

CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

DIOCESE OF ALLENTOWN - BISHOP ALFRED A. SCHLERT, D.D.

April 21, 2024



MASS SCHEDULE

Daily: Tues. 6:30pm, Wed., Friday 8am, Thurs. 5:30pm
from Labor Day to Memorial Day/8:00am from Memorial Day to Labor Day
Saturday: 8:00am; Vigil: 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:30am, 11:00am
Holy Day Vigil: 5:00pm; Day-8:00am & 7:00pm

RECTORY PARISH OFFICE

2020 Chestnut Hill Rd, Mohnton, PA 19540
610-856-1006 Office Hours: Closed Wednesday; all other days 9:00am-4:30pm.
Website: www.churchofsaintbenedict.com
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PREP/CGS 484-269-8744
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www.berkscatholic.org

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PARISH STAFF

Rev. Msgr. Edward R. Domin.....Pastor
Valerie Christo.....Director Religious Education
Stephen Mickulik, M.Ed. Principal LaSalle Academy
Susan Teaford.....Parish Secretary
Rick Ruhl.....Accountant
Beverly Perella.....Director of Music
Rosanne Weidner.....Rectory Housekeeping

CHURCH SAFETY INFORMATION

Richard Conte, 610-223-8846
Location of Emergency Operating Plan
<https://www.churchofsaintbenedict.com/wp-content/uploads/St-Benedict-Emergency-Operating-Plan-Rev-00.pdf>

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Celebrated on Saturday afternoon, 1-2pm, after the 5pm Saturday Vigil Mass and on Sunday, immediately following the 11:00am Mass. Baptism preparation class held 2nd Saturday. 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 Mark Schrum at 484-706-2215.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We the Parish of St. Benedict, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and our patron St. Benedict, are a vibrant, worshipping 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:

Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., DIRECT 800-791-9209
Pamela J. Russo, M.S.W., M.S. Safe Environment Coordinator at 610-332-0442, Ext. 2019
Website www.allentowndioocese.org

THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT



Monday, April 22

6:30pm Bereavement Group, Chapel

Tuesday, April 23

7:00pm OCIA, Gathering Space



A SPECIAL EVENT IS COMING TO ST. BENEDICT'S

On Saturday, June 1st at 10:30am, parish son Deacon Aaron Scheidel will be ordained a Priest of God at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Siena, Allentown. This is truly a rare and special occasion. We are all so proud of him and many parishioners and parish organizations would like to show their appreciation and congratulations. The following activities are planned for that weekend. All are welcome to these events.

Saturday June 1, 10:30am Ordination with livestream from the Cathedral in our Family Life Center. Refreshments will be available at lunch time.

Saturday June 1 6:00pm Parish celebration sponsored by various parish organizations with presentations, cocktail hour and dinner, as well as an opportunity to receive a blessing from Fr. Scheidel

Sunday June 2, 2:30pm First Mass celebrated by Rev. Aaron R. Scheidel.

Please keep him in your prayers and continue praying for vocations to the Priesthood and religious life.

Monday 04/22 Easter Weekday

NO MASS

Rev. Quinn Gomez

Tuesday 04/23 St. George, St. Adalbert

6:30pm Joseph Appleton by Charlie & Patty Jones

Rev. Msgr. John Grabish

Wednesday 04/24 St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

8:00am John G. McCahon by John McCahon

Rev. James Greenfield

Thursday 04/25 St. Mark

5:30pm Theodore G. Rhoades by Valerie Christo

Rev. Eric Gruber

Friday 04/26 Easter Weekday

8:00am People of the Parish

Rev. Francis Grundowski

Saturday 04/27 Easter Weekday

8:00am Joseph Picora by John & Mimi Frank

Rev. Kevin Gualano

Sunday 04/28 Fifth Sunday of Easter

5:00pm (Saturday) Erlyn "Penny" Phillips

8:30am Joseph Reilly by Joy & Lee Bandy

11:00am Michael Kline by St. Vincent de Paul Society

Rev. Abraham Ha



PRAYER LIST

Please pray for those in need of hope, healing and health, for all in our parish who are ill and homebound, especially Robert Blechman, John and Elsie Bauer, Camille Beccone, Janet Cannon, Cathy Coffman, Jonathan Cranley, Rita Del Percio, Jeannine Dutton, Joan Fondots, Theresa Fox, Jamison Gray, James Hart, Maryann Hovan, Joseph Hunter, John Janiszewski, Sue and Frank Kremser, Bev Kuzmission, Michele Levan, Bob and Helen Macminn, Marie Mast, Timothy McCarty, Aurora McHugh, Joan Moffa, Regina Moran, Frank Newhams, Nova P., Patrick, Patti, Sister Mary Lou Pleitner CSJ, Theo Polidore, Gene Raser, Sr., Anthony Rowan, Zac Schneider, Sr. Maureen of the Eucharist OP, John Slanga, Cathy Steuber, Janet Teaford, Nettie Thomas, Sean Thomas, Josh Toresco, Barbara Townsend, Maureen Truckly, Miriam Ulrich, Tricia Vanderbeck, Chad Vogel, Steven Wagner, Rachel Williams, John E. Yost, Jr., Josephine and all those in nursing homes.

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

ST. PETER'S SCHOOL—graduating class of 1970 will be having a reunion on Saturday, May 4th 2024 at 6PM at GNA in West Reading. We are looking for classmates. Please pass this news along to anyone you know who may have been in this class. For more information you can contact Theresa (Kimrey) Shumard @ 484-706-4208 or Maureen (Shannon) Walton @ 610-406-2647



SAVE THE DATE!— The first Diocesan Local Pilgrimage will take place on Friday, September 20th, at the National Shrine of Padre Pio, Barto PA. The day will include Mass with Bishop Schlert, opportunity for Confession, an engaging speaker, Eucharistic procession and more. Details to follow closer to the date.



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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.

April 14

Stewardship \$7,136.00 (175 envelopes)

Parish Giving \$ 4,670.00

Mortgage \$2,445.00 (65 envelopes)

Parish Giving \$1,280.00

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

SMALL GROUP STUDY—As we continue this year of Eucharistic Revival, we would like to invite you to grow closer to Jesus alongside fellow parishioners through the “Jesus and the Eucharist” study. This will be a small group format, with rich theological content, powerful testimonies and messages from bishops across the country. These studies will take place after the 8:30am Mass on Sundays in the conference room. Feel free to come to any and all sessions.

“I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.”
—John 6:51

Please remember when entering the church or the Adoration chapel to maintain sacred silence. Please avoid all unnecessary conversation before Mass, as there are people who have come early to pray. Please also be respectful of those who are praying after Mass and move any extended social conversations to the gathering space. Your cooperation is appreciated.



KNIGHTS' CORNER—Due to slow ticket sales we will be postponing the Designer Bag Bingo scheduled for April 21st. We have tentatively scheduled Saturday February 1, 2025 as the date for the next Designer Bag Bingo. You may return your tickets for a refund of your money. You may also keep your tickets and they will be honored at the next Designer Bag Bingo event. We will be available after Mass if you would like a refund. You can also contact Rich Conte 610-223-8846 or Gary Scollick 610-223-1593 to arrange for a refund. Checks received by sponsors will be returned to them. Sorry for any inconvenience. We look forward to seeing you in February.

You can still sign up for the Golf Outing on Friday, May 17—shotgun start at 8:45 am (breakfast items, games, and steak dinner)

They are in need of donations for raffle baskets with a sports theme and door prizes along with other gift bag goodies.

See their table for more details and order forms.

2025 MASS INTENTIONS BOOK— will be opened on *Monday, May 20th at 10:00am*. Mass intention requests will be taken in person **ONLY** from Monday, May 20th until Friday, May 24th. *After that*, you may call, mail or email Mass requests. Requests will be handled on a first come, first served basis. We will also limit requests for a weekend Mass (Saturday Vigil and Sunday morning) to 2 per person for the year. This way, everyone will have an equal opportunity for these openings. As before, no personal intentions will be taken for the Easter and Christmas Masses, as well as for All Souls' Day, Mother's Day and Father's Day. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

Bishop Schlert will be confirming adults on Sunday, May 19th, the feast of Pentecost. If you have been baptized and have received First Holy Communion but have not yet been confirmed and wish to be, please reach out to Mark Schrum at mark.r.schrum@gmail.com for more information.

*The Sanctuary Lamp
burns this week for
A Special Intention*



*Give thanks to the Lord,
for he is good, for his mercy
endures forever.—Psalm 118-1*



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