

# CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

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

March 31, 2024



## MASS SCHEDULE

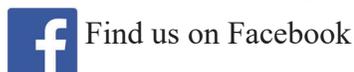
Daily: Tues. 6:30pm, Wed., Friday 8am, Thurs. 5:30pm  
from Labor Day to Memorial Day/8:00am from Memorial Day to Labor Day  
Saturday: 8:00am; Vigil: 5:00pm  
Sunday: 8:30am, 11:00am  
Holy Day Vigil: 5:00pm; Day-8:00am & 7:00pm

## 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](http://www.churchofsaintbenedict.com)  
Email: [Secretary@churchofsaintbenedict.org](mailto:Secretary@churchofsaintbenedict.org)

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PREP/CGS 484-269-8744  
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## PARISH STAFF

Rev. Msgr. Edward R. Domin.....Pastor  
Valerie Christo.....Director Religious Education  
Stephen Mickulik, M.Ed. Principal LaSalle Academy  
Susan Teaford.....Parish Secretary  
Rick Ruhl.....Accountant  
Beverly Perella.....Director of Music  
Rosanne Weidner.....Rectory Housekeeping

## 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 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 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, worshipping 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  
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THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT



Monday, April 1

7:00pm Knights of Columbus, FLC

Tuesday, April 2

7:00pm OCIA, Gathering Space

Sunday, April 7

2:00pm Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration, church



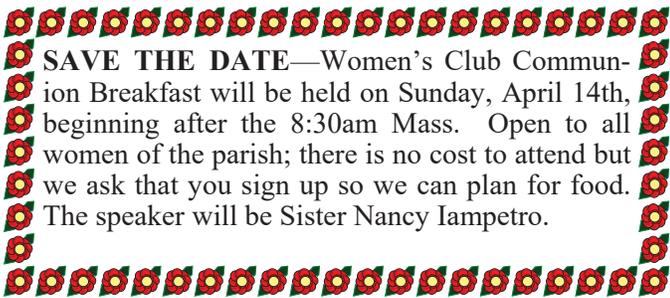
**BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY**— of St. Benedicts will be starting a six week support group session starting in April. If you have lost a loved one through death and feel you need some support on your grief journey, please join us. Committee members have attended grief training provided by the Diocese of Allentown.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

The St. Vincent de Paul Society wishes to thank you for your kindness and generosity with your donations to our recent holiday basket food drive. Because of your gifts of canned goods, hams and turkeys, we were able to prepare 50 boxes that were delivered to families who called for our assistance for Easter. It is because of you that we are able to make holidays a little bit brighter for our neighbors in need. We wish you all a blessed Easter!



**NEW HYMNALS**—If you have not yet memorialized one of the new hymnals, you still have the opportunity to do so. Simply pick up one of the forms in the gathering space and submit the completed form with your payment.

You may dedicate a book in honor or in memory of a loved one or for even yourself.



**SAVE THE DATE**—Women's Club Communion Breakfast will be held on Sunday, April 14th, beginning after the 8:30am Mass. Open to all women of the parish; there is no cost to attend but we ask that you sign up so we can plan for food. The speaker will be Sister Nancy Iampetro.

**LAST CHANCE**—Only a few seats remain available on the motorcoach trip to see the "Ark Encounter" from June 17-20, 2024. See information in gathering space or call Marie Blimline at 484-332-3241 for more information. Deadline for reservations is April 10, 2024.

**Monday 04/01** Monday within the Octave of Easter  
**NO MASS**  
*Rev. Harold Dagle*

**Tuesday 04/02** Tuesday within the Octave of Easter  
6:30pm Stephen A. Mammarella by Nate & Mia Miller  
*Rev. Msgr. Joseph DeSantis*

**Wednesday 04/03** Wednesday within the Octave of Easter  
8:00am Ed Reidel by Tim and Robinn Reidel  
*Rev. Msgr. Edward Domin*

**Thursday 04/04** Thursday within the Octave of Easter  
5:30pm Joseph Reilly by Joan Fondots  
*Rev. Bruno Dongo*

**Friday 04/05** Friday within the Octave of Easter  
8:00am Jane Ann Braddick by Sharon Helms  
*Rev. Anthony Drouncheck*

**Saturday 04/06** Saturday within the Octave of Easter  
8:00am Joseph Appleton by Barbara Stark  
*Rev. Ladislaus Dudek*

**Sunday 04/07** Divine Mercy Sunday  
5:00pm (Saturday) Clyde Rector by  
Lauren & Dominic Machion  
8:30am Special Intention by Bryan Sztukowski  
11:00am Donna Rhoads by Paula Rhoads  
*Rev. Giuseppe Esposito*

*The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week  
in memory of Ralph Vizza  
by Ralph & Lisa Vizza.*



**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, Michele Levan, Bob and Helen Macminn, Marie Mast, Timothy McCarty, Aurora McHugh, Joan Moffa, Regina Moran, Frank Newhams, Nova P., Patrick, Patti, Sister Mary Lou Pleitner CSJ, 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.*



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generous gifts!

**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.

**SMALL GROUP STUDY**—As we continue this year of Eucharistic Revival, we would like to invite you to grow closer to Jesus alongside fellow parishioners through the “Jesus and the Eucharist” study. This will be a small group format, with rich theological content, powerful testimonies and messages from bishops across the country. There will be morning sessions on Tuesdays from 9am-11am, April 16th through May 28th and evening sessions on Wednesdays from 6:30pm-8:30pm April 17th through May 29th. Sign up in the gathering space.

*"I Am the Living Bread which came down from heaven; if anyone eats of this Bread, he will live forever; and the Bread which I shall give for the life of the world is My Flesh" (Jn 6:51).*

*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.*



**KNIGHTS' CORNER**—Save these dates for upcoming Knights of Columbus sponsored events:

- 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 their table for more details and order forms.



*Msgr. Domin and the staff  
of St. Benedict would like  
to wish you all a  
joyous and blessed Easter!*

**March 24**

**Stewardship \$8,620.00 (193 envelopes)**  
**Parish Giving \$2,330.00**

**Mortgage \$1,365.00 (57 envelopes)**  
**Parish Giving \$ 585.00**

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

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**—Next Sunday, we will hold our Annual Divine Mercy Celebration, led by our parish Divine Mercy Cenacle. Come and learn about the calling of a modern-day mystic, St. Faustina Kowalska. Hear about her mission to make known Jesus' mercy and love, in preparation for His final coming. Jesus chose Divine Mercy Sunday (the 8th day in the Octave of Easter) to make this message known and to grant many graces. St. John Paul II entrusted the world to Divine Mercy, hoping all would hear the message that God is merciful. Talks will include the topics of “The Graces of Divine Mercy,” “Devotion,” and “The Image.” There will also be time for Adoration and Confessions. The schedule is as follows:

Confessions 1:30pm-2:15pm  
First talk begins at 2:00pm  
3:00pm Praying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet

*Jesus, I trust in You*

**LANDINGS INTERNATIONAL**—

One of the many fruits of our faith is welcoming a friend or family member back home to the Catholic Church. Landings International is a 6-week course that presents topics such as, *Who is God? Why We Follow Jesus, The Holy Spirit and Our Church*. Meetings will include discussions on the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, the Eucharist, Liturgy, Sin, Resurrection and Christian Prayer. Landings is an experience of faith sharing, as you meet with a compassionate and attentive team of people who are living active lives of faith. If you are considering returning to the Church or know someone who is, plan to attend an information session at the Church of St. Benedict, Mohnton, on Sunday, April 7th at 1:00pm in the Family Life Center. You may call the parish office to register or if you would like more information.





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