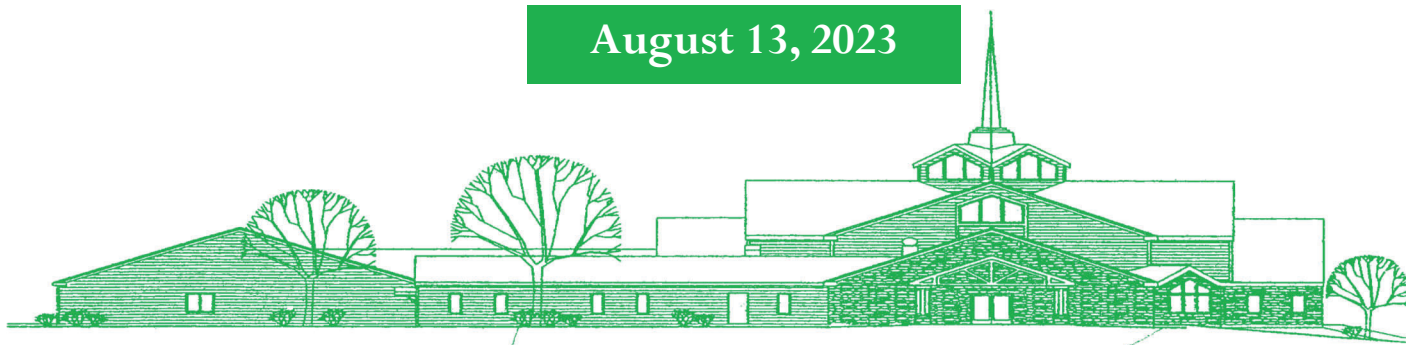


# CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

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

August 13, 2023



## 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

LaSalle Academy Office 610-777-7392

[www.lsabear.org](http://www.lsabear.org)

Berks Catholic High School 610-374-8361

[www.berkscatholic.org](http://www.berkscatholic.org)



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## PARISH STAFF

Rev. Msgr. Edward R. Domin.....Pastor

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Stephen Mickulik, M.Ed. Principal LaSalle Academy

Susan Teaford.....Parish Secretary

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Beverly Perella.....Director of Music

Rosanne Weidner.....Rectory Housekeeping

## CHURCH SAFETY INFORMATION

Lead: 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 4:00-4:45pm or by appointment.

## O C I A

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is a program for anyone interested in the Catholic faith or in returning to the Church. 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, 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

Pamela J. Russo, M.S.W., M.S. Safe Environment Coordinator at 610-332-0442, Ext. 2019

## Church of Saint Benedict—August 13, 2023

### THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT'S

#### Wednesday, August 16

8:30am-5:00pm Eucharistic Adoration, Chapel

#### Saturday, August 19 and Sunday August 20

Serving at Kennedy Soup Kitchen

### ***HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION***

*Wednesday, August 15th is the feast of the Assumption of Mary. Mass times are Monday Vigil Mass at 5:00pm; Tuesday at 8:00am and 7:00pm.*

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS —AUGUST 19/20

#### 5:00pm

Lector: Peggy Williams

Altar Servers: Tim Machion, Regan McClure

EMs: Debbie Mazzairelli, Tom Dobson, Ron McClure

Musician: Beverly Perella Cantor: Sue Hodgkins

#### 8:30am

Lector: Ellie Alright

Altar Servers: James & Gabriel Leshar

EMs: Glenn Unger, Lori McClure, Jeanette Bunch

Musician: Beverly Perella Cantor: Michele

#### 11:00am

Lector: Chris Mensak

Altar Servers: Mary & Matlyn Rhoades

EMs: Tina McHale, Ursita Blechman, John Cocco

Musician: Beverly Perella Cantor: Coppa Family

Today (Sunday, August 13th) is Hospitality Sunday, hosted by the Music Ministry. Stop in the FLC after the Sunday morning Masses for some tasty treats and fellowship!



**ST. MARY OF PROVIDENCE CENTER**—in Elverson, PA is pleased to announce the return of their

music festival, MagniFest, on Saturday, August 19th from 2pm - 10pm, featuring headliner and national recording artist Marie Miller as well as other local Catholic musicians. There will be food and beverages, local vendors and Mass will be celebrated at 5:00pm. The festival will be held at St. Mary of Providence grounds at 227 Isabella Road in Elverson. Visit [stmaryprov.org/magnifest/](http://stmaryprov.org/magnifest/) for more info.

### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday 08/14** St. Maximilian Kolbe

**5:00 pm Vigil Mass for the Assumption**

Steven Stark by Barbara & John Stark

**Rev. Msgr. Joseph R. Sobiesiak**

**Tuesday 08/15** Feast of the Assumption of Mary

8:00am Lewis & Emma Willis by Clara Lush

7:00pm Marvin Crawl, Sr. by Randy & Mary Jo Lewis

**Rev. Leo S. Stajkowski**

**Wednesday 08/16** St. Stephen of Hungary

8:00am Isaac Wyatt by John & Mimi Frank

**Rev. Jason F. Stokes**

**Thursday 08/17** Weekday

8:00am Grandmom & Grandpop Rodenbaugh by Pat Luther

**Rev. Jonas Tandayu**

**Friday 08/18** Weekday

8:00am Int. of Michael & Maureen Cranley on their Wedding Anniversary

**Rev. Jerome A. Tauber**

**Saturday 08/19** St. John Eudes

8:00am People of the Parish

**Rev. James P. Thomas**

**Sunday 08/20** Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm(Saturday) Judy Boyer by Gary & Betty Scollick

8:30am +Anniv. of Jim & Jean Roland by Joe Roland

11:00am Eric J. Vorgity by Michael & Lillian Meyers

**Rev. James F. Tobias**



The Sanctuary Lamp  
burns this weekend for  
Theresa Vizza by Ralph & Lisa Vizza

Altar flowers this weekend  
were given by  
Walter & Lorraine Hafer  
in honor of their  
64th wedding anniversary.



Altar Flowers



**SAVE THE DATE**—Married couples from across the Diocese are invited to renew their vows and thank God for the gift of the Sacrament of Marriage during the annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass, to be celebrated by Bishop Alfred Schlert at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena, Allentown on Sunday, September 17th at 3pm. If you wish to attend, or have any questions, please email the office at 610-866-0581 ext. 2310 or email [stewardship@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:stewardship@allentowndiocese.org) before September 4th.

## 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, Janet Cannon, Jonathan Cranley, Debbie Dayton, Rita Del Percio, Richard DuBois, Scott Forrest, Theresa Fox, Anthony Galentino, Jamison Gray, Marian Gring, James Hart, Maryann Hovan, Joseph Hunter, Barbara Ianni, John Janiszewski, Sue and Frank Kremser, Bev Kuzmision, Michele Levan, Bob and Helen Macminn, Timothy McCarty, Finnigan McCarty, Aurora McHugh, Nicole Miller, Regina Moran, Patti, Eva Annie Paul, Theo Polidore, Karen Quartapella, Gene Raser, Sr., Anthony Rowan, Cathy Steuber, Nettie Thomas, Sean Thomas, Samuel Townsend, Miriam Ulrich, 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 repose of the soul of Michael Kline, husband of Lorraine. May he rest in peace.*



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**—takes place at St. Benedict on Wednesdays. The day begins with Mass at 8:00am and continues through the day, concluding at 5:00pm.

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. *“In a world where there is so much noise, so much bewilderment, there is a need for silent adoration of Jesus concealed in the Host.”*

*Pope Benedict XVI*

**My soul waits for the Lord.—Psalm 130**

## EXCITING LENDING LIBRARY NEWS



Our Library is GROWING!!!! Thank you to all the generous parishioners who have donated an incredible number of extraordinary spiritual books. Almost every week the library receives at least one if not more filled boxes of texts. We have gotten so many that the library has outgrown our shelving. The Women's Book Club wants to thank the St. Benedict's Knights of Columbus for their generous donation of two more sets of shelves. If the past donations of books continue, it probably won't be long before we will need even more shelving. The Women's Book Club hopes you are enjoying the many and varied books. There are books for all ages and all aspects of our wonderful Catholic faith.. You may borrow as many books as you like and return them when you have completed them.

Thank you from the St. Benedict's Women's Book Club



*Thank you for your generous gifts!*

**Stewardship—August 6 \$9,260.00 (189 envelopes)**  
**Parish Giving \$3,643.00**

**Mortgage—August 6 \$2,177.00 (67 envelopes)**  
**Parish Giving \$ 950.00**

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



We thank all of our parishioners and friends who generously and consistently contribute to the parish.

Please consider signing up for the Parish Giving program, which allows you to make your contributions electronically. You may choose the dollar amount and frequency of your giving. You may contribute week by week, or set up the whole year's collections at one time. Go to the parish website and click on the words "Parish Giving" to get started. There is even a video to help you set up your account.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY—Your

St. Vincent de Paul Conference thanks you for all of your prayers and continued support throughout the years. It is only through your help that we can serve God's poor. We currently have a need for help delivering food to the Morgantown/Reading area. The need is based upon our call volume and is on an "as needed" basis and does not require a specific day or time commitment. It is ideal for couples or individuals that would like to serve God's poor in this unique way. If you are interested, please contact Bill Arnold (610)470-6615 for additional information or to volunteer.



**Thank you!**

Many thanks to all who helped make our 67th Summer Festival and Chicken BBQ a great success! To Tom Dobson, the event chair, to all those who organized, attended meetings, ran errands, cooked, served or volunteered in any way—you all contributed to making the day so much fun. We got to reunite with old friends, play some games and of course, enjoy the best barbecued chicken dinner in all of Berks County! We were blessed with wonderful weather and by all accounts, a good time was had by all. We are still crunching the numbers, so we will be sharing the amount we made with this, our largest parish fundraiser, shortly. Thank you to all who made this wonderful parish family/community event possible.



**YOUR TREASURE'S MYSTERIES UNLOCKED!** Curious about that peculiar vase from Aunt Mary? What about Uncle Joe's gold pocket watch? Wonder no more! Unlock your treasure's secrets with a team of expert appraisers at the Antique Treasure Show, presented by The Women's Alliance of the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena on Saturday, September 23rd, 2023, 5:30 - 9:30pm. Additionally, there will be a live and silent auction, with a variety of unique items. Wine, beer, hors d'oeuvres, coffee and dessert will be served. This event will include professional appraisers from Saucon Valley Auction and Searchlight Auction, who will conduct walk-in and in-depth evaluations from 6 to 8 PM in the Walson Center, located at 210 N. 18th St., Allentown. In-depth evaluations are limited. Participants should submit photos and any background information about their objects no later than September 15, 2023. An appraiser will conduct research and issue an evaluation at the event. Walk-in evaluations will begin after the pre-registered entries are completed and will be first come, first served. In-depth pre-event evaluations are \$20. Walk-in evaluations are \$25. Tickets, including 2 drinks are \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door. To purchase tickets online or to request an Evaluation of Value Form, please email to: [mab77@ptd.net](mailto:mab77@ptd.net) Or send written request, for tickets and form, with check payable to St. Catharine of Siena. Please include contact information, a self-addressed stamped envelope, or email address, for reply, to St. Catharine of Siena, 1825 West Turner St., Allentown, PA 18104. Attn: Antique Evaluation.



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