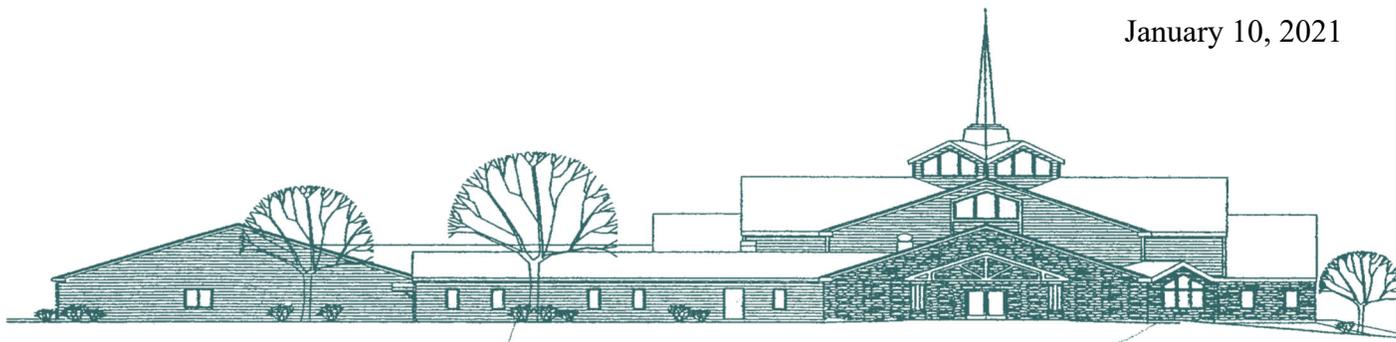


Church of Saint Benedict

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

January 10, 2021



MASS SCHEDULE

Daily: Mon. 6:30pm-Thurs.5:30pm Tue-Wed-Fri. 9:00am
Saturday: Vigil: 5:00pm
Sunday: 9:00, 11:00am
Holy Day Vigil: 5:00pm; Day-8:00am & 7:00pm

RECTORY PARISH OFFICE

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PREP (W) 610-856-5146 - (C) 484-269-8744
LaSalle Academy Office 610-777-7392

www.lsabear.org

Berks Catholic High School 610-374-8361

www.berkscatholic.org

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Philip F. Rodgers..... Pastor
Fr. Thomas Kuller, S.J..... Weekend Ministry
Valerie Christo Director Religious Education
Andrew Angstadt Music Director
Stephen Mickulik, M.Ed.Principal LaSalle Academy
Susan Teaford..... Parish Secretary
Jeanie Hauck...Safe Environment/Rental Coordinator
Anne LongBookkeeper
Clara Lush..... Bulletin Editor
Rosanne Weidner Rectory Housekeeping
Jason & Denise Leininger.....Maintenance

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator:

Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., **DIRECT** 800-791-9209
Pamela J. Russo, M.S.W., M.S. Safe Environment Co-ordinator
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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Celebrated the 1st Sunday of the month at 12:30pm and the 3rd Sunday at 11:15am 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 anytime. Eucharistic Ministers are available every Sunday.

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 610-750-5414.

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.



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 10, 2021

A voice came from the heavens, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

Mark 1:11

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DIOCESE OF ALLENTOWN YOUTH PROTECTION PROGRAMS can be found on the diocese website DioceseofAllentown.org. Click on Youth Protection upper right corner. It contains a list of programs, events and clearances needed for a safe environment for the children of the diocese.

Stewardship- Gifts of God Thank you for your generous gifts!

Stewardship	12-20--20:	\$10,732.00	(129 envelopes)
	EFT:	\$ 235.00	
Parish Giving:		\$ 1,990.00	
	12-27-20:	\$ 6,772.00	(134 envelopes)
	EFT:	\$ 235.00	
Parish Giving:		\$ 1,280.00	
FLC Mortg:	12-20-20:	\$ 1,482.00	(54 envelopes)
	EFT:	\$ 67.00	
Parish Giving:		\$ 770.00	
	12-27-20:	\$ 1,727.00	(56 envelopes)
	EFT:	\$ 67.00	
Parish Giving:		\$ 335.00	
Solemnity of Mary:		\$ 1,016.00	(51 envelopes)
	EFT:	\$ 115.00	

MASS COUNT FOR IN-CHURCH ATTENDANCE:

December 13—313
 December 20—337
 December 25—602
 December 27—262
 January 03—208

Our average virtual count is 799.

Many thanks for all those watching Mass on the Internet, and are able to send their weekly offering to church.

RESPECT



LIFE
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PRO-LIFE CORNER:

Abortion on demand is "legal" because babies can't vote. However, you can. Vote pro-0life.

MARCH FOR LIFE- Unfortunately because of Covid-19 the diocese will not be sponsoring buses to the March for Life. Instead parishes are encouraged to do something local. At St. Benedict's we will hold a Holy Hour on January 29 from 9:00 am to 10:00 am.

..PRAYER LIST....

For those in need of Hope, Healing and Health pray for all in our parish who are ill, especially Vivian Barnhard, John Bergandino, Rita DelPercio, Allen Frank, Pat Luther, Adrienne Mensak, Robin Schlottman, Gregory Schwartz, Susan Ward. Mary, Health of the Sick, please pray for them.

Remember in your prayers our homebound parishioners and also those in nursing homes.

Please remember in your prayers all who are in the military service: USAir Force: Mark Cahill, Tom Gutherman, Michael Rodgers, Ryan Vance; USArmy: Zach Brann, Nathan Calhoun, Eric Dompkowski, Christopher Hari, Richard Hari, Matt Kurz, Adam Latshaw, Matt McGinn, Matt Palange, Andrew Sickora, James Yorke; USMC: Grant Dufin, Dan Kenyon, James Moran, Breno Pinheiro, Daniel Scheidel, Chris Timothy; USNavy: Danielle Becker, Cole Drahus, Michael Koch, Jessica Rutkowski; PA Air Guard: William C. Leinbach.

Please remember all our military personnel especially Zach Brann who has been deployed.

Please pray also for an end to abortion, and for the victims of abortion.



FLOWER CALENDAR FOR 2021 is posted on the front vestibule bulletin board. If you are interested in requesting altar flowers in memory of a deceased loved one or a special intention, please sign the name on the date requested. Cost for each arrangement is \$50.00

The SANCTUARY LAMP burns to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ. You may have the sanctuary lamp memorialized for either a sick person or a deceased love one or any special intentions for a weekly donation of **\$10.00**. Please call the parish office to reserve a specific date.

SANTA VISITS ST. BENEDICT'S—Placed on our Christmas wish list was to shop for new kneelers for the church. Lo and Behold – Santa arrived just before Christmas and provided new soft, cushioned, easy to clean kneelers for the entire church! Two anonymous donors gave \$9,912.00 to cover the cost of the project. So when you kneel and say your prayers, whisper a prayer for our secret Santas. To keep the price down, Tony Deiderich agreed to install the kneelers at no cost to the church. **Thanks Tony!**

LANDINGS—WELCOMING RETURNING CATHOLICS- If you are a Catholic who has been away from the Church, know that we have missed you. One way to explore returning to active participation is through the LANDINGS program. Although we are not currently offering sessions at our parish, you can sign up for the upcoming virtual national Landings session. During the short, weekly meetings, a small group of active Catholics, some of them “returnees” themselves, meets with a small group of inactive or returning Catholics to share and explore their faith together. The online session will begin in late January. If you are interested, please, please visit www.Landingsintl.org or Joy Bandy at 484-797-5607 or email joyful0306@PTD.net or contact pwatson.Landings@gmail.com for more information and pre-registration.

SWEETEST PLACE ON EARTH is my kitchen pantry. Dishes of cookies, chocolates, sweet breads, and fruit cake can be found in the rectory. Many thanks to all the bakers, chocolate makers and gift givers for your festive Christmas goodies. I'm most grateful for your Christmas cards of good wishes and generous gifts at Christmastime.

*Gratefully,
Father Phil*

THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT'S

- Monday 01/11**
 7:00 PM SVDP meeting in the conference room
 7:00 PM Safety/Emergency Response committee meeting in the FLC
- Tuesday 01/12**
 7:00 PM RCIA meets in the conference room
- Wednesday 01/13**
 7:00 PM “Into the Breach” Program in the FLC
- Thursday 01/14**
 7:00 PM Pastoral Council—virtual meeting
 7:30 PM AA meets in the FLC

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in memory of Wallace & Wilma Kompa by Jim & Sandy Kozlowski



- Monday 01/11 Weekday (1st Week in Ordinary Time)**
 6:30 PM Jeremiah Williams
 by Donna & Rich Conte
- Tuesday 01/12 Weekday**
 9:00 AM Dianne Cooper
 by SVDP
- Wednesday 01/13 Weekday St. Hilary**
 9:00 AM Joan McCahon
 by Jim & Sharon Helms
- Thursday 01/14 Weekday**
 5:30 PM Ronald Weidner
 by Randy & Mary Jo Lewis
- Friday 01/15 Weekday**
 9:00 AM Maura Aparre
 by Ursita & Bob Blechman
Rosary will be recited after Mass
- Saturday 01/16 Weekday**
 4:00-4:45 PM Confessions
- Sunday 01/17 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 5:00 PM (Saturday) Elizabeth & Andy Potochney
 by Terry Grundman
 9:00 AM Ed & Helen Reidel
 by Tim & Robinn Reidel
 11:00 AM People of the Parish
 Kathy Reedy Narkiewicz
 by Kathy Appleton

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Liturgical Ministers—January 16 & 17

- Saturday 5:00 PM**
 Lector: Jean Ruhl
 EM: Rich Conte, Tom Henefer
- Sunday 9:00 AM**
 Lector: Brent Musser
 EM: Jeannette Bunch, Kelly Leininger
- Sunday 11:00 AM**
 Lector: Charlie Jones
 EM: John Cocco, Sister Eileen