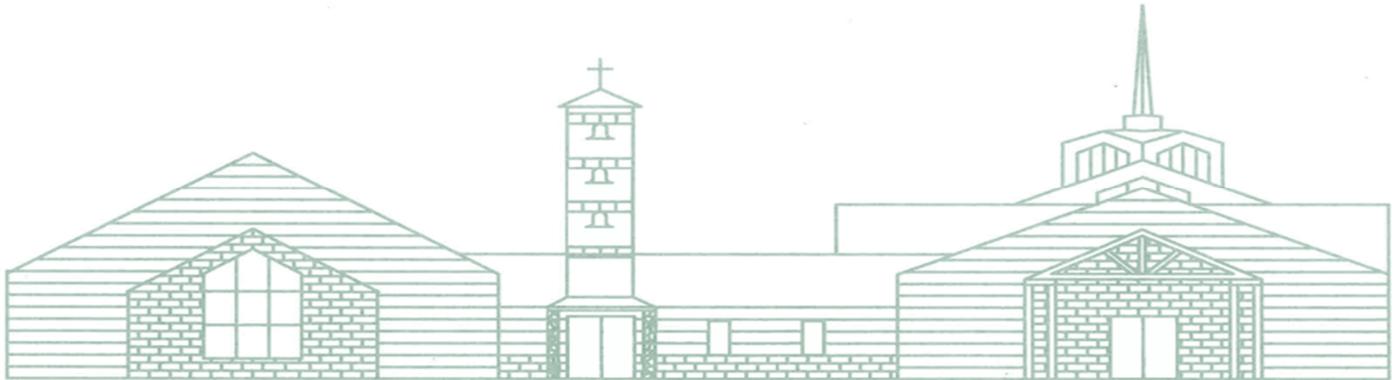


CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

JULY 7, 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
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PREP/CGS	484-269-8744
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www.lsabear.org	
Berks Catholic High School	610-374-8361
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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-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 4:00pm-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:

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Church of Saint Benedict July 7, 2024

THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT

SUNDAY, JULY 7

8:30-12:30 Hospitality Sunday, FLC

TUESDAY, JULY 9

4-7PM LaSalle Band Practice

7:00pm Summer Festival meeting, picnic grounds

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

7:00pm Women's Club, FLC

7:00pm Pastoral Council, Classroom 2

SUNDAY, JULY 14

12 noon-?? Feast Day Celebration, Picnic Grounds

I just wanted to thank all of you for your kindness and farewell gifts to me. Ossa would also like to thank you for all the wonderful treats you gave to her as well. It was an honor to be your pastor for two years. Please keep me in your prayers and know that you will be in my prayers as well.—*Msgr. Domin and Ossa*



! Parishioner *Caryle Wittorf* will be celebrating her 100th birthday on Monday, July 8th. What a joyous milestone! If you wish to send her a birthday card, you may mail it to her home.

Caryle Wittorf
47 Mountz Road
Morgantown 19543

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 07/08 Weekday

NO MASS

Rev. Juan Rodriguez

Tuesday 07/09 St. Augustine Zhao and Companions

6:30pm Joseph Appleton by Courtney Gebhard Dickson

Rev. Paul Rothermel

Wednesday 07/10 Weekday

8:00am Mary & Paul Radosza, Sr. by Terry Grundman

Rev. Msgr. Edward Sachs

Thursday 07/11 St. Benedict of Nursia

8:00am All Benedictines, Living and Deceased

Rev. Msgr. Walter Scheaffer

Friday 07/12 Weekday

8:00am John Bonnell by Rich & Donna Conte

Rev. Aaron Scheidel

Saturday 07/13 St. Henry

8:00am People of the Parish

Most Rev. Alfred Schlert

Sunday 07/14 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm (Saturday) Eryln "Penny" Phillips

8:30am Intention of Doris Yeager

11:00am Robert Pouleson by John & Mimi Frank

Rev. Msgr. Francis Schoenauer

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!

June 30
Stewardship \$7,170.00 (166 envelopes)
Parish Giving \$2,975.00
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We thank all of our parishioners 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.

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.



From the Pastor's Desk



This week and for the next 3 Sunday's, our 1st reading will focus on one of the prophets; Ezekiel, Amos, Jeremiah and Elisha. The prophets were considered those who foretold future events. But they also spoke out for God on matters of social justice, false religious practices, and moral issues.

The basic idea for being a prophet is that they are a spokesperson and what distinguished them was their vocation which brought them into a special relationship with God. As a spokesperson for God, a prophet both comforts the disturbed and disturbs the comfortable.

All three readings we have today share the difficulties encountered in being a prophet. Ezekiel and St. Paul were human beings faced with the daunting task of being a spokesperson for God, given all their human frailties. Jesus is divine, but he also took on our human nature and there were those who could not see beyond that and rejected him as well.

Every one of us, simply because of our Baptism, has been called to be a prophet. We have all been called to spread the message of the Gospel in our families, in our workplaces, among our friends and in our society. Whatever is happening, we have to be ready to proclaim and defend truth, love, justice, freedom, people's rights and dignity. There are some things we cannot compromise and there are some times when we cannot be silent.

There are times when we may be afraid, or we may feel incompetent or inadequate. Sometimes we may feel that we are the only one, standing alone in a crowd, standing up for what we know is right. Sometimes we feel frustrated because we are so close to those we are trying to reach, and because of the familiarity, we are not taken seriously or even heard at all. Sometimes we feel that there are aspects of our lives that are a painful handicap for preaching our message effectively. Let's not be discouraged by our shortcomings, whether spiritual, psychological, social or physical. God wants us to be His instruments. He will stand by us and give us what we need, when we need it, even if it's not necessarily what we want.

The power of God is upon us. His presence is among us. His truth is in our hearts and in our lips. He has called us all to be His spokesperson, His prophet. May we pray today that we do not let our own humanity or that of anyone else, keep us from hearing, proclaiming and living in the truth of our Lord Jesus Christ.

God bless you, Fr. Stan



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