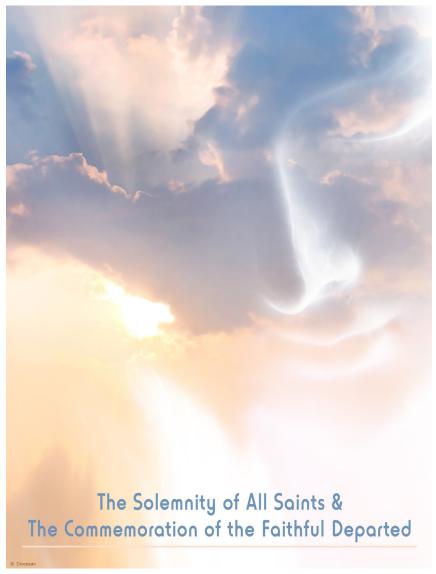
# Saint Benedict Church

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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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Church Hall	

#### **Pastoral Staff**

Father Michael J. Gabler, O.S.B.	
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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.



## Sunday, October 27, Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. +Catherine Murphy 10:00 a.m. For our Parish Family

#### Monday, October 28, Sts. Simon and Jude

8:00 a.m. +Frank and Mary Grace Hipps

6:30 p.m. +Dave Behe

#### Tuesday, October 29, Weekday

8:00 a.m. +Rose M. Sharbaugh

#### Wednesday, October 30, Weekday

8:00 a.m. +Judy Owens

#### Thursday, October 31, Weekday

8:15 a.m. +Mary Louise Gobert 6:30 p.m. For our Parish Family

#### Friday, November 1, All Saints Day

8:15 a.m. Sacred Heart League

12:00 p.m. +Kevin Hite

#### Saturday, November 2, Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed

8:00 a.m. Commemoration of All Souls

4:00 p.m. +Bo Campbell

#### Sunday, November 3, Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of the Altar

Rosary and Holy Name Societies

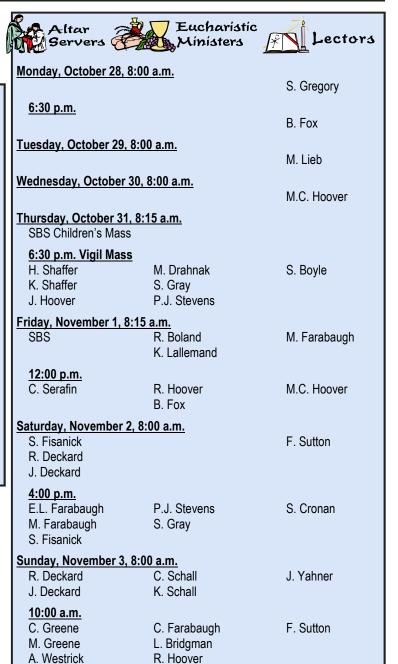
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## Recently Deceased of Our Parish



A special Memorial Mass for our Parishioners who have passed from St. Benedict Church within the past 12 months will be held on Saturday, November 2nd at 8:00 a.m. All families and friends are invited to join in this beautiful act of remembrance.

Mary Jane Westrick	<i>85</i>	Rosalie Bogus	91
Helen Farabaugh	94	Paul Passarella	71
Leona Dowey	101	Maurita Grimes	97
Maria Baldacchino	89	Richard Prevost, Jr.	<i>52</i>
Kimberly Farabaugh	<i>30</i>	Gerard Burskey, Gr.	<i>73</i>
Diane Paronish	68	Robert Bender	84
Edward Kirkpatrick	73	Mildred Cunningham	<i>89</i>
Thomas Kline, Gr.	<i>83</i>	Edgar Link	<i>95</i>
Annette Whited	61	Grace Kieffer	88
Theresa Yeckley	<i>93</i>	Evelyn Coleman	<i>87</i>
Ethel A. Cunningham	90	Mary Springer	<i>82</i>
Anne Busunis	100	Clara Fitzpatrick	81
Anna Price	<i>82</i>	William Hunt	84
Lawrence Springer	<i>82</i>	Viola Kirsch	<i>86</i>
Patricia Stoltz	91	Carol Raynish	<i>85</i>
Bernardine Lauer	87	Joseph Weber	71
Joan Yeckley	91	Kevin Hite	<i>68</i>
Benjamin Farabaugh	46	Janice Morris	<i>76</i>
Jeanne Lantzy	<i>95</i>	Thomas Murphy	<i>69</i>
Leonard Eckenrode	77	Dorothy Stevens	<i>75</i>
Dolores Gwizdak	<i>91</i>	James Montanaro	<i>62</i>



## In Sympathy



Please remember in your prayers the soul of Barbara Gray, mother of our Parishioners Michael, David and Deanna Horvath. 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.

## 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 price of the breakfast for adults is \$11; \$5 for children 6 to 12; children 5 years and under, free. Take-outs are available. All take-outs are \$11.





This week the votive candle will burn in front of the statue of Saint Joseph the Carpenter In Loving Memory of Doris Lacue
From the Lacue Family

## Pastor's Reflection

Often times there are obstacles to the practice of the faith. The blind man called to Jesus but was rebuked by the people. He persevered, though and received his sight. If he had given up he wouldn't have been healed. We are encouraged to persevere in all our trials.



Peace,

Father Michael

## Families and the Gospel

October 27, 2024, (Mark 10:46-52)

When Jesus asked the blind man "What do you want from me?" he asked for sight. If Jesus asked you the same question, what would you say? Okay, that is your prayer. ("A Family Perspective" by Bud Ozar)

## Stewardship Reflections

Our Psalm today, "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy," sheds light on our glorious Gospel reading about the healing of the blind man, Bartimaeus.

We can learn a lot from Bartimaeus when it comes to our own personal relationships with Jesus. Many of us struggle with something from which we need healing - physical blindness, illness, addiction, bad habits, anger, sin. In our weakness, do we confidently cry out to Jesus knowing that He will help us?

Oftentimes we begin to, but then a voice in our thoughts tells us to doubt and encourages us to stop trying, like the crowd in our Gospel. Although that voice is persistent and strong, we are called to cry out all the more. If Jesus can hear one voice in a crowd of many, then He can hear our direct prayers to Him in our hearts.

Whatever it is that you desire to be healed from today, confidently cry out to Jesus in prayer. He is listening. And when you hear the voice of doubt, keep praying. Strive to have unwavering faith that Jesus is with you, He hears you and will heal you in His way and His time. Know that the Lord has done great things for us and will continue to do so - so let our hearts be filled with joy.

## Month of the Rosary

October is month of the Rosary. Many graces and favors are obtained for those who recite it regularly. Rosary Packets are located at the entrances to the Church. Please feel free to take them.

## Baptized in Christ



With joy we welcome into the Family of Saint Benedict Parish and the Family of God, Martin John Sclesky, son of Joseph and Elle. We extend our love and best wishes to Martin John and his parents.

## Flowers Adorning the Altar this weekend For Recently Deceased Parishioners Of St. Benedict Parish



## Special Thank You

This response for this year's 40 hours was exceptional, especially considering that we did not advertise to other parishes. A special thanks goes out to all those who helped to make the event such a success. I look forward to having 40 hours next year. Father Michael.



Remember to turn your clocks back one hour, Sunday, November 3rd at 2:00 a.m.

## Shut-Ins and Nursing Home Residents

It is important for our parish office to keep updated records of our Parishioners who are confined to their homes, as well as those residents of nursing homes or personal care facilities. If you are aware of a Parishioner who is homebound or resides in a nursing home, please contact the parish office.

## Advent Giving Tree

Plans have begun for our Advent Giving Tree program. If you are aware of a Parishioner who is homebound or in a nursing home, or of a family in need of a little extra help, please contact the Parish Office.

## Gabriel Project

We would like to extend a special thank you to all who donated to the baby shower that was held for the Gabriel Project after the annual Life Chain held on October 6th. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. We were able to supply both the Ebensburg and Johnstown locations with many of the baby items they need. There were also several monetary donations that both locations will use to purchase items that the families they serve are in need of.

Thank you also for the continued donations placed in the play pen in the narthex of the church. These donations allow us to provide ongoing support to crisis pregnancy centers in our area. We have taken donations to Catholic Charities in Altoona, Precious Life in Altoona and Johnstown and to the Gabriel Project in Ebensburg and Johnstown. These ministries would not be able to assist women in need without your continued support.

"I expect to pass through life but once, If therefore, there be any kindness I can show, or any good thing I can do to any fellow being, let me do it now, and not defer or neglect it, as I shall not pass this way again." William Penn

## Sponsor of the Week

We wish to thank **Cambria Collision**, **814-344-6000**, 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 Tony Melchiorre at 717-421-3242.

## 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. Names will be updated annually in January. Our prayers have been requested for the following: Jackie Adams, Vickie Baran, Russel Bard. Sabbath Beach, Caryle Bearer, Dorothy Bearer, Michael Behe, Dick Bender, Dan Bilko, Kurta Cady, Joe Caretti, Tim Caretti, Evan Cicero, John Contorchick, Chip Dotts, Mary Dumm, Maddox and Paxtyn Eckenrode, Neta and Harry Elder, Clare Falconi, Dan Farabaugh, Mike Farabaugh, Shannon Farabaugh, Vera Farabaugh, Barbara Fasoli, Olivia Ferguson, Jr. Gailey, Anthony Gwizdak, Eva Hart, Irene Haycisak, Mary Catherine Hoover, Chuck Horn, Tom Jackson Sr., Richard Karlheim, Cheryl Keith, Larry Kibler, Patty Kibler, Doug Kieffer, Ava Koehle, Jason Koshinski, Mike Kovall, Dave Kuhar, Bob Lapenna, John Lechene, Robert Letavish, Bob Miller, Brother Michael Miller, Camilla Miller, Theresa Miller, Chuck Mitchell, Odessa Morris, Jesse Murphy, Beverley Owens, Jody Panczak, Dorothy Penrod, Kevin Penrod, Norman Polites, Norman Polites Jr., Maddox Raptosh, Sam Reed, Andy Ropp, Jim Ropp, Adam Schaeffer, Donna Shero, Special Intentions (21), Susan Snyder, Debbie Stephenson, Edward Stevens, Jackie Stevens, Patrick J. Stevens, Joseph Thomas, Cindy Vallery, Benedicta Veneskey, Sara Weber, and Richard Zaliznock.

## The Week Ahead

#### SUNDAY

- -Masses 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.
- -CCD Classes
- -Parish Breakfast 8 a.m. to Noon, Church Hall

- -Scrip sold 8-10 a.m., Church Hall
- -Monthly Communion Calls
- -Advent Giving Tree Planning Meeting 7 p.m., Boniface Wimmer Room

#### TUESDAY

- -Holy Hour after Mass; followed by Adoration; Benediction at 3:55 p.m.
- -Scrip sold 8-10 a.m., Church Hall
- -Monthly Communion Calls
- -Bingo, early birds 6:30 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY

- -Scrip sold 8-10 a.m., Church Hall
- -Monthly Communion Calls

#### **THURSDAY**

- -SBS Children's Liturgy 8:15 a.m.
- -Scrip sold 8-10 a.m., Church Hall
- -Card Party 7 p.m., Church Hall
- -All Saints Day Vigil Mass 6:30 p.m.

#### FRIDAY All Saints Day, Holy Day of Obligation

- -Masses at 8:15 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.
- -Scrip sold 8-10 a.m., Church Hall

#### SATURDAY All Souls Day

- -All Souls Day Mass 8 a.m.
- -Confessions, 2 p.m., Church; Mass 4 p.m.

#### SUNDAY

- -Masses 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.
- -CCD Classes
- -2nd Grade Parent Meeting for First Penance 11:15 a.m., Church Hall

## Church Support - October 19 & 20, 2024

Offertory	6373.50
Hurricane Relief	5474.00
Organ Project	1085.00
World Mission Sunday	584.00
Tree of Life	170.00
All Souls Day	75.00
Church Improvement	55.00
Benedictine Appeal	50.00
All Saints Day	15.00
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## **Bingo on Tuesday**

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



- Admissions \$16 (18 cards)
- Kitty \$167+
- Full Card 56 numbers \$650
- Jackpot Straight line only All Nighter \$284+
- Instant tickets
- \$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 October 31**



M/M Dan Stevens, Miss Sandy Stevens, Mrs. Lydia Strayer, Mr. David Strittmatter, M/M Fred Strittmatter, Mr. Dan Strong, M/M Ken Strong, Mr. Fred Sutton, Mr. Dave Sybert, M/M Chris Taylor, Mr. Chris Thomas, Mr. Allen Thomas, Mr. Bryan Thomas, M/M Drew Thomas, Miss Melody Thomas, M/M Matthew Thomas, M/M Joe Thomas, M/M Eric Thomas

## From other parishes and organizations...

Wehnwood Community String Ensemble: performance at St. Augustine Church in Dysart, on Sunday, November 3 at 3 p.m. Fr. Bob Reese will once again be performing with the Wehnwood Community String Ensemble. There is no cost, and the performance will be approximately an hour in length. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending this joyous event.

Pork & Sauerkraut Supper: Sunday, November 3, at St. John the Baptist Social Hall, 540 Main St., Summerhill. Take Out Only - Drive Thru. \$15 /dinner from 4 p.m. until sold out.

Wine Festival: at Bishop Carroll Catholic High School, Saturday, November 9 from 4 - 8 p.m. Wine tasting and sales, numerous wineries & distilleries, gourmet food, bakery confections, basket raffle, cork draw game, jewelry, wood crafts, smoked meat and cheese & more. Drawings at 8 p.m. for cash prizes totaling \$25,000. Admission: \$25. Must be 21, Proper ID Required.

Carrolltown "12 Days of Christmas" Basket Auction: St. Benedict Church, Carrolltown, November 23 and 24. Baskets/donations may be dropped off at Mike Springer's State Farm Insurance, Carrolltown from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Friday. Questions: call 814-344-8481.