

Saint Benedict Church

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday thru Thursday:
9 am to 12 pm and 1 pm to 4 pm
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Pastoral Staff

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



MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 28, Pentecost Sunday

8:00 a.m. +Patty Eckenrode
10:00 a.m. For our Parish Family
12:00 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph's Mission Church

Monday, May 29, The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

8:00 a.m. For our Deceased Veterans

Tuesday, May 30, Weekday

8:00 a.m. +Anne Montgomery
6:30 p.m. Private Intention

Wednesday, May 31, The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth

8:00 a.m. +Lukas Shank

Thursday, June 1, St. Justin

8:00 a.m. +Maurice and Ruth Farabaugh

Friday, June 2, Weekday

8:00 a.m. Sacred Heart League

Saturday, June 3, St. Charles Lwanga

4:00 p.m. +Barbara Rickard

Sunday, June 4, Trinity Sunday

8:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of the Altar
Rosary and Holy Name Societies
10:00 a.m. For our Parish Family



Altar
Servers



Eucharistic
Ministers



Lectors

Monday, May 29, 8:00 a.m.

S. Cronan

Tuesday, May 30, 8:00 a.m.

M. Lieb

6:30 p.m.

B. Fox

Wednesday, May 31, 8:00 a.m.

M.C. Hoover

Thursday, June 1, 8:00 a.m.

P. Kelly

Friday, June 2, 8:00 a.m.

M. Farabaugh

Saturday, June 3, 4:00 p.m.

M. Farabaugh B.A. Bensor
A. Conner S. Cronan
E.L. Farabaugh

M. Lieb

Sunday, June 4, 8:00 a.m.

C. Drahnak Ka. Schall
J. Deckard S. Cunningham
R. Deckard

J. Yahner

10:00 a.m.

M. Eckenrode L. Bridgman
R. Eckenrode C. Farabaugh
R. McGowan

F. Sutton

In Sympathy



Please remember in your prayers the soul of our Parishioner Wayne Durbin, Sr., husband of our Parishioner Shirley and father of our Parishioners Wayne Durbin and Nancy Westrick. 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.



St. Joseph's Mission Church

St. Joseph's Mission Church will have a Mass this Sunday, May 28 at Noon in observance of Memorial Day. St. Joseph's Mission Church will also be open for visitation on Sunday June 18th and Sunday August 27th from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. Please contact Floyd or Marian Farabaugh at 814-344-2601 for more information, or to schedule other visits.

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 \$10; \$4 for children 6 to 12; children 5 years and under, free. Take-outs are available. All take-outs are \$10.



No Confessions June 3rd

Father Michael will be away. There will be a Mission Priest for the weekend Masses.



Gifts of the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit was poured out upon the Church on the first Pentecost just as it was for each of us in baptism. The Spirit continues to empower us not only to *believe*, but to *act* as disciples.

The Holy Spirit provides gifts. These gifts, according to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, make us part of the Body of Christ and then enable us to strengthen that Body and the whole world by the way we live.

Wisdom is the gift of knowledge about divine matters, particularly about the will of God.

Understanding helps us to see beyond the surface to find meaning in the mystery of our human life. In particular, this gift helps us to see how our faith unites us to God and to one another.

Counsel directs our attention to God as the source of genuine values and helps us apply judgment to particular actions. Counsel also helps us assist others in finding which course to take.

Courage helps us to do what we know is right—even when we are afraid.

Knowledge is the insight into what we ought to believe and what is not worthy of belief.

Reverence leads us to respect and give honor to God and to others. Reverence helps us subject ourselves to God and to ask for what we need.

Fear of the Lord gives us a healthy awe in the face of the mystery of Almighty God. Rather than making us afraid of God, fear of the Lord helps us to abandon ourselves to the Love that is God.



*This week the votive candle will
burn in front of the statue of
Saint Joseph the Carpenter
In Celebration of Donald and Linda
Weber's 40th Wedding Anniversary*

Pastor's Reflection

Pentecost is one of the most important solemnities in the Church. It is the feast of the Holy Spirit releasing his gifts to us. The Holy Spirit is deserving of our gratitude and our devotion.

Peace,
Father Michael



Families and the Gospel

May 28, 2023, Pentecost Sunday (John 20:19-23)

Like the disciples in today's gospel, there are times we shut the doors of our hearts to people or events. It's how we create emotional distance. Permanent distancing is lethal and prevents the PEACE Jesus offers you today. ("A Family Perspective" by Bud Ozar)



Stewardship Reflections

The Holy Spirit gives us gifts and guidance in a very personal way. We are meant to use these gifts to build up the Body of Christ. The outpouring of the Spirit was a personalized way of "gifting" the apostles, allowing them each to reach different people, sharing with them the "mighty acts of God." Embracing the stewardship way of life means that we allow the Holy Spirit to guide us in the best use of the unique gifts He has given to each of us, to accomplish the particular mission entrusted to us.

Jesus gives us this mission in our Gospel passage from John, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." But we must not let this responsibility overwhelm us. Jesus Himself, tells us "Peace be with you." As this Easter season comes to a close, let us be at peace. And let us resolve to lean on the Holy Spirit more and more as our guide through the stewardship way of life. (www.CatholicSteward.com, 4/21/2023)

Vacation Bible School

This year's Vacation Bible School is open to children ages 4 to 12. It is scheduled for Monday June 12 through Friday June 16. Our enrollment deadline is **Thursday June 8th**. If we do not have at least 25 children registered by that date, we will be unable to offer the program this year. All registered children will be contacted, and refunds given if a cancellation is necessary.



**Vacation
Bible
School**

Sponsor of the Week

We wish to thank **Vantage Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation, 814 -472-4921**, 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.

*Flowers Adorning the Altar
this weekend
For Our Living and Deceased
Veterans*



Birthright's Carnation Sale

Birthright of Johnstown would like to thank all those who donated to Birthright's Carnation sale on Mother's Day weekend. Your generous donations totaled \$1338.36. This money enables Birthright to continue to support pregnant women in our area.

Mission

PEACE (Pastoral Evangelization and Children Education) is a catholic mission foundation. This foundation provides basic and quality education for the marginalized students in southern India. There are more than 300 million children who do not have access to go to school because of their poverty and family background in India. PEACE is trying to encourage and provide an opportunity for the children to go to school and get basic education. Right now, we are providing education for more than 2000 children in our program.

The Main goals of PEACE:

- To bring happiness and hope to the marginalized children through education.
- To provide non-educational programs for the youth, both boys and girls, such as mechanical and tailoring programs which help them to be self-supportive in their life.
- To provide pastoral care for the new converts into our faith.

Rev. Anthony Boothali will be here to share his mission experience with us next weekend. Whatever financial support that we can give for the programs will be greatly appreciated. Please be generous in your contributions to the missions.

Catholic Communication Campaign

Thank you for your generosity toward last week's collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC engage and build community for millions, here in the United States and around the world. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections.

Ushers Needed

The Parish is in need of Ushers for the weekend Masses. Please contact the office if you are interested in helping. Thank you!

Prayer on Memorial Day

Lord Jesus Christ, Today we honor the memory of those men and women who have given their lives for their compatriots in the cause of freedom. They have worked, fought, and died for the heritage of freedom, brotherhood, and honor that they have passed on to us. Help us to recall that you yourself gave up your life for all human beings in the cause of true freedom - to save us from self-love and sin. Teach us the true meaning of peace and freedom, that the real battle must always take place in ourselves before it will be won in families and nations. Make us keep your memory in our Eucharistic celebrations and pray for the peace and freedom of the whole world.

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,

Sabbath Beach, Steve Bearer, Michael Behe, Terry Buckno, Michelle Burnette, Mike Calwood, Joe Caretti, Tim Caretti, Evan Cicero, Mary Dumm, Maddox Eckenrode, Neta and Harry Elder, Clare Falconi, Ken Farabaugh, Shannon Farabaugh, Vera Farabaugh, Barbara Fasoli, Hayes Fredrickson, Anthony Gwizdak, Eva Hart, Irene Haycisak, Tom Hoover, Chuck Horn, Michael Horvath, Richard Karlheim, Doug Kieffer, Mary Ann Kline, Ava Koehle, Jason Koshinski, Mike Kovall, Alayna Jo Kuzio, Cindy Ladika, Bob Lapenna, John Lechene, Charles Lutak, Loretta McCoy, Maggie McCoy, Brian McIntosh, Tom Murphy, Jody Panczak, Kevin Penrod, Arnie Perry, Norman Polites, Norman Polites, Jr., Maddox Raptosh, Dennis Richter, Andy Ropp, Jim Ropp, Julie Rummell, Sandy Shank, Special Intentions (11), Renee Smith, Susan Snyder, Rhonda Springer, Jackie Stevens, Patrick J. Stevens, Joseph Thomas, Michael Trunk, Benedicta Veneskey, Reagan Walker, Esther Warner, Sara Weber, Pat Wojno, and Theresa Yeckley.

Church Support - May 18, 20 & 21, 2023

Offertory	6791.50
Ascension of the Lord	1341.50
Catholic Communication Campaign	360.85
Church Improvement	215.00
Tree of Life	35.00
Adopt A Student	15.00
Tower Project	10.00

Bingo on Tuesday



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

- Admissions \$16 (18 cards)
- Kitty — \$88+ • Full Card – 59 numbers \$725
- Jackpot - Straight line only • All Nighter - #1: \$500 #2: \$8+
- 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.

The Week Ahead

PENTECOST SUNDAY

- Masses: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
- Parish Breakfast 8 a.m. to noon, Church Hall
- Memorial Day Mass, 12:00 p.m., St. Joseph Mission Church

MONDAY (MEMORIAL DAY)

- Parish Office Closed
- Monthly Communion Calls

TUESDAY

- Monthly Communion Calls
- Holy Hour after Mass; followed by Adoration; Benediction at 3:55 p.m.
- Bingo, Early Birds, 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

- Monthly Communion Calls

THURSDAY

- Card Party 7 p.m., Church Hall

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

-NO CONFESSIONS

- Mass 4 p.m.

SUNDAY

- Masses: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Card Party Thursday June 1, 2023



M/M Kenneth Hite, M/M Kevin Hite II, Mr. Kevin Hite,
M/M Leonard Hite, Ms. Marci Hite, M/M Maurus Hite,
Mr. Maurus Hite Jr., M/M Richard Hnatkovich, Mrs. Linda
Holler, M/M Tim Hollis, M/M Francis Holtz, M/M Tim Holtz,
M/M Dave Horn, M/M Michael Horvath, M/M Carl Hunt,
Mr. William Hunt

From other parishes and organizations...

Outdoor Masses: every **Sunday evening at 7 p.m.** at the beautiful **Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies**. The first Mass of the season will be celebrated May 28th! Outdoor Masses will continue through Labor Day weekend- September 3. Please bring a lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated in the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel. **The Chapel House of Father Demetrius Gallitzin** is not open for personal tours. However, we will be open for visiting hours this summer. The hours that one may visit the Chapel House are: June 11, June 25, July 9, July 23, August 6, and August 20 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Pray the Rosary at the Wayside Shrine of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Route 553, Ridge Road every Thursday through September 28. Rosary starts at 7 p.m., weather permitting. Please bring a lawn chair.

Feast of St. Anthony - Day of Celebration: Tuesday, June 13th at St. Bernardine Monastery, Hollidaysburg. The event will include an outdoor Mass, Blessing of St. Anthony's Bread, and veneration of a first-class relic of St. Anthony. Mass will begin at 10 a.m., followed by bread distribution. At the conclusion of Mass, join us for an outdoor BBQ lunch, which is \$15 per person. Please pre-pay by June 6th if you will be staying for lunch; by sending payment to 788 Monastery Road, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648. The celebration will be rain or shine as it will be under a tent and please bring a chair!

Holy Name Parish, Ebensburg: is sponsoring its 62nd Annual Festival on June 2, 3 and 4 featuring a Fish Dinner (Fried or Baked) on Friday from 4 to 7 p.m. (Adults \$13, Children under 12 \$6), and a Turkey Dinner on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Adults \$13, Children under 12 \$6). Take out dinners available. Refreshments, games, baked good, activities for kids, flea market, basket raffle with over 100 baskets and more!