

# CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

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

April 7, 2024



## MASS SCHEDULE

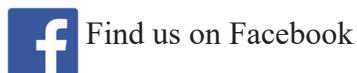
Daily: Tues. 6:30pm, Wed., Friday 8am, Thurs. 5:30pm  
from Labor Day to Memorial Day/8:00am from Memorial Day to Labor Day  
Saturday: 8:00am; Vigil: 5:00pm  
Sunday: 8:30am, 11:00am  
Holy Day Vigil: 5:00pm; Day-8:00am & 7:00pm

## 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](http://www.churchofsaintbenedict.com)  
Email: [Secretary@churchofsaintbenedict.org](mailto:Secretary@churchofsaintbenedict.org)

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PREP/CGS 484-269-8744  
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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  
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## Church of Saint Benedict April 7, 2024

### THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT



#### Tuesday, April 9

7:00pm OCIA, Gathering Space  
7:00pm St. Vincent de Paul, Conference Room  
7:00pm Presidents' Meeting, Classroom #3

#### Wednesday, April 10

7:00pm Eucharistic Revival Team, Conference Rm.

#### Sunday, April 14

9:30am-3:00pm Women's Club Communion  
Breakfast, FLC



Please welcome Jessica Fiore, who was received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. Sean Forsythe and Sara Warden are preparing to be confirmed by Bishop Alfred Schlert at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Siena at 11:30am 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](mailto:mark.r.schrum@gmail.com) for more information.



**MOTHER/DAUGHTER TEA**—is returning to our diocese for all mothers and their daughters, ages 9-13. This will take place on Sunday, April 28, from 1:00-4:00pm at St. Francis of Assisi Church Hall, 1046 W. Cedar St., Allentown. Dynamic presenters will share the beauty of God's gift of fertility and explain the physical and emotional changes girls experience, along with empowering tips on modesty, virtue and personal style. The afternoon will feature lunch, games and prizes. To register, go to <https://allentowndiocese.flocknote.com/signup/152407>. Cost for the event is \$25 per household. Please contact Kristen Osenbach at [kosenbach@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:kosenbach@allentowndiocese.org) if you have any questions.

*The Sanctuary Lamp burns  
this week for the health of Joan Fondots  
by Sandy Kozlowski*



**Monday 04/08** Annunciation of the Lord  
**NO MASS**

*Rev. Edward Essig*

**Tuesday 04/09** Easter Weekday  
6:30pm St. Benedict Memorial Society

*Rev. Bernard Ezaki*

**Wednesday 04/10** Easter Weekday  
8:00am People of the Parish

*Rev. Msgr. Victor Finelli*

**Thursday 04/11** St. Stanislaus  
5:30pm Anna Russell by Lew & Pat Gable

*Rev. Robert Finlan*

**Friday 04/12** Easter Weekday  
8:00am Joseph & Mary Reilly by Sylvia Firth

*Rev. Vincent Freeh*

**Saturday 04/13** St. Martin  
8:00am John Bonnell by John & Mimi Frank

*Rev. John Frink*

**Sunday 04/14**  
5:00pm (Saturday) Cameron Bruder by Jim/Sandy Kozlowski  
8:30am James Sparagana by Dee & Dave Delehanty  
11:00am John Bonnell by Sharon Helms

*Rev. Kevin Gallagher*



### 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 Kuzmision, 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, 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.*

*Please pray for the soul of Richard DuBois,  
husband of Joan. May he rest in peace.*



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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.

**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. There will be morning sessions on Tuesdays from 9am-11am, April 16th through May 28th and evening sessions on Wednesdays from 6:30pm-8:30pm April 17th through May 29th. Sign up in the gathering space.

*“Christ in the Eucharist is now the Risen Savior Who is seated at the right hand of His heavenly Father.”*  
—Fr. John Hardon SJ

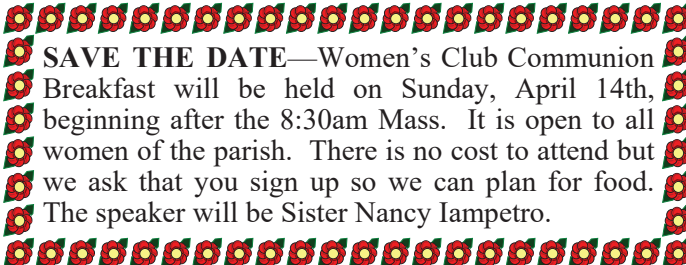
*Please remember when entering the church or the Adoration chapel to maintain sacred silence. Please avoid all unnecessary conversation before Mass, as there are people who have come early to pray. Please also be respectful of those who are praying after Mass and move any extended social conversations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



**KNIGHTS’ CORNER**—Save these dates for upcoming Knights of Columbus sponsored events:

- Designer Bag Bingo, Sunday, April 21, 1:00 pm.
- Golf Outing on Friday, May 17—shotgun start at 8:45 am (breakfast items, games, and steak dinner)

*See their table for more details and order forms.*

 **SAVE THE DATE**—Women’s Club Communion Breakfast will be held on Sunday, April 14th, beginning after the 8:30am Mass. It is open to all women of the parish. There is no cost to attend but we ask that you sign up so we can plan for food. The speaker will be Sister Nancy Iampetro.

**March 31**

**Stewardship \$9,139.00 (149 envelopes)**

**Parish Giving \$3,020.00**

**Mortgage \$2,231.00 (57 envelopes)**

**Parish Giving \$1,325.00**

**Easter Collection \$13,079.00**

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

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**—This Sunday, April 7, we will hold our Annual Divine Mercy Celebration, led by our parish Divine Mercy Cenacle. Come and learn about the calling of a modern-day mystic, St. Faustina Kowalska. Hear about her mission to make known Jesus' mercy and love, in preparation for His final coming. Jesus chose Divine Mercy Sunday (the 8th day in the Octave of Easter) to make this message known and to grant many graces. St. John Paul II entrusted the world to Divine Mercy, hoping all would hear the message that God is merciful. Talks will include the topics of “The Graces of Divine Mercy,” “Devotion,” and “The Image.” There will also be time for Adoration and Confessions. The schedule is as follows:

Confessions 1:30pm-2:15pm

First talk begins at 2:00pm

3:00pm Praying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet

*Jesus, I trust in You*

**LANDINGS INTERNATIONAL**—

If you are considering returning to the Church or know someone who is, plan to attend an information session at the Church of St. Benedict, Mohnton, on Sunday, April 7th at 1:00pm in the Family Life Center. You may call the parish office to register or if you would like more information.



**BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY**—

of St. Benedict's will be starting a six week support group session starting in April. If you have lost a loved one through death and feel you need some support on your grief journey, please join us. Committee members have attended grief training provided by the Diocese of Allentown. For more information and to register, call Mary Ann Razzano at 610-858-0946. You don't have to be alone in your journey, let us help you.





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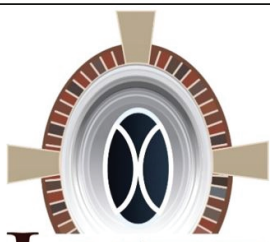
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