

CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

DIOCESE OF ALLENTOWN - BISHOP ALFRED A. SCHLERT, D.D.

November 20, 2022



MASS SCHEDULE

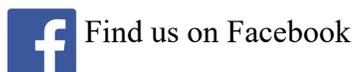
Daily: Tues. 6:30pm, Wed., Friday 8am, Thurs. 5:30pm
(September through April) /6:30pm (summer months)
Saturday: 8:00am; Vigil: 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:30am, 11:00am
Holy Day Vigil: 5:00pm; Day-8:00am & 7:00pm

RECTORY PARISH OFFICE

2020 Chestnut Hill Rd, Mohnton, Pa 19540
610-856-1006 Office Hours Mon-Fri. 9am-4:30pm
Website: www.churchofsaintbenedict.com
Email: Secretary@churchofsaintbenedict.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PREP/CGS	484-269-8744
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www.lsbear.org	
Berks Catholic High School	610-374-8361
www.berkscatholic.org	



PARISH STAFF

Rev. Msgr. Edward R. Domin.....Pastor
Valerie Christo.....Director Religious Education
Stephen Mickulik, M.Ed. Principal LaSalle Academy
Susan Teaford.....Parish Secretary
Jeanie Hauck...Safe Environment/Rental Coordinator
Kathy SheppardBookkeeper
Beverly Perella.....Director of Music
Rosanne Weidner.....Rectory Housekeeping

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>

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Celebrated on Saturday afternoon, 1-2pm, after the 5pm Saturday Vigil Mass and on Sunday, 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 any time.

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 484-869-4108

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.

DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR:

Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., DIRECT 800-791-9209
Pamela J. Russo, M.S.W., M.S. Safe Environment Coordinator at 610-332-0442, Ext. 2019
Website www.allentowndioocese.org

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for those in need of hope, healing and health, for all in our parish who are ill and homebound, especially Robert Blechman, Cameron Bruder, Janet Cannon, Jonathan Cranley, Rita DelPercio, Irene Didyoung, Joan Fondots, Ed and Barbara Gott, Jamison Gray, Marian Gring, Tom Hagan, James Hart, Jeanie Hauck, Maryann Hovan, Joseph Hunter, Barbara Ianni, Bridget Kelly, Mary Kozak, Sue and Frank Kremser, Andy & Bev Kuzmission, Bob and Helen Macminn, Joanne McCarty, Aurora McHugh, Frank and Ruth McLaughlin, Regina Moran, Phil Neri, Patti, Gene Raser, Sr., Joe Reilly, Anthony Rowan, Gregory Schwartz, Barbara Silver, Nettie Thomas, Samuel Townsend, Miriam Ulrich, Chad Vogel, Steven Wagner, John E. Yost, Jr., Josephine and all those in nursing homes. Mary, Health of the Sick, please pray for them.

Just a note—If you or a family member are admitted to St. Joseph/Penn State Hospital, you must notify the parish office if you wish to have Msgr. Domin visit. They do not notify us when a parishioner is admitted.



SAVE THE DATE—March for Life 2023—Friday, January 20, 2023—St. Benedict will have a motorcoach, which will be leaving from the picnic grounds at 8:30am. We will arrive in time to attend the pre-rally concert at 11am. We will leave promptly after the March for Life ends at 4pm. Below is the schedule of events:

- Pre-Rally Concert: 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- March for Life Rally: 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- March for Life: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

THANKSGIVING PIE SALE—Orders may be picked up this weekend. Thank you for supporting the Knights of Columbus and the Family Life Group through this fundraiser.



**BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES
IN THE NAME OF THE LORD!
—MARK 11:9**



GOOD STEWARDSHIP

Thank you for your generous gifts!

Stewardship—November 13	\$7,034.00 (173 envelopes)
EFT	\$ 325.00
Parish Giving	\$ 2,860.00
Mortgage—November 13	\$ 1,032.00 (53 envelopes)
EFT	\$ 177.00
Parish Giving	\$ 600.00

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

JOIN THE PARISH ROSARY—Please join your fellow parishioners every Sunday at 10:00am in the main church to pray the Holy Rosary for the intentions of St. Benedict's. All are welcome. Any questions please contact Adam Scheidel @ 610-507-5773.



JOINT THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE—with our friends and neighbors at Robeson Lutheran Church will take place here at St. Benedict on Wednesday, November 23rd at 7pm. Join us for an evening of prayer, Scripture readings, music and a reflection. As the host, we ask that parishioners bring light refreshments, such as bring finger foods, appetizers, desserts etc. for fellowship in the FLC afterwards. Plan to join us as we return to this parish community tradition.

SUPPORT GROUP—If you are a woman who has experienced a pregnancy loss at any time we invite you to a supportive gathering on Saturday, December 3rd at 6:00pm following the evening Mass in the social hall. We will spend time together in prayer, community, and crafting. Join us to create a personal Christmas ornament to remember your little one(s) in Heaven. Dinner will be provided. Registration is helpful, but all are welcome. Please email or text Laura Hogan at Lmhogan514@gmail.com or 610-780-6234



KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS, SPAGHETTI DINNER AND ADOPT A PRIEST PROGRAM

On Saturday, December 3rd, immediately following the 5pm vigil Mass, the Knights of Columbus will sponsor a “Light Up for Christ” ceremony at the outside manger scene. The creche will be blessed by Msgr. Domin and lit for the Christmas season. Afterwards, the Knights will serve a complimentary spaghetti dinner in the FLC. There will also be a music game during dessert by the Music Ministry. Also on the weekend of December 3/4 after all the Masses, you will have an opportunity to create a Christmas card for retired priests of the diocese as a part of the Vocations Committee “Adopt-a-Priest” Program. Come join the Knights and the Vocations Committee in the true meaning and spirit of Christmas. Sign-ups will be available for the dinner so the Knights can estimate the amount of food needed.

THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT'S

Monday, November 21

7:00pm Knights of Columbus, FLC

Tuesday, November 22

1:00pm Prime Timers, FLC

7:00pm RCIA in the conference room

Wednesday, November 23

There will be no Eucharistic Adoration today, but the church will be open for private prayer

7:00pm Thanksgiving Eve Service with Robeson Lutheran Church, Main Church

Thursday, November 24—Happy Thanksgiving!

7:30pm AA, FLC



Monday 11/21 Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
No Mass

Rev. Msgr. Gerald E. Gobitas

Tuesday 11/22 St. Cecelia
6:30pm Robert K. Ciocco by Women's Faith Sharing Group
Rev. Msgr. John J. Grabish

Wednesday 11/23 St. Clement, Blessed Miguel Pro
8:00am Mary, Don & Andy Keninitz by Terry Grundman
Rev. James J. Greenfield

Thursday 11/24 St. Andrew Dung-Lac
8:00AM Michael & Constance Perles by the Gebharts
Rev. Eric J. Gruber

Friday 11/25 St. Catherine of Alexandria
NO MASS

Rev. Francis M. Grundowski

Saturday 11/26 Weekday
8:00am Romaine Frymyer by Janine Surovec
Rev. Kevin M. Gualano

Sunday 11/27 First Sunday of Advent
5:00pm (Saturday) Marie & Stanley Blimline 52nd
Wedding Anniversary
8:30am People of the Parish
11:00am William Kametz by Louise Beard
Rev. Abraham Ha

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—to support the Parish Emergency Plan. If you are interested in being a Designated Person (DP) for fire or security during weekend Masses, please call Rich Conte @ 610-223-8846. A small amount of training will be provided, and no special expertise is needed. See more details on parish website.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS —NOVEMBER 26/27

Saturday 5:00

Lector: Mary Jo Gordon

Altar Servers: Kyle Keenan, Cooper Whitely

EMs: Karen Keenan, Cindy Miller, Debbie Mazzarelli

Musician—Carole Anstett; Cantor—Joe Roland

Sunday 8:30am

Lector: Mark Brezina

Altar Servers: Emily Boyer, Bryanna Gallagher

EMs: Tom Dobson, Jean Ann Leib, Glenn Unger

Musician—Beverly Perella; Cantor—Sue Hodgkins

Sunday 11:00am

Lector: Chris Mensak

Altar Servers: Mark Scheidel, Chris Mangan

EMs: Ursita Blechman, Rich Conte, Tina McHale

Musician: Beverly Perella; Cantor: Pete Snow



WELCOME TO ST. BENEDICT! If you are on vacation or visiting, we hope you find us to be a warm and welcoming faith community. If you are new to the area, we encourage you to register as members. You can do this by meeting Msgr. Domin after Mass. He will speak to you and provide you with the registration form. We encourage you to participate in not only the daily and weekly Liturgies, but in any activity or ministry you wish. We are happy you are here!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION—takes place at St. Benedict on Wednesdays. The day begins with Mass at 8:00am and continues through the day, concluding with Evening Prayer and Benediction at 6:45pm. Feel free to come any time during the day, or you may feel called to commit to a 30 or 60 minute visit each week. Either way, come and spend some time in peace and quiet with the Lord. There are some prayer resources available to assist you if Adoration is a new prayer practice for you. *“Spend as much time as possible in front of the Blessed Sacrament and He will fill you with His strength and His power.”* —Mother Teresa



Father in Heaven, Creator of all and source of all goodness and love, please look kindly upon us and receive our heartfelt gratitude in this time of giving thanks. Thank you for all the graces and blessings You have bestowed upon us, spiritual and temporal: our faith and religious heritage, our food and shelter, our health, the love we have for one another, our family and friends. Dear Father, in Your infinite generosity, please grant us continued graces and blessings throughout the coming year. This we ask in the Name of Jesus, Your Son and our Brother. Amen.

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