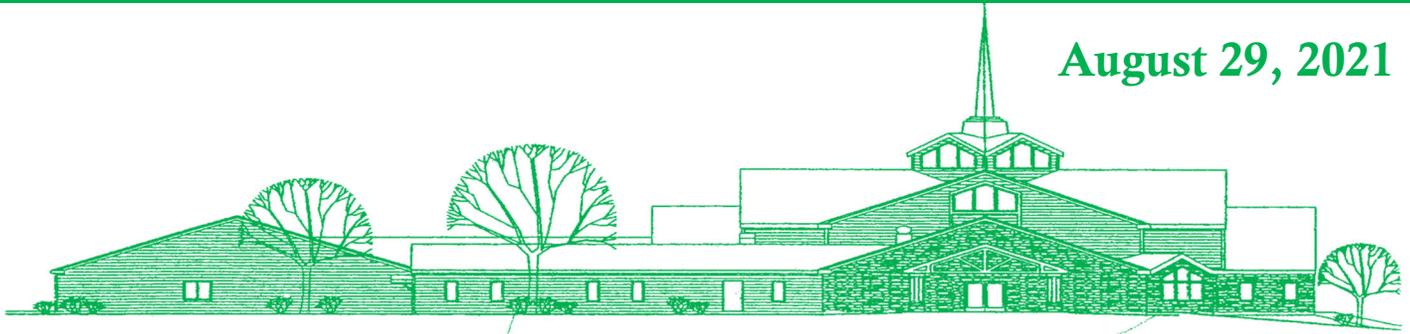


Church of Saint Benedict

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

August 29, 2021



MASS SCHEDULE

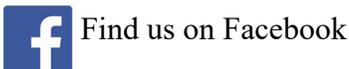
Daily: Mon & Thurs 6:30pm Tue-Wed-Fri. 9:00am
Saturday: Vigil: 5:00pm
Sunday: 9:00, 11:00am
Holy Day Vigil: 5:00pm; Day-9:00am & 7:00pm

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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 memory of Grandmom & Grandpop Rodenbaugh by Patricia Luther.

ALTAR FLOWERS this weekend are in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Grayeski by Ken and Elaine Harker.

ST. JOSEPH VOTIVES— You may memorialize these for someone living or deceased. The offering is \$10 per light. If you wish to schedule a particular weekend, please contact the parish office.



PRO-LIFE CORNER—Abortion destroys a life that has already begun. The egg and the sperm are already living; at conception they unite and become a human life. The state protects eagles and snails; is it asking too much for the protection of unborn human babies?

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for those in need of hope, healing and health, for all in our parish who are ill and homebound, especially Barbara, Sue Clapper, John DeAngelo, Rita DelPercio, Irene Didyoung, Charlie Flannery, Alexa Frey, Marian Gring, Lisa Ianni, Ted Kozak, Jason Leininger, Bob Macminn, Ralph Maio, Steve Ornosky, Joe Reilly, Gerry Sarge, Gregory Schwartz, Rita Setta, Miriam Ulrich, Baby Henry Williams, John E. Yost, Jr. and all those in nursing homes. Mary, Health of the Sick, please pray for them.

Please pray for the soul of Kathryn (Kathy) Snyder, wife of James. May she rest in peace.



“The Holy Eucharist is the perfect expression of the love of Jesus Christ for man.”
—St. Maria Goretti

We will now have Eucharistic Adoration before the 9am Daily Masses on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Come spend some quiet time with the Lord.

EXPLORING CATHOLICISM—On September 7th, 14th and 21st from 7 pm to 8 pm, Father John and the RCIA Team would like to discuss with you what it means to be Catholic. These conversations would be suitable for anyone who is interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church, or who is contemplating becoming a Catholic. Anyone who has not been baptized would also benefit from these discussions. We will hold these sessions in the gathering space. Those Catholics who have not been confirmed are urged to sign up for classes to begin later in September.



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

Stewardship	August 22	\$ 6,057.00	(130 envelopes)
	EFT	\$ 165.00	
	Parish Giving	\$ 2,180.00	
FLC Mtg.	August 22	\$ not available at this time	
	EFT	\$ 67.00	
	Parish Giving	\$ 825.00	

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

EARTHQUAKE IN HAITI—The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has asked each diocese in the United States to take up a special collection for the relief of the Haitian people. Bishop Schlert has authorized a special collection for the Diocese of Allentown. This collection will be taken up the weekend of September 11-12. These funds will then be used to respond to immediate emergency needs and aid in long-term rebuilding and recovery efforts.

CASH PRIZE BINGO— The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Cash Bingo on Saturday, September 25th in our Family Life Center. Doors open at 6pm, games start at 7pm. There will be 15 games as well as specials. Food will also be available. Tickets cost \$25 each and will be available after all Masses starting the first week in September. If the event needs to be canceled due to circumstances beyond our control, ticket prices will be refunded.




Blessed, handmade prayer shawls are available for anyone in need of comfort and prayers. Please contact Sylvia Firth @ 610 286 5714 or email with the subject line “Prayer Shawl” to rsfirth@ptd.net

LA SALLE NEWS—LaSalle Academy Preschool, (age 3 by October 15th), will now offer 3-day and 5-day full programs, 7:30am-2:30pm. Registration is still open for the 2021-2022 school year. Call the school for a tour at 610-777-7392. They are also still accepting applications for Prekindergarten and K-8 classes. Aftercare is provided from 2:30pm-6:00pm each day school is in full session for Preschool through 8th grades.



DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP—A program for divorced Catholics to navigate their way through a difficult situation will meet on Mondays at 7pm, beginning October 4th and concluding on December 20th. For more information, contact Joe Boylan at 610-781-6415.

THAT MAN IS YOU!—will be hosted by the Knights of Columbus, starting on September 15th at 7pm. Please stop by the display in the gathering space for more details or contact Gene Raser at raseug54@gmail.com or 610-781-4818. This program is open to ALL men.

MARCH FOR LIFE—The first ever statewide March for Life is scheduled for September 27, 2021. It is being organized by the Pennsylvania Family Institute, in cooperation with the National March for Life. The event will be held on the steps of the Capitol in Harrisburg, beginning at 11am, followed by the March For Life at noon. The route of the march is around the Capitol Building. The speakers for the day will include Ryan Bomberger from the Radiance Foundation and Jeanne Mancini from the National March for Life in DC. More information to follow.



TURNING THE PAGE—Are you done with those summer beach and pool reads? Maybe you have old cookbooks you never used anyway. How about those coffee table books that are just collecting dust? Or perhaps you have some spiritual books that can inspire someone else. Start gathering those books you once found enjoyable but will no longer use. The Women’s Club will be having their annual Book Sale the weekend of September 11/12. **DO NOT DROP OFF ANY BOOKS YET**, as information regarding when and where to do this will follow closer to the date of the sale.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—During the upcoming year, children of our parish attending public school participate on Thursday nights from 6:15 pm to 7:30 pm in the PREP program. Volunteers are needed to help provide fire and security protection for them and their teachers. You need to be qualified in the “Protecting God’s Children” program and have a working knowledge of the parish’s Emergency Operating Plan. It would be ideal if you are a parent of a PREP child. If you are interested and need more information, please call Rich Conte @ 610-223-8846.

THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT’S

Tuesday 8/31
7:00pm Music Ministry meeting, FLC

Thursday 09/02
7:00 pm AA meets at picnic grounds



- Monday 08/30 Weekday
9:00am Richard Ball by Lee and Joy Bandy
- Tuesday 08/31 Weekday
9:00am Dolores Regina Reuscher by John Hrynczyszyn
- Wednesday 09/01 Weekday
9:00am Health of Jennifer Hivner Noggle
By Tom and Lauren Lush
- Thursday 09/02 Weekday
6:30pm Maureen Gibbons by M/M Robert Joyce
- Friday 09/03 St. Gregory the Great
9:00am Int. of the Joyce Family
The Rosary will be recited after Mass
- Saturday 09/04 First Saturday
9:00am Reuscher Family by John Hrynczyszyn
- Sunday 09/05 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm (Saturday) Audrey Munkatchy
by the Barse Family
- 9:00 am Audrey Munkatchy
by Mary Zukosky
- 11:00 am Int. of all Lay Missionaries of Charity;
People of the Parish



LITURGICAL MINISTERS SEPTEMBER 4/5

Saturday 5:00 PM
Lector: Dennis Brizick
Altar Servers: Mary Henefer, Dalton Maiers
EM: Kelly Leininger, Tom Henefer, George Bach

Sunday 9:00 AM
Lector: Charlie Jones
Altar Servers: Jaden and Mark Scheidel
EM: Glenn Unger, Rick McCarty, Jeanette Bunch

Sunday 11:00 AM
Lector: Lauren Lush
Altar Servers: Bryanna Gallagher, Grace Kelly
EM: John Cocco, Sister Eileen, Debbie Mazzarelli

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