# CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

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



## 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 Email: Secretary@churchofsaintbenedict.org

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

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www.lsabear.org	
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#### PARISH STAFF

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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 3:00pm-3:45pm 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:

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

# Church of Saint Benedict March 10, 2024

#### THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT

Sunday, March 10 9:30am – Lenten Book Club, Conference Room

<u>Monday, March 11</u> 7:00pm Divorce Support Group, Conference Room

<u>Tuesday, March 12</u> 7:00pm OCIA, Gathering Space 7:00pm St. Vincent de Paul, Conference Room

<u>Wednesday, March 13</u> 5:30pm Simple Supper, FLC 6:30pm Stations of the Cross in church

Saturday, March 16 11:30am CYO Bingo, FLC

<u>Sunday-Tuesday, March 17-19</u>, <u>Parish Mission</u> Reflections begin at 7:00pm in the church

**BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY**— of St. Benedicts will be starting a six week support group session starting week of April 8. If you have lost a loved one through death and feel you need some support on your grief journey, please join us. Committee members have attended grief training provided by the Diocese of Allentown. For more information and to register, call Mary Ann Razzano 610-858-0946 or parish office by April 1. You don't have to be alone in your journey, let us help you.

# This week's special Lenten collection will be for:

March 9/10 St. Peter's Catholic Church, Reading A parish in downtown Reading that serves the Hispanic Community.

Next weekend's special Lenten collection will be for:

March 16/17 JPII Center for Special Learning John Paul II Center for Special Learning encourages children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities to explore their purpose and reach for goals through unique special education and social programming.

> LENT AT ST. BENEDICT—Stations of the Cross will take place on *Wednesday* evenings at 6:30pm. The last Simple Supper to be held during Lent, will take place on March 13th,

at 5:30pm, immediately before Stations of the Cross. May we use prayer, fasting and almsgiving to offer ourselves more completely to the Lord during these 40 days, so that we may rejoice with Him on Easter Sunday.



Monday 03/11 Lenten Weekday NO MASS *Rev. Alexander Brown* 

**Tuesday** 03/12 Lenten Weekday 6:30pm Sandy Cagle by Sandy Kozlowski *Rev. Thomas Buckley* 

Wednesday 03/13 Lenten Weekday 8:00am James McCahon by John McCahon *Rev. Douglas Burns* 

Thursday 03/14 Lenten Weekday 5:30pm Stanley Yuschalk by Marie and Stanley Blimline *Rev. Thomas Burns* 

Friday 03/15 Lenten Weekday 8:00am People of the Parish *Rev. Christopher Butera* 

Saturday 03/16 Lenten Weekday 8:00am Special Intention *Rev. Msgr. Albert Byrne* 

Sunday 03/17 Fifth Sunday of Lent 5:00pm(Saturday) Daniel Shaler by Daniel Tygh 8:30am Joseph Reilly by Sharon Helms 11:00am Albin Pendrak by Joy & Lee Bandy *Rev. Floyd Caesar* 

\*\*\*Please note that as of Saturday, March 16, the Saturday Vigil Mass will return to 5:00pm.\*\*\*

#### 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, Cathy Coffman, Jonathan Cranley, Rita Del Percio, Jeannine Dutton, Richard DuBois, Joan Fondots, Theresa Fox, Jamison Gray, 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, Nova P., Patrick, Patti, Theo Polidore, Gene Raser, Sr., Anthony Rowan, Zac Schneider, Sr. Maureen of the Eucharist OP, John Slanga, Cathy Steuber, Janet Teaford, Nettie Thomas, Sean Thomas, Josh Toresco, Barbara Townsend, Maureen Truckly, Miriam Ulrich, Tricia Vanderbeck, 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.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this weekend in memory of Robert Focht, by his parents Rodney and Mary Ann Focht



## Church of St. Benedict—March 10, 2024



LENTEN JOURNEY-Please join us next week for our Parish Mission and 40 Hours event. The theme is "With Burning Desire" and will take place on March 17, 18 and 19. Rev. Herald Brock CFR will speak each evening at 7:00pm. Babysitting will be available on Monday evening. In addition, you can sign up for the various hours of Adoration during our 40 Hours. Sign up sheets are in the notebook in the gathering space.

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.

#### "The first thing for a disciple is to be with the Master, to listen to Him and learn from Him."—Pope Francis

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.



- 2nd Lenten Fish Fry, Friday Mar. 22, 5:00 pm. Menu features cod filet, mac and cheese, stewed tomatoes, cole slaw and drink. Tickets are \$15, kids' meals are \$5. Eat in or take-out are available.
- 2nd crab cake pickup the weekend of March 23/24
- Designer Bag Bingo, Sunday, April 21, 1:00 pm. Tickets go on sale the weekend of March 9/10
- Golf Outing on Friday, May 17-shotgun start at . 8:45 am (breakfast items, games, and steak dinner)

*See the Knights' table in the gathering space* or details and order forms.



**On Sunday, March 17th** at the 8:30am Mass, we will be dedicating our new tabernacle altar.



**STEWARDSHIP** Managing God's Gifts To Us

Thank vou for vour generous gifts!

March 3 Stewardship \$10,127.00 (183 envelopes) Parish Giving \$3,160.00

\$2,263.00 (71 envelopes) Mortgage Parish Giving \$1,105.00

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



#### The Disciple Maker Index Survey is Now Open

Catholic Leadership Our parish is on a journey to know, love,

and serve Christ as a parish community. Together we must embrace Christ's vision for missionary discipleship so our parish can thrive and be a place for others to grow together in faith.

The very first step in this process involves assessing our greatest strengths and opportunities, and that is where the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) comes in!

The DMI is an important survey tool that invites you to reflect on your discipleship journey here at St. Benedict. Take the DMI survey today at

https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/b2t88b

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY-will be collecting non-perishable food items as well as hams for their Easter packages for our neighbors in need. Hams may be placed in the refrigerator lo in the Education wing. Please see their display in the gathering space for more details.



In addition to foods for the Easter deliveries, they are also in need of these items as well: paper towels, tuna, pasta sauce, tea, hot chocolate, stuffing mix, gravy, eggs, cheese, butter and hot dogs. These items may be placed in the FLC refrigerator.





**CODE** LASALLE CYO— Cash & Prize Bingo will be held on Saturday, March 16, 2024 in the FLC. Doors open at 10:30am and games begin at 12:00pm. Tickets are \$30 in advance and will be sold after all Mass-

es in the gathering space. Raffle baskets will be displayed and tickets sold in the gathering space the weekend of March 9th and 10th. Proceeds will benefit the youth of La Salle Academy, St. Benedict's and St. John's parishes.



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