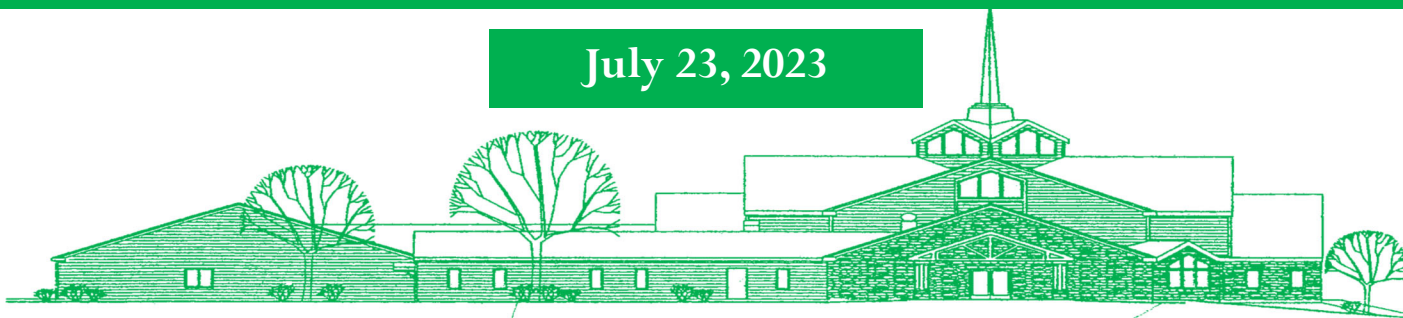


# CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

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

July 23, 2023



## MASS SCHEDULE

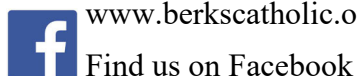
Daily: Tues. 6:30pm, Wed., Friday 8am, Thurs. 5:30pm  
(September through April) /6:30pm (summer months)  
Saturday: 8:00am; Vigil: 5:00pm  
Sunday: 8:30am, 11:00am  
Holy Day Vigil: 5:00pm; Day-8:00am & 7:00pm

## 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  
[www.berkscatholic.org](http://www.berkscatholic.org)



## 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.....Bookkeeper  
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.

## R C I A

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a program for anyone interested in the Catholic faith or in returning to the Church. 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

**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, Cameron Bruder, John and Elsie Bauer, Janet Cannon, Jonathan Cranley, Debbie Dayton, Rita DelPercio, Richard DuBois, Scott Forrest, Theresa Fox, Anthony Galentino, 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, 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.



**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*

**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.



**SUMMER FESTIVAL/CHICKEN BBQ**—Many hands are still needed to make this event a parish, a community and a financial success. Please see the table in the gathering space for ways you can help. Consider signing up for a 2-hour shift at any one of the stands or activities. You may also wish to donate a themed basket or new item for the silent auction. **Flea market items will be accepted the week of the festival, beginning Monday, July 31st. All items are to be brought directly to the picnic grounds between July 31st and August 4th ONLY.** 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. Come out and join your parish family on Saturday, August 5th for this honored St. Benedict tradition!



*Thank you for your generous gifts!*

**Stewardship—July 16 \$6,300.00 (158 envelopes)**  
**Parish Giving \$3,813.00**

**Mortgage—July 16 \$1,370.00 (62 envelopes)**  
**Parish Giving \$1,450.00**

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



**NFP AWARENESS WEEK**—As a parish, we join with the Diocese of Allentown and dioceses nationwide in the celebration of Natural Family Planning (NFP) Awareness Week, July 23-29. These dates highlight the anniversary of the encyclical by Pope Paul VI entitled *Humanae Vitae*, explaining God’s gifts of love and life in marriage. Marriage is oriented to the good of the spouses and to the creation and nurture of new human life. There will be a special event on Sunday, July 30th, 2:00-4:30 PM at St. Catharine of Siena Parish, 4975 Boyertown Pike, Reading. All are invited to join in a Mass of Thanksgiving followed by an outdoor celebration featuring light refreshments and family-fun activities. You can register at <https://forms.gle/LmS34LNEtmDynyRq6> If you have any questions, please contact Kristin Osenbach 610-866-0581 x 2035 or reach out to her via email at [kosenbach@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:kosenbach@allentowndiocese.org)

## Church of Saint Benedict—July 23, 2023

### THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT'S

### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

#### Tuesday, July 25

1:00pm History Committee, Classroom #3  
7:00pm St. Vincent de Paul, Conference Room

#### Wednesday, July 19

8:30am-5:00pm Eucharistic Adoration, Chapel

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### LITURGICAL MINISTERS —JULY 29/30

#### 5:00pm

**Lector:** Lisa Vizza  
**Altar Servers:** Kyle Keenan, Emily Boyer  
**EMs:** Debbie Mazzarelli, Karen Keenan, Cindy Miller  
**Musician:** Beverly Perella **Cantor:** Tony Diederich

#### 8:30am

**Lector:** Marie Blimline  
**Altar Servers:** Mary & Matlyn Rhoades  
**EMs:** Mark Brezina/Sharon Helms/Mary Ann Razzano  
**Musician:** Beverly Perella **Cantor:** Pete Snow

#### 11:00am

**Lector:** Joe Leininger  
**Altar Servers:** Jason & Jax Leininger  
**EMs:** Sylvia Firth, Tina McHale, Ursita Blechman  
**Musician:** Beverly Perella **Cantor:** Mandy Maiers

***N.B.—The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday morning, July 25th for Protecting God's Children Mandated Reporter training. The office will open at 12:15pm.***



**COMING SOON!**—The Cursillo Community of the Diocese of Allentown is planning their Men's and Women's Cursillo Weekends. Cursillo has been a powerful means of spiritual growth for Catholics throughout our diocese as well as Catholics around the world for decades. We are pleased to announce this year's weekends are as follows: Men—Thursday evening 9/21/23 to Sunday afternoon 9/24/23; Women—Thursday evening 9/28/23 to Sunday afternoon 10/1/23. You must be at least 18 years of age and a Catholic in good standing. The weekends will be held at the Mariawald Renewal Center, Shillington. There will be an Information Night on Friday, August 18th, 6:30pm, at St. Catharine of Siena Church, Exeter, in the church social hall. Pizza and soft drinks will be served. Please text Beth Pawlick at 610-781-2935 or Michael Pawlik at 610-781-4400 for more information or if you wish to attend. You can also email Beth at [bap3mem@ptd.net](mailto:bap3mem@ptd.net).

***Most Holy Sts. Anne and Joachim, come close to us and guide our hand and our hearts in the way of virtue. Help us to parent our children and grandchildren with a gentle heart as you did. Show us how to raise our children in faith and bring our families into the Light of Jesus. —Sts. Joachim and Anne, parents of the Blessed Mother, grandparents of Jesus. They are the patron saints of grandparents. Their feast day July 26.***

**ST. MARY OF PROVIDENCE CENTER**—in Elverson, PA is pleased to announce the return of our music festival, MagniFest, on Saturday, August 19th from 2pm - 10pm, featuring headliner and national recording artist Marie Miller! We are currently seeking sponsors for the festival. We are also looking for vendors to participate. Small businesses, artisans, crafters, etc. are welcome. Visit [stmaryprov.org/magnifest/](http://stmaryprov.org/magnifest/) for more info.

**Monday 07/24** St. Sharbel Makhlof

**No Mass**

**Rev. Dominic Thao Pham**

**Tuesday 07/25** St. James, Apostle

6:30pm Int. of Bridget DiCesare by Adam Scheidel

**Rev. Quyet A. Pham**

**Wednesday 07/26** Sts. Joachim and Anne

8:00am Kathy M. O'Rourke by Ralph & Lisa Vizza

**Rev. Robert J. Potts**

**Thursday 07/27** Weekday

8:00am Larry Fesler by John & Mimi Frank

**Rev. Msgr. Stephen J. Radocha**

**Friday 07/28** Weekday

8:00am Alfred Mitnacht by Jack Mitnacht

**Rev. Msgr. James J. Reichert**

**Saturday 07/29** Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus

8:00am People of the Parish

**Rev. Anthony Ripp**

**Sunday 07/30** Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm (Saturday) William Gebhard by Roy/Susan Teaford

8:30am Marianne Flemming by Jim & Floss Pleitner

11:00am Brian Appleton by Kathy, Brian Jr. & Joe

**Rev. Eugene P. Ritz**



**The Sanctuary Lamp burns this weekend for John & Jeanne Ditzler by John & Mimi Frank.**