

CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

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

April 28, 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
Email: Secretary@churchofsaintbenedict.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PREP/CGS 484-269-8744
LaSalle Academy Office 610-777-7392
www.lsabear.org
Berks Catholic High School 610-374-8361
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 29

6:30pm Bereavement Group, Chapel

Tuesday, April 30

12 noon Prime Timers, FLC (note new time)

7:00pm OCIA, Gathering Space



PREP/CGS—The following students are recipients of awards for their participation in the PREP and CGS programs:

Perfect Attendance

Derek Crikelar, CGS

Emma Frymyer, CGS

Landon Whitely, PREP

CYO Religious Award

Kyle Keenan CGS III

Jackson Ricigliano PREP, 7th grade

Lauryn Bertz, PREP, 7th grade

Natalie Strick, CGS II

Madelyn Dillon CGS III

Monday 04/29 St. Catherine of Siena

NO MASS

Rev. Msgr. William Handges

Tuesday 04/30 St. Pius V

6:30pm Marian Gring by Joan & Roy Rothenberger

Rev. James Harper

Wednesday 05/01 St. Joseph the Worker

8:00am Joseph Appleton by Pat & Lew Gable

Rev. John Hilferty

Thursday 05/02 St. Athanasius

5:30pm Theodore G. Rhoades by Jim & Sandy Kozlowski

Rev. Msgr. Thomas Hoban

Friday 05/03 Sts. Philip and James

8:00am People of the Parish

Rev. Allen Hoffa

Saturday 05/04 Easter Weekday

8:00am St. Benedict Memorial Society

Rev. John Hutta

Sunday 05/05 Sixth Sunday of Easter

5:00pm (Saturday) Frances Yuschalk by Marie & Stanley Blimline

8:30am Joseph Reilly by Joy & Lee Bandy

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

Rev. Augustine Idra



ALTAR FLOWERS—There are still a few opportunities to memorialize altar flowers in 2024. You may offer them for someone living or deceased, or for a special wedding anniversary. For available dates, please call the Parish Office. The offering is \$75 per arrangement.

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, 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, 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.



Thank you for your generous gifts!

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.

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.

*“The courage and strength that are in me are not of me, but of Him who is in me. It is the Eucharist.”
—St. Faustina Kowalska*

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.

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.



April 21
Stewardship \$7,280.00 (152 envelopes)
Parish Giving \$2,905.00
Mortgage \$2,445.00 (61 envelopes)
Parish Giving \$ 765.00

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

KNIGHTS’ CORNER—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.
You can still get a refund for the postponed Designer Bag Bingo. Please call Rich Conte @ 610-223-8846 to make arrangements in the next 3 weeks for a refund. At the end of May, all receipts will be considered final and you can use your ticket on Feb. 1, 2025.

 **OCIA** 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.

HISTORY OF THE CHURCH OF ST. BENEDICT—The parish will be 70 years old on February 10, 2025. The History Committee has been preparing a history book on the parish. To coincide with the publishing of the book, we are forming a committee to provide input, formulate ideas and develop a plan to present to Msgr. Domin on how the parish might celebrate that anniversary in January or February. If you are interested in participating in any of these activities, please contact Mark Schrum at 484-706-2215.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for all our children who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday, April 27th. 
May they stay close to Jesus throughout their lives and always know His Presence, protecting and guiding them in love.



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