

Saint Benedict Church

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BAPTISM of the LORD

“I, the LORD, have called you for
justice, I have grasped
you by the hand;
I formed you, and set you as
a covenant for the people,
a light for the nations,
to open the eyes of the blind,
to bring out prisoners from confinement,
and from the dungeon,
those who live in darkness.”

Isaiah 42:6-7

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
and Friday:
9 am to 12 pm and 1 pm to 4 pm
Office closed on Thursday

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Mission Statement

We, the members of Saint Benedict Parish, in union with our Pastoral staff, our Bishop, and our Holy Father, and together with the Church of Altoona-Johnstown, commit ourselves to the building up of the Kingdom of God in our personal lives, within our families, within our Faith Community, and in society as a whole. We join with one another in prayer and public worship, in the practice of gracious hospitality, and in works of charity and mutual support. Mindful of the Lord's care and loving concern for our common welfare, and with profound Faith and great hope, we strive to accomplish the tasks at hand and to meet the challenges of the future so that in all things God may be glorified.

The first parish in the United States established by the Benedictine Order



Intentions Of The Week

Sunday, January 12, Baptism of the Lord	
8:00 a.m.	Living and Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society
10:00 a.m.	For our Parish Family
Monday, January 13, Weekday	
8:00 a.m.	+John Sutton
Tuesday, January 14, Weekday	
8:00 a.m.	+Otto P. Cunningham and Joseph F. Shank, Jr.
Wednesday, January 15, Sts. Maur and Placid	
8:00 a.m.	+Ken Bearer
Thursday, January 16, Weekday	
8:00 a.m.	+Richard Farabaugh
Friday, January 17, St. Anthony	
8:15 a.m.	+Bernard Bogus
Saturday, January 18, Weekday	
4:00 p.m.	+Stanley Jarvis
Sunday, January 19, 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8:00 a.m.	+Margaret Dominick
10:00 a.m.	For our Parish Family



Altar Servers



Eucharistic Ministers



Lectors

Monday, January 13, 8:00 a.m.		
Macy Johnston	R. Cunningham	C.L. Bills
Lauren Behe		
Tuesday, January 14, 8:00 a.m.		
Miley Hoover	J. Farabaugh	M. Lieb
Sean Fisanick		
Wednesday, January 15, 8:00 a.m.		
Eli Cunningham	R. Hoover	M.C. Hoover
Cameron Drahnak		
Thursday, January 16, 8:00 a.m.		
Emma Farabaugh	J. Farabaugh	P. Kelly
Ricky Kirsch		
Friday, January 17, 8:15 a.m.		
Garrett Farabaugh		
Marshall Farabaugh		
Leah Behe		
Saturday, January 18, 4:00 p.m.		
E. Lamb	S. Boyle	J. Busch
L. Lamb	B. Shockley	M. Lieb
C. Lamb	B.A. Bensor	
Sunday, January 19, 8:00 a.m.		
B. Farabaugh	K. Colberg	Br. Michael
G. Farabaugh	G. Yeckley	S. Gregory
M. Farabaugh		
10:00 a.m.		
K. Duman	R. Boland	F. Sutton
M. Johnston	R. Bridgman	B. Fox
M. Wholaver	R. McGowan	
Children's Liturgy		
	Br. Michael	

Altar Server Training



Children of our Parish who are in the 4th grade and up are invited to minister as Altar Servers. Servers function at Mass, Stations of the Cross and other Liturgies. Those who are interested in this ministry are invited to attend four training sessions which will be held in the Church from 9 to 10 a.m. on Saturdays, starting February 1st, 8th, 15th, and 22nd. The servers will be inducted at the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday, March 1st.

Bishop Suspends Precious Blood During Flu Season

Bishop Mark L. Barchak has directed that the Precious Blood not be distributed in any form at Mass beginning the weekend of January 11 and 12, and continuing until further notice. The directive is due to the severity of the flu season.

It is the belief of the Catholic Church that the whole Body of Christ is present under either form of consecrated bread and wine. Reception of Holy Communion on the hand is encouraged during this flu season; however, reception on the tongue may not be denied.

During this time, the faithful are also asked to avoid bodily contact during the Sign of Peace. A genuine nod of the head with eye contact with others will be the temporary practice.

These norms will remain in effect throughout the winter months or until the flu season ends. The diocese will announce when parishes may return to the regular practice for the distribution and reception of Holy Communion and the exchange during the Sign of Peace.



"Un-Decorating"

The Christmas trees, wreaths, manger, and other Christmas decorations need to be taken down and packed away. If you can lend a hand, please join us this Sunday, January 12th at 11 a.m. We appreciate your assistance as we transition out of the Christmas season and back into Ordinary Time.



March For Life

On Friday, January 24th, 2020, a bus will be leaving from St. Benedict Church in Carrolltown to attend the March for Life in Washington, D.C. Please prayerfully consider attending this year's March for Life and taking a stand to protect our most innocent and vulnerable brothers and

sisters. For reservations or additional information, please contact Bill and Patti Frederick at 344-6521. Also, Citizens Concerned for Human Life (CCHL) and the Knights of Columbus will be accepting donations during the Yellow Ribbon Campaign before and after all Masses on January 11th and 12th. Half of your donation goes to CCHL and half goes towards the cost of the bus to Washington D.C. Please give as generously as you can.



March
for Life

Maur Blessing

Saint Maur, a disciple of Saint Benedict, has been called the miracle-worker since he has miraculously freed many persons from their bodily afflictions through the Sign of the Cross and the relic of the True Cross of Christ. The Maur Blessing will follow after the 8 a.m. Mass on Wednesday, January 15. Everyone is welcome to attend.



This week the votive candle will burn in front of the statue of Saint Joseph the Carpenter In Loving Memory of Derek Cook From Mary Ann Cook

Flowers Adorning the Altar this weekend In Loving Memory of Derek Cook From Mary Ann Cook



Pastor's Reflection

As we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord in the Jordan River by John the Baptist, we pray that we can have the humility to allow Jesus to shine through us, allowing us to become His presence to all in our lives



Peace,
Father Jude

A Very Special Place



Saint Benedict School is a very special place. There may be other elementary schools with a rich history and heritage, but there are none that have a deeper commitment to its mission than Saint Benedict's. Saint Benedict School is the first Catholic elementary school in the United States established by the Benedictine Order. Since 1870, Saint Benedict's has been consistently and inflexibly dedicated to its role as a Catholic school of the highest quality. These are the characteristics that define us and these are the characteristics that continue to attract an increasing number of students year after year. When choosing a school for your child, consider Saint Benedict School.

Families and the Gospel

January 12, Baptism of the Lord, Matthew 3:13-17 The words in today's gospel, "This is my beloved, with Him I am pleased" are words every child needs to hear often. Affirmation is important to raise happy and confident children. (Used with permission from "A Family Perspective" by Bud Ozar)

Stewardship Reflections

Baptism of the Lord

Through the Sacrament of Baptism we become members of God's family and members of the Body of Christ, the Church. Each member of the body of Christ has an obligation due to baptism to build up that Body, "As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. But as it is, God placed the parts, each one of them, in the body as he intended." (1 Cor. 12:12, 18)

A stewardship way of life leads the member to evangelization, human solidarity, social justice, ecumenism, and the Eucharist. The members are called to bring these fruits into all spheres that they work in: the diocese, the parish, the domestic church (families), and the world. What are you doing to build up the Body? (Tracy Welliver, *Stewardship: A Disciple's Response in a Nutshell*) (Parish Life Office, 2019)

School Auction

Saint Benedict School is hosting its 8th Annual Benefit Auction on Saturday, February 15, 2020. Donations are welcome, from craft and handmade items, new or gently used, antique and one of a kind items. Items can be dropped off at the school during regular school hours. More information will be provided soon.

Folk Mass

Our monthly Folk Mass is Saturday, January 18 at 4 p.m. All are welcome to join in with the choir, whether you sing and/or play an instrument; or come and enjoy the music!



Flower and Candle Memorials

Flower Memorials are available for the near future dates: For January 18, 25, February 8, 15, and 22. **Saint Joseph Candle Memorials** are available for February 1, 8, 29, and March 7. The cost for Flowers is \$60 and the cost for Saint Joseph Candle is \$10. Please call the Parish Office for requests. Thank you.



Upcoming Parish Events Symbolon Video Series

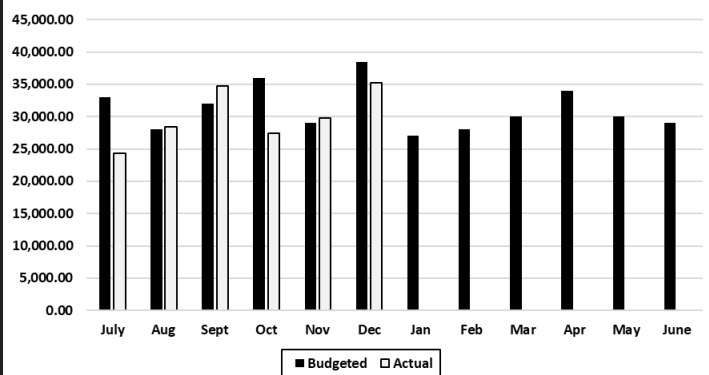
SYMBOLON: "The Catholic Faith Explained", is a video series to bring together some of the most trusted Catholic teachers in the world to guide you through the breadth and richness of the Catholic Faith. These videos will be shown in the Church Hall after the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Masses. The video for this week is "Divine Revelation: God seeking us & The Compass for Our Lives"; and the video for January 19th is "The Bible: God's Love Letter to Humanity". All are invited to participate.

Jesus Remains

"Long after the angels disappear into the heavens, the shepherds return to their flocks, the magi journey home and the great star sets, **Jesus remains.** The Child in whom we rediscover God's great love for humanity becomes the adult Redeemer who challenges us to imitate his selflessness and compassion in order that we might transform our world in love..."

May we allow the miracle of Christmas to continue long after the holiday wrappings have been packed away; may we welcome the adult Messiah and his challenging Gospel to recreate our lives, making the peace, justice and hope of this holy season a reality in every season of the new year."

Budgeted Monthly Collections



Sponsor of the Week

We wish to thank **Krumenacker's Builders Supply, (814) 948-9595** for sponsoring an ad in our bulletin. Please patronize our advertisers; as they make the bulletin possible. If interested in advertising in the bulletin call Rick Cortez at 412-292-0132.



Prayer List/Special Intentions List

We are updating the Prayer Chain list and the Special Intentions list. If you would like to put a name or a special intention on the list, call the office. Thank you for your understanding and patience as we update our Prayer Chain.

Prayer Chain



Prayer is an important part of our Catholic Faith. In an effort for our Parish Family to respond to the prayer requests of our members and friends, Parishioners have the opportunity to be part of a prayer chain. If you have a prayer request, please call the Parish Office at 344-6548. **Names will remain on the prayer chain unless we hear otherwise from the one who**

requested the prayer. Our prayers have been requested for the following: Mary Lou Anderson, James Campbell, Tim Caretti, Millie Cunningham, Oliver Cunningham, Ethan John Eckenrode, Gitta Gagne, Thom Gagne, Mae Gallagher, Betty Glass, Beth Ann Gormish, Constance Griak, Andy Haycisak, Irene Haycisak, James Hoover, Ava Koehle, Charles Lutak, Owen Manifest, Dick and Pauline Maurer, Betty Perry, Dulcie Perry, Jacob, Olivia, & Amber Peterson, Marcus SanGregorio, Tim Semelsberger, Special Intentions (6), Ronald Stevens, Denny Weakland, Dean Weber, Dennis Weber, Sara Weber, and Brenda Yeckley.

The Week Ahead

SUNDAY

- SBS Scrip sold after all weekend Masses
- CCD Classes, School

MONDAY

- Scrip sold 8-10 a.m., Church Hall
- SBS End of 2nd Marking Period

TUESDAY

- Scrip sold 8-10 a.m., Church Hall
- Eucharistic Adoration after Mass, Holy Hour 10:30 a.m.
- Bingo, early birds, 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

- Scrip sold 8-10 a.m., Church Hall
- Maur Blessing after 8 a.m. Mass

THURSDAY

- Scrip sold 8-10 a.m., Church Hall
- Card Party, 7 p.m., Church Hall

FRIDAY

- Children's Liturgy, 8:15 a.m.
- Scrip sold 9-10 a.m., Church Hall

SATURDAY

- Confessions 2 p.m.
- 10th grade Confirmation Retreat, 2-4 p.m., Church Hall

SUNDAY

- SBS Scrip sold after all weekend Masses
- CCD Classes, School— Safe Environment Classes

Immaculate Conception Church Jewelry Raffle, Saturday January 18 at New Germany Hall, 1635 New Germany Rd, Summerhill. Door ticket includes: Admission, Meal, Dessert and Drinks. Doors open at 5 p.m., 1st drawing at 6 p.m. Need not be present to win. Grand Prize: \$1,000 Jewelry Shopping Spree at Gold Rush Diamonds & Boutique. Only 500 tickets sold. \$25 Donation: No Guests. For tickets contact (814) 254-9997.

Tony Melendez Concert: On Tuesday, January 21, world renowned Catholic Musician and Speaker Tony Melendez will be performing a concert at 7 p.m. at Holy Name Church, Ebensburg. Tony was born with no arms, but learned to play the guitar with his feet from a young age. In 1987 in Los Angeles, CA, he famously performed in front of Pope John Paul II. The concert is free, but a free will offering will be taken for the parish and then for Tony.

Church Support — December 29, 2019

Offertory	6142.00
Christmas	3030.00
Church Improvements	620.00
Adopt A Student	547.00
Christmas Flowers	105.00
Solemnity of Mary	100.00
First Offering	92.00
St. Vincent de Paul	58.00
Retirement for Religious	20.00
Tree of Life	15.00
Immaculate Conception	10.00
Maintenance Fund	10.00

Church Support — January 1, 2020

Solemnity of Mary	3023.00
First Offering	340.00
Offertory	145.00
Christmas Offering	100.00

Bingo on Tuesday



Doors Open @ 5 p.m.; Kitchen opens @ 5:30 p.m.
Early Birds @ 6:30 p.m.; Regular Games to follow

- Admission \$15 — Includes 20 Regular Games
- Kitty —\$273+
 - Circle 7 – 20 numbers for \$110
- Jackpot - Straight line only
 - Full Card – 55 numbers \$625
- Instant tickets
 - All Nighter - \$160+
- \$50 end of the month drawing (Must be present to win)
- Refreshments (hamburgers, hot dogs, pizza, homemade goodies)

The more that play — the more we pay. Extras are available.
Regular games starting at \$30 a game and up.

Card Party Thursday January 16



M/M Luke Baker, M/M Nathan Burkhardt, M/M Bill Frederick,
M/M Gus Gabrielson, M/M Clarence Gailey, M/M Lawrence Lamont,
M/M John Snedden, M/M Edgar Link, M/M Edgar Link, Jr.,
Mr. Andrew Link, M/M Arthur Lechene, M/M Benedict Lechene,
M/M Raymond Letizia, Mrs. Jennifer Kent, M/M Matt Ligda

From other parishes and organizations...

Square Dances: New Germany Grove, Summerhill on January 25, February 15 and 29, March 21 and April 4. Music by Klassic Kountry from 7 to 10 p.m. Admission is \$10 which includes dancing, soft drinks and a light meal. Benefits ProLife.

Holy Name in Hawaii: Holy Name Home and School Association is sponsoring Holy Name in Hawaii on Saturday, January 25 at 5 p.m. in the Holy Name Church Hall, Ebensburg. Tickets are on sale at Holy Name School at a cost of \$25 per person (advance tickets only). For tickets or for more information, please call Holy Name School at 814-472-8817. Aloha!

Open House: At Bishop Carroll Catholic High School on Wednesday, January 29 from 6-7:30 p.m., for parents and students. A financial aid meeting will follow from 7-8 p.m. in the cafeteria. All new students will be eligible for a drawing for a \$250 scholarship. You must be present to win. Representatives from Saint Francis University and Mount Aloysius College will be on hand to explain the financial and educational advantages for attending Bishop Carroll and continuing on to one of these institutions. For more information, call the school at 472-7500 ext. 105 or email jnagy@bishopcarroll.org.