

CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

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

February 25, 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: 4:00pm
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
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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PARISH STAFF

Rev. Msgr. Edward R. Domin.....Pastor
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Susan Teaford.....Parish Secretary
Rick Ruhl.....Accountant
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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 3:00pm-3:45pm 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.allentowndiocese.org

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THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT



Sunday, February 25

9:30am Lenten Book Club, FLC

Monday, February 26

7:00pm Divorce Support Group, Conference Room

Tuesday, February 27

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

7:00pm OCIA, Gathering Space

Wednesday, February 28

5:30pm Simple Supper, FLC

6:30pm Stations of the Cross in church



ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS OF ITALIAN HERITAGE—

Victor Emmanuel II Beneficial Society offers a \$12,000 scholarship available to Berks County high school seniors living in Berks County and who are of Italian heritage. Applications must be picked up at your local high school guidance counselor's office and returned to Victor Emmanuel II by March 15, 2024. If you have any questions, please contact Fred Ranalli Jr. at 610-406-1131.

This is my beloved Son.
Listen to him.
—Mark 9:7



THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL LENTEN COLLECTION WILL BE FOR:

February 24/25 St. Francis Home, Reading

The St. Francis Home is dedicated to providing comfort and compassionate care to people with a terminal illness in a loving, faith-based family environment.

NEXT WEEKEND'S SPECIAL LENTEN COLLECTION WILL BE FOR:

March 2/3 Mary's Shelter, Reading

Mary's Shelter provides housing and social services related to pregnancy, parenting and youth homelessness through preventative work, crisis intervention and stabilization back into the community.



LASALLE CYO— Cash & Prize Bingo will be held on Saturday, March 16, 2024 in the FLC. Doors open at 10:30am and games begin at 12:00pm. Tickets are \$30 in advance and will be sold after all Masses in the gathering space. Raffle baskets

will be displayed and tickets sold in the gathering space the weekend of March 9th and 10th. Proceeds will benefit the youth of La Salle Academy, St. Benedict's and St. John's parishes.

Monday 02/26 Lenten Weekday

NO MASS

Rev. Eric Arnout

Tuesday 02/27 St. Gregory of Narek

6:30pm John Bonnell by Joe and Carol Hojnacki

Rev. Msgr. Thomas Baddick

Wednesday 02/28 Lenten Weekday

8:00am Jane Ann Braddick by the Prime Timers

Rev. Msgr. Andrew Baker

Thursday 02/29 Lenten Weekday

5:30pm Michael Kline by the Keenan Family

Rev. Msgr. William Baker

Friday 03/01 Lenten Weekday/World Day of Prayer

8:00am John "Bucky" Daddonna by Gary and Betty Scollick

Rev. Algimantas Bartkus

Saturday 03/02 Lenten Weekday

8:00am Albert "Scott" Forrest by Sharon Helms

Rev. Msgr. William Bayer

Sunday 03/03 Third Sunday of Lent

4:00pm(Saturday) St. Benedict Memorial Society

8:30am Anthony Morrell by Mary Morrell

11:00am John Bonnell by Joy and Lee Bandy

Rev. Joseph Becker

PRAYER LIST



Please pray for those in need of hope, healing and health, for all in our parish who are ill and home-bound, especially Robert Blechman, John and Elsie Bauer, Camille Beccone, Janet Cannon, Cathy Coffman, Jonathan Cranley, Rita Del Percio, Richard DuBois, Joan Fondots, Theresa Fox, Jamison Gray, James Hart, David Hiester, 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, Beverly Perella, 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, Maureen Truckly, Miriam Ulrich, Tricia Vanderbeck, Chad Vogel, Steven Wagner, Rachel Williams, Cheryl Wolfe, 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 John Littlefield,
husband of Maddalena. May he rest in peace.*

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*Thank you for your
generous gifts!*

LENTEN JOURNEY—Please mark your calendars to join us for our Evening of Candlelight Eucharistic Adoration, on Friday, March 8th, at 7:00pm. This will be a beautiful experience of quiet, prayer and reflection as we travel on our Lenten journey. The candles remind us of the light of Christ and the bright hope we have as we anticipate the joyous celebration of Jesus' Resurrection and our salvation at Easter. In addition, you can sign up for the various hours of Adoration during our 40 Hours from March 17th through 19th. Sign up sheets are in the notebook in the gathering space.

EUCHARISTIC 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 4:00pm Vigil Mass, from 3:00pm-3:45pm.

"In Eucharistic Adoration, we enter into sacred silence, where our hearts can be transformed by the presence of Jesus."—Fr. Jacques Philippe

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 greatly appreciated.

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



- 2nd Lenten Fish Fry, Friday Mar. 22, 5:00 pm. Menu features cod filet, baked potato, stewed tomatoes, cole slaw and drink. Tickets are \$15, kids' meals are \$5. Eat in or take-out available.
- 2nd crab cake pickup the weekend of March 23/24
- 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 the Knights table in the gathering space or details and order forms.

February 18
Stewardship \$7,748.00 (181 envelopes)
Parish Giving \$2,600.00
Mortgage \$2,106.00 (82 envelopes)
Parish Giving \$705.00

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

The Disciple Maker Index Survey is Now Open



**Catholic Leadership
INSTITUTE**

Our parish is on a journey to know, love, and serve Christ as a parish community. Together we must embrace Christ's vision for missionary discipleship so our parish can thrive and be a place for others to grow together in faith.

The very first step in this process involves assessing our greatest strengths and opportunities, and that is where the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) comes in!

The DMI is an important survey tool that invites you to reflect on your discipleship journey here at St. Benedict. Take the DMI survey today at

<https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/b2t88b>

Your input helps strengthen our parish. Results help leadership prepare for the future. A report of the findings will be shared in the near future. If you prefer a paper copy of the survey, you may pick one up after any daily and Sunday Masses. They will be located in the gathering space, where they can also be submitted once completed.

At St. Benedict we are blessed in so many ways. Together, we will identify our strengths and opportunities in greater detail as we strive to grow in missionary discipleship.

Please continue to pray for this intention and for the growth and protection of our parish.

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY—

will be collecting non-perishable food items as well as hams for their Easter packages for our neighbors in need. Hams may be placed in the refrigerator in the Education wing. Please see their display in the gathering space for more details.



LENT AT ST. BENEDICT—Stations of the Cross will take place on **Wednesday** evenings at 6:30pm. There will be three Simple Suppers held during Lent, immediately before Stations on February 28, March 6 and March 13. May we use prayer, fasting and almsgiving to offer ourselves more completely to the Lord during these 40 days, so that we may rejoice with Him on Easter Sunday.



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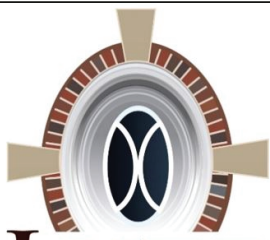
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