

ST. BENEDICT, RIDGELY

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 9
4:00p.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Jack Tolley

Sunday, November 10
THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
7:15a.m. St. Benedict Church
People of the Parish
8:30a.m. St. Benedict Church
Ronald Talbert
11:15a.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Marge Miller

Monday, November 11
9:00a.m. St. Elizabeth Church
NO MASS/CONFESSIONS

Tuesday, November 12
9:00a.m. St. Benedict Church
NO MASS/CONFESSIONS/ADORATION

Wednesday, November 13
9:00a.m. St. Elizabeth Church
NO MASS/CONFESSIONS
6:00p.m. St. Elizabeth Church
NO MASS/CONFESSIONS/ADORATION

Thursday, November 14
9:00a.m. St. Benedict Church
NO MASS/CONFESSIONS

Friday, November 15
NO MASS/CONFESSIONS

Saturday, November 16
4:00p.m. St. Elizabeth Church
People of the Parish

Sunday, November 17
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
7:15a.m. St. Benedict Church
Giovonna Schembari
8:30a.m. St. Benedict Church
Intentions of Brett & Pam Carmean and Baby
11:15a.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Ken Flynn

TABERNACLE LIGHT INTENTIONS

NOVEMBER 9 - NOVEMBER 22, 2024

St. Benedict Church

St. Elizabeth Church

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF STEWARDSHIP
BACK TO THE LORD

FOR NOVEMBER 2 & 3, 2024

Offertory Giving @ Masses \$ 4,243.00

Spcl Collection - All Saints \$ 567.00

Poor Box \$ 260.31

YEAR- TO-DATE OFFERTORY (Week 18 of 52)

Actual Offertory \$ 103,127.89

Average Weekly Offertory \$ 5,729.33/wk.

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ST. ELIZABETH, DENTON

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR....



Dear Parishioners ~

Deacon Bill, in a homily a few weeks ago, spoke about being wealthy and how it can be an all too common occurrence that someone who is rich is often never satisfied, no matter how many material goods they possess or what they can “buy” that promises to bring them happiness. He mentioned that it was St. Mother Teresa who called this a sickness. She named it: *the poverty of the rich*. Mother Teresa believed that there is a vicious cycle of wealth that is often overlooked, and that the wealthy can suffer from loneliness, isolation, and poverty of the soul. She also believed that the wealthy need compassion just as much as anyone else. In both our first reading this weekend and our gospel, we hear how it is not goods, possessions, or even food that can promise us happiness, but rather our faith in God. If we have faith, we have everything.

I thank everyone who helped make our Annual Parish Christmas Bazaar a huge success! Fun, delicious food, and a “spirit” of the upcoming festive season was had by one and all! Many of our children were able to eat breakfast with Santa and Mrs. Claus and tell them what they wanted for Christmas! ☺ Our Parish Fundraising Committee thanks all our workers, volunteers, vendors, parishioners, bakers, parish committees and organizations, and guests for your support and patronage. Thank you!

We congratulate one of our own parishioners, Sister Amanda Marie de Jesus, who will be making her final vows in New York on November 16th as a Little Sister of the Poor. Sister's long journey has been one of intense joy and she recently wrote a nationwide publicized article about her trip to the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis. You can find the link to the article on our parish website to read about Sisters profound experience. We pray for Sister Amanda, Joe, and Dylan- the three vocations from our parish - and for more vocations to serve our Diocese and the Church-at-large. The Little Sisters home located in Newark, Delaware is requesting several items and the Knights will be collecting those items prior to all Masses both this weekend and next weekend. The Sisters thank you for your generosity in taking care of the elderly poor.

During this month of November, the month dedicated to All Souls, we are called to pray for the dead. In a particular way, the souls in purgatory. This is why after very Mass, in lieu of the St. Michael prayer, we will be saying the St. Gertrude prayer. According to tradition, St. Gertrude the Great, a 13th century German nun and mystic, was told by Jesus that reciting this prayer would release 1000 souls from purgatory. However, the Holy See has stated that the prayer is not officially indulgenced, meaning that there is no guarantee that a specific number of souls are released from purgatory by reciting it. This, however, does not mean that it has no intrinsic value. Even though we may not know the exact number of souls it may release, our prayer is vital and important. We need to help the souls in purgatory make it to heaven.

There will be no daily Confessions, Adoration, or Masses this week - November 11-15 - as I will be away for my yearly priest retreat. Please plan accordingly. In case of emergencies for Last Rites, call St. John's in Milford at: 302-422-5123.

~ Fr. Coffey

VOCATIONS NEWS

“Do not fear: go, do as you have said.” Let the reassuring words of Christ lead you. If you are being called to be a priest or religious brother or sister, courageously say “Yes!” Talk to Fr. Coffey or reach out to the diocesan Vocations Office at (302) 573-3113 or vocations@cdow.org.

CALLED BY NAME

Ever feel like someone you know or have met would make a good priest, sister, brother or deacon? If you've never spoken to them about it, the Called-By-Name program is your chance to lovingly nudge them to explore God's calling. Our diocesan Vocations Committee encourages you to use the yellow response cards in your pews to nominate that person. Please place completed cards in the offertory basket at any Mass.

NOVEMBER 9 & 10, 2024

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

As religious ed classes continue, please remember the importance of attending classes on a regular basis. More than four unexcused absences will require a meeting with Father Coffey. An absence will be marked excused once your student has completed and turned in all make-up work to their Catechist in a timely manner. We are still in need of one catechist assistant for fourth grade. Please contact me if you are interested (410-634-2253 or kperza@beparish.com). The classrooms can get chilly, so please make sure your child(ren) brings a sweater, sweatshirt, or jacket just in case they get cold. Thank you! ~ *Kasey Perza, CRE*

PARISH & FAMILY LIFE

WE REMEMBER + WE CELEBRATE + WE BELIEVE

CONGRATULATIONS to parishioners Nick & Mary Beth Boggs on the birth of their 6th child, son, **Becket George Boggs**. Becket was born on Friday, November 1st weighing 6 lbs., 5 oz. and 19 in long.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

The Knights will be collecting items and donations in support of the Little Sisters of the Poor this weekend (November 9/10) and next weekend (November 16/17) prior to all Masses.

COATS for the COLD

The Knights will be collecting winter coats throughout November, December, January, and February for distribution to anyone needing these items, parishioner or non-parishioner alike. They are accepting new/gently used coats of all sizes as well as NEW gloves and hats. Please launder used coats before donation. Donation boxes can be found in the back of St. Elizabeth Church and in the Parish Hall. Please let us know if you know someone in need of winter coats, hats, or gloves. (*NOTE: No clothes, please. Only coats/hats/gloves*).

KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH THOSE IN NEED

A creative parishioner is seeking volunteers to assist her in either creating Thanksgiving greeting cards or donating greeting cards for mailing to those who are sick and homebound in our parish. She will be in the Parish Hall on Sunday, November 10th from 9:30-10:30a.m. and will provide supplies for creating greeting cards if you'd like to help. If you prefer dropping off a Thanksgiving card at the parish office, please do so by Tuesday, November 19th so that cards can be prepared for mailing by November 21st. To assist with the preparation of Christmas greeting cards, parishioners can meet in the Parish Hall from 10:00-10:45a.m. on Sunday, December 8th to help make some cards or to drop off purchased cards. Christmas cards can also be dropped off at the Parish Office by Friday, December 13th. We may continue this greeting card ministry on a monthly basis in 2025 depending on the response we receive from these two events. Parishioners are also invited to donate holy cards/prayer cards for inclusion with the greeting cards or to make a small donation to offset the cost of postage. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Maria Poptanich at 302-725-7218.

SODALITY NEWS

DO YOU HAVE A FAVORITE RECIPE OR TWO TO SHARE?

The Ladies' Sodality is putting together a church cookbook as a fundraiser to support the activities of our group. If you would like to contribute a recipe or two, please forward them along with your name to Michelle Groves. Make photocopies, type them up, take a photo of them, handwrite them, send a pin from Pinterest - whatever works for you. You can drop off at the office, email, or text. Due by December 15. Email: shell514@comcast.net Text: (443)786-0183

MEN'S COR GATHERING

All men of the parish are invited to attend the next gathering of COR, a faith & fellowship group, next Saturday, November 16th from 7:00-8:00a.m. in the Parish Hall. Presently, we are using a series called Men of the Word / The Good News at the gatherings. It is a twelve-part series and you do not have to commit to it every month. Come when you can - it is a great opportunity to explore the Word of God and to meet other men of the parish. If you have any questions, call Chris Grazzini at 703-927-3243. Hope to see you there.

32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LIFE IN THE PARISH FAMILY

Sunday, November 10

- Religious Ed/O.C.I.A. Classes - 9:40-10:45a.m.
- Collection of items for Little Sisters prior to Masses
- Hospitality provided by Sodality - 9:30-10:30am-Hall
- Confirmation Prep Class - 10:45-11:15a.m. - 10th Grade Classroom

Monday, November 11 (VETERAN'S DAY)

- NO MASS/CONFESSIONS
- Intercessory Prayer Group - 9:30a.m. - SE Church

Tuesday, November 12

- NO MASS/CONFESSIONS/ADORATION
- First Reconciliation Prep Class - 6:15p.m. - Hall

Wednesday, November 13

- NO MORNING or EVENING MASS, CONFESSIONS, ADORATION

Thursday, November 14

- NO MASS/CONFESSIONS
- Adult Bible Study - 9:30a.m. - FLC Resource Room
- Homeschool Co-Op Classes - 9am-1pm - Parish Hall
- 4th Degree Knights of Columbus Meeting - 6:30p.m. - Hall

Friday, November 15

- NO MASS/CONFESSIONS

Saturday, November 16

- COR Men's Faith & Fellowship Group Meeting - 7am-Parish Hall
- Collection of items for Little Sisters prior to Mass
- Confessions - 3:00-3:45p.m./Mass - 4pm - SE Church

Sunday, November 17

- Religious Ed/O.C.I.A. Classes - 9:40-10:45a.m.
- Collection of items for Little Sisters prior to Masses
- Hospitality provided by Sodality - 9:30-10:30am-Hall

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK...

Kathleen Green ~ Edie Crank ~ Butch Petroski ~ Michael Petroski ~ Mary Jo Clancy ~ Socorro McIntire ~ Kenny Breeding ~ William R. Walton ~ Helen Vogt ~ Erica Redgraves ~ Joan & E.T. Dize ~ Martie Greco ~ Remi Michael Tedesco ~ Dan Finnerin ~ Dan Hayes ~ Frances Vogt ~ Mike Porter ~ 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 & Maria Poptanich ~ Freddie Adams, Jr. ~ Steve Goff ~ Mary Ellen Black ~ Claire Stevens ~ Dick Palazzolo ~ Anthony DePasquale ~ Jack Houtz ~ Carla Moure ~ Pat Pasciak ~ Shirley Smith ~ Jim & Noreen Flohr ~ Mary P. Epps ~ Nial Straley, Jr. ~ Linda Gallagher ~ Bridget Clark ~ Robert & Donna Nocchi ~ Pablo Hernandez ~ Barbara Thompson ~ Nial Straley, Sr. ~ Donna Baynard ~ Carlee Folk ~ Jackie Gammons ~ Tuel Family ~ Cathy Lough

LITURGY

Advent is right around the corner - it will begin on Sunday, December 1st. Please see the special Advent resources available at the entrance of the churches and take booklet to enrich your Advent prayer journey.

2025 CALENDARS

As we soon prepare to welcome a New Year, please pick up your 2025 Religious Art calendars (available in two styles) at the entrance of either church. We thank The Sewing Outlet (Joe & Paula Amalfitano and Family) and Moore Funeral Home in Denton for their sponsorship of the calendars. The parish bears no cost for the printing of the calendars thanks to their generosity.

AROUND THE DIOCESE/COMMUNITY

LISTEN TO THE CATHOLIC FORUM EACH WEEK. This week, best-selling author and speaker, Gary Zimak, will discuss his book, "Finding Peace in Advent: 4 Weeks to Worry Less at Christmas." The Catholic Forum podcast on Apple, Spotify, iHeartRadio, Amazon Music podcasts and YouTube.com/DiocesefofWilm debuts every Wednesday at 12:00 p.m.; and on Relevant Radio 640 every Saturday afternoon at 1:30. More information is available at cdow.org/CatholicForum and Facebook.com/CatholicForum

QUEEN ANNE CHORALE CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Queen Anne's Chorale is having its annual Christmas Season concert and is once again performing at the Todd Performing Arts Center at Chesapeake College for one performance only, "Holiday Spirit", on Saturday, December 7, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. The concert features many beautiful holiday pieces including Norman Luboff's, "Still, Still, Still", "Lo, How A Rose/The Rose" as well as "Let it Snow" and other Christmas favorites. The ticket price is \$25 per adult; students aged 13-18 are \$15 and Children up to age 13 are FREE (when accompanied by a paid adult admission). To purchase tickets, please access our website: qachorale.org. On-line tickets also at www.toddperformingartscenter.simpletix.com. Our fellow parishioner, Sharon Balling, is a member of the Chorale (since 2012) and thanks you for your past support and is looking forward to seeing you at this year's Christmas concert. If you have any questions or concerns, you may reach her by e-mail at edwardballing@comcast.net or by phone at 410-897-7663.

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY WITH BISHOP KOENIG

Don't miss the pilgrimage of a lifetime. Join Bishop Koenig and fellow parishioners for a Diocese of Wilmington Pilgrimage to Italy for the Celebration of the Jubilee Year! The pilgrimage runs from October 26 to November 5, 2025, and will be spiritually led by the Most Reverend William E. Koenig, D.D., Tenth Bishop of Wilmington. Features include bus transportation from Ocean City, Maryland or Wilmington, Delaware to Philadelphia Airport, economy class air transportation, nine nights' accommodations in 4-star hotels w/ continental breakfast, nine meals, airport transfers and ground transportation, Papal Blessing, daily Mass, and much more. Make your reservation before November 11, 2024. Visit www.cdow.org/JubileePilgrimage for full details including itinerary, pricing and more.

SS. Peter and Paul Office of Christian Faith Formation

Full-time Position Available



Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church has an immediate opening for a full-time Administrative Assistant providing key support services to the Director of Christian Faith Formation. Candidates should possess:

- Strong interpersonal and verbal skills.
Technological, organizational, and general office skills; including Microsoft Office Suite, Mitel Phone Systems, copy work.
- Occasional nights and weekends are required.
- Must be Catholic or have strong knowledge of the Catholic faith.

Please send resume and salary requirements in care of SSPP Christian Faith Formation, Saints Peter and Paul Church, 1214 S. Washington Street, Easton, MD 21601 or email to lsteinmiller@ssppeaston.org.

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