

ST. BENEDICT, RIDGELY

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 26

4:00p.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Intentions of Marianna Breeding

Sunday, June 27

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:15 a.m. St. Benedict Church

(This Mass will also be livestreamed on YouTube)

Peter M. Schirmer III

8:30 a.m. St. Benedict Church

Intentions of the Breeding Family

10:15a.m. St. Elizabeth Church

Ken Flynn

Monday, June 28

9:00a.m. St. Elizabeth Church

Chris Powell

Tuesday, June 29

9:00a.m. St. Benedict Church

Peter M. Schirmer III

Wednesday, June 30

9:00a.m. St. Elizabeth Church

Donald Kempel

6:00p.m. St. Elizabeth Church

In Memory of Chris Powell & for the Intentions of Audrey Powell

Thursday, July 1

9:00a.m. St. Benedict Church

Gerry Podlesny

Friday, July 2

NO MASS/CONFESSIONS

Saturday, July 3

4:00p.m. St. Elizabeth Church

Marvin Breeding

Sunday, July 4

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:15 a.m. St. Benedict Church

(This Mass will also be livestreamed on YouTube)

Bob Sherman

8:30 a.m. St. Benedict Church

Gabriel Jayanthkumar

10:15a.m. St. Elizabeth Church

People of the Parish

TABERNACLE LIGHT INTENTIONS

JUNE 19 through JULY 2

St. Elizabeth Church

Intentions of John Werner

St. Benedict Church

Intentions of the Perza Family

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF STEWARDSHIP
BACK TO THE LORD**

FOR JUNE 19 & 20, 2021

Envelopes	\$ 3,651.00
Loose	\$ 492.00
TOTAL OFFERTORY	\$ 4,144.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 4,900.00
Deficit (Below Budget)	(\$ 756.00)
Building & Maintenance	\$ 356.00
Poor Box	\$ 215.00

YEAR- TO-DATE OFFERTORY

Budgeted Offertory	\$245,000.00
Actual Offertory	\$219,006.95
Deficit	(\$ 25,993.05)

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REFLECTING ON THIS WEEKEND'S SCRIPTURES...



ST. ELIZABETH, DENTON

Death is not acceptable in so much of modern culture. Yet death comes in so many ways to all of us. The only death to fear is the death of the soul. God created us to live but death has come into the world. Physical death. Everyone seems to want to fight against physical death. For us who follow the Lord Jesus, physical death is the gateway to eternal life, to living with the Lord Jesus forever.

The first reading today is from the Book of Wisdom. Even in this book from the Old Testament we hear: "God formed man to be imperishable." God wants us to live! Yet death came into our world. The Old Testament knows already that death is not the final answer to our human existence. Death is only final for those who belong to the company of the devil.

The second reading is from the Second Letter to the Corinthians. Saint Paul is encouraging the Corinthians to share what money they have with those who have less. This is another form of dying to oneself: recognizing that we can share what we have, even if we don't have much. In much of modern culture today, the emphasis is on getting as much for oneself as is possible. This is another expression of the fear of death. We have a fear of not having all that we want. It is important to recognize that very often what we want and what we need are very different. We have to learn to die to ourselves in order to recognize this difference.

We are not invited to look at how others live, but at how we ourselves live. We are invited to see what we have that we could give away to help others who have less. Saint Augustine said already in early centuries of Christianity that we should strive to have less so that others can have more.

The Gospel from Saint Mark today returns us to the theme of physical death, but in two forms. The woman with the hemorrhages would have been cut out of normal society for all of the 12 years that she had suffered from the hemorrhages. Yet she felt somehow that if only she could touch the Lord Jesus, she could be healed and returned to life. The daughter of the synagogue official really dies and those around her send a message to her father: don't bother Jesus! Instead, Jesus knows what is happening and goes to the home and brings the young girl back to life, in spite of everyone doubting that it could happen.

Our challenge today is a simple question: Am I alive in Christ? Am I willing to share what I have with those who have less? Can I really believe that Jesus is the whole meaning of life?

~ from www.christdesert.org

LITURGY

OUR SUNDAY MASSES WILL NO LONGER BE LIVESTREAMED

Bishop Malooly has lifted the dispensation instituted during the early days of the COVID pandemic, thereby reinstating the Sunday and Holy Day Mass obligation for Catholics in the Diocese of Wilmington, effective June 26, 2021. Therefore, the livestreaming of our Sunday Masses will no longer take place as of this Sunday, June 27th. According to the statement, the bishops decided to lift the dispensation because, "The average number of new cases of COVID-19 continues to decline due to the observance of safety protocols and the increase of the availability of the vaccine." The obligation does not apply to those who are ill, have been exposed to the virus, or have any serious underlying health conditions. "We welcome and encourage the Faithful to return to full in-person participation of the Sunday Eucharist, the source and summit of our Catholic faith," the bishops said in the statement. "Let us continue to be united in prayer for one another and for an end to the global pandemic."

STEWARDSHIP

2021 Annual Catholic Appeal – Disciples of Christ, Witnesses of Hope

Efforts to raise necessary resources in support of the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal continue in our Diocese. St. Benedict/St. Elizabeth Parish is truly blessed with many generous people, who, despite many economic challenges, have supported this year's campaign with their pledges and gifts. To date, \$35,852 has been received representing 78% of our parish's \$46,000 goal. If you have already given to this year's campaign, please know that your participation is gratefully appreciated. If you have not yet done so, please consider supporting this important effort with a pledge or one-time contribution. It is never too late to participate. The diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal provides financial support that enables more than thirty-five ministries throughout our diocese to bring a glimpse of God into the lives of many. The Appeal is an effective way for the diocese to advance the mission of Christ: to feed and house the poor; to minister to the sick and discouraged; to educate our young; and encourage strong, healthy families. If you would like more information about the Annual Catholic Appeal or wish to make a contribution online, go to www.cdot.org/annualcatholicappeal. May God bless you for your goodness!

JUNE 26 & 27, 2021

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Boldly go where many have gone before and help pass on the Good News of Jesus Christ and our Catholic faith! This coming September we will have over 100 children, grades Kindergarten through 10th grade, coming back to the classrooms to learn more about Jesus and our Catholic Faith. It has been a challenging time during the pandemic with our parish children learning at home with either text books or an on-line program affiliated with our Faith and Life materials. Parents and grandparents have done a stellar job helping the children adapt and adhere to on-line learning. We know it has been a challenge for all, but at this time, we are thrilled to announce that the religious education classrooms will be open again on Sunday mornings this coming September with the theme of this coming catechetical year being, "Say the Word, And My Soul Shall Be Healed." As things stand at this moment, there are three grades that do not have any catechist and four grades that only have one catechist (two adults required per classroom per Diocesan guidelines). You can help by becoming a catechist for our Children's Faith Formation program. As you nurture the faith of our young ones, you will also learn and grow as well! As one long-time catechist puts it, "I learn so much from the children!" We will provide you with training, materials, and support. Classes begin on Sunday, September 19, 2021. We would ask you to think and pray about this "call". If interested or for more information, please contact Maureen Duggan-Cassidy in the parish office at 410-634-2253 or email mduggan@beparish.com



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PARISH & FAMILY LIFE

A BIG THANK YOU ... from parishioner, Mrs. Susie Booze, for the many wonderful birthday cards and heartfelt messages she received in honor of her 100th birthday. She received over 70+ birthday cards and the kindness and caring of her parish family really made her day!



CELEBRATING THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY OF ST. BENEDICT CHURCH

Bishop Malooly will be with us to celebrate this milestone at a Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, July 11th at 4:00p.m. at St. Benedict Church. The Mass will be followed by a reception in the Parish Hall. We will also celebrate and recognize parishioner, Mrs. Susie Booze, that day in honor of her 100th birthday. (Please note that this Mass will count for your Sunday obligation.) RSVP's are required for both the Mass and the Reception. Seating in the Church for the Mass of Thanksgiving is full, but overflow seats remain in the Great Room of the Parish Hall. The Mass will be livestreamed to the Great Room. Spots remain for the reception. **If you would like to reserve overflow seats for the Mass or spots at the reception, please contact the parish office.**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The St. Joan of Arc Knights of Columbus would like to offer a big thank you to all parishioners and families who attended our Super Sunday breakfasts and Friday Night Fellowship dinners over the past 8 months. They have been a great success – from both a community-building and financial aspect – as we helped folks re-gather after the early isolation of the COVID pandemic. Using the Flocknote sign-ups helped us to control our costs and reduce food waste. We thank you for using it and we plan on continuing the use of Flocknote sign-ups in the Fall when both meals will resume. One goal of the Friday Night Fellowship Dinners was to help with the deficit in parish finances due to the pandemic. We are very pleased to announce that we have been able to donate \$4,000 back to the parish to help offset this deficit.

We would also like to thank everyone who has been filling the baby bottles for Choices Pregnancy Center. The bottles are set out on the tables during our breakfasts and dinners and \$740 was collected. The Knights added an additional \$260 and sent a check for \$1,000 to Choices to aid with their ministry of helping women during crisis pregnancies. We will continue to collect baby bottle donations in September when the breakfasts and dinners resume. Anyone wishing to take baby bottles home for the summer is encouraged to contact any Knight or the church office.

Finally, I encourage any gentleman that is interested in joining or learning more about the Knights of Columbus to call myself or any Knight or speak to us at church. We would love to have you be a part of who we are and what we do.

Thank you all again! Dan Tuel Grand Knight - St. Joan of Arc Council #12054
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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LIFE IN THE PARISH FAMILY

This weekend's 2nd Collection is for **PETER'S PENCE.**

Sunday, June 27

• 2nd Collection – Peter's Pence

Monday, June 28

• Confessions – 8:15-8:45a.m./Mass – 9am – SE

Tuesday, June 29

• Confessions – 8:15-8:45a.m./Mass – 9am – SB Church

• Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – 9:30 – 10:30a.m. – St. Benedict Church (Benediction at 10:30)

• Adult Bible Study – 7:00p.m. – Great Room

Wednesday, June 30

• Confessions – 8:15-8:45a.m./Mass – 9am – SE

Thursday, July 1

• Fr. Coffey's Birthday!

• Confessions – 8:15-8:45a.m./Mass – 9am – SB Church

• Adult Bible Study – 9:30a.m. – Great Room

Friday, July 2

• Parish Offices Closed

Saturday, July 3

• Confessions – 3:00-3:45p.m. – St. Elizabeth Church

Sunday, July 4

• 2nd Collection – Church in Central & Eastern Europe

• Knights of Columbus Picnic – 10am – Tuckahoe State Park

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK...

For Healing, Strength, Grace & Peace...



Peggy Brittingham ~ Kathleen Green ~ Patricia McWilliams ~ Helen Dill ~ Judy Edmonston ~ Edie Crank ~ Patricia Freedman ~ Michael Alt ~ Christina Jewell ~ Clark Johnson ~ Janet Kibler ~ Karen Coward ~ Kelly Presnell ~ Ron Safchick ~ Rita Miedl ~ Nelson Owens ~ Tobey McWilliams ~ Agnes Metzler ~ Cynthia Makas ~ Alex Wood ~ James Coleman ~ Delaney Tull ~ Al Buccalo ~ Ben Shirley ~ Georgia Smithmyer ~ Kevin Flynn ~ Frances Cartrette ~ Rob Pasciak ~ Julia Seiler ~ Ginny Lewis ~ Butch Petroski ~ Michael Petroski ~ Mary Jo Clancy ~ Luis Jackson ~ Gavin Hood ~ Ron Champagne ~ Larry Close ~ Socorro McIntire ~ Logan Persyn ~ Helen Vogt ~ John Bettien ~ Kathleen Maes ~ Leo McWilliams ~ Joe Smigielski ~ John P. De Rocili ~ Mary Lukacsina ~ Kim Siciliano ~ George Smith ~ Philip Smith ~ Dolores Perkins ~ Mary Snowberger ~ Joe Ernest ~ Theresa Lowe ~ Bill Williams ~ Oscar Parks, Jr. ~ Chris Scaglione ~ The Lambden Family ~ Carol Knox ~ Ed Parry ~ Liz Bedwell ~ Victoria Beachy ~ Janice Clere ~ Maria & Keith Poptanich ~ Ernie Harris ~ C. Dale Knott ~ Marciana Ritter ~ Cynthia & Nick Thomas ~ Angel Champagne ~ Mark M. ~ Patricia G. ~ Steve Kerstetter ~ Allen Kinnamon ~ Susie Booze ~ Daniel Dohl ~ Rear Admiral Brent Scott ~ Annette Constantino ~ Erica Redgraves ~ Rita Albright



MARTIN'S HOUSE & BARN SEEKS YOUR DONATIONS

Martin's House & Barn (formerly known as St. Martin's Barn) in Ridgely seeks donations of clothing – all types and sizes – for their Thrift Shop. Donations can be dropped off at Martin's Barn (14373 Benedictine Lane, Ridgely MD 21660). *NOTE: The Barn is located all the way at the end of Benedictine Lane – just follow the signs posted along the roadway.* If you are making donations after hours they can be placed in the donation bins which are located in the alcove around the side of the building.