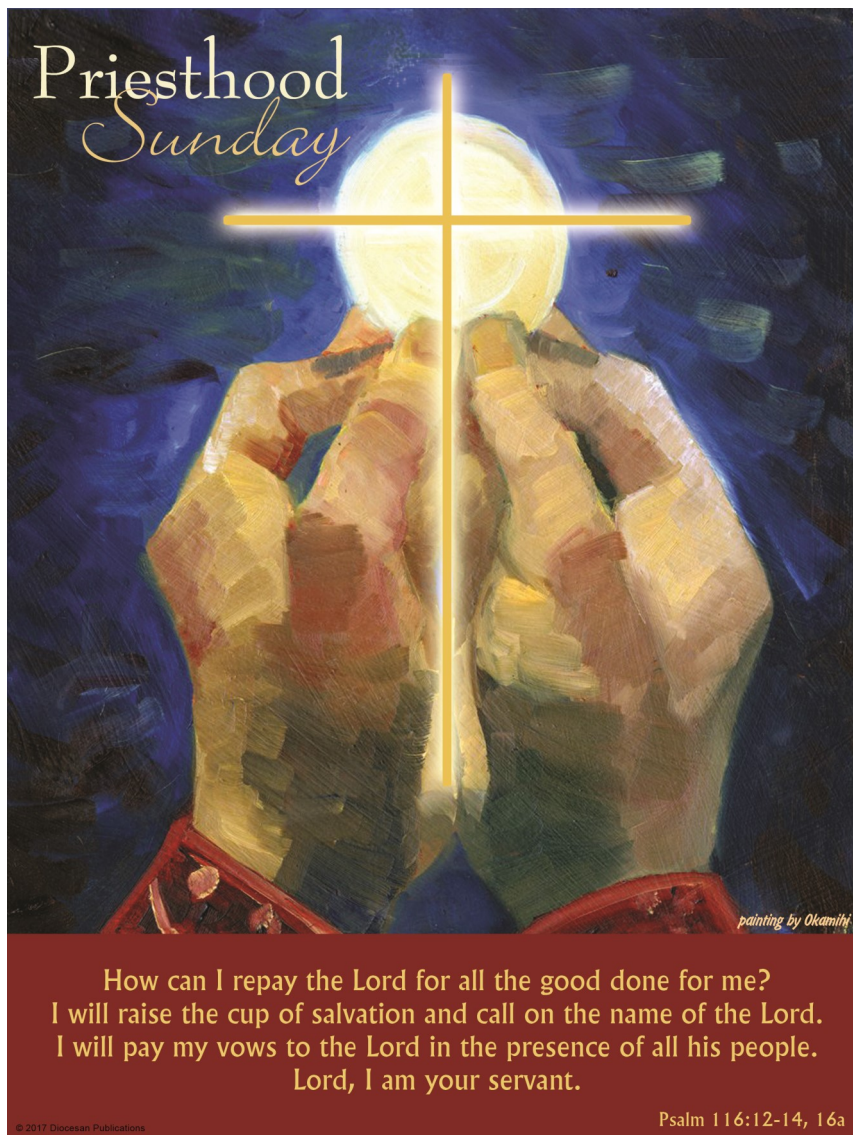


Saint Benedict Church

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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

Parish Office	344-6548
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School Office.....	344-6512
School Fax.....	344-8530
Church Hall.....	344-8770

Pastoral Staff

<i>Father Michael J. Gabler, O.S.B.</i>	<i>Pastor</i>
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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, September 25, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. +Fr. David Cronauer
10:00 a.m. For our Parish Family

Monday, September 26, Weekday

8:00 a.m. +Darlene Rickens
6:30 p.m. Cantonese

Tuesday, September 27, St. Vincent de Paul

8:00 a.m. +Thomas Wentz

Wednesday, September 28, Weekday

8:00 a.m. +David Adams

Thursday, September 29, St. Michael and All Angels

8:15 a.m. +Mildred Bender (Birthday)

Friday, September 30, St. Jerome

8:00 a.m. +Patty Eckenrode

Saturday, October 1, St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus

4:00 p.m. +Charlotte Gwizdak

Sunday, October 2, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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



Altar Servers



Eucharistic Ministers



Lectors

Monday, September 26, 8:00 a.m.

S. Cronan

6:30 p.m.

B. Fox

Tuesday, September 27, 8:00 a.m.

M. Lieb

Wednesday, September 28, 8:00 a.m.

M.C. Hoover

Thursday, September 29, 8:15 a.m.

Friday, September 30, 8:00 a.m.

M. Farabaugh

Saturday, October 1, 4:00 p.m.

L. Behe S. Cronan
E. Lamb S. Boyle

B.A. Bensor

Sunday, October 2, 8:00 a.m.

C. Weiland G. Yeckley
C. Drahnak S. Cunningham
R. Deckard

E. Shoemaker

10:00 a.m.

Marshall Farabaugh R. Boland
Garrett Farabaugh C. Farabaugh
H. Shaffer

F. Sutton



In Sympathy

Please remember in your prayers the soul of Robert Mortensen, brother of our Parishioner Lou Burskey. 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.

Cemetery Clean Up

In preparation for the upcoming winter season, all artificial flowers, decorations, etc. need to be removed from Saint Benedict, Saint Joseph, and Sacred Heart Cemeteries. Anything you wish to save should be removed by September 30th. Any items left will be thrown away. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Parish Breakfast This Sunday

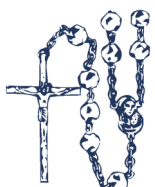
The Parish breakfast is this Sunday, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon, in the Church Hall. The menu features eggs, bacon, sausage, ham, home fries, pancakes or toast, french toast, juice, and coffee. The price of the breakfast for adults has increased to \$10; \$4 for children 6 to 12; children 5 years and under, free. Take-outs are available.



Public Rosary

America Needs Fatima

The Parish will have a Public Rosary Rally in Honor of Our Lady of Fatima, to Pray for America, on Saturday, October 15th, at 11 a.m. in the Church. All are invited to attend. Reception to follow in the Church Hall.



National Life Chain

On October 2, 2022, Respect Life Sunday, our 10th grade CCD class will be participating in the National Life Chain along Route 219, outside of St. Benedict Church on Main Street. The 10th graders will also be sponsoring a Baby Shower for the Gabriel Project in the **Boniface Wimmer Room**. Please help them to collect lots of baby items. Diapers, wipes, receiving blankets, onesies, baby clothes, money or anything for babies that you can give will be greatly appreciated. If you are unable to make it to the Life Chain/Baby Shower, you can leave donations at the doors of the church marked "Baby Shower". Money donations can be left at the Rectory or dropped in the collection boxes. Please help our 10th grade class gather a lot to help the moms and unborn babies in our area!
Life Chain: 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Baby Shower: 3:00 p.m.

A Life Chain will also be held in Johnstown on Sunday, October 2nd from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. on Broad Street in front of the former St. Columba Church.

Questions??? Call Patti and Bill Frederick at 814-344-6521.

One Hour With Jesus

In the Garden of Gethsemane, before His crucifixion, Jesus asked His Apostles, "Could you not keep watch with me for one hour?" Spending one hour with Jesus thus became a tradition in the Church.

Let us set aside at least one hour a week in front of the Blessed Sacrament praying for peace in the world.

Holy Hour is every Tuesday following the 8 a.m. Mass here in St. Benedict Church (except for a funeral.)





This week the votive candle will burn in front of the statue of Saint Joseph the Carpenter In Loving Memory of Marti Grove

From Ken and Cindy Sowers and Family

Flowers Adorning the Altar this weekend In Loving Memory of William and Mildred Buck From Ken and Cindy Sowers and Family

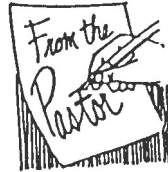


Pastor's Reflection

Today St. Paul is urging Timothy, who is a bishop, to pursue the virtues. We become the acts we perfect. If our acts are virtuous we will be pleasing to God.

Peace,

Father Michael



Question of the Week

Who is the "Lazarus" at my gate? What can I do for them this week?

Spiritual Revision of Life

According to the text by Fr. Lawrence Lovasik, S.V.D. from his book on Kindness: Kind Thoughts - "Do I enter generously into the joys of others, or do I put a damper on them by my adverse attitude?"

Families and the Gospel

September 25, 2022: (Lk 16:19-31)

In today's gospel the rich man died and was condemned to "a place of torment" because he ignored the poor. He asked Lazarus to go and warn his five brothers to change their ways. Evidently ignoring the poor was a family pattern. Is your family sensitive to the poor? ("A Family Perspective" by Bud Ozar)

Stewardship Reflections

Our culture makes it easy to be like the rich man. It is easy to "walk by" those asking for a handout. On our electronic devices, it is easy to watch the basest human tendencies play out as entertainment. The tendency towards complacency is perhaps an even greater danger in this modern age with so many conveniences. Some of us don't have to look at or remain aware, that there are families and elderly in need of basic food items as we now get our groceries delivered right to our doors or placed in our cars in a parking lot!

The Lord's message could not be any clearer, we must get off the couch and put our powers (the many gifts He has given us) to work! We are called to live as stewards in our homes, our neighborhoods, and our community. Our gifts are needed by those around us. (*Stewardship Reflections*, Catholic Stewardship Consultants, 9/2019)

Festival Bingo

If you missed us not having Bingo at our Festival...well, here's your chance. We will have a Festival Bingo in the Church Basement on Sunday, October 2, 2022 from 12 to 6 p.m.!!! Four (4) cards for 25 cents...payout is half of what we take in...the more that plays...the more we pay. There will be bingo, food, funnel cakes, and rip tickets. Spread the word to family and friends. Hope to see you there. Fun! Fun! Fun! Before summer ends!

Gun Raffle

The Saint Benedict Home School Association is sponsoring an October Gun Raffle from October 1 thru October 31, 2022. The winning numbers will be determined by The First 7:00 P.M. Pick 4 PA Daily Lottery Number. Tickets can be obtained from any Saint Benedict School family, School Office, Parish Office, or Scrip table. The donation is \$20. Proceeds benefit the Saint Benedict Home School Association.

Dial Down the Anxiety

Parenthood can be fraught with crises and potential tragedy. But while a reasonable amount of worry is inevitable, high levels of anxiety can cause us to miss out on joyful moments in the present as we fret about the future. The Arch-diocese of Baltimore's online site, the *Catholic Review*, has a good suggestion: "A technique to deal with anxiety is to ask a question: 'Am I focusing on God, or am I focusing on the problem?' Focusing on the problem expands the problem and the anxiety." Giving the problem to God in prayer can bring peace even if the answer remains uncertain. Those who feel less anxious are able to keep their eyes on the big picture. Their faith allows them to understand that from the current cycle of suffering will come resurrection and new life - maybe not immediately, but in God's time.

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Altar Rosary Pie Sale



The Altar Rosary is sponsoring a fall pie and homemade chicken noodle soup sale on Saturday, October 1st from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Apple, peach, pumpkin, cherry and raisin pies: large pies are \$9; small pies are \$7, apple dumplings are \$3 each and homemade chicken noodle soup is \$7 per quart.

We are making an appeal to Parishioners for Crisco to help keep the cost of the pies down. Please mark "Pie Sale" on the bag and leave at the entrances to the Church.

Pierogies

Frozen Pierogies are available for purchase, cost is \$8 per dozen. Pick up on Thursday, October 6th from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in the Church Hall. First Come - First Served. No pre-orders.

Sponsor of the Week

We wish to thank **Carrolltown Family Vision, 814-344-2005**, 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 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: Shawn Baker, Vickie Baran, Michelle Burnette, Joe Caretti, Evan Cicero, Jack Dominick, Mary Dumm, Neta and Harry Elder, Clare Falconi, Connor Farabaugh, Nathan G. Farabaugh, Vera Farabaugh, Barbara Fasoli, Clara Fitzpatrick, Jan Franceschini, Bill Frederick, Anthony Gwizdak, Rodney Harbrige, Eva Hart, Irene Haycisak, Tom Hoover, Chuck Horn, Scott Kirsch, Ava Koehle, Mike Kovall, McKenzie Kuzio, Cindy Ladika, Bob Lapenna, Charlotte Lechene, Theresa Leonard, Judi Lesko, Charles Lutak, Barb Mitchell, Michael Mondl, Odessa Morris, Will Mortensen, Norman Polites, Maddox Raptosh, Barb Richter, Annette (Whited) Ritchey, Andy Ropp, Jim Ropp, Mike & Michelle Rosmus, Lindsey Sammarco, Becky SanGregorio, Marcus SanGregorio, Betty Ann Sclesky, Special Intentions (12), Jackie Stevens, Patrick J. Stevens, Sandy Stevens, Aniyah Theys, Benedicta Veneskey, Michael Veneskey, Reagan Walker, Esther Warner, Sara Weber, and Theresa Yeckley.

Church Support - September 17 & 18, 2022

Offertory	6762.00
Catholic University	70.00
St. Vincent de Paul	42.00
Cemetery Maintenance	176.00
Church Improvement	853.00
School Support	45.00
Retired Diocesan Priest's Medical	55.00
Benedictine Appeal	20.00

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) • \$13 (12 Cards)
- Kitty — \$107+ • Full Card – 58 numbers \$700
- Jackpot - Straight line only • All Nighter - #1: \$500 #2: \$413+
- 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

SUNDAY

- Masses: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
- Scrip sold after all weekend Masses
- Parish Breakfast 8 a.m. to Noon
- CCD Classes : Grades 7-11 from 8:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.; Grades K-6 from 11 a.m. to Noon
- RCIA at 7:30 p.m. in the Boniface Wimmer Room

MONDAY

- Scrip sold 8-10 a.m., Church Hall

TUESDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

- Scrip sold 8 - 10 a.m., Church Hall

THURSDAY

- Children's Liturgy 8:15 a.m.
- Scrip sold 9 - 10 a.m., Church Hall
- Card Party 7 p.m., Church Hall

FRIDAY

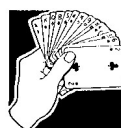
- Scrip sold 8-10 a.m., Church Hall

SATURDAY

- First Saturday Mass and Devotions 8 a.m.
- Confessions 2 p.m., Church
- Mass 4 p.m.

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NO CARD PARTY Thursday September 29

From other parishes and organizations...

Annual Marian Celebration, Family Mass and Rosary: Sunday, October 2 at 3 p.m. at St. Benedict Church, 2310 Bedford St, Johnstown, "**Mary and the Holy Eucharist**". Principal Celebrant, Bishop Mark Bartchak.

Birthright Basket Party: Sunday, October 9 at Richland Fire Hall, beginning at 11 a.m. The Basket Party features over 100 beautiful baskets and more than \$1000 in gift cards. Tickets are \$10 and include a light lunch and 25 chances. Winners will be drawn @ 1 p.m. Please call Mary Kay at 814-535-8231 for tickets.

Annual Wine Festival: Saturday, October 8, 4 to 8 p.m., St. Nicholas Church Hall, Nicktown. **Wine tasting and sales by:** *Woody Lodge Winery - Winery at Wilcox - Twisted Vine Winery - Allegheny Cellars - Groundhog Winery - B&L Wine Cellars - New This Year: Excise Distillery. Vendors: Generations Bakery - Carriage House Creations.* Food available for purchase. No outside food or drinks permitted. \$20 Ticket allows bearer to one session and souvenir wine glass. Must be 21+ to attend - proper ID required. Tickets sponsored by Lieb Services.

Fall Basket Auction: Saturday, October 8 from 5 to 7 p.m. and Sunday, October 9 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at St. John the Baptist Byzantine Catholic Church, 719 Chestnut Ave, Northern Cambria. The drawing will begin at 3 p.m. on Sunday in the Church Hall. All winners will be called and can pick up their baskets between 4 and 6 p.m. We will also have a pie raffle, a special \$200 cash raffle, and pull tickets. Take out food is available for purchase. Proceeds help defray the expense for the repair and painting of the windows at St. Johns.