is present in the reception of the Sacred Host. No one (with the exception of the celebrant) is 'required' to receive under both species.

A reminder about how to receive the Precious Blood—The reception of the Precious Blood will be by consuming directly from the chalice and not by personal intinction (dipping the Sacred Host into the Precious Blood). We always come to receive the Eucharist and never to take the Eucharist.

I heartily encourage everyone to participate fully in the beautiful sacred liturgies this week. And may this truly be a Holy Week for you and your families.

God bless you—Fr. Stan.



Monday 04/14 Monday of Holy Week

8:00am Floss Pleitner by Jim Pleitner

Rev. Msgr. David James

Tuesday 04/15 Tuesday of Holy Week

6:30pm M/M Joseph Morgitan by Garfield & Mary Welsh

Rev. Richard James

Wednesday 04/16 Wednesday of Holy Week

8:00am Special Intention

Rev. Ronald Jankaitis

Thursday 04/17 HOLY THURSDAY

NO MORNING MASS

7:00PM Mass of the Lord's Supper, offered for All Priests of the Diocese of Allentown, Living and Deceased

Rev. Dominik Kalata

Friday 04/18 GOOD FRIDAY

NO MORNING MASS; Good Friday Liturgy at 3:00PM

Rev. Speratus Kamanzi

Saturday 04/19 HOLY SATURDAY

NO MORNING MASS

8:00PM EASTER VIGIL MASS— People of the Parish

Rev. Shaju Kanjiramparayil

Sunday 04/20 Resurrection of the Lord/Easter Sunday

8:30am People of the Parish

11:00am People of the Parish

Rev. Venantius Karobo

**PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS
TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE,**

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for those in need of hope, healing and health, for all in our parish who are ill and homebound, especially Pope Francis, Jack Anton, Robert Blechman, John and Elsie Bauer, Janet Cannon, Sr. Maureen Clancy SSND, Cathy Coffman, Jonathan Cranley, Janet Cummings, Msgr. Ed Domin, Joan Fondots, Theresa Fox, Fred Harding, James Hart, Joseph Hunter, Larry Jenne, Bob & Cecelia Kacmar, Rev. Speratus Kamanzi AJ, Millie Kremp, Bev Kuzmission, Bob and Helen Macminn, Sandy Maio, Marie Mast, Timothy McCarty, Aurora McHugh, Joan Moffa, Regina Moran, Frank Newhams, George Paul, Patrick, Patti, Sister Mary Lou Pleitner CSJ, Sister Maureen of the Eucharist OP, Bridget Reagan, Theo Polidore, Anthony Rowan, Dustin Sands, John Slanga, Patricia Snow, Nettie Thomas, Josh Toresco, Miriam Ulrich, Linda Vieldhouse, Rex Voelker, Steven Wagner, Dolores Welch, Don Witman, David Williams, Rachel Williams, Josephine and all those who are homebound or in nursing homes.



Mary, Health of the Sick, please pray for them.



*The Sanctuary Lamp this weekend
burns in memory of Dennis Ruano
by Barbara Ruano*



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION—takes place here at St. Benedict on Wednesdays. The day begins with Mass at 8:00am and continues through the day, concluding at 7:00pm. Feel free to come any time during the day and spend some time in peace and quiet with the Lord. There are some prayer resources available to assist you if Adoration is a new prayer practice for you. We also have Eucharistic Adoration on the First Saturday of the month, before the 5:00pm Vigil Mass, from 4:00pm-4:45pm.

HELP NEEDED *We are in need of substitutes for this ministry. Please consider spending some quiet time with our Lord. Any help given is greatly appreciated! Is Jesus calling you? Please contact Diane Arnold at 610-470-6616.*

*Thank you for
your generous gifts!*



April 6

Stewardship \$9,320.00 (202 envelopes)

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Mortgage \$2,408.00 (76 envelopes)

Parish Giving \$1,030.00

**Giving is worship, giving back to the
One Who gave first.**



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Monday, April 14 Mass at 8:00am

Tuesday, April 15 Mass at 6:30pm
Confessions 5:30pm-6:15pm

Wednesday, April 16 —Mass 8:00am
Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena,
Allentown 10:30am
Confessions 6:00pm-7:00pm

Thursday, April 17 No Morning Mass
Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00pm
Adoration until 10pm; Night Prayer at 9:45pm

Friday, April 18—Good Friday—No Mass at all today;
Confessions 12 noon-1:00pm
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 3:00pm;
Station of the Cross at 7:00pm

Saturday, April 19—Holy Saturday—No Morning Mass;
Morning Prayer and Blessing of Easter Food, 11:00am;
Easter Vigil at 8:00pm (live-streamed)

Sunday, April 20—Easter Sunday
Masses at 8:30am and 11:00am

***Please note that the Parish Office will be closed
Wednesday, April 16 through Monday, April 21.***

From the Pastor's Desk



We have just heard the Greatest Story ever told - everything but the last chapter, of course. And our hearts break for what Jesus had to go through. Here was an innocent man, our God in fact, being mistreated and falsely accused and mocked and it's hard to even describe the rest. Many of us would trade places with anyone else on this earth before we would trade places with Jesus. And He did it all for us. And for no other reason than He loves us.

Each of us share and participate in this same story in a certain sense. The pattern we see in this story is also the pattern of every human life. The hopes, the dreams, the promise, the possibilities. The joys. and then the disappointments, the sorrow, the pain, the dreams unfulfilled, the heartache. And then the next chapter, whatever that may be; a chapter which has yet to unfold, yet to be realized, yet to be discovered. That is the journey we call life - a journey of ups and downs, good and bad, joys and sorrows.

My friends, we are on the threshold on the holiest week of the year. Many of us want to jump ahead to Easter, jump ahead to the end of the story, jump ahead to the fulfillment of God's promise for each of us.

And yet, it can't be that way. The story we just heard shows us that clearly. And so, we are invited to wait. We are invited to trust. We are invited to take Jesus' hand.

And we are invited to walk - walk with Jesus wherever He leads. Even if it means we walk with Him into the holy city. Even if it means we walk with Him into the upper room and into the garden. Even if it means we stand hand in hand with Him before Pilate. Even if it means we climb that hill with Him - not in fear and despair, but in hope - a hope that says tomorrow can be better than today - We can be better the we are. Who or what we were yesterday doesn't matter. Who we want to be today is what matters. But it's up to us, with God's help, of course.

And it all starts with a single step, not alone - but with Jesus. Let us make that sacred walk this week.

God bless you—Fr. Stan



SAVE THE DATE—We will be having a special program at St. Benedict's to celebrate Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 27th from 12 noon-3pm. It will be a time for mercy, a time set aside to pray as a parish family.

Receive the graces and indulgences promised. The afternoon will include Adoration, the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, litany prayers, a reflection by Deacon Brezina and praying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Just a reminder that the Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday, April 18th.



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