

CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

MARCH 23, 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

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Rev. Stanley Moczydlowski.....Pastor
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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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Website www.allentowndiocese.org

Church of Saint Benedict—March 23, 2025

THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT

MONDAY, MARCH 24

7:00pm Divorce Support Group, Conference Room

TUESDAY, MARCH 25

12 noon Prime Timers, FLC

6:00pm Rosary for Msgr. Domin, in church

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

7:00pm Presidents' Meeting, FLC

7:00pm KOC meeting, Classroom #3

FRIDAY, MARCH 28

6:00pm Simple Supper, FLC

7:00pm Stations of the Cross, in church

For those who wish to send Msgr. Domin a get well card or a note of encouragement, his mailing address is:

St. Jane Frances de Chantal Catholic Church
4049 Hartley Ave., Easton, PA 18045

Also, please join us in the church to pray the Rosary for the health of Msgr. Domin on Saturday mornings during Lent at 7:30am, before the 8am Mass.

We will also be doing this on Tuesday March 25th at 6:00 pm before the 6:30 evening Mass. All are welcome.

St. Mary of Providence Center 5K - Join us on April 12th for our First Annual Historic Potts Mansion 5K Run/Walk, a fundraiser to support the mission of Saint Mary of Providence Center. There will be t-shirts, prizes, and pretzels for participants. All ages can participate. Register at www.stmaryprov.org



HOLIDAY BASKETS—The St. Vincent de Paul Society is in need of ham roasts, whole turkeys, and the following canned goods for the Easter meal distribution April 11th and 12th: peas, cranberry sauce, and family sized cans of yams, fruit and soup. Please put the meat in the refrigerator in the educational wing, and the canned goods on the table nearby. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity!

KNIGHTS' NEWS—The next fish fry will be on Friday, April 11th. Orders will be taken in the gathering space. Orders are also being taken for the next delivery of crab cakes. We are in need of donations for raffle baskets and door prizes as a part of the golf outing, June 13th. Any reasonable gift will be acceptable and can be placed with other gifts to form a raffle basket. Contact Rich Conte 610-223-8846 for pickup arrangements.



Monday 03/24 Lenten Weekday

8:00am Joseph F. Sullivan by Joan Webb

Rev. Andrew Gehringer

Tuesday 03/25 Annunciation of the Lord

6:30pm John Sabol by Clara Lush and Family

Rev. Robert George

Wednesday 3/26 Lenten Weekday

8:00am John McCahon by Sharon Helms

Rev. John Gibbons

Thursday 03/27 Lenten Weekday

8:00am Greg Lapinski by Patty & Charlie Jones

Rev. Msgr. William Glosser

Friday 03/28 Lenten Weekday

8:00am Eugene C. Raser Sr. by Jim Pleitner

Rev. Msgr. Gerald Gobitas

Saturday 03/29 Lenten Weekday

8:00am Gerald Razzano by Rosanne Weidner

Rev. Quinn Gomez

Sunday 03/30 Fourth Sunday of Lent

5:00pm(Saturday) Robert O'Connell & People of the Parish

8:30am Stephen Mammarella by Nate & Mia Miller

11:00am John Yost by Charlie & Patty Jones

Rev. James Greenfield

**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, especially Pope Francis, Robert Blechman, John and Elsie Bauer, Janet Cannon, Sr. Maureen Clancy SSND, Cathy Coffman, Jonathan Cranley, Janet Cummings, Dan Dimeno, Msgr. Ed Domin, Joan Fondots, Theresa Fox, James Hart, Joseph Hunter, Larry Jenne, Rev. Speratus Kamanzi AJ, Millie Kremp, Bev Kuzmission, Bob and Helen Macminn, Sandy Maio, Marie Mast, 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, Bridget Reagan, Theo Polidore, Anthony Rowan, Dustin Sands, John Slanga, Patricia Snow, Janet Teaford, Nettie Thomas, Josh Toresco, Miriam Ulrich, Linda Vieldhouse, Steven Wagner, Dolores Welch, Don Witman, David Williams, Rachel Williams, Josephine 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 substitutes for this ministry. Please consider spending some quiet time with our Lord. Any help given is greatly appreciated! Is Jesus calling you? Please contact Diane Arnold at 610-470-6616.*

Thank you for your generous gifts!



March 16
Stewardship \$7,143.00 (170 envelopes)
Parish Giving \$2,800.00

Mortgage \$1,386.00 (64 envelopes)
Parish Giving \$ 910.00

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



SAVE THE DATE—

We will be having a special program at St. Benedict's to celebrate Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 27th from 12 noon-3pm.

A time for mercy.

A time set aside to pray as a parish family.

Receive the graces and indulgences promised.

The afternoon will include Adoration, the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, litany prayers, a reflection by Deacon Brezina and praying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

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.



The Sanctuary Lamp this weekend burns for Thaddeus & Mary Accordino Kozak by Mary Kozak



From the Pastor's Desk

Think for a moment about our lives as Christians. Our lives contain elements of the burning bush, the holy ground and even the fig tree. Take first the captivating image of the burning bush in our first reading. Our lives should be like that of the burning bush - we are called to be on fire with God's love. In other words, we should be radiant with God's love, a fire that burns within us. That love - God's love - should radiate out into the world through each of us, bringing warmth and light. That fire should be revealed in how we speak and act - a fire that does not burn, but brightens the world.

As we gather together in Church, remember we are standing on holy ground. In fact, wherever we stand is holy ground, because it is ground that has been created by God. Deeper still, by the ashes of Ash Wednesday, we were reminded that we are made of that holy ground. We are made by holiness and we are made for holiness.

Finally, there is Jesus' parable about the fig tree. In the end, it is not sufficient for a fig tree to simply be called a fig tree. It must bear fruit. The same is true of our identity as Christians. We, too, must bear fruit. Yet we also know that bearing the fruit of Christian living requires patient tending. We must allow God and others to care for us. We must also exercise Christ-like care for ourselves and for those around us. We, too, need nourishment - fertilizer - to energize us, to help us grow, to fill us with life. God seeks to provide us with this nourishment as we gather at the table of the Eucharist.

God shares with us the food that will see us through the cold and dark of our Lenten winter. Here God tends to us, helps us grow and change in new and holy ways. Here we are nourished as we make our way to the springtime of Easter.

God bless you,
Fr. Stan.

BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC—When submitting your contribution to the annual "Because We Are Catholic" appeal, please use the envelope enclosed with your donation card and mail it directly to the Diocese of Allentown. These items are not processed here at the parish. Thank you for your cooperation.

There are still opportunities to memorialize altar flowers for a loved one, living or deceased, or to celebrate a special event, such as a wedding anniversary. Cost is \$75 per arrangement. Please call the parish office to check availability and to sponsor a particular weekend.



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