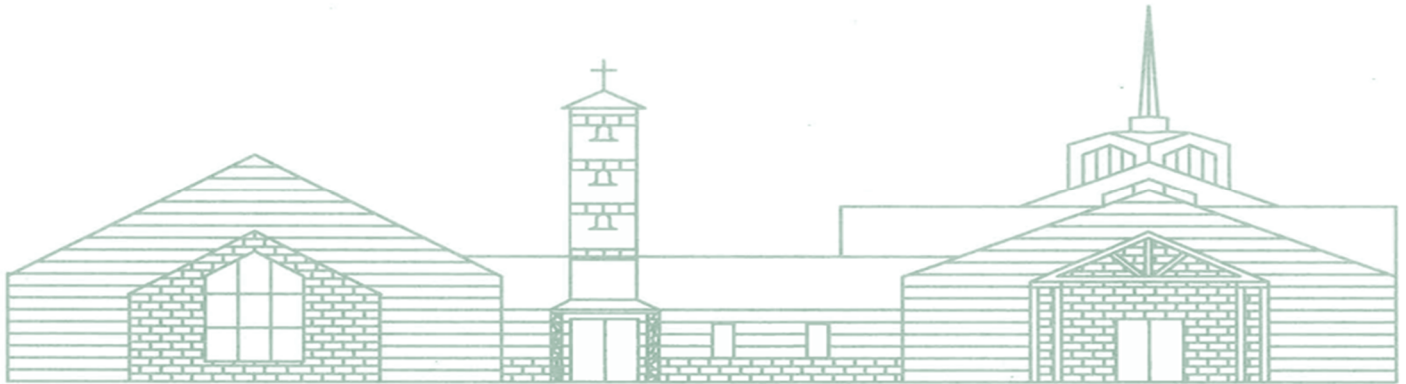


# CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

JULY 14, 2024



## MASS SCHEDULE

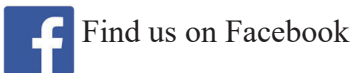
Daily: Tues. 6:30pm, Wed., Friday 8am, Thurs. 5:30pm  
from Labor Day to Memorial Day/8:00am from Memorial Day to Labor Day  
Saturday: 8:00am; Vigil: 5:00pm  
Sunday: 8:30am, 11:00am  
Holy Day Vigil: 5:00pm; Day-8:00am & 7:00pm

## 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  
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## PARISH STAFF

Rev. Stanley Moczydlowski.....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

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 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 4:00pm-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  
Website [www.allentowndiocese.org](http://www.allentowndiocese.org)

## Church of Saint Benedict July 14, 2024

### THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT

#### MONDAY, JULY 15

7:00pm Knights of Columbus, FLC

#### TUESDAY, JULY 16

7:00pm Book Club, FLC

4:00pm-7:00pm LaSalle Band, Music Room

#### SATURDAY, JULY 20

6:00pm KOC Officer Installation, FLC

**HOLY ROSARY ITALIAN FAMILY PICNIC**—Sunday, August 11th from 12noon to 4:00pm at the Victor Emmanuel Grove. An Italian buffet featuring baked ziti, meatballs, sausage, salad, bread and pizza will be served from 12 noon to 2:00pm. You must purchase a wristband for admission. Please contact Christine Lichman at 610-373-5579 to purchase them or for any additional information.



#### **SUMMER FESTIVAL AND CHICKEN**

**BBQ**—Planning has already begun for our biggest fundraiser of the year. Many hands will be needed to make this event a parish, a community and a financial success. In the next few weeks, we will share ways in which you can help. Consider signing up

for a 2-hour shift at any one of the activities—volunteer sign-up sheets are in the gathering space. All cooks and bakers can sign up to bring their favorite baked goods/jellies/jams/pickles, etc. for the bake stand. Information will also be coming out regarding donations for the silent auction and flea market. Most importantly, get your dinner tickets and raffle tickets for some great cash prizes. It's never too early to pray that God will bless us with good weather, so that a safe and fun time can be had by all. Make plans to be at Plowville's biggest social event of the year on Saturday, August 3rd!



**ST. BENEDICT FEAST DAY PICNIC**—Please join your fellow parishioners on Sunday, July 14th at 12 noon, at the picnic grove. We will be celebrating the feast day of our patron, St. Benedict, as well as officially welcoming our new pastor, Fr. Stan Moczydlowski. The 2024 Volunteer of the Year will also be awarded. You are asked to bring a covered dish—an entrée, a side dish or a dessert. The Knights of Columbus will provide hot dogs and hamburgers, the Prime Timers will provide drinks and the Women's Club will provide paper products. There will also be games for the children. In the event of rain or high temperature, the event will be moved to the FLC. We hope to see you there!



**Monday 07/15** St. Bonaventure

**NO MASS**

*Rev. Mark Searles*

**Tuesday 07/16** Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

6:30pm James T. McVeigh Jr. by Robert & Joyce Joyce

*Rev. Adam Sedar*

**Wednesday 07/17** Weekday

8:00am Special Intention by Bryan Sztukowski

*Rev. Thomas Shanfelt*

**Thursday 07/18** St. Camilius de Lelis

8:00am People of the Parish

*Rev. Barnabas Shayo*

**Friday 07/19** Weekday

8:00am Charles Campion by Frank & Judy Burns

*Rev. Joseph Sheehan*

**Saturday 07/20** St. Apollinaris

8:00am Carl Rost by Diona Lovejoy

*Rev. Charles Smiech*

**Sunday 07/21** 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm (Saturday) Marian Gring by Sylvia Firth

8:30am Madeline Simpson & Violet Giordano

by M/M Harry Giordano

11:00am John Bonnell by Karl & Ruth Beard

*Rev. Msgr. Joseph P. T. Smith*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

**Going away on vacation?  
Check out [masstimes.org](https://www.masstimes.org)  
before you leave to find a Catholic Church  
where you will be staying.**

### 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, Camille Beccone, Janet Cannon, Sr. Maureen Clancy SSND, Cathy Coffman, Jonathan Cranley, Jeannine Dutton, Maria Elena, Joan Fondots, Theresa Fox, Alexa Gebhard, James Hart, 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, George Paul, Kevin Paul, Patrick, Patti, Sister Mary Lou Pleitner CSJ, Stanley Plevyak, Gene Raser, Sr., Anthony Rowan, Sr. Maureen of the Eucharist OP, John Slanga, Janet Teaford, Nettie Thomas, Josh Toresco, Barbara Townsend, Miriam Ulrich, Tricia Vanderbeck, Linda Vieldhouse, Steven Wagner, Rachel Williams, Josephine and all those in nursing homes.

Mary, Health of the Sick, please pray for them.



**EUCCHARISTIC 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 5:00pm Vigil Mass, from 4:00pm-4:45pm.

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.



*Thank you for your generous gifts!*

**July 7**  
**Stewardship \$9,825.00 (170 envelopes)**  
**Parish Giving \$3,013.00**  
**Mortgage \$2,568.00 (82 envelopes)**  
**Parish Giving \$765.00**

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



<b>2024 Parish Total Goal</b>	<b>\$61,001.50</b>
<b>Total Committed</b>	<b>\$37,554.00</b>
<b>Total Collected</b>	<b>\$32,335.5</b>
<b>Number of Donors</b>	<b>80</b>
<b>Average Gift</b>	<b>\$469.30</b>

We are grateful to all who pledged their support thus far to the 2024 **BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL**. Your gift will allow our diocese to meet the many and varied needs of the people of this diocese. Remember, every gift counts, no matter how small. If you did not take the opportunity to make your gift, you may do so at any time over the next few weeks. You may mail in the pledge card that was mailed to you or you can visit <https://www.BecauseWeAreCatholic.org> to make your donation online. Thank you for your generosity!

*From the Pastor's Desk*



Today, Jesus sends his Apostles on their first missionary journey. He is specific about what they may take with them and what they must do. Like the Apostles, we too are called to be disciples of Jesus and to make new disciples for Jesus. Being this type of disciple requires devotion, perseverance and persistence.

The prophet Amos exemplified all these traits when he opposed Amaziah, the high priest of Bethel and chief advisor to King Jeroboam some 750 years before the birth of Jesus. Amos was content as a shepherd when the Lord called him to lead a new flock. When shepherding lambs, he walked behind them to keep them always in his sights, making sure they did not wander off. As a prophet, he is called to lead, not to follow, but the goal remains the same: to keep the flock together.

Amaziah despised Amos and wanted him expelled, never to prophesy again. Though banished and censored, Amos did not stop proposing and calling God's people to repentance. God, who is always faithful, does not give up either, telling Amos, 'Go, prophesy to my people.' At the end of Mass, we are given the same instruction to go forth and proclaim the good news. Not everyone will listen, but for those who do, the Word of God changes everything.

The Apostles would have learned the stories of Amos when they were young, and if Amos was their inspiration, Christ was their motivation. The Apostles, like Amos, had a single aim, one shared by Paul in his Letter to the Ephesians - the call to holiness. May that be our goal as well; to live to the praise of His glory.

God bless you, Fr. Stan.

**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.



Congratulations to our new members of Pastoral Council. May you be guided by the Holy Spirit in all of your decision-making efforts.

**John Bergandino**  
**Mary Alice Newhams**  
**Ryan Ney**  
**Jim Pleitner**





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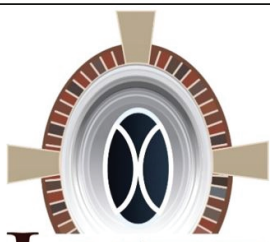
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