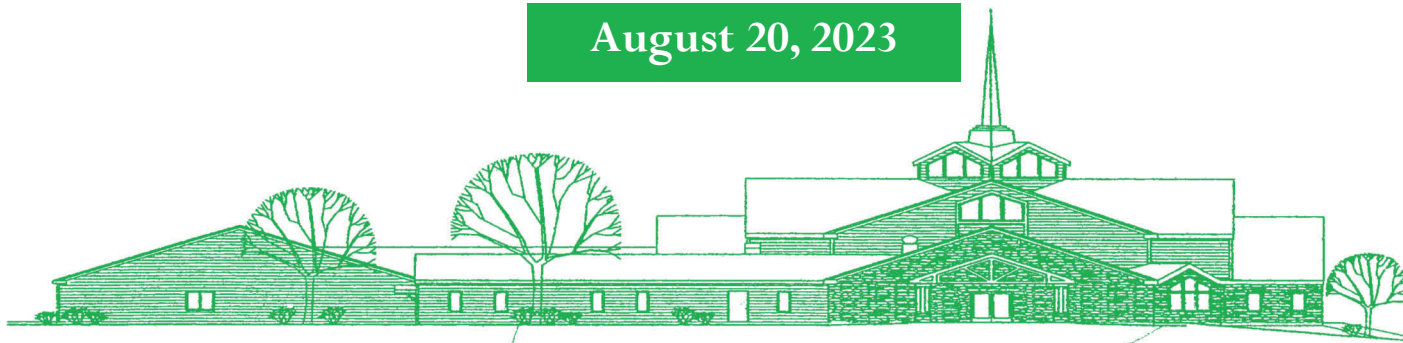


CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

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

August 20, 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
Email: Secretary@churchofsaintbenedict.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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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 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, 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 20, 2023

THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT'S

Monday, August 21

7:00pm Knights of Columbus, FLC

Tuesday, August 22

1:00pm-3:00pm Prime Timers, FLC

7:00pm Book Club, FLC

LITURGICAL MINISTERS —AUGUST 26/27

5:00pm

Lector: Lisa Vizza

Altar Servers: Cooper Whitely, Regan McClure

EMs: Rich Conte, Debbie Mazzarelli, Gary Scollick

Musician: Beverly Perella **Cantor:** Ron McClure

8:30am

Lector: Marie Blimline

Altar Servers: Bryanna Gallagher, Tom Dobson

EMs: Tom Henefer, Nick Gatto, Chris Shulski

Musician: Beverly Perella **Cantor:** Matt Reagan

11:00am

Lector: Maureen Cranley

Altar Servers: Joseph and Sophia Kuszniir

EMs: Mary Newhams, Bo Kuszniir, John Cocco

Musician: Beverly Perella **Cantor:** Tony Diederich

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 08/21

5:00 pm No Mass

Rev. Eric N. Tolentino

Tuesday 08/22 Queenship of Mary

6:30pm Robert Wool by the St. Vincent de Paul Society

Rev. Andrew Torma

Wednesday 08/23

8:00am Judy Holmes by Bryan Sztukowski

Rev. James M. Torpey

Thursday 08/24

8:00am Frances Mitten by Jeanette & Greg Selmer

Rev. Msgr. James A. Treston

Friday 08/25

8:00am Jack Cassidy by Kathleen Minnich

Rev. James J. Ward

Saturday 08/26

8:00am Robert Wool by the Terifay Family

Rev. Msgr. Robert J. Wargo

Sunday 08/27 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm(Saturday) Dennis Menzies by Kathleen Minnich

8:30am Helen Reidel by Tim and Robinn Reidel

11:00am Int. of Joe Fifelski Family By Adam Scheidel

Rev. Zachary R. Wehr

IMPORTANT NOTICE

During the week of September 18th, the whole church parking lot will be repaved. Please be advised that both the church and the parish office will be closed the entire week. There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on Wednesday, September 20th. The church will be opened in time for the Saturday Vigil Mass at 5pm. Listed below are the daily Mass times for neighboring churches:

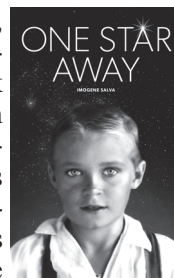
St. John's, Shillington—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 8:00am; Thursday 7:00pm.

Immaculate Conception, Birdsboro—Monday No Mass, Tuesday & Thursday 7:00pm, Wednesday and Friday 7:30am

St. Peter's, Honey Brook/Coatesville—Monday-Saturday (no Wednesday) 8:30am.

Emails and phone messages will still be regularly monitored.

SAVE THE DATE—The Columbiettes, Light of Christ Council #8726, will be presenting Imogene Salva, author of the book "One Star Away." This will take place on Saturday, October 7th at 5:30pm at the Reading Public Museum. The story of Imogene's family who survived the World War II deportation from Poland to a Siberian labor camp is one relatively unknown to the rest of the world. It is a story of survival, separation and sacrifice...and the kindness of an Indian maharaja, who saved hundreds of Polish Catholic children. Tickets sales will be announced shortly.



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 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, Joan Fondots, Scott Forrest, Theresa Fox, Jamison Gray, Marian Gring, James Hart, Maryann Hovan, Joseph Hunter, Barbara Ianni, John Janiszewski, Sue and Frank Kremser, Bev Kuzmission, 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 Albin "Bud" Pendrak, brother of Joy Bandy. 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



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



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

Thank you for your generous gifts!

Stewardship—August 13 \$7,635.00 (163 envelopes)
Parish Giving \$4,330.00

Mortgage—August 13 \$1,518.00 (63 envelopes)
Parish Giving \$1,400.00

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 at (610)470-6615 for additional information or to volunteer.



Altar Flowers

ALTAR FLOWERS AND THE SANCTUARY LAMP—

are available to memorialize or honor a loved one. Cost for arrangements is \$75. You may also have the Sanctuary Lamp lit for a loved one, living or deceased; the suggested offering is \$10. To make arrangements for either flowers or the Sanctuary Lamp, please contact the parish office.

My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. —Isaiah 56:7

FEAST OF ST. MONICA HOLY HOUR AND DINNER—A Holy Hour and dinner with Bishop Alfred A. Schlert is scheduled for Sunday, August 27th, the Feast of St. Monica. Bishop Schlert will preside at the Holy Hour for the members of the St. Monica Ministry. This event will take place at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena, Allentown, beginning at 4:00pm. A buffet will follow in the parish center. All are welcome to take part in this very special evening of prayer and fellowship.

The St. Monica Ministry is both a dedicated community and a prayer network offering hope and support to the families and friends of fallen-away Catholics. The ministry sponsors a Holy Hour of Petition and Hope on the second Wednesday of each month and two meetings per month at the St. Theresa Center in Hellertown.

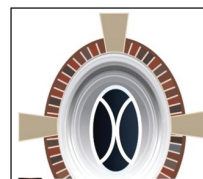
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