

ST. BENEDICT, RIDGELY

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 13
4:00p.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Intentions of Mary Powell

Sunday, July 14
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00a.m. St. Benedict Church
People of the Parish
10:15a.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Marge Miller

Monday, July 15
9:00a.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Mike Ansel

Tuesday, July 16
9:00a.m. St. Benedict Church
Intentions of Rosemary Kinnamon

Wednesday, July 17
9:00a.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Mark Bogush
6:00p.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Robert Gabage, Sr.

Thursday, July 18
9:00a.m. St. Benedict Church
Walt Scanlan

Friday, July 19
NO MASS/CONFESSIONS

Saturday, July 20
4:00p.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Arcy Passwaters

Sunday, July 21
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00a.m. St. Benedict Church
Elisa Cruz-Medrano
10:15a.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Ken Flynn

TABERNACLE LIGHT INTENTIONS

JULY 6 - JULY 19, 2024
St. Benedict Church

St. Elizabeth Church
Intentions of the Phelps Family

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF STEWARDSHIP
BACK TO THE LORD
FOR JULY 6 & 7, 2024

TOTAL OFFERTORY	\$ 4,411.00
2 nd Collection	
Church in Eastern Europe & Africa	\$ 183.00
Poor Box	\$ 79.00

YEAR- TO-DATE OFFERTORY	
Actual Offertory	\$ 4,411.00
Average Weekly Offertory	\$ 4,411.00/wk.
(Week 1 of 52)	

VOCATION REFLECTIONS

“He began to send them out two by two.” Just as Jesus was sending out His disciples in pairs, perhaps you too are being called to discipleship for this shared mission as a priest or religious brother or sister. Talk to Fr. Coffey or reach out to the diocesan Vocations Office at (302) 573-3113 or vocations@cdow.org.

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ST. ELIZABETH, DENTON

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR...

Dear Parishioners ~



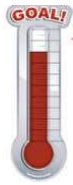
As with last weekend, we continue to hear the theme of being a prophet. One who is sent. Sent with a particular message. Not an agenda. Nor, with possessions. Simply with their mouth to speak a message of truth and filled with the Holy Spirit. When we preach to others about Christ, if is often helpful to have videos, books, paraphernalia, quick apps on our phone that help them along the way. These are all convenient and modern ways to come to the knowledge of the truth. However, as Jesus tells us in the gospel today: Take nothing with you when you go. Sometimes the best tool of evangelizing is our ministry of presence.

We thank all our children who participated in Vacation Bible School this week. Our children were able to learn about their Catholic Faith, have fun, meet new friends, and enjoy delicious treats ☺ We also thank our adult and teen volunteers for stepping up to help. Your help is what makes the VBS a reality for our children and parish. Thank you!

If you have ever walked around the outside of St. Benedict Church, you will notice the windows are in quite poor shape. The last time they were attended to was well over 25 years ago. So, over the next few months, we will undergo the slow and tedious process of restoring our original windows at St. Benedict’s Church. This process will include sanding, scraping, reglazing, caulking, re-painting, and replacing nearly twenty pieces of the original-colored glass that are cracked or broken. In addition to this, the exterior of the windows will be covered with clear safety glass to help better insulate the windows in the extreme heat and cold and save energy, and all exposed wood will be wrapped in white aluminum so it will not decay or ever need re-painting again. The exposed wooden louvers on the steeple will also be wrapped in aluminum to prevent rot and decay. Please note, this project WILL NOT alter or change the interior or exterior appearance of the church. We are doing this project to protect and restore what is original to the church so that we can keep our “cute little country church” look which so many parishioners admire and prefer. This restoration should not affect the church use or Mass schedule. This huge project would not have been possible if it wasn’t for your continued financial generosity. Thank you for keeping our churches looking beautiful and in tip-top shape. We must maintain our “cathedrals” of Caroline County. ☺

~ Fr. Coffey

FAITH & CHARITY APPEAL NEWS



We are still about \$6,300 away from our goal for the 2024 Faith and Charity Appeal. If you have not yet contributed, please do so by using one of the envelopes you can find in the church vestibules. Please remember, if we do not make our parish goal, this expense must be taken out of our parish offertory collection. Therefore, your generosity is essential to our parish, and in helping our Diocese with the nearly 40 ministries it provides. On behalf of Bishop Koenig and myself as your pastor, Thank you!



AN INVITATION FROM THE BENEDICTINE OBLATES

Come and pray the Liturgy of the Hours (or Divine Office which the lay faithful are encouraged to recite) with the Benedictine Oblates once a month in the St. Benedict Family Life Center in Ridgely, MD. Oblates meet on the second Saturday at 9:45am from September through May to pray the Psalms supplemented by hymns, readings, and other prayers and antiphons. We also conduct book studies with discussions, and occasionally we have guest speakers/retreats, and visit St Gertrude Monastery in Newark, DE with whom we are affiliated. All religious backgrounds are welcome to join us! Refreshments are always provided. Contact Cyndy at 410-924-0993 or ingram47c@gmail.com for more information.

July 13 & 14, 2024

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

SEEKING CO-CATECHIST’S & ASSISTANTS
The work of being a catechist is truly God’s work. If any of you feel called to the ministry of teaching our children about our beautiful faith, we are looking for co-catechists and assistants to help in various classes for the upcoming Religious Education year. If you would like to volunteer, or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at kperza@beparish.com or 410-634-2253.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE NEWS



PARISH FLEA MARKET on SATURDAY, AUGUST 24
On Saturday, August 24th, the Fundraising Committee will sponsor a Parish Flea Market from 7am – 2pm in the Parish Hall. Start cleaning out those nooks and crannies of your home (closets, garages, toy boxes, etc...) and make a pile of items to donate for the sale (please, NO TV’s, large appliances/furniture or clothing). We ask that all donated items are in clean and useable condition. Donated items will be accepted/collected beginning in mid-August. If you’d like to rent an outdoor space for selling your own items there will be an opportunity to reserve a spot for the cost of \$20 (payable on the day of the sale).

OUR FESTIVE ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR WILL TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9th. It will be a one-day event this year and will feature shopping with local vendors, breakfast & lunch foods, a visit from Santa & Mrs. Claus and a buffet dinner in the evening. The event will run from 9:00a.m. until 8:00p.m.

THREE HEARTS CATHOLIC HOMESCHOOL CO-OP NEWS

Three Hearts Catholic Homeschool Co-op will be offering classes for high school and some younger grades for the 2024-2025 school year. The co-op meets on Thursdays at St. Benedict Church. If you are interested in the schedule of classes, please contact Jill King at kingsflock@gmail.com

DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS on OCTOBER 5, 2024

Save the Date for a Spiritual Journey!
Join Bishop Koenig and our diocesan family on October 5, 2024, at the Ocean City Convention Center for the Eucharistic Congress, "The Eucharist: The Source and Summit." This day-long event will deepen our faith and strengthen our community through worship, reflection, and celebration. Don't miss this powerful opportunity to reconnect with the core of our Catholic identity!

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL FROM THE PEWS

This week, we hear from Alicia G. in the Diocese of San Diego.
“My name is Alicia. I used to receive Holy Communion without knowing the Eucharist is really the Body of Christ. But now I understand and believe that Jesus is alive in the Eucharist, Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity! Every time the celebrant calls down the Holy Spirit during the Epiclesis prayer at Mass, I proclaim silently: “The same way you are transforming this little piece of bread into your Body and Blood, continue to transform my life so I can be like you and follow you. Help me to be an instrument of transformation in your hands, helping other people live like you by proclaiming that you are alive in my words and deeds.”

CAROLINE COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE



The next Caroline County Right to Life meeting will be held this Tuesday, July 16th at 7:00p.m. in the St. Benedict Parish Hall. All Right to Life members and any interested parishioner are invited and encouraged to attend. There is much work to be done prior to the elections in November to spread the word to encourage everyone to “VOTE NO” for the Reproductive Freedom amendment.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LIFE IN THE PARISH FAMILY

Sunday, July 14

- 8:00A.M. Mass – SB Church/10:15a.m. Mass
- Private Event – 1:00-2:00p.m. – Parish Hall

Monday, July 15

- Confessions – 8:15-8:45a.m./Mass- 9am – SE Church
- Intercessory Prayer Group – 9:30a.m. – SE Church

Tuesday, July 16

- Confessions – 8:15-8:45a.m./Mass – 9am – SB Church
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – 9:30-10:30a.m. – SB Church
- Caroline County Right to Life Meeting – 7pm – Parish Hall

Wednesday, July 17

- Confessions – 8:15-8:45a.m./Mass- 9am – SE Church
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions – 5:15-5:45p.m/Mass – 6pm – SE Church
- Knights of Columbus Meeting – 7pm – Hall

Thursday, July 18

- Confessions – 8:15-8:45a.m./Mass – 9am – SB Church
- Adult Bible Study – 9:30a.m. – FLC Resource Room
- Cemetery Committee Meeting – 6:30p.m. – FLC Resource Room

Friday, July 19

- NO MASS/CONFESSIONS

Saturday, July 20

- Confessions – 3:00-3:45p.m. – SE Church
- Mass: 4:00p.m.- SE Church

Sunday, July 21

- 8:00A.M. Mass – SB Church/10:15a.m. Mass
- 2nd Collection – Building & Maintenance
- Private Event – 1:00-2:00p.m. – Parish Hall

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK...

Kathleen Green ~ Edie Crank ~ Butch Petroski ~ Michael Petroski ~ Mary Jo Clancy ~ Socorro McIntire ~ Marianna Breeding ~ Kenny Breeding ~ Randy Jopp ~ Susie Crocco ~ William R. Walton ~ Ruth Susini ~ Helen Vogt ~ Erica Redgraves ~ Joan & E.T. Dize ~ Martie Greco ~ Remi Michael Tedesco ~ Dan Finnerin ~ Dan Hayes ~ Frances Vogt ~ Mike Porter ~ Theresa Cochrane ~ Joan Mollick ~ Kathleen Ruskin ~ John & Anne Rastelli ~ Judy Klug ~ Josie Prince ~ Olivia Wade ~ Kim Mayer ~ Nancy Sollers ~ Erica Jarman ~ Mike Babige ~ Mark Hartlage ~ Page Murphy ~ George Sebestyen ~ Todd Gross ~ Jeffrey Kinnamon ~ Mark & Dawn Auman ~ Christina Jewell ~ James Smith ~ MaryJo Hathaway ~ Chelsey Townsend ~ Yvonne Liswell ~ Debbie Layton ~ Cindy Cummings ~ Rosemary Kinnamon ~ Keith Poptanich ~ Freddie Adams, Jr. ~ Steve Goff ~ Jim Dori ~ Clorinda Passwaters ~ Jackie Long ~ Mary Ellen Black ~ Ruth Dominick ~ Claire Stevens ~ Maria Poptanich ~ Dick Palazzolo ~ Kyle Hofstetter ~ Dorothy Whetstone & Family ~ Anthony DePasquale ~ Jack Houtz ~ Carla Moure ~ Pat Pasciak

AROUND THE DIOCESE/COMMUNITY

LISTEN TO THE CATHOLIC FORUM EACH WEEK. This week, Catholic Charities' Stephanie Kelton will talk to Porsha Harvey about Catholic Charities' Basic Needs Assistance Program. The Catholic Forum podcast on Apple, Spotify, iHeartRadio, Amazon Music podcasts and YouTube.com/DiocesefWilm debuts every Wednesday at 12:00 p.m.; and on Relevant Radio 640 every Saturday afternoons at 1:30. More information is available at cdow.org/CatholicForum and FaceBook.com/CatholicForum.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER - Learn tools to revitalize romance and deepen communication in your marriage!!! No group sharing required. The next weekend is November 1-3, 2024 at the Brighton Suites in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware. For information or to register visit our website <http://www.wwme.org> or call Tony and Linda Massino at 302-648-2228.

RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program will be held August 9 - 11, 2024 and again on October 4 - 6 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

Rachel's Vineyard Catholic Retreat will be held the weekend of September 20-22, 2024. This retreat offers emotional and spiritual healing for anyone who has struggled with grief and loss from abortion. Whether you are post-abortive or know someone who is, freedom awaits. Contact Nan Bernardo-Freeman at 302-463-7711 (call or text) or lucyminn929@gmail.com by September 6.

Learn how you can build a family or center- childcare business

Monday, July 22

6 - 7:30 pm

VIRTUAL



There is a shortage of
licensed childcare in
Caroline County

You could be your own boss, earn an income
and address a community need.

Hear from the experts:

Charlene Copper-Pierce, M.Ed.

Mid-Shore Early Learning Center

Carolyn Frisby-Perry

Eastern Shore Child Care Resource Center

GoFCC

Bill Hudson

Project Director, ASPIRE PreK Program

Family Child Care Alliance of Maryland



Facilitated by
Heather Harding
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To attend scan the QR code
or call 410-479-3050



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