

CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

JUNE 8, 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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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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:

Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., DIRECT 800-791-9209
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THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT

MONDAY, JUNE 9

7:00pm Respect Life Committee, Chapel

TUESDAY, JUNE 10

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

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11

5:00pm-9:00pm ChristLife, FLC/Conference Room

IMPORTANT NOTICE—The yellow and green receptacles for collecting recyclable paper (behind the Rectory) have been permanently removed. Other locations in the area that still have the containers are Robeson Lutheran Church and St. Peter's Catholic Church on Route 82 in Coatesville (Chester County). Please note they only accept recyclable paper and no cardboard boxes or any other kind of trash.

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.



KNIGHTS' NEWS—The Knights of Columbus will have the Pilgrim Icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on display at St. Benedict's from May 31st through June 8th. Please join us for a Sacred Heart Holy Hour from noon to 1:00pm on Sunday, June 8th.

*The Sanctuary Lamp burns this weekend
in memory of Sheryl Perella
by Patrick and Beverly Owens.*

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN—The Respect Life Committee will once again be holding their "Baby Bottle Campaign." They ask that you take home one of the baby bottles available at the display in the gathering space, beginning Father's Day weekend. You can fill the bottle with loose change, bills or a check (made payable to the Respect Life Committee). Your donations will be used to promote pro-life activities including funding for the "Choose Life" billboard on the eastbound side of the Pennsylvania turnpike, just before the Morgantown exit. Be the voice for those who can't speak for themselves—the unborn. All bottles are to be returned by the end of July.



Monday 06/09 Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
8:00am Rebecca McCahon by John McCahon

Rev. Robert Potts

Tuesday 06/10 Weekday
6:30pm Edward & Florence Pleitner

Rev. Msgr. Stephen Radocha

Wednesday 06/11 St. Barnabas

8:00am Kevin J. Kelly by Maureen & Michael Cranley

Rev. Miguel Ramirez

Thursday 06/12 Weekday

8:00am Marcia Marks by Louise Beard

Rev. Msgr. James Reichert

Friday 06/13 St. Anthony of Padua

8:00am Monica Hoffman Kochmanski by Edward Kochmanski

Rev. Robert Rienzo

Sunday 06/15 Most Holy Trinity

5:00pm (Saturday) All Fathers Living and Deceased

8:30am All Fathers Living and Deceased

11:00am All Fathers Living and Deceased

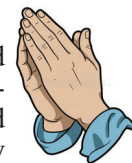
Rev. Anthony Ripp

**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, 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 Kuzmision, 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, John Slanga, 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 1

Stewardship \$11,643.00 (174 envelopes)
Parish Giving \$3,580.00

Mortgage \$2,471.00 (86 envelopes)
Parish Giving \$1,620.00

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

We are happy to welcome Mr. Joseph Bailey, a permanent deacon candidate, who will be serving a weekend summer assignment here at St. Benedict's as part of his on-going formation. Joe is a parishioner at Immaculate Conception Church in Douglassville. Please keep Joe and all our permanent deacon candidates in your prayers.



BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC—The annual diocesan campaign has officially begun. Your contribution helps to provide a wide variety of services to those in need across the 5 county area. "Together, we can provide food, shelter, clothing, counseling, scholarship support, and much more for those in need. More importantly, we can bring the Light of Christ to each other and to our community."—Bishop Schlert. In addition, the appeal helps prepare our seminarians to be the priests of tomorrow. Please consider making a contribution so that we may continue to be the light of Christ to our communities. Thank you for your generosity!

Please note that when making your gift, mail it directly to the Diocese of Allentown in the envelope provided. **Do not** put it in the collection basket, as these are not processed at the parish.

From the Pastor's Desk



Today, we celebrate the feast of Pentecost. It's the birthday of the Church and, since we are the Church, we celebrate the birthday of our community of faith.

Today's readings speak of the community to which the Holy Spirit came, the same community of which we are members. In the Acts of the Apostles we hear how the Spirit dispelled fear and doubt and instilled in people special gifts - especially the ability to speak and to understand others, but these gifts are given for the common good. Saint Paul uses the metaphor of one body that has many members, adding that we are all one through baptism. We hear further in the gospel how Jesus sent the Spirit in order to hold us together as a community of faith. But how these gifts are used and to what extent they build our community is in our hands.

One of the more difficult realities of today's world is that we are surrounded by a culture of individualism. Whether it be the celebrity in Hollywood, professional sports, or politics, of the ordinary Jane or Joe, people today celebrate their individual efforts and accomplishments. Generally, we do not think broadly and generically, considering common good in our efforts. But, as our readings suggest, if we are not willing to give of ourselves, then the community we build will never be effective or grow. On the other hand, if we give fully and cheerfully, then others around us will respond in kind and the community we build will be strong and vibrant.

On Pentecost Sunday we must pause and consider our contribution to the community of faith. Do we expect the community to do all things for us, or are we willing to do our share? Are we givers or takers with respect to the many responsibilities that our community of faith must meet? Somehow in our highly complicated and overly busy world we lose the big picture and focus on the micro (ourselves), not on the macro (the world).

Rev. Jude Winkler OFM in his Daily Meditations with the Holy Spirit wrote the following 'True strength is not found in being stubborn or arrogant. It is found in allowing the Holy Spirit to dwell in one's heart so that one might be open to the Spirit's promptings. It is that Spirit Who frees us from our selfishness, for the Spirit reminds us that God is supposed to be the center of who we are and what we do.'

God bless you, Fr. Stan





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