CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

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

May 19, 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 Email: Secretary@churchofsaintbenedict.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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Berks Catholic High School	610-374-8361
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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.

ΟСΙΑ

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

THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT

Monday, May 20

6:30pm Bereavement Group, Chapel 7:00pm Knights of Columbus, FLC

Tuesday, May 21

7:00pm Book Club, FLC

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.



SAVE THE DATE—On Tuesday, May 28th at 7pm, we will have our first summer festival planning meeting at the picnic grounds. In order for this event to be a success, we need many hands and good ide-

as. If you would like to help with this St. Benedict tradition, please plan to attend.

> Altar flowers this weekend were donated in memory of son Gregory Shaeffer by Cheryl and David Wolfe and his son Daniel





Monday 05/20 Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church NO MASS *Rev. Odemary Kisaka*

Tuesday 05/21 St. Christopher Magallanes 6:30pm Cruise Barry/DeAnn Tilton by Mike & Maureen Cranley *Rev. Msgr. Nevin Klinger*

Wednesday 05/22 St. Rita of Cascia 8:00am Elizabeth Blimline by Marie & Stanley Blimline *Rev. G. Jose Kochuparambil (Fr. Johnson)*

Thursday 05/23 Weekday 5:30pm *Rev. Msgr. Thomas Koons*

Friday 05/24 Weekday 8:00am Jill Cranley by Mike & Maureen Cranley *Rev. David Kozak*

Saturday 05/25 St. Bede the Venerable 8:00am Brian Appleton & Joseph Appleton by John & Mimi Frank

Rev. Msgr. Robert Kozel

Sunday 05/26 Most Holy Trinity

5:00pm (Saturday) Jamie McPoyle by the Terifay Family 8:30am Jane Ann Braddick by Joseph & Maria Lavanga 11:00am Kevin Kelly by Mike & Maureen Kelly *Rev. Daniel Kravatz*



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.

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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.

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.

"Look upon the hour of Eucharistic Adoration assigned to you as an hour in paradise." —St. Peter Julian Eymard

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.

Breakfast Sunday—will be held on May 19th from 8:30am-11:00am. Come join your fellow parishioners for a delicious breakfast and fellowship.



Thank you for your generous gifts!

<u>May 12</u> Stewardship \$7,61800 (175 envelopes) Parish Giving \$4,270.00

Mortgage \$1,790.00 (77 envelopes) Parish Giving \$1,210.00

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



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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY—serves our neighbors in need with food and bills. This includes parishioners of St. Benedict. If you find you need assistance, please reach out to an SVDP member at 484-336-4665 or the parish office. All requests will be kept in the strictest confidence.

There are several dates available to memorialize the Sanctuary Lamp. You may do so for someone living, deceased or for a special intention. Offering is \$10. Please call the parish office to schedule a particular weekend.

May is the month of Mary. Join us 30 minutes before each weekend Mass to pray the Rosary for your own intentions and the needs of the world. The Rosary is also prayed every Friday, immediately following the 8am Mass. Don't let decades go by—talk to your Mama Mary today!



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