CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

JUNE 22, 2025



MASS SCHEDULE

Daily: Tues. 6:30pm; Mon. Wed., Friday 8am; First Thursdays 7pm, all other 8am; First Saturdays & Saturdays during Lent & Advent; all other no Mass. Holy Day (Vigil) 5:00pm, Holy Day 8:00am, 7:00pm

(Please check weekly listing for any changes.) Sunday: 8:30am, 11:00am

RECTORY PARISH OFFICE

2020 Chestnut Hill Rd, Mohnton, PA 19540 610-856-1006 Office Hours: Closed Wednesday; all other days (M, T, Th., F) 9:00am-4:30pm. Website: www.churchofsaintbenedict.com Email: Secretary@churchofsaintbenedict.org

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CHURCH SAFETY INFORMATION

Richard Conte, 610-223-8846 To view plan go to: https://www.churchofsaintbenedict.com/wp-content/ uploads/St-Benedict-Emergency-Operating-Plan-Rev -00.pdf

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Celebrated on the first and third Sunday of the month, immediately following the 11:00am Mass. Baptism Preparation Class (Pre-Jordan) held 2nd Saturday of the month. 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.

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 Deacon Mark Brezina at the Parish Office.

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 Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service 1-800-276-1562 www.reportbishopabuse.org

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

HELP NEEDED We are in need of adorers to fill in when those who are regularly scheduled are unavailable. Please consider spending some quiet time with our Lord. Is Jesus calling you? Please contact Diane Arnold at 610-470-6616.

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June 15 Stewardship \$5,611.00 (152 envelopes) Parish Giving \$3,705.00

Mortgage \$1,490.00 (69 envelopes) Parish Giving \$1,200.00

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

CALLING ALL MARTHAS—We are looking for helpers to launder the altar linens. It's a beautiful way to serve the parish and our pastor. There is a special process to follow, although it's very easy. If you would like to help, please contact the parish office.



The 2025 "Because We Are Catholic" Annual Appeal is underway! Our parish support is a vital part of this Diocesan-wide effort to serve

children and families in our own community and throughout the Diocese of Allentown. You can make your gift today at www.BecauseWeAreCatholic.org. *Please do not submit your pledge or contribution in the parish collection, as they are not processed here. Please send them directly to the Diocese of Allentown in the envelope which was provided in the mailing you received at home.* Thank you for your generosity!

Altar flowers this weekend were given in memory of our parents by Diane and Bill Arnold



Corpus Christi 🕈

From the Fastor's Desk



Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ...Corpus Christi... a day on which we give thanks to God for the very gift of His very self. Our Lord comes to us as real food for the journey, real nourishment. For Catholics, this is at the very heart of who we are as a faith community. And if I asked each of you what the meaning of Eucharist is, or what is important about is, or what is its 'purpose', I would probably get a whole bunch of different, although somewhat similar answers.

Some might say, 'It's all about God wanting to be close to us'. Others, 'To give us strength and comfort for our journey as disciples'. Some might say 'It's THE most perfect blessing God can give us.' Others 'It's so that we can be filled with His grace.'

All of these are true, but one particular sentiment that is essential to our understanding of this sacred meal as Catholics is this: Eucharist is food for us, so that we can be food for others. Our reception of this sacrament is not the end of this holy experience. It is only the beginning, only the steppingoff point to a life lived not for ourselves, but for others. As Catholics, we receive the Body of Christ in order to be the Body of Christ; not simply in the privacy of our rooms, or in this church, but in the world.

And so, when we hear the Lord telling his apostles, 'Give them some food yourselves', we must also hear Him saying those same words directly to each of us... in this time and place... urging us to give others the food that He gives us. Put simply, God feeds us with the most precious food there is... His very self... and invites us to feed others with that same food; the food of kindness, mercy, generosity, compassion, love. That's the food the world is in desperate need of. That's the food we receive at this sacred table.

Yet, like the apostles, we often think we don't have enough, don't have what it takes to do what the Lord Jesus is asking us to do. 'But Jesus, 5 loaves and 2 fish are all I have. I don't have enough patience, I don't have enough humility, I don't have enough compassion, I don't have enough forgiveness, I don't have enough love.'

On our own, we don't have enough. that much is true. But we are not alone. God can do so much with little (even with sinful me and with sinful you), making the impossible, possible. He feeds us so that we can feed others. He shares his life with us so that we can share our life with others. And He pours out his life for us and into us so that we, in turn, can pour out our lives on behalf of each person who needs a little help; a little kindness, a little comfort, a little forgiveness, a little love.

God bless you. Fr. Stan.

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THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT

TUESDAY, JUNE 24

12:00 noon Prime Timers, FLC 7:00PM St. Vincent de Paul, Conference Room

<u>WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25</u> 5:00pm-9:00pm ChristLife, FLC/Conference Room

There are still opportunities for memorializing both the Sanctuary Lamp as well as (Altar Flowers. The offering for the Sanctuary Lamp is \$10. Offering for Altar



Flowers is \$75 per arrangement. Please call the Parish Office to schedule either one for a loved one, living or deceased, or to celebrate a special occasion such as a wedding anniversary or milestone birthday.



SAVE THE DATES August 9-14th for Vacation Bible School. More details to follow, or you may use this QR code for more information.

FESTIVAL/CHICKEN

SUMMER

BBQ—This is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody. There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry



about that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have.

Be a Somebody! Consider being a part of this St. Benedict tradition. New faces and new ideas are always welcome. Next meeting date to be announced shortly.



FORTY HOURS—In honor of the Feast of St. Benedict, the parish will be holding a 40 Hour celebration. On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday (July 9-11) there will be morning Mass at 8AM followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. All are invited to sign up to spend time with our Lord in Adoration. At 7PM each

evening there will be Evening Prayer with homily and Benediction. Our guest homilist will be Father Aaron Scheidel. On Saturday, July 12, there will be a pot luck dinner at the picnic grove. More details will follow.



Monday 06/23 Weekday 8:00am Eugene C. Raser Sr. by St. Vincent de Paul Society *Rev. Aaron R. Scheidel*

Tuesday 06/24 Nativity of St. John the Baptist 6:30pm James Arnold by the Keenan Family *Most Rev. Bishop Alfred A. Schlert*

Wednesday 06/25 Weekday 8:00am Int. of Joan & Heather Dalton and Erin Dalton Curran by Mike and Maureen Cranley

Rev. Msgr. Francis P. Schoenauer

Thursday 06/26 Weekday 8:00am Mary Francis Tosani by Rich & Mimi Rogge *Rev. Mark R. Searles*

Friday 06/27 Most Sacred Heart of Jesus 8:00am Alfred Mittnacht by Jack Mittnacht *Rev. Adam C. Sedar*

Sunday 06/29 Immaculate Heart of Mary 5:00pm (Saturday) Erlyn "Penny" Phillips 8:30am Shirley Ruhl by Bill & Diane Arnold 11:00am John & Charlie Cronan by John & Mimi Frank & POP *Rev. Thomas G. Shanfelt*

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE,



PRAYER LIST

Please pray for those in need of hope, healing and health, for all in our parish who are ill and homebound, Jack Anton, Robert Blechman, John and Elsie Bauer, Janet Cannon, Sr. Maureen Clancy SSND, Cathy Coffman, Jonathan Cranley, Janet



Cummings, Msgr. Ed Domin, Joan Fondots, Theresa Fox, Bob Glad, Louise Grieve, Fred Harding, James Hart, Joseph Hunter, Larry Jenne, Bob & Cecelia Kacmar, Rev. Speratus Kamanzi AJ, Sandy Kozlowski, Millie Kremp, Bev Kuzmission, Bob and Helen Macminn, Sandy Maio, Timothy McCarty, Aurora McHugh, Joan Moffa, Regina Moran, Frank Newhams, George Paul, Patrick, Patti, Sister Mary Lou Pleitner CSJ, Sister Maureen of the Eucharist OP, Theo Polidore, Vincent Rodgers, Anthony Rowan, Dustin Sands, Patricia Snow, Nettie Thomas, Josh Toresco, Miriam Ulrich, Linda Vieldhouse, Rex Voelker, Steven Wagner, Dolores Welch, Don Witman, David Williams, Rachel Williams, and all those who are homebound or in nursing homes.

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

Corpus Christi 🕈



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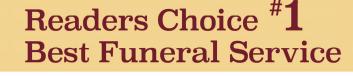
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