CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

MAY 11, 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

PREP/CGS LaSalle Academy Office	484-269-8744 610-777-7392
www.lsabear.org	
Berks Catholic High School	610-374-8361
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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.

OCIA

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 Pamela J. Russo, M.S.W., M.S. Safe Environment Coordinator at 610-332-0442, Ext. 2019 Website www.allentowndiocese.org

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THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT

MONDAY, MAY 12

6:00pm-9pm Knights of Columbus, FBE, Conf. Room

TUESDAY, MAY 13

7:00pm Pastoral Council, FLC

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

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

SAVE THE DATES

August 9-14th for Vacation Bible School. More details to follow, or you may use this QR code for more information.



The History Committee is requesting copies of the 2007 parish directory for the archives. The directory was produced as a hardback with white cover and contains photos of the statues of Mary in the prayer garden. If you wish to donate a copy you aren't using, please contact Mark Schrum.



Please be sure to take home a bottle of blessed holy water from one of the baskets at the front of the church. It is a sacramental that is used to remind us of our Baptism, but can also be used to

bless religious items, your house, your workplace, your garden, your car, your pets, your children and even yourself!



JERSEY BEACH BOYS—Join the Prime Timers on a day of music, lunch, refreshments and a show on Wednesday, August 27, 2025. Cost is \$98.00; a \$25 deposit before June 15th will hold your seat. The bus will be leaving St. Benedict's at 9:15am and returning approximately 5:30pm. For reservations, call Marie Blimline at 484-332-3241.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE - Knights of Columbus St. Benedict Council is offering two \$500 scholarships each to LaSalle Academy and Berks Catholic High School for the 2025-2026 school year. The scholarships are



2025-2026 school year. The scholarships are open to members of Church of St. Benedict. Applications are available in the church gathering space. The deadline for returning completed applications is May 15, 2025.



Monday 05/12 Sts. Nerius, St. Achilles, St. Pancras 8:00am John McCahon by Jim Pleitner *Rev. David Loeper*

Tuesday 05/13 Our Lady of Fatima 6:30pm James Arnold by St. Vincent de Paul Society *Rev. David Lopez*

Wednesday 05/14 St. Matthias 8:00am Christopher Hickson by Matt & Kelly Reagan *Rev. Philip Maas*

Thursday 05/15 St. Isidore 8:00am Charles Groff by Debbie Mazzarelli *Rev. Stephen Maco*

Friday 05/16 Easter Weekday 8:00am Stephen Bennett by Knights of Columbus #14654 *Rev. Leo Maletz*

Sunday 05/18 Fifth Sunday of Easter 5:00pm (Saturday)POP/Michael Moore by Charlie & Patti Jones 8:30am Paul Radosza Jr. Family by Teresa Grundman 11:00am Margaret Saporito by Jim & Sandy Kozlowski *Rev. John Maria*

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, 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, Louise Grieve, Fred Harding, James Hart, Joseph Hunter, Larry Jenne, Bob & Cecelia Kacmar, Rev. Speratus Kamanzi AJ, 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, 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, Josephine and all those who are homebound or in nursing homes.

Mary, Health of the Sick, please pray for them.

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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.

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!



May 4

Stewardship \$7,751.00 (156 envelopes)

Parish Giving \$3,805.00

Mortgage \$2,756.00 (83 envelopes)

Parish Giving \$1,060.00

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

CARD SHOWER—Sister Helen Marie Gates IHM will be celebrating her 70th anniversary as a Religious Sister with the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. It would be wonderful if her friends from St. Benedict would shower her with greetings and well-wishes on such a momentous milestone anniversary. Please send your cards to her at:

Sister Helen Marie Gates, IHM Annunciation Convent 229 W. Cherry Street Shenandoah, PA 17976-2210



The Bereavement Ministry would like to invite members of our parish community who have experienced the loss of a loved one to a

six week "Grief Support Group." The sessions are 1 1/2 hours long, for six weeks. The start date and times will be determined by the groups availability. Please call Mary Ann Razzano 610-858-0946 for information and to register. You don't have to be alone as you journey through the grieving process, let us help you. Meetings are confidential.

From the Pastor's Desk



The 4th Sunday of Easter is often referred to as Good Shepherd Sunday. No matter which liturgical cycle we are in, the Gospel will always be about Jesus, the Good Shepherd. So great is our Good Shepherd that He knows each one of us by name and gives us eternal life.

Jesus states that no one can take a sheep from His hand or from the Father's hand because He and the Father are one. Some might see this as a 'get out of jail free' card. In other words, we can choose to do what we want and it's ok because we are, after all, in Jesus' hand.

The truth is that no external force, no other person or entity, can take us out of Jesus' hand or the Father's hand. As tightly as Jesus grasps our hand out of love, we can break the grasp and choose to run away - risking the very real chance that we can become lost.

By the grace of God, we have Jesus the Good Shepherd grasping our hand, bringing us back time and time again forgiving us, making us new and re-gifting us with salvation. Wander as we do, as lost as we might become, Jesus has promised us He will leave the ninety-nine and come and find us.

The reality of our faith and our free will is such that we must allow ourselves to be found. God will not force himself upon us any more than the evil one can force himself upon us. It is always up to us to choose good over evil, light over darkness, and even life over death.

We may not be smart sheep, but we are wise disciples. Wise enough to know that embracing Jesus and His ways and His truth bring us to the eternal life we strive for.

God bless you, Fr. Stan.

BREAKFAST SUNDAY—will be on Sunday, May 18th from 8:30am-11:30am. The menu will be pancakes and sausage or Eggs Benedict. Come



out and enjoy a home-cooked breakfast with your parish family.

Altar Flowers this weekend were given in memory of John Yost by Melanie Yost.



The Sanctuary Lamp this weekend burns in memory of Joseph Sullivan by Stan & Janet Kmiec





Mother's Day Memorials

IN MEMORY OF

Catherine Guercia Stella Rohrbach Naomi Barnett Claire Waterman Regina Shane Agnes Halpin Rogers Elizabeth Katkovcin Rosemary Emerich Anna Pastula Debra Bitler Helen Guglielmo Mary & Norma Ferrese Jane Cummings Ricki DeSantis Lucia Manrengel Ferne Concordia Elizabeth Potemski Jessie Piller Carol Timlin Beatrice Gutherman Ruth Delehanty Lucille Ferraro Anna Banis Catherine Selmer Jane Hurley Joan Henefer Carol Ann Burns Cheryl Burns Margaret Burns Nora Darcy Thelma Laurain Mary Carr Debra Ward Estebania Morales Helen Winchester Jennie Borek Cecelia Campion Ethel Wolfe Dorothy Leibig Blanche Schuchart Margareet Schuchart Dorothy Plesnarski Anne Nyari

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Anne Terifay
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Maureen Gutherman
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Cheryl Shalgian

Antoinette P. Miccicke

Eleanor Slanga Barbara Yost

"Lord, we lift up all mothers to you, whether they are raising their own children, caring for those in need, or simply nurturing those around them. We pray for their well-being, their strength, and their peace. May they feel your love and grace as they serve and care for their families and communities. Grant them wisdom, patience, and the ability to find joy in their roles. We also pray for those who have lost a mother, or who yearn to be mothers but are unable. We pray for their comfort and healing. Amen."



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