

SAINT BENEDICT CATHOLIC CHURCH

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JANUARY 16, 2022



SERVED BY

Pastor.....**Father Daniel L. Blout**
Parochial Vicar.....**Father Ignatius Camello, OSB**
Parish Secretary.....**Aurelia Sabol**
Coordinator of Pre K-5th Faith Formation.....**Julie Teslevich**
Coordinator of Sacramental Preparation.....**Renie Prengaman**
Coordinator of Middle/High School Youth Ministry.....**Vacant**
Coordinator of Adult Formation.....**Paula Aiello**
Coordinator Facilities Manager.....**Jerry Davis**
Coordinator Liturgical Music.....**Mitch Farrell**
Director of Music.....**Tim Kuhar**
Sacristan.....**Sue Kosker**
Minister Scheduler.....**Sue Leonard**

OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Friday: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

MORNING PRAYER (Lauds)

Tuesday 8:15 a.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday & Thursday: 8:30 a.m.

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Holy Days: 9 a.m. & 7 p.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday: 9 - 10:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION (Confession)

Saturday at 5:00 p.m. or by appointment.

SACRAMENT of MATRIMONY

Engaged couples, one of whom must be an active, registered, parishioner, should contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance of the intended wedding; a date should not be set before this contact. Pre-marriage formation is required to prepare for this serious, life-long commitment.

SACRAMENT of BAPTISM

First-time parents and typically those who last had a child baptized five or more years ago are expected to participate in an infant Baptism preparation session. Please contact the office to request Baptism.

2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine."

- Jn 2:1-3

ST. BENEDICT CATHOLIC CHURCH

ST. BENEDICT PARISH NEWS



OFFERTORY COLLECTION

This weekend, January 15/16, and next weekend, January 22/23, there will be a regular collection only.



THE SANCTUARY LAMP

Acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament resident in the tabernacle is burning this week in loving memory of **Mr. & Mrs. Andrew LoCascio** from Cheryl LoCascio. Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar!

OUR PRAYER LIST

Starting on **January 30, 2022**, our prayer list will be renewed. Only those who have been added very recently and all First Friday Communion calls will be carried over into the new year. All others will be removed until we receive notification via phone, email, US mail or a note in the collection basket to continue listing and praying for them. This helps ensure that our prayer list remains current as we often are not informed as the current condition of those in our prayer intentions. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in helping our parish to extend our prayers and ministry to the sick.



A special thank you to all the helping hands who spent last Sunday un-decorating the church after the 9:30 AM Mass. It is true what they say that many hands make the workload light. Couldn't have done it without you! **Sue Kosker**

HAPPY RETIREMENT

St. Benedict parish bids farewell to Don "Donny" Sabol, who is retiring after serving as our maintenance person for the past 5 years. We thank him for taking much pride in his work making sure that our church, halls, and surrounding grounds were clean and inviting. May he enjoy many years of retirement with his family and friends.

NEW ADDITION TO OUR STAFF

St. Benedict parish welcomes Dave Kosker to our staff who will be replacing Donny Sabol. Dave will be responsible for the maintenance and care of our church, parish hall, and surrounding grounds. We look forward to his work in maintaining and cleaning our parish 'home'.

PART-TIME MAINTENANCE POSITION

Our Lady of Grace Church is looking to fill a part-time (18 hours/week) maintenance position. The position involves the thorough and comprehensive cleaning services (ie. trash removal, mopping, vacuuming, restroom cleaning) in the church, Albanese and Shepherd halls, and surrounding outside areas. Interested individuals should submit a letter of interest and resume to Our Lady of Grace parish office before January 31, 2022.

THANK YOU to all who support our parish through offertory at Masses, Online Giving, or by mailing their offertory contributions to the parish office.

PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE INFIRMED AND IN NEED OF PRAYER:



Gary Bailey
Don Bolby
Carole Bouchat
Dr. Steve Carter
Hudson Donahue
Fran Dott
Mary Karazsia
Sandy Kernicky
Daniel Kessler
Ray Keyser
Marlene Lauer
Bill Lozier
Donna Mikolich
Joseph Mikolich
Ray Novotny
Betty Palinkas
Agnes Passmore
Lisa Guskiewicz Psimas
Sheila Ryan
Catherine Rocker
Donny Sabol
Linda Santone
Loreen Vigne
Phyllis Winchell
Joel Yandrick
Roberta Yandrick
Hilary Yeskulsy



LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

5:30 PM MASS - Saturday, January 22, 2022

TBA - Server
Joyce Prettiman - Lector
Lynette DiDonato - Eucharistic Minister
Gene Leonard - Sacristan

9:30 AM MASS - Sunday, January 23, 2022

Austin & Ethan Shoemaker - Server
Julie Parsons - Lector
Renie Prengaman - Eucharistic Minister
Sue Kosker - Sacristan

SBC PRAYER COMMUNITY

Need Prayers? Your fellow parishioners would love to pray for you or a loved one who is facing an immediate, difficult event (upcoming surgery, illness, accident, stressful situation). Our SBC Prayer Community on the Flocknote website will be notified via email to begin praying. Privacy is respected. If you are requesting prayers for someone else, please get his/her permission to have us pray. Also ask if we are to use his/her name in the prayer. Your first name and last name initial will appear in the email. Send your request for prayer to parishioner Janey DeBacco at jodred@comcast.net or call her at 724.834.2217. Leave your name and phone number in the voice mail and Janey will get back to you.

January 16, 2022
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.

ST. BENEDICT CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

This year our parish office will mail a contribution statement to all registered households in our parish by the end of January; therefore, it will not be necessary to call the office to request one. This statement may be useful for the filing of your federal tax return. It will also serve as a way to assure that our parish office has accurately recorded your financial stewardship. Thank you in advance for your patience and generosity to our parish.

Saints & Special Observances
For the Week of January 16, 2022

- Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: Martin Luther King Day;
St. Anthony, Abbot
- Tuesday: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
- Thursday: St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr;
St. Sebastian, Martyr
- Friday: St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr
- Saturday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of
Unborn Children
- Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time;
St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr;
St. Marianne Cope, Virgin



NEWS AROUND THE DIOCESE....

VIRTUAL BIBLE STUDIES

Two virtual Bible studies are being offered over the Zoom platform: "The Acts of the Apostles," Tuesdays from 6:30-8 p.m., and "Samuel 1 and 2," Fridays from 9:30-10:45 a.m. There is no cost, but registration and a workbook are required. The studies are offered through Journeys Online Spiritual Ministry. For more information or to register, contact Molli Vassar at 724-366-9552 or molli.vassar@gmail.com.

BINGO RESUMES

St. Cecilia Parish, Whitney, will resume its monthly bingos the first Sunday of each month, beginning in February. Upcoming dates are Feb. 6, March 6 and April 3. Doors open at 12:30 p.m., with bingo at 2. Refreshments are available. For information, call 724-423-3777.

VIRTUAL WORKSHOP

A virtual workshop on "St. Francis of Assisi – His Life and His Times" is set for Saturday, Jan. 22, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. There is no cost and no materials are required. To register, contact Molli Vassar, molli.vassar@gmail.com.

A PRAYER FOR ALL OCCASSIONS

Lord, may everything we do begin with Your inspiration and continue with Your saving help. Let our work always find its origin in You and through You reach completion. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

So Jesus said to the Jews..., "If you abide in My word, you are truly My disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:31-32



Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 15, 2022 - Weekday
5:30 p.m. +Thomas Kissell, Sr. (Greg Kuhar)

Sunday, January 16, 2022 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m. For the Living & Deceased Members of
St. Benedict & Our Lady of Grace Parishes

Tuesday, January 18, 2022 - Weekday

8:30 a.m. +Elizabeth Shinsky (Ernest & Irene Miscik)

Thursday, January 20, 2022 - Weekday

8:30 a.m. +Mary Elizabeth Kmetz (The Aiello Family)

Saturday, January 22, 2022 - Weekday

5:30 p.m. +Robert John Butler (Loving Family)

Sunday, January 23, 2022 - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m. +Janet Yokopenic (Husband, Rick)



FINANCIAL BLESSINGS



Fiscal Year 7/1/21 - 6/30/22

Report for January 9, 2022

<i>Adult</i>	\$ 2,738.00
<i>On-Line-Giving</i>	\$ 465.00
<i>Loose</i>	\$ 155.00
<i>Automatic Withdrawal</i>	\$ 250.00

Total Weekly Offertory \$ 3,608.00

<i>Maintenance</i>	\$ 125.00
<i>Christmas</i>	\$ 300.00
<i>Solemnity of Mary</i>	\$ 75.00
<i>Candles</i>	\$ 39.00
<i>Catholic Accent</i>	\$ 250.00

In order to meet our ordinary expenses entirely from our Sunday collection, St. Benedict needs approximately \$3,515.00 per week in the regular collection.

Thank you for your generosity and support of St. Benedict Parish

Matters of Sexual Misconduct Information

If you have any suspicion about the sexual abuse (or any other type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone - please contact PA ChildLine immediately at 1-800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer you are also requested to contact the Bishop's Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct after you have called the ChildLine number and made the report. The Bishop's Delegate may be reached at 724-837-0901, ext. 1221.

FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS

Fr. Dan Blout, Jerry Davis, Rick Hoffman, Bill Mohler, Sue Leonard, Tim Rennie & Randy Strayer

PARISH COMMISSIONS MEMBERS

Fr. Dan Blout, Fr. Ignatius Camello, OSB, Paula Aiello, Jerry Davis, Tina Krivoniak, Lisa Hoffman, Gene Leonard, Renie & Jim Pregelman, Joyce Novotny-Prettiman, Aurelia Sabol & Jennifer Strayer

SANCTUARY LAMP

We are offering the opportunity to have the Sanctuary Lamp (the candle next to the Tabernacle indicating the Eucharistic Presence) burn in memory of a loved one or in honor of a special occasion. The donation for memorializing the Sanctuary Lamp for a week is \$10.00. You may call the parish office to make arrangements.

Please remember in your prayers the men and women who have chosen to bravely risk their lives for others, including all healthcare workers, police officers, armed forces, first responders, their families and their loved ones.

St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God's plan? How are you helping to build God's kingdom here on earth? Remember that if you don't do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you. Take time to discern your charisms (gifts from the Holy Spirit). Experience the supernatural Peace and Joy God desires for each of us.

Readings for the Week of January 16, 2022

Sunday:	Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11
Monday:	1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9- 10/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b- 11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday:	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5- 7/Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday:	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

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