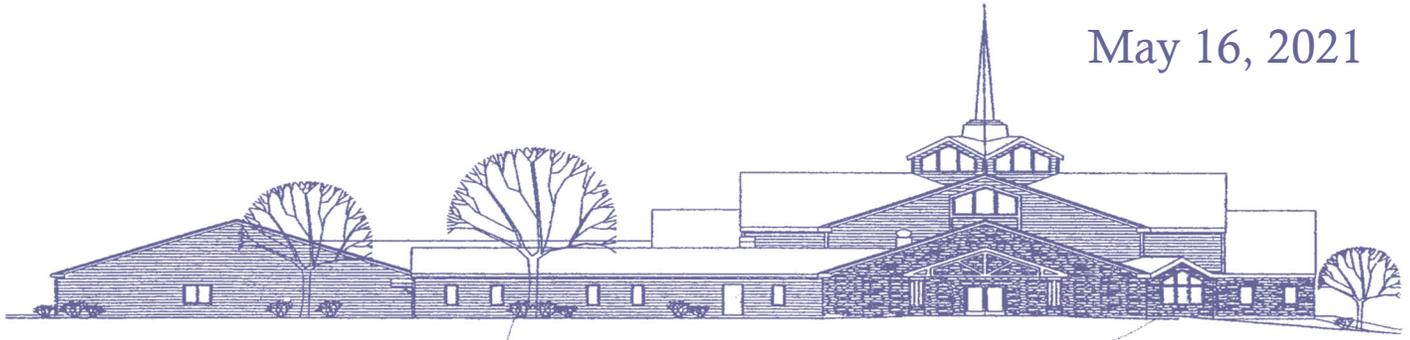


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Diocese of Allentown - Bishop Alfred A. Schlert, D.D.

May 16, 2021



MASS SCHEDULE

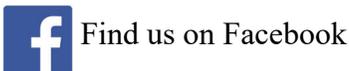
Daily: Mon & Thurs 6:30pm Tue-Wed-Fri. 9:00am
Saturday: Vigil: 5:00pm
Sunday: 9:00, 11:00am
Holy Day Vigil: 5:00pm; Day-8:00am & 7:00pm

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Celebrated the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month 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 anytime.

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, 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.

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>

SANCTUARY LAMP burns this week in loving memory of Matt Trimbur by Stas' & Janet Kmiec.

ST. JOSEPH VOTIVES—We now have 2 amber votive lights at the statue of St. Joseph. You may memorialize these for someone living or deceased. You can choose to light one candle or two. The offering would be \$10 per light. If you wish to schedule a particular weekend, please contact the parish office. Votives will be available during the Year of St. Joseph. This week's candles burn for the intention of Baby Henry Williams by Dave and Peggy Williams and for the intention of an end to all hatred and violence in our country and in our world.

FLOWER CALENDAR FOR 2021—Some dates are still available. If you are interested in requesting altar flowers in memory of a deceased loved one or a special intention, please contact the parish office. Cost for each arrangement is \$50.00

Altar flowers this week are in memory of the Neidert and Yost Families.



PRO-LIFE CORNER—Statistics show that a soldier's chances of survival in the front lines of combat are greater than the chances of an unborn child avoiding abortion. What should be the safest place to live in America – a mother's womb – is now the most dangerous place. Work and pray to end abortion today. Randy Alcorn

RETURNING TO MINISTRY—Calling all Altar Servers, Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers! As diocesan restrictions begin to ease, we want to welcome back any liturgical ministers who may not have served due to Covid. If you wish to resume serving at Mass, please either email or call the office with your availability and we will be sure to put you on the upcoming June schedule.

ADULT CONFIRMATION—Any high school student or adult who has not received the Sacrament of Confirmation and would like to receive, please contact Fr. Phil. Fr. Phil has permission to confirm until June 30, 2021 because of Covid. After that date, Confirmation for adults will take place yearly at our Cathedral in Allentown on the feast of Pentecost.



Jesus is present to us in many ways, but only in the Holy Eucharist is He uniquely and substantially present—Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. This is the real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. (CF. CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, 1373-1374).

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

<u>Stewardship</u>	May 9	\$ 8,668.00 (180 envelopes)
	EFT	\$ 155.00
	Parish Giving	\$ 1,715.00
<u>FLC Mtg.</u>	May 9	\$ 1,842.00 (84 envelopes)
	EFT	\$ 67.00
	Parish Giving	\$ 945.00

PRAYER LIST

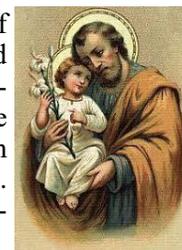
Please pray for those in need of hope, healing and health, especially for all in our parish who are ill and homebound, especially Vivian Barnhard, John Bergandino, Marie Blimline, John DeAngelo, Rita DelPercio, Irene Didyoung, Jim Helms, Lisa Ianni, Ted Kozak, Jason Leininger, Helen Macminn, Ralph Maio, Steve Ornosky, Donna Plesnarski, Robin Schlottman, Gregory Schwartz, Gary Scollick, Janet Teaford, Baby Henry Williams and all those in nursing homes. Mary, Health of the Sick, please pray for them.

PASTORAL COUNCIL—Nominations are being received throughout the month of May. Parishioners are asked to nominate themselves or a worthy parishioner. Place nomination forms in the box in the gathering space. Forms may be found near the box.



GREECE IN AUGUST 2022—Fr. Phil and Fr. Don Henry are putting together a Greek Isles and Athens trip for next summer, August 11-20, 2022. This can be done through Berkshire Travel and booked as a Tauck 5-star trip or an independent trip with the same group at a lower cost. The trip will also include Ephesus, in Turkey. This is on a small 135 passenger Windstar schooner with sails. If you are interested, please call Berkshire Travel at 1-800-223-3884.

ST. JOSEPH EXHIBIT—In honor of the Year of St. Joseph, we have arranged an exhibit of St. Joseph artwork and statues in the Family Life Center. Come see the items that inspire love and devotion in the homes of your fellow parishioners. This is the last weekend to enjoy the display.





LASALLE ANNUAL FUND—A mailing was sent out to support LaSalle’s Annual Fund. The goal of the Annual fund is \$25,000. We greatly appreciate all those who were able to support our Catholic school, LaSalle Academy. About 40% of LaSalle’s population is from St. Benedict. Please consider making a donation for Catholic education. Extra brochures and donation envelopes can be found at the front door bulletin board.

LASALLE REGISTRATION—LaSalle Academy is now taking registrations for Fall Semester 2021. Also, tours of LaSalle will be available during this time by appointment.

ADDITIONAL MOTHER’S DAY MEMORIALS—Mary Kacmar, Alice Elinausky, A. Kosmoski.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY—will continue the first Sunday of each month after the 9am and 11am Masses. Please join us in the Family Life center after each Sunday Mass for complimentary coffee, juice, donuts and fellowship. The next Hospitality Sunday will be on Sunday, June 6th.

PARISH BACCALAUREATE—will be celebrated for any 12th grade senior parishioner from any of the local high schools on Sunday, June 6 at the 11am Mass. An invitation letter will be going out this week. If you do not receive one, please call the parish office so that you may be included.

ANNIVERSARY MASS—will be celebrated at St. Benedict’s on Sunday, May 30th at the 9am Mass. Couples celebrating in the year 2021 their 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th and any anniversary over their 50th are cordially invited to attend this Mass and renew heir vows. All couples will receive a corsage and boutonniere. Refreshments will be served in the Family Life Center after the Mass. If you do not receive an invitation from Fr. Phil, please call the parish office so that you may be included.



Monday 05/17 Easter Weekday
6:30 pm Marian Zielinski
by the Brenner Family

Tuesday 05/18 Easter Weekday
9:00 am Thomas Hecker
by Colleen Hecker

Wednesday 05/19 Easter Weekday
9:00am Msgr. Dennis T. Hartgen
by Sylvia Firth

Thursday 05/20 St. Bernardine of Siena
6:30pm Klement and Julia Kremp
by Mary Anne Kremp,
Bill and Jeanie Hauck

Friday 05/21 St. Christopher Magallanes
9:00 am Mary Kacmar
by Bob and Cecelia Kacmar

Sunday 05/23 Pentecost Sunday
5:00 pm (Saturday) George & Lucy Lintz
9:00 am People of the Parish; Elizabeth Blimline by
Stanley and Marie Blimline
11:00 am 40th Ordination Anniversary of Fr. Phil
Rodgers



THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT’S

Monday 5/17
7pm Knights of Columbus, FLC

Tuesday 5/18 Primary Election Day
7pm Book Club, Conference Room

Wednesday 5/19
7pm Safety Meeting, FLC

Thursday 05/20
7:30 pm AA meets at picnic grounds

LITURGICAL MINISTERS MAY 22/23

Saturday 5:00 PM
Lector: Mary Jo Lewis
EM: Cindy Miller, Karen Keenan

Sunday 9:00 AM
Lector: Charlie Jones
EM: Mark Brezina, Mary Kozak

Sunday 11:00 AM
Lector: John Frank
EM: Sister Eileen, John Cocco

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