

CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

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

May 12, 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.
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PARISH STAFF

Rev. Msgr. Edward R. Domin.....Pastor
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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 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
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THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT



Monday, May 13

6:30pm Bereavement Group, Chapel

Tuesday, May 14

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

A SPECIAL EVENT IS COMING TO ST. BENEDICT'S—On Saturday, June 1st at 10:30am, parish son Deacon Aaron Scheidel will be ordained a Priest of God at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena, Allentown. This is truly a rare and special occasion. We are all so proud of him and many parishioners and parish organizations would like to show their appreciation and congratulations. The following activities are planned for that weekend. All are welcome to these events.



Saturday June 1, 10:30am Ordination with livestream from the Cathedral in our Family Life Center. Refreshments will be available at lunch time.

Saturday June 1 6:00pm Parish celebration sponsored by various parish organizations with presentations, cocktail hour and dinner, as well as an opportunity to receive a blessing from Fr. Scheidel

Sunday June 2, 2:30pm First Mass celebrated by Rev. Aaron R. Scheidel

*Please keep him in your prayers
and continue praying for vocations
to the Priesthood and religious life.*

BANNS OF ORDINATION—Rev. Mr. Aaron R. Scheidel, maintains a (quasi) domicile in your parish St. Benedict Church, Mohnton has been called to the Order of the Presbyterate by His Excellency, Alfred A. Schlert, D. D. Bishop of Allentown. Rev. Mr. Scheidel will be ordained at the Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena, Allentown, on Saturday, June 1, 2024.

HOME SCHOOLING MASS—We love and support our homeschooling community in the Diocese of Allentown! Celebrated by Bishop Schlert, this Mass is for homeschooling families and will include a special blessing for high school seniors. We're excited to connect with families who have been homeschooling in the area for years as well as families who are new to the community. Refreshments will follow the Mass, which will take place on Wednesday, May 22nd, 6:30pm, at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena: 1825 W Turner St. Allentown, PA 18104. Please RSVP at: <https://allentowndiocese.flocknote.com/signup/152553>

Monday 05/13 Feast of Our Lady of Fatima

NO MASS

Rev. Speratus Kamanzi

Tuesday 05/14 St. Matthias

6:30pm Irene Didyoung by John & Mimi Frank

Rev. Shaju Kanjiramparayil

Wednesday 05/15 St. Isidore

8:00am Sarah Slepetsky by Mary Jo Lewis

Rev. Venantius Karobo

Thursday 05/16 Easter Weekday

5:30pm John Bonnell by Sandy Rogus

Rev. Gregory Karpyn

Friday 05/17 Easter Weekday

NO MASS

Very Rev. Richard Kennedy

Saturday 05/18 St. Pope John Paul I

8:00am Albert "Scott" Forrest by Bob & Cecelia Kacmar

Rev. Martin Kern

Sunday 05/19 Pentecost

5:00pm (Saturday) Mary Ann Keating by Sharon Helms

8:30am Dorothy & Edward Petusky by Mark & Linda Brezina

11:00am Joseph Luther by Pat Luther

Rev. Simon Kimaryo

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, Jeannine Dutton, 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, Patrick, Patti, Sister Mary Lou Pleitner CSJ, 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, Miriam Ulrich, Tricia Vanderbeck, Chad Vogel, Steven Wagner, Rachel Williams, Josephine and all those in nursing homes.

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

Please pray for the soul of Rita DelPercio.

May she rest in peace.

Please pray for the soul of John Yost, husband of Melanie.

May he rest in peace.



Thank you for your 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. These studies will take place after the 8:30am Mass on Sundays in the conference room until May 19th. Feel free to come to any and all sessions.

“Mary of Nazareth is the model for each of us, called to receive the gift that Jesus makes of Himself in the Eucharist.” Pope Benedict XVI

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 appreciated.

2025 MASS INTENTIONS BOOK— will be opened on *Monday, May 20th at 10:00am*. Mass intention requests will be taken in person **ONLY** from Monday, May 20th until Friday, May 24th. *After that*, you may call, mail or email Mass requests. Requests will be handled on a first come, first served basis. We will also limit requests for a weekend Mass (Saturday Vigil and Sunday morning) to 2 per person for the year. This way, everyone will have an equal opportunity for these openings. As before, no personal intentions will be taken for the Easter and Christmas Masses, as well as for All Souls’ Day, Mother’s Day and Father’s Day. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for all of our mothers, living and deceased.

May 5
Stewardship \$8,082.00 (174 envelopes)
Parish Giving \$3,865.00
Mortgage \$2,650.00 (79 envelopes)
Parish Giving \$1,305.00

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

KNIGHTS’ CORNER—The Knights of Columbus are in need of donations for raffle baskets with a sports theme and door prizes along with other gift bag goodies.



You can still get a refund for the postponed Designer Bag Bingo. Please call Rich Conte @ 610-223-8846 to make arrangements in the next 3 weeks for a refund. At the end of May, all receipts will be considered final and you can use your ticket on Feb. 1, 2025.

HISTORY OF THE CHURCH OF ST. BENEDICT— The parish will be 70 years old on February 10, 2025. The History Committee has been preparing a history book on the parish. To coincide with the publishing of the book, we are forming a committee to provide input, formulate ideas and develop a plan to present to Msgr. Domin on how the parish might celebrate that anniversary in January or February. If you are interested in participating in any of these activities, please contact Mark Schrum at 484-706-2215.

DO YOU LIKE TO PRAY? The Seven Sisters Apostolate may be just what you are searching for. This Apostolate began when seven women answered a call to pray for their parish priest and now this Apostolate is all over the world. Each member or sister commits to a Holy Hour on a distinct day of the week, thus covering a complete week to offer prayers for the vocation of their parish priest. The Seven Sister may pray at any time on the day they have committed to. The Holy Hour is ideally prayed in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament—either in an Adoration Chapel or in front of a Tabernacle—but not restricted to the parish of which the Seven Sister is a member. We pray for the priest’s deepening devotion to Mary, his priestly vocation such as his physical, spiritual, and social well-being. With Our Lady’s support and our prayers, the Church and her priests will be strengthened. Please consider joining us in this beautiful Apostolate. You are cordially invited to our annual potluck on June 7th at 6:00pm in FLC. Please come and join us and consider becoming a “Sister”. Contact Diane Arnold 610-470-6616 or willarno@ptd.net for further information.





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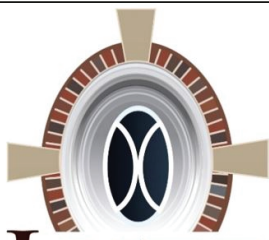
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