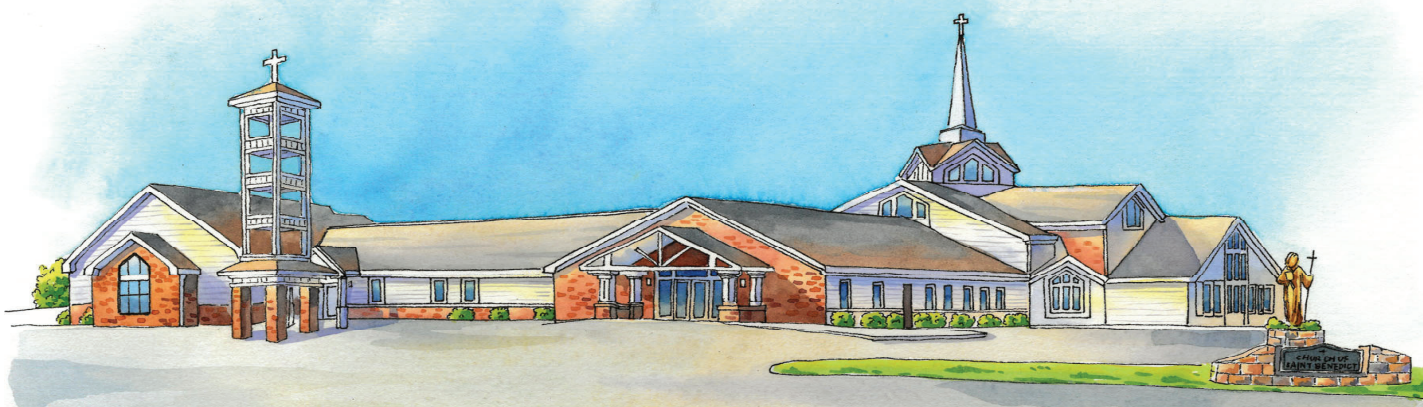


CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

JUNE 29, 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
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PREP/CGS	484-269-8744
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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.

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 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:

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WIN \$10,000 CASH!!—The Berks Catholic High School Extravaganza Cash Raffle tickets are now available. The drawing will be held on Friday, October 3rd during the Extravaganza 2025 event. Donation \$100. To buy raffle tickets, please send your check with return address and phone number to: Berks Catholic Extravaganza, 955 E. Wyomissing Blvd., Reading, PA 19611. If you would like to receive an invitation to attend Extravaganza, please call the Extravaganza Office at 610-374-1695 or e-mail at Extravaganza@BerksCatholic.org

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.**
Use this QR code
for more information
and to register.

SUMMER FESTIVAL/CHICKEN 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 will be Thursday, July 10th at 7pm the picnic grounds pavilion.



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 06/30 First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
8:00am Floss Pleitner by Jim Pleitner

Rev. Barnabas Shayo

Tuesday 07/01 St. Junipero Serra
6:30pm Francis Wilson by Ralph & Lisa Vizza

Rev. Msgr. Joseph Smith

Wednesday 07/02 Weekday
8:00am Richard Angstadt by John & Mimi Frank

Rev. Msgr. Joseph Sobiesiak

Thursday 07/03 St. Thomas, Apostle
8:00am Rodney Focht by Sharon Helms

Rev. Leo Stajkowski

Friday 07/04 Weekday, Independence Day
9:00am Elizabeth Kelly by Joan DuBois

Rev. Jason Stokes

Saturday 07/05 St. Anthony Zaccaria
8:00am Theodore & Janet Teaford by Roy and Susan

Rev. Jonas Tandayu

Sunday 07/06 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00pm (Saturday) Keith McKelvey by Janet & Del McKelvey
and People of the Parish

8:30am A Special Intention by Barbara Stark

11:00am St. Benedict Memorial Society

Very Rev. Jerome Tauber

**PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS
TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE,
ESPECIALLY IN OUR DIOCESE.**

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, Ludy Concordia, 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.



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.

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.*

*Thank you for
your generous gifts!*



June 22

Stewardship \$5,633.00 (156 envelopes)

Parish Giving \$2,705.00

Mortgage \$1,225.00 (69 envelopes)

Parish Giving \$840.00

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

*The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week
in memory of John F. Slanga, Jr.
by Roy and Susan Teaford*



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!

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.



From the Pastor's Desk



Christ chose Peter to be the first pope, to be ‘the rock’ on which he would build His Church. But this is the same Peter who denied our Lord three times the night Jesus was arrested. He betrayed Jesus his Lord, his Savior, his friend when being questioned by a mere servant girl. Hardly the dependability you would expect from ‘the rock.’

Christ chose Paul to be the Church’s first and greatest missionary. This is the same Paul, or Saul as he was earlier known, that was part of the violent persecution designed to crush the infant Church soon after the Ascension of Christ.

Jesus probably did not choose them based on their human qualifications. Peter was far from even tempered and Paul was no great public speaker or charismatic leader. So how did these two men, so flawed, so human, become the two unshakable pillars of the Catholic Church? What transformed them into saints, martyrs, and history makers?

The answer is God’s grace; the grace that has kept the Church alive and growing for twenty centuries; the same grace we all receive at our Baptism.

On today’s Solemnity of St. Peter and St. Paul, God wants to remind us that our success and fulfillment as Christians depends more on His grace than our efforts. This can be illustrated by using the image of a painter. If you see a beautiful painting, you praise the painter for his genius and skill, but you would never praise the paintbrush. The paintbrush is just an instrument of the artist’s genius. Our lives are meant to be God’s masterpieces. But God is the great artist and we are like his paintbrushes.

St. Ignatius had a wonderful formula to keep this in perspective. He said to pray as if everything is up to God, and to work as if everything is up to us. Sts. Peter and Paul worked very hard, but depended more on God than themselves. We pray for the grace from God to guide our work in order to allow the magnificence of His love to be manifested in many ways to many people.

God bless you—Fr. Stan





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