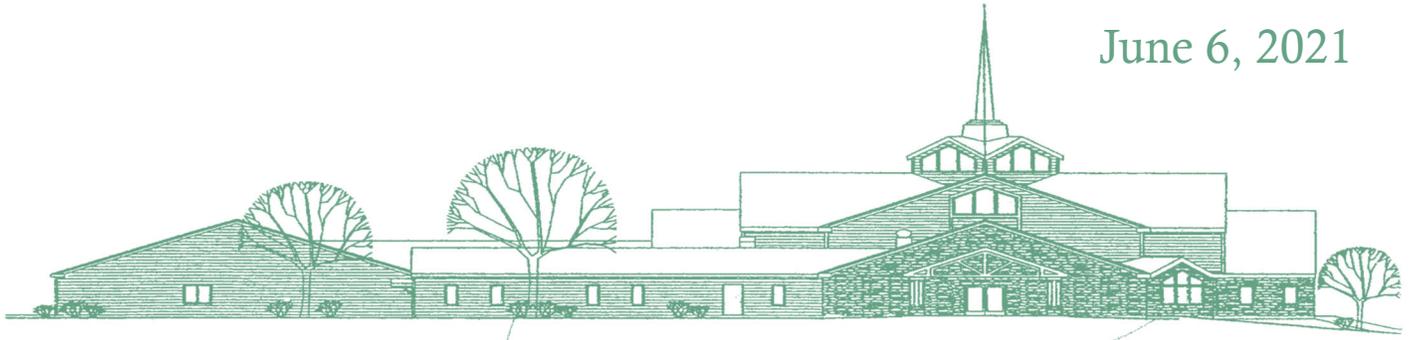


Church of Saint Benedict

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

June 6, 2021



MASS SCHEDULE

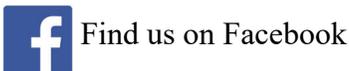
Daily: Mon & Thurs 6:30pm Tue-Wed-Fri. 9:00am
Saturday: Vigil: 5:00pm
Sunday: 9:00, 11:00am
Holy Day Vigil: 5:00pm; Day-9:00am & 7:00pm

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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 Joseph Laity by Joanne Laity.

ST. JOSEPH VOTIVES— You may memorialize these for someone living or deceased. The offering would be \$10 per light. If you wish to schedule a particular week-end, please contact the parish office. This week's candles burn in memory of Jeremiah Williams and for the intentions of Rev. Richard C. Brensinger.

ALTAR FLOWERS this week are in memory of Carol Timlin by her friends.



PRO-LIFE CORNER— It is truly up to you, no one else. It's all in your hands. A few suggestions are: Spend one hour a week helping to save precious lives at an abortion mill. Volunteer to help at a Pregnancy Care Center. Become better informed on the critical issues of our time and speak-up to defend Life, Family and Faith.

NEW ASSIGNMENT—Fr. Phil has been asked by the Bishop to take a new assignment as pastor of St. Patrick's, Pottsville. His last Sunday Mass at St. Benedict's is Sunday, June 13th. Fr. Phil was at St. Benedict's for 18 years. St. Patrick's will be the 8th rectory in the Diocese of Allentown he has been assigned to in his 40 years as a priest. Prayers and best wishes to Fr. Phil.

NEW PASTOR WELCOME—Fr. John Frink has been named the new pastor of St. Benedict's by Bishop Schlert. Fr. Frink comes to us from St. John XXIII in Tamaqua. He was ordained in 1987. He is originally from Berks County. Fr. Frink has 5 siblings. We warmly welcome Fr. John Frink to St. Benedict's parish.

FAREWELL FETE—Fr Phil's appreciation/going away party will be on Sunday June 13th from 12-2pm. Please sign up on the sheets in the gathering space if you are planning to attend so the parish organizations can estimate food.

Today the Church focuses on the Eucharist. Today's readings remind us how connected to ancient blood sacrifices we are when offering our unbloody sacrifice. The reading from Exodus describes a solemn ritual designed so the Israelites would never forget their covenant with God. The reading from the Letter to the Hebrews turns us from those ancient animal sacrifices, the first efforts to worship the living God. Our sacrifice is the body and blood of the Son of God. Because of Christ we have a new covenant. The Gospel from Mark retells the establishment of that covenant, the familiar story of the Last Supper. Juxtaposed with the story of animal sacrifice as it is here, we are challenged to listen with new attention, to remember the great price paid for our salvation. Jesus gave his body and every drop of his blood for us.

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Stewardship	May 30	\$ 7,524.00 (157 envelopes)
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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 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, Joe Reilly, Gregory Schwartz, Miriam Ulrich, Baby Henry Williams and all those in nursing homes. Mary, Health of the Sick, please pray for them.

ST. BENEDICT MEMORIAL SOCIETY—*Joseph Firth has been enrolled by Randy and Mary Jo Lewis.*

BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL—Many thanks to those who have made a pledge to the Because We Are Catholic Annual Appeal. Making a six-month pledge to the Appeal allows you to maximize the amount that you may give by making monthly payments. For example a \$120 gift to the Appeal may be set up with six \$20 installments. Remember, every gift counts, no matter how small. Your generosity funds the annual budget for important Diocesan ministries in our area. You can make your gift online at BecauseWeAreCatholic.org

PREP AND CGS—Please consider helping to teach and assisting PREP or Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. This is a beautiful ministry and very rewarding working with God's children. You may contact Valerie Christo at her cell 484-269-8744 or by email @ religious-edu2002@yahoo.com. She will meet with you at your convenience time to go over what is involved to help our children to meet Jesus and in him Live, Learn and Love.



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

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 went out this past week. If you do not receive one, please call the parish office so that you may be included.

2022 MASS INTENTIONS—On Monday, June 21st, we will be opening the 2022 Mass Intention book. There will be some changes to the process this year. Because of the anticipated volume of requests, there will be **NO** phone call or email Mass requests accepted. All Mass intentions will initially be done in person **ONLY**. Please keep in mind that with our new Mass schedule, we only have 3 Masses on the weekend. Since we will no longer be “sharing” intentions as we had done through Covid, we ask that you be considerate when making your requests. We will only allow 5 date requests at a time, so that everyone will have an equal opportunity to schedule their special dates. Once the initial round of requests have been completed, we will then accept additional Mass intentions. Again, please keep in mind that now that we have less openings to schedule, but we will try to accommodate as many requests as possible. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



- Monday 06/07 Weekday
6:30 am Rose Groff
by Debbie Mazzarelli
- Tuesday 06/08 Weekday
9:00 am Frank Kennedy
by Mildred Kremp
- Wednesday 06/09 St. Ephraim
9:00am Bethel Lewis
by Randy and Mary Jo Lewis
- Thursday 06/10 Weekday
6:30pm Pedro Aparre
by Bob and Ursita Blechman
- Friday 06/11 Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
9:00 am Edna Hood
by the Rosary Group
- Sunday 06/13 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm (Saturday) Rev. John J. Paul MSC
by Sylvia Firth
- 9:00 am Int. of Kathleen Swift by Doris Yeager
- 11:00 am Joseph Terifay Jr. by the Terifay Family
Dolores Colgan by the Connelly Family



THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT'S

Thursday 06/09
7:00 pm AA meets at picnic grounds



“The practice of Adoration is based on strong and solid reasons. For the Eucharist is at once a sacrifice and a sacrament; but it differs from other sacraments in this that it not only produces grace but contains in a permanent manner the Author of grace itself.”—Pope Pius XII

LITURGICAL MINISTERS JUNE 12/13

Saturday 5:00 PM
Lector: Stephanie Hartline
EM: Karen Keenan, Mary Kozak
Altar Servers: Timothy Machion, Matlyn Rhoades

Sunday 9:00 AM
Lector: Brent Musser
EM: Tom Henefer, Fr. Phil
Altar Servers: Megan and Emily Hatcher

Sunday 11:00 AM
Lector: per Andrew Angstadt's schedule
EM: John Cocco, Fr. Phil
Altar Servers: per Andrew Angstadt's schedule

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