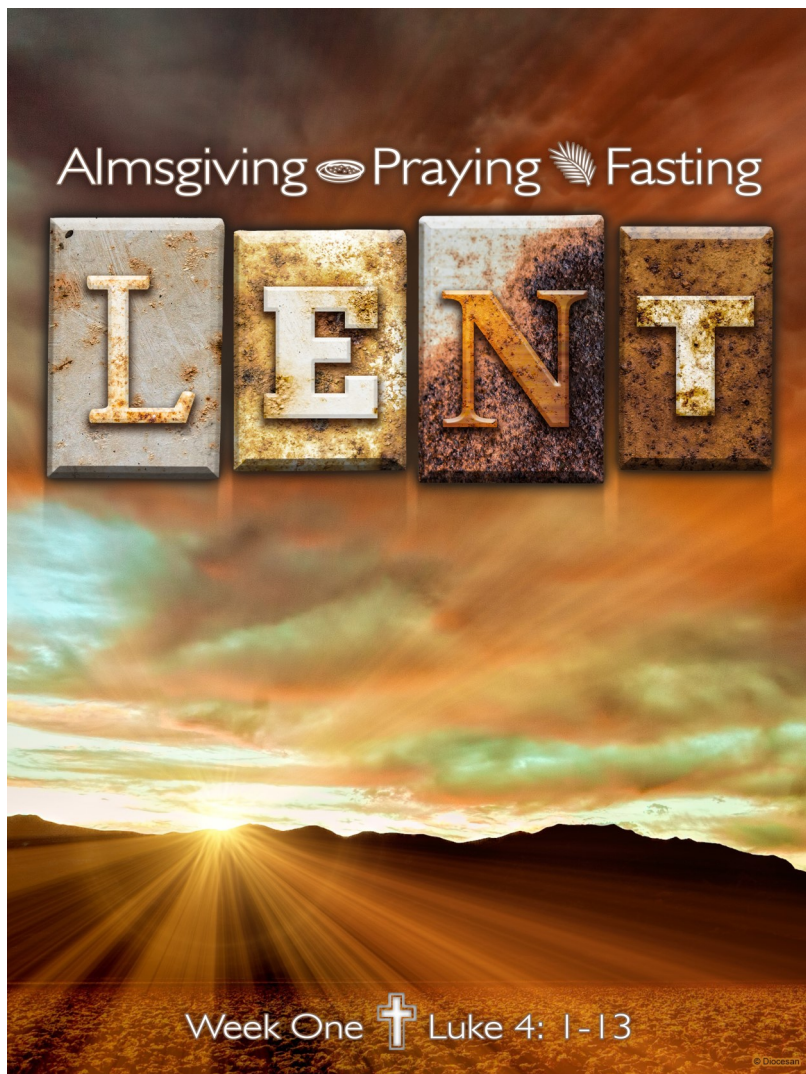


Saint Benedict Church

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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

Parish Office344-6548
Parish Fax344-8656
School Office344-6512
School Fax344-8530
Church Hall344-8770

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Father Jude W. Brady, O.S.B...... *Pastor*
Father Alfred Patterson, O.S.B. 814-421-6607 *Hospital Ministry*
Lois Bridgman..... *Secretary*
Brother Michael J. Miller, O.S.B.
Brother Conrad Wald, O.S.B. *Deacon*
Suzanne M. Bills..... *Director of Religious Education and*
Christian Initiation
Jeannine M. Cymbor *Business Manager*
Denise N. Bailey..... *Choir Director and Organist*
Jim Mohler..... *Maintenance*
Jeffrey Maucieri..... *Principal*

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

First Sunday of Lent



Sunday, March 10, 1st Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society
10:00 a.m. For our Parish Family
2:00 p.m. Anointing Mass

Monday, March 11, Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. +Fr. David Cronauer (Anniversary)
1:45 p.m. Stations of the Cross (School Children)

Tuesday, March 12, Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. +Mike Jarvis

Wednesday, March 13, Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. +John Bradley

Thursday, March 14, Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. +Leona Callahan

Friday, March 15, Lenten Weekday

8:15 a.m. +Robert Conklin
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 16, Lenten Weekday

4:00 p.m. +Jack Kirsch

Sunday, March 17, 2nd Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. +Patricia Cunningham (Birthday)
10:00 a.m. For our Parish Family

Pastor's Reflection

As we begin our Lenten Season we hear that Jesus was tempted by Satan and never sinned. When we are tempted to go astray, the Lord is asking us to petition Him for His help and mercy. He will never abandon us.

God's Mercy,
Father Jude



Families and the Gospel

Mar 10, Luke 4:1-13, Jesus "was led by the Spirit in the wilderness." What is the wilderness in your life to which the Holy Spirit is leading you this Lent? Perhaps there are uncharted areas in your marriage or family relationships. Spend this Lent in your "wilderness" with God. Where is the Spirit leading you.

Stewardship Reflections

The Israelites returned the first fruits of their harvest to God. Christian stewards place their weekly offering before the altar as a grateful response for the time, talent, and treasure that God has entrusted to them. May we experience the conversion this Lent to always want to return our first fruits to God by offering them to those in need, and not give merely our leftovers. Parish Life Office, 2019

Sponsor of the Week

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Altar Servers



Eucharistic Ministers



LECTORS

Monday, March 11, 8:00 a.m.

Macy Johnston R. Cunningham
Cameron Drahnak

Stations, 1:45 p.m.

Sean Fisanick
Leah Behe
Sophia Hoover

Tuesday, March 12, 8:00 a.m.

Garrett Farabaugh J. Farabaugh
Ricky Kirsch

Wednesday, March 13, 8:00 a.m.

Miley Hoover P. Kelly
Leah Behe

Thursday, March 14, 8:00 a.m.

Eli Cunningham J. Farabaugh
Marshall Farabaugh

Friday, March 15, 8:15 a.m.

Seth Hilyer
Seth Cunningham
Lauren Behe
Stations, 7:00 p.m.
G. Farabaugh
M. Farabaugh
B.T. Farabaugh

Saturday, March 16, 4:00 p.m.

R. Kirsch J. Kline
E.L. Farabaugh O. Cronan
S. Fisanick S. Cronan

Sunday, March 17, 8:00 a.m.

B.T. Farabaugh J. Schall
M.J. Farabaugh M. Farabaugh
M. Farabaugh

10:00 a.m.

M. Johnston R. Bridgman
M. Wholaver R. McGowan
B.G. Eckenrode B. Fox

C.L. Bills

M. Lieb

M. Farabaugh

P. Kelly

B.A. Bensor
K. Farabaugh

J. Yahner
Br. Michael

F. Sutton
M. Farabaugh

A Lenten Reflection

By Mary Carol Kendzia

Whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites; When you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face.—Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

A few years back, Bobby McFerrin sang "Don't worry, be happy." This could well be our theme song for Lent. Jesus tells us that when we undertake the three key Lenten practices—to fast, pray and give alms—we should smile and go about our work without a grand show of self-righteousness. "Do not let your left hand know what the right hand is doing."

Traditionally, Lent is a time of penance and increased self-discipline. And yet, in the midst of this, Lent can still be a time of joy. It is a time to devote our hearts and minds to becoming better Christians. It is a time to lay down our worldly burdens and put on the robes of reconciliation. It is a time to take on an attitude of simplicity in our everyday life, a time to move closer to God with our family. Most of all, it is a time to say, "Don't worry. God will provide." And that is great cause for happiness.

Leader: Lord, you watch over us and provide for us every minute of our lives. Teach us not to worry, and to trust in your everlasting care.

All: Jesus, fill our hearts with the joy of your love.

Leader: Jesus, you offer us everlasting life, a gift more precious than anything money can buy.

All: We thank you, Jesus, for your kindness and goodness.

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*This week the votive candle will burn
in front of the statue of
Saint Joseph the Carpenter
In Loving Memory of
Theodore and Stephanie Tucker
From the Gaston, Kline, and Fetzer Families*

From other parishes and organizations...

The Carrolltown American Legion will hold an Open Meeting with Veteran Service Organizations at 1 p.m. on March 16, at the Carrolltown Fire Company Banquet Hall, 148 S Main St., Carrolltown. Veterans and their family members are invited to drop in any time during the event. For more information, please call George Legros at 814-931-7634

Spaghetti Dinner/Basket Auction, St. Benedict Church Hall, Sunday, March 17, 2019, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., for Mary Kay Gallagher. Cost: Adults \$7, Children 3-12 - \$5, Under 3—free. Take-outs available. Anyone wishing to donate a basket, please contact Donna at (814) 421-1820, or Lorie at (814) 659-6911. Thank you.

St. John the Beloved Young Adult Group: Come and join the newly formed St. John the Beloved Young Adult Group (Ages 20-40) for Adoration and fellowship every second and fourth Thursday of the month. Our first meeting will be on Thursday, March 14th. Adoration will start at 7 p.m. in St. Benedict Church (Johnstown), followed by Litany of the Sacred Heart and Benediction at 7:45. Pizza and fellowship to follow at the St. John Paul II Center on the St. Benedict Parish Campus. For more info reach out to Fr. Peter Crowe (Phone: 814-266-9781 ext. 507, Email: pcrowe@dioceseaj.org) or Patrick Roy (Phone: 814-270-4191, Email: proyjmj@gmail.com). St. Benedict Parish is located on 2310 Bedford St., Johnstown, PA 15904.

Comfort by Candlelight

Coming to Loretto! On March 18, Kathy Troccoli, a gifted singer, songwriter, and author will be appearing at Saint Francis University as part of her national tour. The "Comfort by Candlelight" evening event promises to be an inspiring night of encouragement, hope, laughter, and love. The concert will be held in the Immaculate Conception Chapel from 7 to 8:30 p.m. with the doors opening at 6:15 p.m. Tickets are free. For more information contact, Denise Farabaugh at 814-472-3172 or visit www.kathytroccoli.com/ (<http://www.kathytroccoli.com/>).

Try for a Lenten Moment

If you're feeling discouraged because your effort to give up chocolate was thwarted by the co-worker who brought the birthday cake to work, don't lose heart. Lent is not a pass/fail class. Rather, it is a journey of becoming closer to God through prayer, sacrifice, and generosity. Seeing Lent only as a 40-day block can prevent us from taking advantage of Lenten moments-opportunities that arise each day for us to deepen our relationship with God. Here are a few:

***Prayer.** Between now and Easter, look for five minutes alone with your spouse. Face each other, hold hands, and ask your spouse what he or she is most worried about. Then together pray an Our Father, slowly, for that worry. Then do the same for your worry, followed by a prayer of gratitude from each of you.

***Generosity.** Almsgiving is the traditional way to be generous during Lent, but generosity can be practiced in small moments throughout the day-flowers for a teacher, a plate of cookies for an elderly person.

***Sacrifice.** The strong among us are able to sustain a 40-day fast from sweets, chips, or alcohol during Lent, but the rest of us need to start small with our sacrifice. Try a focused, one-to-three day fast from something you truly enjoy, but for a purpose. Give up your afternoon Diet Coke for three days straight and pray for your children. Skip sweets for a day and make a point to learn more about those areas of the world affected by hunger.

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Leaving a Legacy—Principles to Live By

By Jim Rohn from "Twelfth Pillar of Success: Legacy, Part Two"

Life is best lived in service to others. This doesn't mean that we do not strive for the best for ourselves. It does mean that in all things we serve other people, including our family, co-workers and friends.

Consider others' interests as important as your own. Much of the world suffers because people consider only their own interests. People are looking out for number one, but the way to leave a legacy is to also look out for others.

Love your neighbor even if you don't like him. It is interesting that Jesus told us to love others. But he never tells us to like them. Liking people has to do with emotions. Loving people has to do with actions. And what you will find is that when you love them and do good by them, you will more often than not begin to like them.

Maintain integrity at all costs. There are very few things you take to the grave with you. The number one thing is your reputation and good name. There are always going to be temptations to cut corners and break your integrity. Do not do it. Do what is right all of the time, no matter what the cost.

You must risk in order to gain. In just about every area of life you must risk in order to gain the reward. In love, you must risk rejection in order to ask that person out for the first time. In investing you place your capital at risk in the market in order to receive a growing bank account. When we risk, we gain and when we gain, we have more to leave for others.

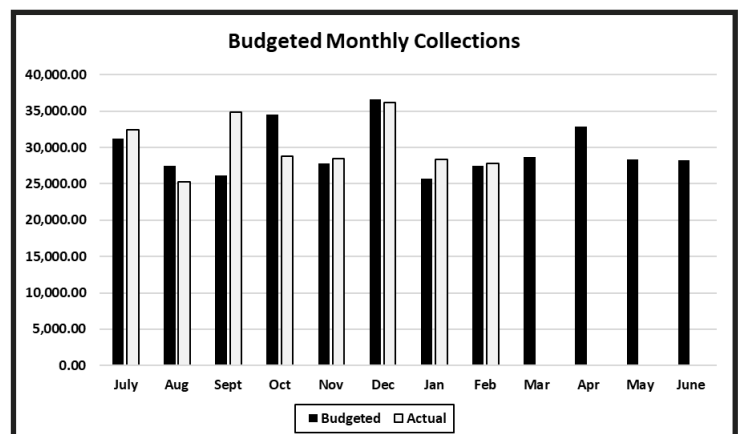
You reap what you sow. If you plant a seed, you reap a bushel. What you put into the ground then grows out of the ground...It is one of the truest laws of the universe. Decide what you want out of life and begin to sow it.

Hard work is never a waste. Hard work will leave a grand legacy. Give it your all on your trip around the earth. You will do a lot of good and leave a terrific legacy.

Don't give up when you fail. Imagine what legacies would have never existed if someone had given up. Everyone fails. It is a fact of life. Those who succeed are those who do not give up. They keep going and build a successful life — and a legacy!

Don't ever stop in your pursuit of a legacy. Many people have accomplished tremendous things later on in life. There is always time to do more and achieve more, to help more and serve more, to teach more and to learn more. Keep going and growing that legacy!

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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, Barry Barrett Sr., Tom Bender, James Campbell, Tim Caretti, David Ceschini, Nixon Cicero, James Connors, Dave Contorchick, Millie Cunningham, Clare Ann Dumm, Harry & Neta Elder, Clare Falconi, Norma Jeanne Frederick, Gitta Gagne, Thom Gagne, Mary Kay Gallagher, Beth Ann Gormish, Shaw Graffius, Janice Gray, Shirl Gray, Constance Griak, Charlotte Gwizdak, Cory Hall, Irene Haycisak, Charles Lutak, Kady Manifest, Paula Mitchell, George Penrod, Betty Perry, Dulcie Perry, Jere Perry, Jacob & Olivia Peterson, Kevin Polites, Maddox Raptosh, Michelle Romagna, Franz Romanic, Jim Ropp, Marcus SanGregorio, Lisa Schrift, Patricia Sever, Special Intentions (15), Ronald Stevens, Dorothy Strittmatter, Denny Weakland, Dean Weber, Sara Weber, and Cliff Wolf.

The Week Ahead

Time Change



SUNDAY

- Scrip sold after all weekend Masses
- CCD Classes, School
- Confirmation Sponsor/Candidate Meeting 9-9:45 a.m., Church Hall
- Anointing Mass, 2 p.m., followed by Social in the Church Hall; 9th grade Project

MONDAY

- SBS Scrip sold 8-10 a.m., Church Hall
- SBS Children's Stations of the Cross, 1:45 p.m.

TUESDAY

- SBS 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.
- Festival Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Boniface Wimmer Room

WEDNESDAY

- SBS Scrip sold 8-10 a.m., Church Hall
- SBS STREAM Fair, 6 p.m., Church Hall

THURSDAY

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

FRIDAY

- Children's Liturgy, 8:15 a.m.
- SBS Parent Transport Day
- SBS Scrip sold 9-10 a.m., Church Hall
- Stations of the Cross, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY

- Confessions, 2 p.m.

SUNDAY

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

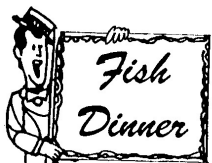
Lenten Fish Dinners

-Immaculate Conception Parish in New Germany, from 4-7 p.m. at the Grove Hall, every Friday during Lent, except Good Friday

-Queen of Peace Parish Center, Patton, from 4-7 p.m. Friday during Lent, thru and including Good Friday. Eat

in dinners in the upper level of the Parish Center. Adults \$10, children 5-12, \$5, under 5-free. Takeout dinners available in the lower level of the Parish Center.

-Holy Family Parish, 509 Caldwell Ave, Portage, on Friday's, March 15 & 29, and April 12 from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Orders for take-outs will be taken starting at 1 p.m., but will not be ready until 4 p.m. or later. Call 736-3146 to place orders. Adults \$10, Children 6-12 \$5, Children 5 & under are free.



Church Support — March 3, 2019

Offertory	9293.01
Church Improvements	761.00
Ash Wednesday	124.00
Catholic Register	65.00
Maintenance Fund	53.00
Mandeville Diocese	36.00
Catholic Relief Services	35.00
Black and Indian Mission	30.00
Adopt A Student	10.00
First Offering	5.00

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—\$254+ • Circle 7 – 24 numbers for \$170
 - Jackpot - Straight line only • Full Card – 55 numbers \$675
 - Instant tickets • All Nighter - \$0+
 - \$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 March 14th



Mrs. Fran Phillips, Mrs. Rose Prevost, Mrs. Neil Price,
Mrs. Charlotte Quist, M/M Michael Raynish, Mr. Pat Regan,
M/M Jonathan Rezk, M/M Richard Rezk, Mrs. Ronald Rieger,
M/M Charles Ropp, M/M James Ropp, M/M Matthew Rosmus,
M/M Mike Ryan, Ms. Beverly Sauer, M/M Anthony Sclesky,
Mrs. Eva Eagler, M/M Don Sclesky, Mrs. Esther Sclesky,
M/M Francis Sclesky, M/M Richard Sclesky

From other parishes and organizations...

Halupki Dinner: Prince of Peace Church Hall, 811 Chestnut Avenue, Northern Cambria, Sunday, March 17. The dinner will be served from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., consisted of 2 Halupki (pig in the blanket), "real" mashed potatoes, Haluski, green beans, roll & butter and dessert. Cost for adults: \$10 and children under 10: \$5. Take-outs will be available beginning at 10:30 a.m. Also: Basket Auction, two 50/50's and a 50 inch flat screen TV raffle. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

Sign Day at Saint Francis University: A fun introduction to American Sign Language (ASL) for students in grades K-12. Sunday, April 7 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Check-in begins at 9:30 a.m. Bring brown bag lunch with participant's name. Cost: \$11 per participant. **Registration Deadline is March 17.** (Registration fee is non-refundable.) Registration includes a t-shirt. Those who register after March 17 are not guaranteed a t-shirt.

Fill out the form at <https://www.francis.edu/Sign-Day-Registration/> or print out the form and mail it to: 117 Evergreen Drive, Care of the ASL Program, Loretto PA 15940.

Lent 2019 Reflections, BEST LENT EVER: Whether you want to watch a BEST LENT EVER video for the first—or second—time, share one with a friend, or catch up on what you missed, you've come to the right place: <https://dynamiccatholic.com/best-lent-ever/lenen-reflections-2019>.