

Saint Benedict Church

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday thru Thursday:
9 am to 12 pm and 1 pm to 4 pm
Office closed on Friday

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School Office.....	344-6512
School Fax.....	344-8530
Church Hall.....	344-8770

Pastoral Staff

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<i>Jeffrey Maucieri</i>	<i>Principal</i>

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

**MASS
INTENTIONS**



Sunday, November 21, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00 a.m. +Felix and Eleanor Cymbor
10:00 a.m. For our Parish Family

Monday, November 22, St. Cecilia

8:00 a.m. +Ivan Baum
6:30 p.m. Private Intention

Tuesday, November 23, Weekday

8:00 a.m. +Charles and Alice Farabaugh

Wednesday, November 24, St. Andrew Dung-Lac

8:00 a.m. +Frank Gobris

Thursday, November 25, Weekday (Thanksgiving Day)

9:00 a.m. Private Intention

Friday, November 26, Weekday




8:00 a.m. +Elda Krumenacker

Saturday, November 27, Weekday

4:00 p.m. For All Emergency Responders

Sunday, November 28, First Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of the Yunk
and Rose Dindios Family
10:00 a.m. For our Parish Family
2:00 p.m. Anointing Mass

	 Altar Servers	 Eucharistic Ministers	 Lectors
Monday, November 22, 8:00 a.m.			C.L. Bills
6:30 p.m.			B. Fox
Tuesday, November 23, 8:00 a.m.			M. Lieb
Wednesday, November 24, 8:00 a.m.			K. Sherry
Thursday, November 25, 9:00 a.m. (Thanksgiving Day)	S. Cunningham E. Cunningham	R. Cunningham S. Cunningham	F. Sutton
Friday, November 26, 8:00 a.m.			M. Farabaugh
Saturday, November 27, 4:00 p.m.	S. Fisanick R. Kirsch	S. Gray J. Kline	C.L. Bills
Sunday, November 28, 8:00 a.m.	C. Drahnak C. Weiland	G. Yeckley G. Shoemaker	E. Woomer
10:00 a.m.	A. Groer G. Farabaugh	R. McGowan C. Farabaugh	B. Fox

In Sympathy



Please remember in your prayers the soul of our Parishioner James Westrick, husband of our Parishioner Joyce; and the soul of our Parishioner James Kelly, husband of our Parishioner Bernadine and father of our Parishioners James and Jason. May the angels lead you into paradise, may the martyrs come to welcome you, and take you to the holy city, the new and eternal Jerusalem.

Thanksgiving Day Dinner

St. Vincent de Paul in Carrolltown will sponsor a Thanksgiving Day Dinner again this year, November 25th. **Times have been changed to: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.** Dinners are take out only with delivery available to Bakerton, Carrolltown, Hastings, Patton, and St. Benedict. RSVP's are required. Call 814-615-8025. Please leave a message if no answer.

Advent Giving Tree

To enhance our celebration of the Advent Season, on November 27th, we will place the Advent Giving Tree near the Sanctuary. We will be asking for gift cards only. Parishioners are invited to purchase a Christmas gift card for a nursing home resident, home bound parishioner, child or a family in need. Those who are interested in participating in this project are asked to: (1) select a tag from the tree; (2) purchase a \$25 gift card from Walmart, Giant Eagle or Bi-Lo for the individual/family as designated on the tag; (3) place the gift card with the tag in one of the collection boxes or drop off at the Parish Office by **Sunday, December 12**. Reminder: Gift cards are also available for purchase from the Scrip Table.

Parish Breakfast This Sunday



The Parish breakfast is this Sunday, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon, in the Church Hall. The menu features eggs, bacon, sausage, ham, home fries, pancakes or toast, french toast, juice, and coffee. The cost is \$8 for adults; \$3 for children 6 to 12; children 5 years and under, free. Take-outs are available. In December, due to the increase in food costs, the price of the breakfast will increase to \$9 for adults; \$4 for children 6 to 12 years; children 5 and under, free.



Thanksgiving Day Food Collection

Parishioners are invited to bring food items to the Church on Thanksgiving Day. You are asked to keep these items with you in the pews and bring them up in the Offertory Procession. Large or small cash donations will also be accepted. **Those who are making monetary contributions are to label their gift "Saint Vincent de Paul Society," and place their contribution in the collection basket.**



This week the votive candle will burn in front of the statue of Saint Joseph the Carpenter In Loving Memory of Kay Westrick From the Regis Westrick Family

Flowers Adorning the Altar this weekend In Loving Memory of Kay Westrick From the Regis Westrick Family



Pastor's Reflection

In the 'Our Father' Jesus says, "Thy Kingdom come...on earth as it is in heaven." God's Kingdom is not just something we look forward to in the next life, it is something to work for in this life. Christ's social reign must be established in all areas of our governments and our lives.



Peace,
Father Michael

Patris Corde 7. A Father in the Shadows

Being a father entails introducing children to life and reality. Not holding them back, being overprotective or possessive, but rather making them capable of deciding for themselves, enjoying freedom and exploring new possibilities. Perhaps for this reason, Joseph is traditionally called a "most chaste" father. That title is not simply a sign of affection, but the summation of an attitude that is the opposite of possessiveness. Only when love is chaste, it is truly love. God himself loved humanity with a chaste love; he left us free even to go astray and set ourselves against him.

The logic of love is always the logic of freedom and Joseph knew how to love with extraordinary freedom. He never made himself the center of things. He did not think of himself, but focused instead on the lives of Mary and Jesus. Joseph found happiness not in mere self-sacrifice but in self-gift. His patient silence was the prelude to concrete expressions of trust. **St. Joseph, A Father in the Shadows, A Most Chaste Father, pray for us.**

(Pope Francis Apostolic letter *Patris corde*, 7. Dec. 8, 2020) 2021 Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Liturgy Committee, Liturgy Office, *Mary, Mother of the Church Pastoral Center*, 2713 W. Chestnut Avenue, Altoona, PA 16601

Families and the Gospel

November 21, John 18:33-37; When we are young, our parents "tell us about Jesus" and we believe what our parents believe. At some point, we must leave our parents faith and ask Pilate's question: "are you the King?" Pilate is just asking these questions on our behalf. (Used with permission from "A Family Perspective" by Bud Ozar)

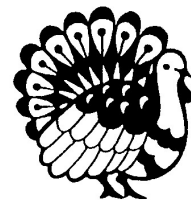
November 25, Thanksgiving Day; As you prepare for Thanksgiving, look back on this year to all the moments God visited your family in unexpected blessings, or disasters avoided, or kindness and compassion received. Realize and give thanks for "The Lord is with you." (Used with permission from "A Family Perspective" by Bud Ozar)

Stewardship Reflections

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

This feast is needed more than ever for all people and especially as the Christian stewards we claim to be, in the year 2021. It reminds us of three vital truths. **First**, even when it seems the world is spinning out of control, we need not fear because we have a King of kings who is very much in charge and who is loving, merciful and just. **Second**, if Christ is king of all, then He is also king of me, personally. I am not "lord" of my time, talents, and treasure. He is. **Third**, as His disciple, I am called to imitate my King. Christ's kingship is characterized by humble service, by emptying Himself for the good of others.

The Scriptures tell us He went about doing good and He says of Himself, "I came not to be served but to serve." How can I live any other way than as a humble servant like my King? (*Stewardship Reflection*, Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2018/11/09)



Thanksgiving tickets have been sent to our Parishioners to benefit our Church Improvement Fund. This \$20 lottery ticket is based on the first PA 7 pm Pick 3 daily lottery number beginning Sunday November 21st and running through Thursday November 25th, \$9,000 in cash prizes will be awarded. If you would like additional tickets, stop at the Parish Office. Your support is appreciated.

Sealed Bid

Sealed bid proposals for a GMC Truck. Bids must be received no later than November 30, 2021. Bids should be mailed to St. Benedict Church, P.O. Box 447, Carrolltown, PA 15722. Note "Truck Bid" on the outside of the envelope. The Church has the right to reject any and all bids at their sole discretion. Should you have any questions about the truck, please contact Jim Mohler at 814-241-8233. All transfer fees and taxes are the responsibility of the bidder. As is where is.

Specifications: 2004 GMC 2500HD Truck, Vin 1GTHK24G24E104773, Current inspection; 75,000 miles, Reg Cab, SLE Trim Package, Heavy Duty Trailing Equipment, 8.1L V8 Engine, 5 Speed Auto Transmission, Allison; 4WD, P.S., P.B., 8 foot Bed, Locking Rear Differential, Western 8 foot V Plow, Western Salt Spreader.

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.

From other parishes and organizations...

One Faith Youth Group is a Catholic Youth Group new to our Parish. Please join us for a fun night in the Church Hall on Sunday, November 28th from 6-8 p.m. There will be food, games and prayer.

Prayer Chain



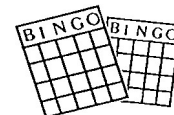
Prayer is an important part of our Catholic Faith. In an effort for our Parish Family to respond to the prayer requests of our members and friends, Parishioners have the opportunity to be part of a prayer chain. If you have a prayer request, please call the Parish Office at 344-6548. **Names will remain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

prayer. Our prayers have been requested for the following: Denise Bailey, James Campbell, Tim Caretti, David Ceschini, Joan Contorchick, John Contorchick, Mary Corio, Dominic Croyle, Millie Cunningham, Dave Cymbor, Ed Dospoy, Ethan John Eckenrode, Neta and Harry Elder, Katrina Emerick, Clare Falconi, Conner Farabaugh, Emalin Farabaugh, Vera Farabaugh, Barbara Fasoli, Neale Fiasco, Clara Fitzpatrick, Karen Fogel, Jan Franceschini, Tony Franceschini, Beth Ann Gormish, Andy Haycisak, Irene Haycisak, Kim Hicks, Kim Hoover, Tom Hoover, Richard Karlheim, Ava Koehle, Cindy Ladika, Scott Lane, Bob Lapenna, Charlotte Lechene, Mark Letavish, Charles Lutak, Joni Milchak, Jo-Anne Miller, Theresa Moore, Dylan Newby, Dave Owens, Joe Owens, Maddox Raptosh, Barb Richter, Jim and Donna Ropp, Michael and Michelle Rosmus, Becky SanGregorio, Marcus SanGregorio, Special Intentions (7), Jodi Stevens, Pat (Mutt) Stevens, Sandy Stevens, Michael Veneskey, Reagan Walker, Esther Warner, Sara Weber, Jim Weir, Wayne Wholaver, Richard Yarko, and Theresa Yeckley.

Church Support — November 14, 2021

Offertory	7903.05
Church Improvement	1100.00
Maintenance Fund	505.00
Catholic Charities	150.00
School Support	45.00
All Saints Day	25.00

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 — \$?+ • Circle 7 — ? numbers for \$?
- Jackpot - Straight line only • Full Card — ? numbers \$?
- Instant tickets • All Nighter - \$?+
- \$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.

The Week Ahead

SUNDAY

- Masses: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
- Scrip sold after all weekend Masses
- CCD Classes, School
- Parish Breakfast, 8 a.m. to noon

MONDAY

- Scrip sold 8-10 a.m., Church Hall
- SBS Council meeting 6:30 p.m.; Home School Assn meeting 7 p.m., School Computer Room

TUESDAY

- Scrip sold 8-10 a.m., Church Hall
- Holy Hour after Mass
- Bingo, Early Birds, 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

- SBS Professional Development Day, no school

THURSDAY THANKSGIVING DAY

- Mass 9 a.m.
- St. Vincent de Paul Thanksgiving Dinner 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

- Confessions, 2:00 p.m.
- Mass: 4:00 p.m.

SUNDAY

- Masses: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
- Scrip sold after all weekend Masses
- Anointing Mass, 2 p.m.



No Card Party Thursday November 25 Happy Thanksgiving

December 2 - All Volunteer Card Party

Card Party Thank You

Thanks to all who have helped in any way to maintain our weekly card parties. We appreciate your donations of food, gifts, money and your actual presence to sell chances and put the lunch out. If you would like to help when you see "Volunteer Card Party," please call Pat at 814-948-7656. You do not have to be a card player, but if you do play Cinch or Pinochle, why not come and join us for a \$1 to \$4 evening out. That includes lunch, prizes and 2 hours of fun!

Nut, Poppy Seed, & Apricot Rolls and Tea Rings for Christmas

In preparation for the holidays, the Altar Rosary Society will be making delicious **Nut, Poppy Seed & Apricot Rolls and Tea Rings. The cost is \$9 each.** Last day to order is on Sunday, December 5. The rolls can be picked-up in the Church Hall on Saturday, December 11, from 1 to 5 p.m.

Name _____

Phone _____

Nut _____ ; Poppy Seed _____ ; Apricot _____ ; Tea Rings _____

Total Cost _____