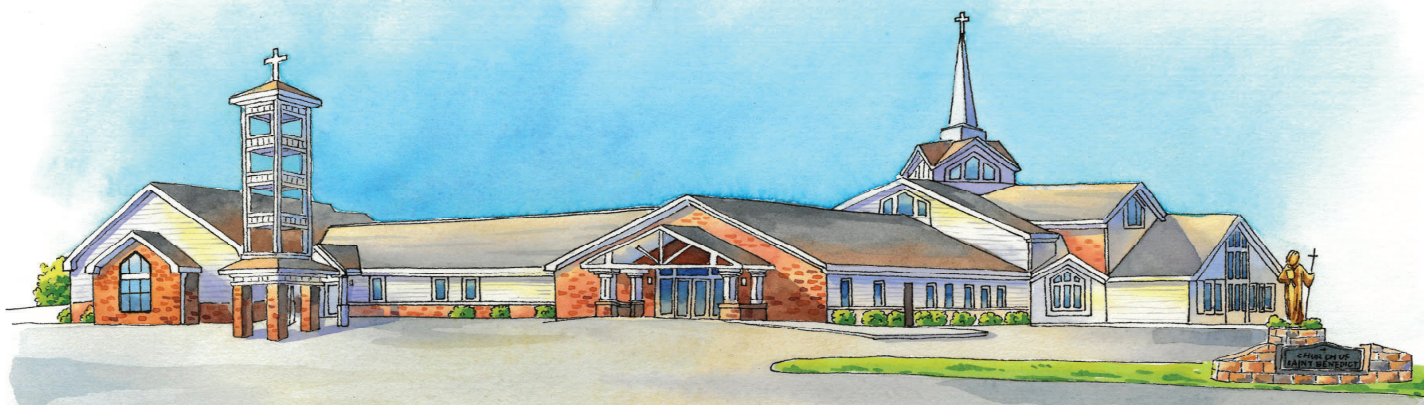


CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

APRIL 26, 2026



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm; Sunday 8:30am, 11:00am
Daily: Mon. No Mass; Tues. 6:30pm; Wed., Fri., Sat.
8am; First Thursdays 7pm, all other 8am; Holy Day
(Vigil) 5:00pm, Holy Day 8:00am, 7:00pm
(Please check weekly listing for any changes.)

RECTORY PARISH OFFICE

2020 Chestnut Hill Rd, Mohnton, PA 19540
610-856-1006 Office Hours: Closed Wednesday;
all other days (M, T, Th., F) 9:00am-4:30pm.
Website: www.churchofsaintbenedict.com
Email: Secretary@churchofsaintbenedict.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PREP/CGS 610-856-1006
LaSalle Academy Office 610-777-7392
Mrs. Mary Adams, Principal
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Berks Catholic High School 610-374-8361
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PARISH STAFF

Rev. Stanley Moczydlowski.....Pastor
Deacon Mark Brezina.....Deacon
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Kelly ReaganAccountant
Beverly Owens.....Director of Music
Rosanne Weidner.....Rectory Housekeeping

CHURCH SAFETY INFORMATION

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 home-bound 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:

Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., DIRECT 800-791-9209
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THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT

Monday, April 27

7:00pm Divorce Support, Conference Room

Tuesday, April 28

7:00pm St. Vincent de Paul, Conference Room

Wednesday, April 29

6:00pm-9:00pm ChristLife, FLC

Preparations for Vacation Bible School (VBS) have already begun. This year, VBS will be held from Monday, June 22 through Thursday, June 25 from 5:30pm to 8:30pm. The theme is "Rainforest Falls." Registration will begin soon. We also need adult and high school aged volunteers to help during the week. If you are able to volunteer, please contact Kelsey Forsyth at kelsey.forsyth12@gmail.com or 717 572-2351.



THE BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY—would like to invite members of our parish community who have experienced the loss of a loved one to a six week "Grief Support Group". The sessions are confidential and one and half hour long for six weeks. The start date and times will be determined by the groups availability. Please call Mary Ann Razzano 610-858-0946 for information. You don't have to be alone as you journey through the grieving process, let us help you.

ST. MONICA MINISTRY—Do you have a loved one that has fallen away from the Church? Do you have a desire to help them find their way back to their heavenly Father? You're not alone. Come and experience those walking the same road. St. Monica Ministry is a dedicated community and prayer network offering hope and support to family and friends of fallen-away Catholics. Sacred Heart Chapter Meetings 1st Monday May 4th, 7-8:30pm or 4th Thursday May 28th 8:30-10:00am. Sacred Heart Parish, Bornemann Room, Franklin and Lakewood Drive, West Reading.

CHRISTLIFE—DISCOVERING CHRIST—Join us in the family life center for this exciting seven-week series where we gather to share a meal, listen to dynamic teachings and explore answers to some of the most important questions worth asking about God and finding the ultimate purpose in life. Wednesdays 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM, from April 29 – June 10, 2026. Retreat Day will be Saturday, May 30, 2026

For more information visit our webpage: www.churchofsaintbenedict.org/christlife and use the QR code below to register.



Monday 04/27

NO MASS

Rev. Matthew Kuna

Tuesday 04/28 St. Peter Chanel/ St. Louis de Montfort

6:30pm Hedwig Borst

Rev. Joseph Kweder

Wednesday 04/29 St. Catharine of Siena

8:00am Janet Stark

Rev. Patrick Lamb

Thursday 04/30 St. Pius V

8:00am Mary & Paul Traficanti

Rev. Daniel Lannen

Friday 05/01 St. Joseph the Worker

8:00am Health of Msgr. Edward Domin

Rev. Brendon Laroche

Saturday 05/02 St. Athanasius

8:00am Kenneth Rumler

Rev. Keith Laskowski

Sunday 05/03 Fifth Sunday of Easter

5:00pm (Saturday) Danielle Delehanty & People of the Parish

8:30am Donna Rhoads

11:00am St. Benedict Memorial Society

Rev. William Linckhorst

**IN THIS DIOCESAN JUBILEE YEAR,
PLEASE PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR
VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD,
AS WELL AS TO 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, Nick Ball, Vincent Bergandino, Jr., Janet Cannon, Gabe Capafferri, Sr. Maureen Clancy SSND, Cathy Coffman, Lucy Concordia, Jonathan Cranley, Janet Cummings, Msgr. Ed Domin, Joan Fondots, Theresa Fox, Pat & Lew Gable, Louise Grieve, Bob Kacmar, Millie Kremp, Bev Kuzmission, John Lindsey, Brian Liszcz, Bob and Helen Macminn, Sandy Maio, Steve Mammarella, Debbie Mazzarelli, Timothy McCarty, Aurora McHugh, Frank Newhams, Joyce Ney, Ron Nyari, George Paul, Patrick, Patti, Sister Mary Lou Pleitner CSJ, Sister Maureen of the Eucharist OP, Theo Polidore, Margaret Pouleson, Dustin Sands, Patricia Snow, Tom Spitz, Jr., Nettie Thomas, Sean Thomas, Josh Toresco, Miriam Ulrich, Rex Voelker, Mary & Steven Wagner, Dolores Welch, David Williams, Rachel Williams, David Wolfe and all those who are homebound or in nursing homes.



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



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.

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 greatly appreciated.



GOOD STEWARDSHIP

Thank you for your generous gifts!

April 19

Stewardship not available at this time
Parish Giving \$3,185.00

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*The Sanctuary Lamp
 this weekend
 is offered for a
 Special Intention
 by Marie Noon*



**BANNS OF MARRIAGE
 ARE ANNOUNCED FOR THE SECOND
 TIME BETWEEN
 NOAH GUTHERMAN
 AND BROOKE SPENCE**

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE ARE ANNOUNCED
 FOR THE FIRST TIME BETWEEN
 KYRA BEECHAM AND
 ETHAN RITCHEY**

From the Pastor's Desk



No matter what year we are in liturgically, the Fourth Sunday of Easter we will always hear about the Good Shepherd even though the readings are different. This Sunday is also known as 'Vocations Sunday,' a day when our church prays especially for new shepherds and pastors to lead the Christian communities. Good shepherds know their sheep and their sheep know them. That requires relationship. The shepherd of the biblical Middle East had an intimate relationship with his flock. He would bring them out to pasture each day and spend all his time with them. In the evening he would bring them back to the enclosure where they would be safe from preying animals. He knew each one individually and would notice immediately if even one were missing. Jesus' Parable of the Lost Sheep would have resonated perfectly with his hearers. When you ponder the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd it is so wonderful to know that we are regarded as unique and special in the eyes of God. We need to feel that comfort in a world that de-personalizes us as individuals and discounts the love that our God can bring to our lives.

The figure of the Good Shepherd gives us the beautiful image of how God relates to us. The shepherd lays down his life for his sheep as Christ did for us. The shepherd calls his sheep and sees them as unique and precious. The shepherd wants us to heed his call, but also to love one another as he loves us. That means that we have to shepherd to one another as well.

On this Good Shepherd Sunday and Vocation Sunday remember to appreciate the uniqueness of each individual as Jesus does and remember to pray and listen to God's call and nurture and develop those gifts for the good of God and others. Let's take time to reflect on our own Christian vocation to share his good news wherever we are, and let us also commit to help God to do His work in encouraging, supporting and promoting, and thus shepherding those young people whom God is calling to a vocation to the priesthood or religious life.

God bless you— Fr. Stan

The 2026 **"Because We Are Catholic Annual Appeal"** is under way! Our parish support is a vital part of this Diocesan-wide effort to serve children and families in our own community and throughout the Diocese of Allentown. You can scan the QR code or visit www.BecauseWeAreCatholic.org to make your gift today. Thank you!





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