## CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

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



#### 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 Email: Secretary@churchofsaintbenedict.org

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PREP/CGS LaSalle Academy Office	484-269-8744 610-777-7392
www.lsabear.org	
Berks Catholic High School	610-374-8361
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#### **PARISH STAFF**

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#### **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
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#### 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 3:00-3:45pm or by appointment.

#### OCIA

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 Website www.allentowndiocese.org

#### THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT

#### Monday, January 8

7:00pm Divorce Support Group, Conference Rm.

#### Tuesday, January 9

7:00pm OCIA, Gathering Space 7:00pm St. Vincent de Paul, Conference Room

#### Wednesday, January 10

7:00pm Pastoral Council, Conference Room

From Msgr. Domin— "I would like to express my sincere thanks for all the cards, gifts and Christmas goodies I received over the holidays. They were all enjoyed and greatly appreciated. I pray that God bless all of you with health and happiness in the new year."

#### LITURGICAL MINISTERS —JANUARY 13/14

#### 4:00pm

Lector: Lisa Vizza

Altar Servers: Regan McClure, NEED VOLUNTEER EMs: Mark Brezina, Joe & Carol Hojnacki

#### 8:30am

**Lector: Sylvia Firth** 

Altar Servers: Kyle Keenan, Mary Hogan

EMs: Jeanette Bunch, Mary Ann Razzano, Tom Henefer

#### 11:00am

**Lector:** Charlie Jones

Altar Servers: Alaina & Evan Rementer

EMs: Ursita Blechman, Tina McHale, Bo Kusznir

If you are unable to fulfill your scheduled time, please find a substitute in advance. Thanks!

**PARISH LENDING LIBRARY**—Have you visited our parish library? There are many selections on various topics to enrich your Catholic faith. There are books on saints, prayer and

other relevant subjects. Feel free to select a book, sign it out, and return it when you have finished. New books are added regularly. There are even some free items available. Stop by and take advantage of this wonderful faith-building resource!



We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage. —Matthew 2:2

#### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 01/08 Baptism of the Lord

**NO MASS** 

Rev. Gregory Pendergraft

Tuesday 01/09 Weekday

**NO MASS** 

Rev. John Pendzick

Wednesday 01/10 Weekday

8:00am Adam DuBois by Richard & Joan DuBois

Rev. Dominic Pham

Thursday 01/11 Weekday

5:30pm Cameron Bruder by the Knights of Columbus #14654

Rev. Quyet Pham

**Friday** 01/12 St. Marguerite Bourgeoys 8:00am John Bonnell by Sandy Rogas

Rev. Herman Pongandung

**Saturday** 01/13 St. Hilary

8:00am Joan Pedersen by Joe & Carol Hojnacki

Rev. Robert Potts

Sunday 01/14 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00pm(Saturday) David Alan Loesch by Ralph & Lisa Vizza 8:30am Dennis Miller by Lauren & Dominic Machion 11:00am Thomas DelOrefice by Dan & Tina McHale

Rev. Stephen Radocha

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this weekend in memory of Floss Pleitner by the Leininger Family.



If you wish to have the Sanctuary Lamp lit for a loved one, living or deceased or for a special intention, please contact the parish office.

The suggested offering is \$10.

ALTAR FLOWER CALENDAR 2024—is now available on the bulletin board at the main church entrance. If you wish to honor or memorialize a loved one, simply sign up on



the calendar or call the parish office to schedule a particular date. Arrangements are \$75 each.



**ST. PETER'S SCHOOL**—graduating class of 1970 will be having a reunion on Saturday, May 4th 2024 at 6PM at GNA in West Reading. We are looking for classmates. Please

pass this news along to anyone you know who may have been in this class. For more information you can contact Theresa (Kimrey) Shumard @ 484-706-4208 or Maureen (Shannon) Walton @ 610-406-2647

#### **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, Theresa Fox, Jamison Grav, James Hart, Marvann Hovan, Joseph Hunter, John Janiszewski, Sue and Frank Kremser, Bev Kuzmission, Bob and Helen Macminn, Timothy McCarty, Aurora McHugh, Nicole Miller, Regina Moran, Nova P., Patrick, Patti, Beverly Perella, Theo Polidore, Gene Raser, Sr., Anthony Rowan, Zac Schneider, 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.



**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**—takes place 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.

Please remember when entering the church or the Adoration chapel to maintain sacred silence. Please avoid all unnecessary conversation, especially before Mass, as there are people who have come early to pray.

O COME LET US ADORE HIM-On all First Saturdays of the month, we will have Eucharistic Adoration from 3:00pmto 3:45pm, before our 4:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass. What a wonderful way to participate in the spirit of the National Eucharistic Revival. Everyone is invited to come to Mass a few minutes early to spend some quiet time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Please remember to maintain sacred silence.



**STEWARDSHIP** Managing God's Gifts To Us

Thank you for your generous gifts!

December 24

Stewardship \$ 10,401.00 (198 envelopes)

Parish Giving \$ 2,440.00

Mortgage \$2,370.00 (71 envelopes)

Parish Giving \$1,180.00

Christmas Collection \$17,290.00

December 31

Stewardship \$8,211.00 (147 envelopes)

Parish Giving \$4,350.00 Mortgage \$2,040.00 Parish Giving \$ 580.00

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



We thank all of our parishioners Parish Giving and friends who generously and consistently contribute to the par-

ish. 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.

#### WOMAN'S CLUB HOLIDAY DINNER—All

women of the parish are invited to Giovanni's in Elverson on Wednesday, January 17 at 6:30 pm for an Italian dinner and fellowship. Choice of entrees are Chicken Parmesan, Salmon with Linguini or Chicken Marsala. Cost is \$30 and please RSVP with choice of entre by January 10th. Sign-up sheet is in Church gathering space or leave a message for Rosanne @ 610 286-5568.



SAVE THE DATES—Upcoming Fundraisers, Fellowship and Good Food—The Knights of Columbus will be holding their 10th annual "Night at the Races" on Saturday Feb. 3 at 6:00pm. Tickets are on sale now in the gather space. The Knights and Women's Club will be having their annual Super Bowl Sales on Super Bowl Weekend Feb. 10-11. The Knights are offering hoagies and the

Women's Club will be offering pierogies/quarts of chicken corn soup. Super Bowl Sale orders will be taken starting the weekend of Jan 20-21.

**SURVIVING DIVORCE**—a confidential program offering hope and healing from divorce starts January 8, 2024 and runs through March 25, 2024, 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm at the Church of Saint Benedict, 2020 Chestnut Hill Road, Mohnton, PA 19540. For more information please contact Joe Boylan, 610 -781-6415 or joeboylan@berksfoods.com.

MASS INTENTIONS-Please note that our 2024 Mass Intention Book is *completely filled*. It is uncertain when the 2025 books will be available for purchase. If you wish, we can take Mass intentions for UNANNOUNCED Masses. This means the names will **NOT** appear in the bulletin but will be used for occasions such as school Masses and Monsignor's monthly Masses at the Heritage. Watch the bulletin for news of the availability of 2025 Mass Book.



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