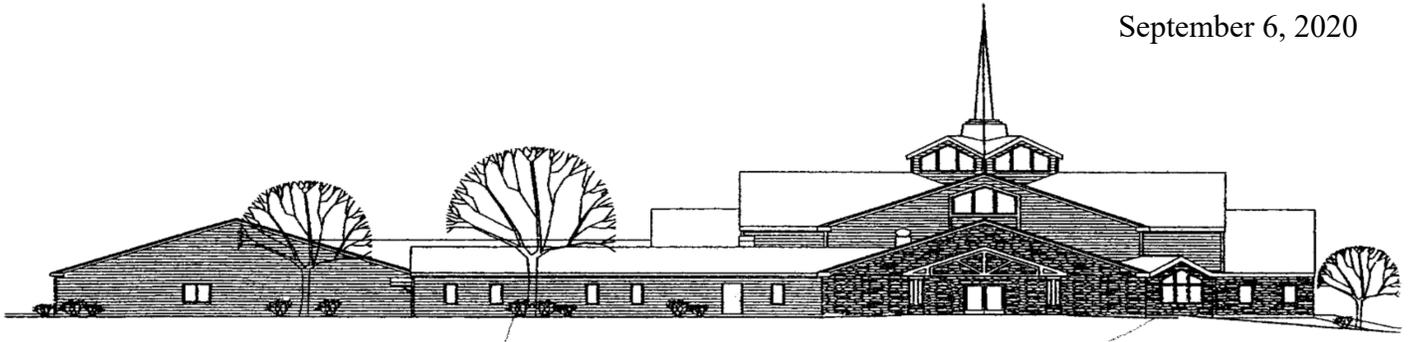


Church of St. Benedict

Diocese of Allentown - Bishop Alfred A. Schlert, D.D.

September 6, 2020



WELCOME TO ST. BENEDICT'S! For your safety, please follow our safety protocols. Wear a face mask and maintain social distance. Hand sanitizer is available for your use. Communion will be distributed at the end of Mass. Take your bulletin with you when you leave church or discard it in the basket at the front door.

PREP—Registration for PREP is currently taking place. For information, please call DRE Valerie Christo at 610.856.5146.

RCIA—A new RCIA group is scheduled to start Tuesday, September 15th. We will meet in the gathering space at the entrance to the church. There we can practice social distancing while wearing our masks. We invite anyone who, for whatever reason may not be participating fully in the Sacraments of the Church, to come to our inquiry meetings. The meetings start at 7 pm and go until 8:30. The Time of Inquiry in RCIA means that individuals can come and have a response to their questions concerning the Catholic Church and how they might resolve whatever holds them back from full participation. RCIA has an open mind to all who attend our Inquiry sessions and want to hear and heal that which prevents full communion between brothers and sisters in Christ.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS—will have their installation of officers ceremony Saturday, September 12th after the 5:00pm Mass. This is a public ceremony. All are welcome to attend.

LASALLE ACADEMY—will have their opening school Mass on Friday, September 11th at 9am. Students will wear masks and social distancing will be practiced. This Mass is open to the public. All are welcome to pray for our students and teachers as we begin another academic year at LaSalle.

PRAYERS—Please keep in your prayers the soul of Casimir Babula, father of Cynthia. Also, Theodore S. Teaford Sr., father of Roy Teaford. May they rest in peace.

St. Benedict's Live Streamed Mass:

You may join us at 9AM each Sunday morning or throughout the day. Visit www.churchofsaintbenedict.org



Please note the NEW Sunday Mass times—9:00am and 11:00am, Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

Mass Intentions for the Week of September 7, 2020

Monday, Sept 7 9:00 AM

Agnes Ogrodnick by Regina Dvorschak

Tuesday, Sept 8 9:00 AM

Elizabeth Voelker by Pete & Theresa Nelson

Wednesday, Sept 9 9:00 AM

Tom Cioffi by Jim & Sharon Helms

Thursday, Sept 10 6:30 PM

Terry Scanlon by Ray & Sharon Ullman

Friday, Sept 11 9:00 AM

Tammy Scrobe by Brenner Family

Saturday Vigil, Sept 12 5:00 PM

Mary Firth by Jim & Michele Dulin

Sunday, Sept 13 9:00 AM

People of the Parish

Sunday, Sept 13 11:00 AM

Christopher Kuras by the Klimachefsky Family; Sonja & Bill Joerger by Their Children

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YOUTH MINISTER—We are looking for an adult or adults to serve on a team, working with parish teenagers, developing a program that will morally, socially and spiritually assist parish teens to grow in their faith. Please contact Fr. Phil.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTERS AND COORDINATOR NEEDED to assist families who have lost a loved one. Your ministry would be to assist at the funeral Mass as a greeter, handing out programs and assisting families in any way possible. Please contact Fr. Phil.

PASTORAL COUNCIL—There are currently 3 open seats on our parish pastoral council. We are looking for nominations to fill these vacancies. You can nominate yourself or someone else who you feel would be willing and able to serve. Nomination forms can be found in this bulletin or at the table in the gathering space. The discernment meeting will take place on Thursday, October 8th and the next pastoral council meeting will be on Thursday, October 15th. To access the form, [click here](#).

Altar flowers this weekend are given in memory of Tom & Ceal Smith by Cecilia Smith and Family.
The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in honor of the Blessed Mother by John Hrynczyszyn.

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Gathering Hymn: “Love Divine All Love Excelling”

1. Love Divine, all loves excelling joy of heaven to earth come down. Fix in us thy humble dwelling all thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, source of all compassion love unbounded love all pure. Visit us with your salvation let your love in us endure.
2. Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all your life receive; Suddenly return and never, never more your temples leave. Lord, we would be always blessing, serve you as your hosts above, Pray and praise you without ceasing, glory in you perfect love.
3. Finish, then, your new creation; pure and spotless gracious Lord. Let us see your great salvation perfectly in you restored; Changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, Till we sing before the almighty, lost in wonder, love and praise.

Responsorial Psalm: (SUNG) “If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.”

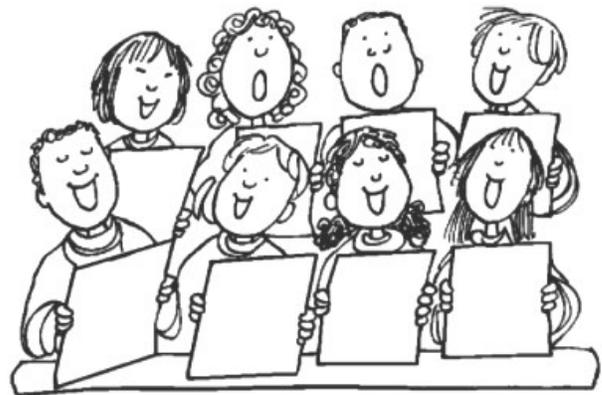
Preparation Hymn “This Is My Song ”

1. This is my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for lands afar and mine. This is my home, the country where my heart is; here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine But other hearts in other lands are beating with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
2. This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth’s kingdom: thy Kingdom come; on earth thy will be done. Let Christ be lifted up til all shall serve him, and hearts united learn to live as one. O hear my prayer, thou God of all the nations, myself I give thee; let thy will be done.

Recessional/Communion Hymn: “Taste and See”

Refrain: Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord. Oh, taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times. Praise shall always be on my lips; my soul shall glory in the Lord; for God has been so good to me. (Refrain)
2. Glorify the Lord with me. Together let us all praise God's name. I called the Lord, who answered me; from all my troubles I was set free. (Refrain)
3. Worship the Lord, all you people. You’ll want for nothing if you ask. Taste and see that the Lord is good; in God we need put all our trust. (Refrain)



2020 CHICKEN BAR B-Q

INCOME

7/21/20	CHICKEN BAR B QUE TICKET SALES	\$	3,313.00
8/3/20	CHICKEN BAR B QUE TICKET SALES	\$	8,096.00
8/3/20	CHICKEN BAR B QUE TICKET SALES	\$	3,113.00
8/11/20	CHICKEN BAR B QUE TICKET SALES	\$	4,171.00
8/11/20	RAFFLE	\$	1,710.00

TOTAL INCOME \$ 20,403.00

EXPENSES

6/30/20	BERKS COUNTY TREASURER - SMALL GAMES OF CHANCE & SP	\$	150.00
7/7/20	POSTMASTER - BULK MAILING FOR CHICKEN BARBQ	\$	101.75
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8/6/20	CLOVER FARMS DAIRY - Invoice: INV2895150	\$	645.00
8/6/20	TOM DOBSON - Invoice: 2020BARBQ	\$	22.39
8/6/20	RANDY HARTRANFT - Invoice: 601406	\$	3,942.12
8/27/20	MATTHEW MARTINI - WATER, BUTTER & SALT	\$	195.36

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 7,006.74

NET INCOME / EXPENSES \$ 13,396.26

St. Benedict's Pastoral Council Identification Form

Our parish needs Christian leadership to help make decisions about our pastoral life and growth. Please help identify persons in this faith community who could enable us to develop our sense of Evangelization, Worship, Word Service, Community, Stewardship, and Leadership.

Leaders should have the following characteristics:

- A desire for spiritual growth in themselves and in the parish
- Enthusiasm about the future directions of our parish
- Willingness to listen, to speak honestly, and to work toward consensus
- The ability to inspire and empower others and to delegate
- Flexibility and openness with people and ideas

In order to be considered for the ministry of parish leadership a parishioner must:

- Be a baptized Catholic
- Be a registered member of the parish for at least three years
- Be a participant in the ongoing worship life of our parish, especially Sunday Eucharist
- Be at least twenty-one years old

Please list the names of parishioners whom you identify as having the gifts for pastoral council leadership. These people will receive a call to inform them that they have been named and to ask them to participate in an information session. They will have the option to remain in the selection process or not.

Please print, complete, and return this form by **Sunday, September 27th** in the Pastoral Council Box in the gathering space of the church. **Click here** to get a copy of this form that you can complete and save on your computer then e-mail to secretary@churchofsaintbenedict.org.

IDENTIFICATION FORM FOR LEADERSHIP MINISTRY

I suggest that the following individuals be invited to consider leadership ministry through service on our parish pastoral council. I will continue to pray for guidance of the Holy Spirit during the selection process.

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Thank you for your suggestions. Please pray for the selection of pastoral council leadership in our parish.

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