

CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

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

April 2, 2023



MASS SCHEDULE

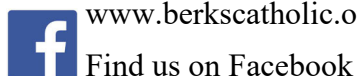
Daily: Tues. 6:30pm, Wed., Friday 8am, Thurs. 5:30pm
(September through April) /6:30pm (summer months)
Saturday: 8:00am; Vigil: 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:30am, 11:00am
Holy Day Vigil: 5:00pm; Day-8:00am & 7:00pm

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

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



PARISH STAFF

Rev. Msgr. Edward R. Domin.....Pastor
Valerie Christo.....Director Religious Education
Stephen Mickulik, M.Ed. Principal LaSalle Academy
Susan Teaford.....Parish Secretary
Jeanie Hauck...Safe Environment/Rental Coordinator
Kathy SheppardBookkeeper
Beverly Perella.....Director of Music
Rosanne Weidner.....Rectory Housekeeping

CHURCH SAFETY INFORMATION

Lead: 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 4:00-4:45pm or by appointment.

R C I A

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a program for anyone interested in the Catholic faith or in returning to the Church. 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

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, Cameron Bruder, Janet Cannon, Jonathan Cranley, Rita DelPercio, Irene Didyoung, Joan Fondots, Theresa Fox, Ed and Barbara Gott, Jamison Gray, Marian Gring, Tom Hagan, James Hart, Maryann Hovan, Joseph Hunter, Barbara Ianni, John Janiszewski, Mary Kozak, Sue and Frank Kremser, Bev Kuzmission, Michele Levan, Bob and Helen Macminn, Aurora McHugh, Frank and Ruth McLaughlin, Regina Moran, Patti, Gene Raser, Sr., Mary and Joe Reilly, Anthony Rowan, Barbara Silver, Nettie Thomas, Samuel Townsend, Miriam Ulrich, Chad Vogel, Steven Wagner, John E. Yost, Jr., Josephine and all those in nursing homes. Mary, Health of the Sick, please pray for them.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION—takes place at St. Benedict on Wednesdays. The day begins with Mass at 8:00am and continues through the day, concluding with Evening Prayer and Benediction at 6:45pm. 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. “Adoration is simply an embrace with Jesus in which I say to Him, ‘I am yours and I ask you, please, always stay with me.’” Pope Benedict XVI

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SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK



Tuesday, April 4

6:30pm Mass
5:30pm-6:15pm Confessions
7:00pm-7:45pm Confessions

Wednesday, April 5

8:30am-6:45pm Adoration, Evening Prayer/Benediction
5:30pm-6:15pm Confessions

Thursday, April 6 Holy Thursday

7:00pm Mass of the Lord’s Supper; prelude at 6:45pm
9:45pm Night Prayer; Adoration until 10:00pm.

Friday, April 7 Good Friday

No Mass today
12 noon-1:00pm Confessions
3:00pm Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion
7:00pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 8 Holy Saturday

No morning Mass
11:00am Morning Prayer and Blessing of Easter food
8:00pm Easter Vigil

Mass on Holy Thursday, Good Friday service and the Easter Vigil will be live-streamed.



GOOD STEWARDSHIP

Thank you for your generous gifts!

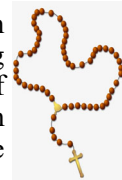
Stewardship—March 26 \$7,682.00 (179 envelopes)
Parish Giving \$2,188.00

Mortgage—March 26 \$1,828.00 (62 envelopes)
Parish Giving \$710.00

Mary’s Shelter \$1,569.00

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

JOIN THE PARISH ROSARY—Please join your fellow parishioners each weekend during Lent to pray the Holy Rosary for the intentions of St. Benedict’s. The Rosary will begin at 4:40 on Saturday evening, immediately following the 8:30am Mass and at 10:40am on Sunday mornings. All are welcome. Any questions please contact Adam Scheidel @ 610-507-5773.



SAVE THE DATE—We will be having a special Divine Mercy event on Sunday, April 16th, beginning at 1:00pm. Visiting with us will be Father Pio Mandato, FMHJ. The day will include Adoration and Confessions, a talk by Fr. Mandato, praying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and a healing service. Light refreshments will be served following the healing service.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY TRAINING—The Diocese of Allentown is offering a two-day in-person training workshop for those interested in leading a parish bereavement ministry or being part of a ministry. Training dates will be Wednesday, April 12th and Wednesday, April 19th (both required) from 9:30AM – 3:00PM at Church of St. Benedict, 2020 Chestnut Hill Road, Mohnton. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. During the training, participants will learn listening and communication skills; the stages, aspects, and types of grief; your role as a grief minister and how to start a 6-week support group in your parish. Interested participants can register by emailing Maggie Riggins, Executive Director of Evangelization and Formation mriggins@allentowndiocese.org or by calling: (610) 866-0581 ext. 2022. Kindly RSVP by Friday, April 7th.

This weekend’s second collection will be for Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl.

Your donation helps communities around the world affected by hunger and poverty. You will make a difference for families trying to escape poverty and thrive.

THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT'S

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 3

7:00pm Knights of Columbus, FLC
7:00pm Choir practice, Music Room

Tuesday, April 4

7:00pm RCIA, chapel
7:00pm Women's Club, FLC

Wednesday, April 5

8:30am-6:45pm Adoration, Evening Prayer/Benediction
7:00pm That Man is You, FLC

*This weekend—You may pick up your crab cake orders.
They are in the refrigerator in the FLC kitchen.*

**Please see the complete liturgical schedule for
Holy Week on the opposite page.**

SAVE THE DATE for STELLAR VBS!! Join us June 25 to June 29 from 5:45 p.m. to 8:20 p.m as we learn how to Shine the Light of Jesus in a space-filled week! We are looking for adult and teen volunteers. Please contact Carolyn at 717-799-8222 or carolyn@ensingerprinting.com with any questions.



LITURGICAL MINISTERS —HOLY WEEK

Holy Thursday

Lector: Peggy Williamns
Altar Servers: Tom Coppa, James Leshner,
Gabriel Leshner, Kyle Keenan
EMs: Rich Conte, Jim Gregor, Sylvia Firth
Musician: Beverly Perella; **Cantor:** Sue Hodgkins

Good Friday

Lectors: Sylvia Firth, Ellie Albright
Altar Servers: Bryanna Gallagher, Kyle Keenan,
Cooper Whitely
EMs: Rich Conte, Joe & Carol Hojnacki
Cantor: Tony Diederich

Easter Vigil 8:00pm

Lector: Julie Angstadt, Dennis Brizick
Altar Servers: Sophia & Joseph Kuszniir, James
& Gabriel Leshner
EMs: Jim Valentino, Bo Kuszniir, Glenn Unger
Musician—Beverly Perella; **Cantor:** Joe Roland

Easter Sunday 8:30am

Lector: Anna Welch
Altar Servers: Reese & Regan McClure
EMs: Mark Brezina, Joe & Carol Hojnacki
Musician—Beverly Perella; **Cantor:** Patti Brenner

Easter Sunday 11:00am

Lector: Kathy Appleton
Altar Servers: Tom Coppa, Emily Boyer
EMs: Sylvia Firth, Brock Drahus, Tina McHale
Musician: Guitar Group; **Cantor:** Sharon Direso

Monday 04/03 Monday of Holy Week

No Mass

Rev. Richard C. Brensinger

Tuesday 04/04 Tuesday of Holy Week

6:30pm Dec'd of Mazzarelli/Groff Families
by Debbie Mazzarelli

Rev. Thomas Buckley

Wednesday 04/05 Wednesday of Holy Week

8:00am People of the Parish

Rev. Douglas Burns

Thursday 04/06 Holy Thursday/Mass of the Lord's Supper

5:30pm All Diocesan Priests Living and Deceased

Rev. Christopher Butera

Friday 04/07 Friday of the Passion of the Lord/Good Friday

NO MASS TODAY

Rev. Msgr. Albert Byrne

Saturday 04/08 Holy Saturday

NO MORNING MASS

Rev. Floyd Caesar Jr.

Sunday 04/09 Resurrection of the Lord/Easter Sunday

8:00pm (Saturday) People of the Parish

8:30am People of the Parish

11:00am People of the Parish

Rev. Msgr. Aloysius Callaghan

**This week the Sanctuary
Lamp burns
in memory
of Ralph Vizza
by Ralph and Lisa Vizza.**

N.B.—As of April 1st,
the parish office will not
be open on Wednesdays.
All other parish office hours
remain the same.

LASALLE NEWS—The following students will represent La Salle CYO in the County Declamation Competition at Berks Catholic on April 14th:



7th grade boy: Jonathan Wise, Red Mass Homily
7th grade girl: Abigail Cannon, Address to Vatican Employees
8th grade boy: Luke Schrenk, For the Good of All
8th grade girl: Lyla Brintzenhoff, Address to Italian Autism Foundation

Thank you to all the parishioners from St. Benedict's and St. John's for helping judge the competition this year and for your continued support of LaSalle CYO.

For my St. Benedict "Family"—I wish to express my sincere thanks to all of you who extended sympathy, prayers, Masses, cards and kind thoughts at the passing of my daughter-in-law, Debbie Lutz. It is very much appreciated by my son, Mark and me. God bless all of you.—Sylvia Firth