

# 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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## 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 Intentions

### Sunday, November 9, Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

8:00 a.m. +Thomas Bearer, Sr. (Anniversary)  
10:00 a.m. For our Parish Family

### Monday, November 10, Saint Leo the Great

8:00 a.m. +Arthur McCoy  
6:30 p.m. +Joseph Gregory

### Tuesday, November 11, Saint Martin of Tours

8:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Veterans

### Wednesday, November 12, Weekday

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

### Thursday, November 13, Weekday

8:15 a.m. +Kevin Caldwell

### Friday, November 14, Weekday

8:00 a.m. +John Sutton

### Saturday, November 15, Weekday

4:00 p.m. +Sonny Cronauer

### Sunday, November 16, Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. +Theresa Yeckley  
10:00 a.m. For our Parish Family



Altar  
Servers



Eucharistic  
Ministers



Lectors

### Monday, November 10, 8:00 a.m.

S. Gregory

### 6:30 p.m.

B. Fox

### Tuesday, November 11, 8:00 a.m.

S. Fisanick  
L. Baker

S. Cronan

### Wednesday, November 12, 8:00 a.m.

M.C. Hoover

### Thursday, November 13, 8:15 a.m.

SBS Children's Mass

### Friday, November 14, 8:00 a.m.

M. Farabaugh

### Saturday, November 15, 4:00 p.m.

S. Fisanick R. Boland  
E. Lamb S. Cronan

B.A. Bensor

### Sunday, November 16, 8:00 a.m.

H. Shaffer G. Yeckley  
K. Shaffer K. Colberg  
Z. Shaffer  
E. Cunningham

L. Huber

### 10:00 a.m.

C. Greene R. Hoover  
M. Greene R. Boland  
J. Hoover R. McGowan  
O. Lechene

M. Ryan

## Prayer on Veterans Day

Dear Lord Jesus Christ, those whom we honor today are examples of your words: "Greater love than this no one has: that he lay down his life for his friends." They gave up their lives in defense of freedom for their loved ones and their country.

Teach me to appreciate the virtue of patriotism - a true and Christian love of country. Let me love my country not to follow it blindly but to make it the land of goodness that it should be. Let my patriotism be such that it will not exclude the other nations of the world but include them in a powerful love of country that has room for all others too.

## Adult Faith Formation

Adult Faith Formation will continue next Sunday, November 9th at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. in the Boniface Wimmer Room.

## Free Thanksgiving Dinner

Saint Benedict Church is sponsoring a Free Thanksgiving Day Dinner on Thursday, November 27th. Dinner will be **dine-in or take-out** in St. Benedict Church Hall in Carrolltown from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Delivery to shut-ins in the Carrolltown, St. Benedict and Bakerton areas. For more information please call 814-420-8420. Volunteers are needed to help with the dinner, to set-up, serve, or clean-up. Please call the number above if you are able to help. Food and monetary donations toward the dinner are greatly appreciated and may be dropped off at the parish office; or call the number above for drop off information. Thank you.



**The Parish Office will be closed Tuesday, November 11th, in honor of Veteran's Day.**

## Called By Name

### Honoring Faithful Young Men

**Today is Called By Name Sunday!** Bishop Bartchak is asking us to identify faithful young men (ages 15-30's) who exhibit qualities of leadership and service, and who may be open to learning more about the priesthood. To submit names, please visit [ajvocations.org/calledbyname](http://ajvocations.org/calledbyname). Men you submit will receive a letter of encouragement from Bishop Bartchak, invitations to discernment events, and support from our Vocation Team. Thank you for your participation in this important campaign!

## 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 \$13 each. Last day to order is on Monday, November 17. Pick-up in the Church Hall on Friday, December 5, from 4-6 p.m.** Late orders will be filled if there are extras.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Nut \_\_\_\_\_; Poppy Seed \_\_\_\_\_; Apricot \_\_\_\_\_; Tea Rings \_\_\_\_\_

Total Cost \_\_\_\_\_



*This week the votive candle will  
burn in front of the statue of  
Saint Joseph the Carpenter  
For the Living and Deceased Members of  
the Chester and Nancy McCoy Family  
From Tanya and Ray Caretti*

### Pastor's Reflection

It may be shocking to see Jesus get angry in the Temple. He was upset that the religious leaders did not take seriously what happens in there. Jesus loves the Church and he loves the liturgy. What happens here really matters, more than we can realize.



Peace,  
Father Michael

### Stewardship Reflections

In our gospel today, Jesus purifies the temple area because it is being misused as a marketplace. He becomes angry at their lack of reverence for God. He spills the coins of the money changers and overturns the tables saying, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." Those who were with Him asked for a sign for doing this and He said, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." No one understood that He was referring to the death and Resurrection of His Body.



### Archdiocese for the Military Services

Our parish will take up the Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS), this weekend, a collection approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops to be taken every three years. The AMS provides pastoral care to Catholic men and women serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, enrolled at a U.S. Military Academy, being treated as a patient at any of the 153 U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers, or who work for the federal government beyond U.S. borders - including those from our own parish and diocese. The AMS does not receive any funding from the government or military, and has no parishes from which to receive a weekly assessment. To learn more about the AMS, go to [www.milarch.org/nationalcollection](http://www.milarch.org/nationalcollection).

### Visit to Bishop Carroll

On Friday, November 21st, junior high students from the Prince Gallitzin Quadrant will be visiting Bishop Carroll. This visit includes lessons, tours, information, demonstrations, activities, and lunch. If you have a child in 6th, 7th, or 8th grade at a public school and you would be interested in having them come this day or another day to visit, please call Mr. Nagy at 814-472-7500 Ext. 105, or email [jnagy@bishopcarroll.org](mailto:jnagy@bishopcarroll.org) for more information. Arrangements can be made for a visit at your convenience as well. Also, any high school students interested in transferring to BC are encouraged to call and schedule a day to visit the high school.

*Flowers Adorning the Altar  
this weekend  
In Loving Memory of  
Joseph and Mary Cymbor  
From Agnes Peters and Family*



### Advent Series at St. Bernardine Monastery

Please join us as we prepare for the Advent season with our four-part Wednesday series! The weekly series will begin at 10 a.m. and include a class, Mass, and lunch with the friars. The series dates are as follows:

November 19th, December 3rd, 10th and 17th. NOTE: NO CLASS ON NOVEMBER 26TH.

All classes are at ST. Bernardine Monastery located at 768 Monastery Rd, Hollidaysburg.

Registration is required and the deadline to register is November 14th. Space is limited, so please register early at 814-695-3802.

### Province of the Immaculate Conception

**Franciscan Friars, TOR - Province of the Immaculate Conception 100th Jubilee.** This year the Immaculate Conception Province of the Third Order Franciscans are celebrating their 100th anniversary and would love for you to join in the jubilee celebration!

When: Saturday, December 6

What: Celebration of the Eucharist at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel at 4 p.m.

Dinner and Dance at Altoona Grand Hotel at 6 p.m.

Cost: \$40 per person (include a buffet dinner, drink ticket, dance, silent auction, and door price entry).

RSVP: Please reserve your spot no later than Monday, November 24th at 814-695-3802. Your spot will NOT be reserved without payment.

### Thanksgiving Special Lottery Tickets

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 23rd and running through Thursday November 27th, \$9,000 in cash prizes will be awarded. If you do not want to purchase your tickets, please drop them off at the Church Office or in the collection basket, as we have a waiting list for tickets. If you would like additional tickets, please contact the office. Your support is appreciated.



### Scrip Give-Away

Saint Benedict School will once again be running our November Scrip Give-Away. For every order totaling \$400 or more your name will be entered into a drawing to win one of the following:

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| (1) \$50.00 Card  | (2) \$25.00 Cards |
| (2) \$10.00 Cards | (1) \$5.00 Card   |

We thank you for your support to our program. Please remember to shop early for the Holidays.

### Sponsor of the Week

We wish to thank **Double Deckard's Deli, 814-344-5945**, 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 Michelle Stehman at 717-774-8833.





## 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: Denny Abrams, Dorothy Anna, Vickie Baran, Caryle Bearer, Dorothy Bearer, Katie Beckner, Michael Behe, Judy Bender, Ray Benjamin, Lyn Bills, Terry Bills, Ben Bridgman, Fred Burgeson, Dustan Burkey, Joe Caretti, Tim Caretti, Evan Cicero, Joan Contorchick, John Contorchick, Maddox and Paxtyn Eckenrode, Neta and Harry Elder, Clare Falconi, Dan Farabaugh, Jane Farabaugh, Mike Farabaugh, Tim Farabaugh, Barbara Fasoli, Olivia Ferguson, Suzanne Ferrence, Frannie and Bill Findley, Jr. Gailey, Mary Kay Gallagher, Jane Graffius, Fred Gresco, Anthony Gwizdak, Eva Hart, Irene Haycisak, Jeanine Hite, Richard Hnatkovich, Charles Holder, Mary Catherine Hoover, Chuck Horn, Logan Horvath, Larry Kibler, Ava Koehle, Jason Koshinski, Louetta Kutchman, Bob Lapenna, Theodora McConnell, Brother Michael Miller, Camilla Miller, Chuck and Barb Mitchell, Jody Panczak, Dorothy Penrod, Kevin Penrod, Norman and Pauline Polites, Maddox Raptosh, Jim Ropp, Adam Schaeffer, Special Intentions (30), Susan Snyder, Mike Springer, Debbie Stephenson, Edward Stevens, Jackie Stevens, Jodi Stevens, Patrick J. Stevens, Eric Stoltz, Joseph Thomas, Owen Thomas, Benedicta Veneskey, Mary Kay Venslosky, Sara Weber, Sarah Wilson, and Brenda Yeckley.

## The Week Ahead

### SUNDAY

- Masses 8 and 10 a.m.
- CCD Classes, School
- First Penance Parent Meeting 11 a.m.

### MONDAY

- SBS Professional Development Day, No School
- Oblate Meeting, 7 p.m., Boniface Wimmer Room

### TUESDAY

- Holy Hour after Mass; Adoration until 4 p.m.
- SBS No School
- Bingo, early birds 6:30 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY

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

### THURSDAY

- SBS Children's Liturgy 8:15 a.m.
- Scrip sold 9 to 10 a.m., Church Hall
- OCIA 5:30 p.m., Boniface Wimmer Room
- Card Party 7 p.m., Church Hall

### FRIDAY

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

### SATURDAY

- 2nd Grade Penance Retreat 2-4 p.m., Church Hall
- Confessions 2 p.m.; Mass 4 p.m.

### SUNDAY

- Masses 8 and 10 a.m.
- CCD Classes, School
- Soulcore 6 p.m., Boniface Wimmer Room

## Church Support - November 1 & 2, 2025

Offertory	9374.29
Church Improvement	2116.00
Hurricane Relief	1147.95
All Souls Day	1145.00
All Saints Day	1078.00
Maintenance	135.00
Archdiocese for Military Services	115.00
Altar Fund	110.00
School Support	90.00
Catholic Charities	75.00
World Mission Sunday	50.00
Tree of Life	50.00
St. Vincent de Paul	40.00
Cemetery Maintenance	10.00
Organ Fund	10.00
Retired Diocesan Priests Medical	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 - \$?
- Jackpot - Straight line only
- Instant tickets
- \$50 end of the month drawing (Must be present to win)
- Refreshments (hamburgers, hot dogs, pizza, homemade goodies)
- Full Card - ? numbers \$?
- All Nighter - \$?

The more that play — the more we pay. Extras are available.  
Regular games starting at \$30 a game and up.

## Card Party Thursday November 13, 2025



Ms. Betsy Snyder, M/M Eric Snyder, M/M Joseph Somogyi, M/M Ken Sottile, M/M Adam Sowers, M/M Ken Sowers, Mr. Brian Springer, M/M Rick Springer, Mr. Paul Gresko, M/M David Stainback, Mrs. Sandra Stevens, Mr. Fred Sutton, Mr. Daniel Strong, M/M Ken Strong, Mr. Robert Sibert, Miss Amy Shingle

## From other parishes and organizations...

**Wine Festival:** Saturday, November 15 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Bishop Carroll Catholic High School. Wine tasting and sales. Numerous wineries, distillery, gourmet food, bakery confections, basket raffle, cork draw game, jewelry, candles, crafts, smoked meat and cheese & more.

Drawing at 8 p.m. for cash prizes totaling \$25,000. Music by Second Street. Admission - \$25 tickets, available now or at the door. Must be 21, proper ID required.

**Young Adult Group:** We are hosting our first Trivia Night on November 14th at 6 p.m. at the Catholic War Vets. We are already scheduling speakers into 2026 including Religious and Diocesan Priests, Laypeople, Religious Sisters and even an Archbishop! For more information contact Geoffrey Stumpo at 814-659-7415 or geoffstumpo@gmail.com.

**Basket Auction & Spaghetti Dinner:** Saturday, November 22nd at St. Benedict Community Center, 116 Dunsmore Rd, St. Benedict. Basket Auction from 1 to 7 p.m., Dinner from 5 to 7 p.m., Dine in or Take out. Adults - \$12 Donation, Kids age 3 to 10 - \$5 Donation; Under 3 - Free - Dine-in only. **To donate a basket - call 814-344-5946.** Supports City Plan Adoption Agency; www.cityplan.tv; 383 N. Main St., Carrolltown. **Adoption is the Answer.**