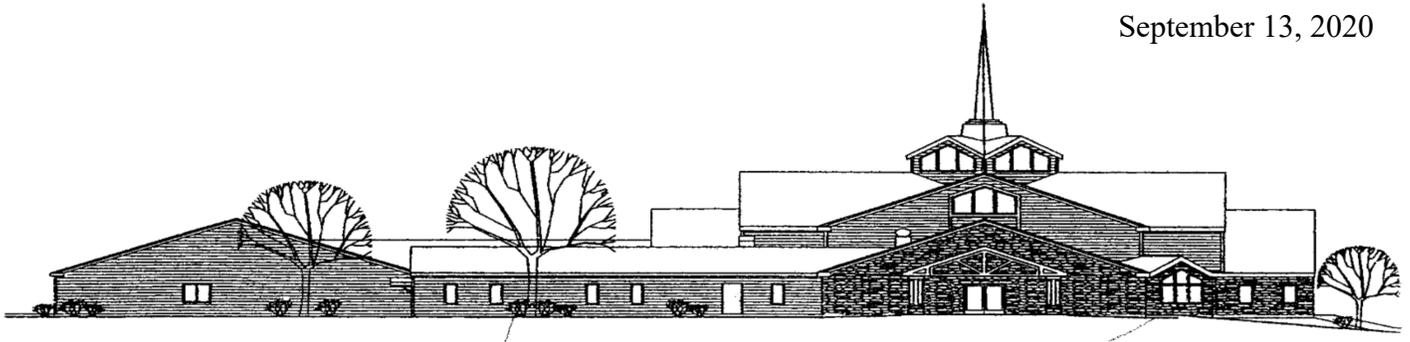


# Church of St. Benedict

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

September 13, 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.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**—for PREP, LaSalle, and homeschooled students is scheduled for Wednesday, November 11th, at 4:30pm at St. John's, Shillington. Confirmation classes will be held on October 1, 15, 29 from 6:00pm-7:15pm in the Family Life Center. All those being confirmed must attend these three classes.

**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. at the table in the gathering space. Nominations will be accepted until Sunday, September 27th. The discernment meeting will take place on Thursday, October 8<sup>th</sup> and the next pastoral council meeting will be on Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>.

**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.

## St. Benedict's Live Streamed Mass:

You may join us at 9AM each Sunday morning or throughout the day. Visit [www.churchofsaintbenedict.org](http://www.churchofsaintbenedict.org)



**OFFICE HOURS**—The Parish Office hours this week will be Monday through Friday from 9:00am-1:00pm.

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

## Mass Intentions for the Week of September 14, 2020

**Monday, Sept 14 6:30 PM**

Margaret Sabol by Clara Lush and Family

**Tuesday, Sept 15 9:00 AM**

Anthony DelPercio by Joseph and Hilde Pichler

**Wednesday, Sept 16 9:00 AM**

Robert Kowalkowski by Joyce and Robert Joyce

**Thursday, Sept 17 6:30 PM**

Robert Becker, Sr. by Marie and Stanley Blimline

**Friday, Sept 18 9:00 AM**

Agnes McMenamin by the Sztukowski Family

**Saturday Vigil, Sept 19 5:00 PM**

Wallace and Wilma Kompa by Jim and Sandy Kozlowski

**Sunday, Sept 20 9:00 AM**

Mary Firth by Mary Jo and Randy Lewis

**Sunday, Sept 20 11:00 AM**

Clarence and Dolores Cronauer by Carole Anstett; People of the Parish

**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.

**Altar flowers** this weekend are given in memory of Wallace and Wilma Kompa, by Jim and Sandy Kozlowski.

**The Sanctuary Lamp** burns this week in memory of Wallace and Wilma Kompa, by Jim and Sandy Kozlowski.

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**Gathering Hymn: "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"**

1. There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wide ness of the sea; there's a kindness in his justice which is more than liberty. There is plentiful redemption in the blood that has been shed. There is joy for all the members in the sorrows of the head.
2. For the love of God is broader than the measures of our mind and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind. If our love were but more simple we should take him at his word; and our lives would be thanksgiving for the goodness of our Lord.
3. Troubled souls, why will you scatter like a crowd of frightened sheep? Foolish hearts, why will you wander from a love so true and deep? There is welcome for the sinner and more graces for the good; there is mercy with the Savior, there is healing in his blood.

**Responsorial Psalm: (SUNG)** "The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion."

**Preparation Hymn**

**"I Have Loved You "**

Refrain: I have loved you with an everlasting love, I have called you and you are mine; I have loved you with an everlasting love, I have called you and you are mine.

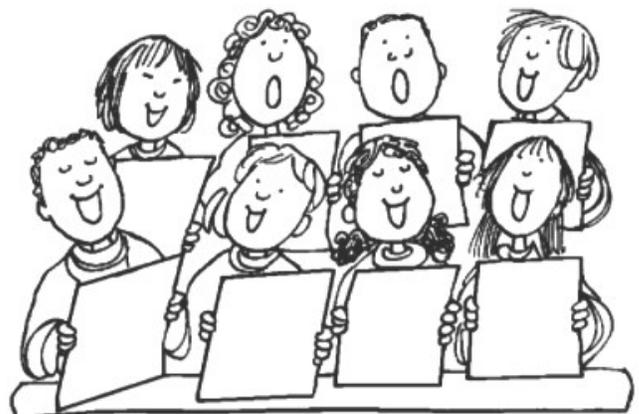
1. Seek the face of the Lord and long for him: He will bring you his light and his peace. (Refrain)
2. Seek the face of the Lord and long for him: He will bring you his joy and his hope. (Refrain)
3. Seek the face of the Lord and long for him: He will bring you his care and his love. (Refrain)

**Recessional/Communion Hymn:**

**"Gift of Finest Wheat"**

Refrain: You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat. Come give to us, O Saving Lord The Bread of Life to eat.

1. As when the shepherd calls his sheep They know and heed his voice, So when you call your family Lord We follow and rejoice (Refrain)
2. With joyful lips, we sing to you Our praise and gratitude That you should count us worthy Lord To share this Heavenly food (Refrain)
3. Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out poured? Does not one cup, one loaf declare our oneness in the Lord? (Refrain)
4. The mystery of your presence, Lord, no mortal tongue can tell: whom all the world cannot contain comes in our hearts to dwell. (Refrain)
5. You give yourself to us, O Lord, then selfless let us be, to serve each other in your name in truth and charity. (Refrain)



## RCIA INFORMATION NIGHT

SEPTEMBER 15, 2020

7:00PM

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.

*“I was attending St. Benedicts with my wife for a while, and one day at Mass, it was announced, that the new RCIA class was starting for the new year. A small voice within told me, ‘Sign up for the class!’ On the way home after Mass, I told my wife that I was going to go, and she said that she was hoping that I would entertain the idea when she heard the announcement. I was so glad that I did; because it opened my eyes, for the first time about the Catholic Church! I found out that I was told many false things about the Catholic Faith from others during my lifetime! Each time I came home from my class my wife would ask me what I learned, and many times she would say ‘I never learned that!’ I loved the whole experience and I looked forward to attending every class! Mark Schrum, Father Phil all the other instructors and guest speakers were excellent and I learned a lot from them and my fellow classmates, and made may new friends in the process! I highly recommend attending the class to anyone who wants to join our Church, or even if you are a current member and want to refresh yourself! The best part of my whole experience is that it has created a closer bond between God, my wife Mary and myself! I love it at St. Benedict’s; it feels like home!”--Allen Franks*

*--“I was raised in a Jewish home but I was not practicing Judaism. My wife Ursita is a devout Catholic. She sponsored me to join RCIA where I learned a lot about God, the Church, doctrine and eternal life. It gives me a tremendous joy to be able to participate in the Holy Eucharist almost daily. Thank you for RCIA for the knowledge and friendship which makes my life complete. Thanks be to God.”—Bob Blechman*

*--“RCIA taught me how the Mass works and my role in participation. These classes are a must for understand the Mass and, as a prior non-Catholic, the beliefs. I could not have become Catholic without these classes. I am most grateful to have had them.”—Martha Jane Hullihan*

*--“Attending the RCIA Program was very rewarding. It presented me with many new aspects of the Catholic Church. The instructors went out of their way to welcome us into the Church family. Being baptized fulfilled my dream of becoming a follower of Jesus Christ.”--Stanley Blimline*

*“I attended last year’s RCIA program and found it to be extremely fulfilling. The team members were dedicated instructors and really brought God and Christ close to me and into my heart. I learned about the intricacies of the Catholic Church, was given suggested readings to more fully experience the teachings of Jesus and every week had the opportunity to discuss my thoughts, doubts and observations. I very much enjoyed attending the classes.”—Stef Jenerick*





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