

# CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

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

August 27, 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)  
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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

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

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS —SEPTEMBER 2/3**

**5:00pm**

**Lector: Irene Milligan**

**Altar Servers: Reese McClure, Tim Machion**

**EMs: Debbie Mazzarelli, Gary Scollick, Paul Waterman**

**Musician: Patti Brenner Cantor: Patti Brenner**

**8:30am**

**Lector: Anna Welch**

**Altar Servers: Gabriel and James Leshner**

**EMs: Tom Dobson, Cindy Miller, Nick Gatto**

**Musician: Beverly Perella Cantor: Carol Anstett**

**11:00am**

**Lector: Kathy Appleton**

**Altar Servers: Joseph and Sophia Kuszniir**

**EMs: Ursita Blechman, Sylvia Firth, Mary Newhams**

**Musician: Beverly Perella Cantor: Sue Hodgkins**

**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.



**OCIA—Order of Christian Initiation for Adults** (formerly known as RCIA) St. Benedict's will begin a new series of instructions for

those who have never been baptized or those who wish to enter the Catholic Church. An introductory session will take place Tuesday, September 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the church. These instructions serve to offer the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist to those baptized Catholics who never received them. Please contact Msgr. Domin or Mark Schrum (484-706-2215) to sign up or answer questions.

**WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday 08/28**

**5:00 pm No Mass**

**Rev. Leon Weisenberger**

**Tuesday 08/29** Passion of St. John the Baptist  
6:30pm Anna Omelko Frizzell by KOC #14654

**Rev. Joseph T. Whalen**

**Wednesday 08/30 Weekday**

8:00am Rich Ball by Robin and Family

**Rev. Samuel Yeboah**

**Thursday 08/31 Weekday**

8:00am Raymond Lanser by Barbara Stark

**Rev. Msgr. Daniel J. Yenoshosky**

**Friday 09/01 Weekday**

8:00am Joe Patro by Pat Luther

**Rev. Msgr. Vincent P. York**

**Saturday 09/02 Weekday**

8:00am People of the Parish

**Rev. Christopher M. Zelonis**

**Sunday 09/03** Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm(Saturday) Russell Klein Sr. by Penny Williams and  
Carie Brace

8:30am St. Benedict Memorial Society

11:00am Int. of Thomas Scheidel by Adam Scheidel

**Rev. Msgr. Edward S. Zemanik**

**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.



**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.

Next Sunday, September 3, is Hospitality Sunday,  
hosted by the OCIA group.

Come enjoy some fellowship and tasty treats!



### 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.



### STEWARDSHIP

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**Stewardship—August 20 \$6,409.00 (167 envelopes)**  
**Parish Giving \$2,450.00**

**Mortgage—August 13 \$1,100.00 (47 envelopes)**  
**Parish Giving \$ 735.00**

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



**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*

**BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY**—would like to invite members of our parish community who are grieving the loss of a loved one to a six week "Grief Support Group" starting Monday, September 18. You don't have to be alone as you journey through the grieving process. Let us help you. The sessions will be one and a half hours (starting time to be determined). Please call Mary Ann Razzano, 610-858-0946 or Jeanie Hauck 610-856-7575 to register. The six weeks will conclude with a special Mass on All Souls Day, November 2.



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.

### SUMMER FESTIVAL & CHICKEN

**BBQ**—The numbers have all been crunched and we have a final tally of our summer festival. After all expenses were paid, our net income was \$24,833.12. We want to thank those who attended the planning meetings, picked up supplies, or made financial or raffle/auction donations. Most especially we wish to thank Tom Dobson, festival chair, and all those who volunteered their time and worked in any capacity. This is truly a "team" effort and every person who helped made success possible. Thank you for all your hard work.



**CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD**—starts as early as 3 years old and our Preschool and Kindergarten helps to lay a wonderful foundation for your child's reception of their sacraments of First Penance, First Communion and Confirmation. Please don't delay in registering your child with us. For more info just go to our parish website and click the link: <https://churchofsaintbenedict.com/catechesis-of-the-good-shepherd/>. If your child is 4th grade or older, we offer PREP standard classes for these grades. Classes begin on Thursday, September 14th. For more info please contact Valerie Christo, DRE at [stbenedictprepcgs@gmail.com](mailto:stbenedictprepcgs@gmail.com).



All parishioners are invited to our next Family Pot Luck on Saturday, September 9th, immediately following the 5pm Vigil Mass. Please bring a dish to share. There will be a dessert activity of roasting marshmallows, which will be provided by the Family Life Group.



**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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