

ST. BENEDICT, RIDGELY
MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 28
4:00p.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Intentions of Mike Lindemann

Sunday, June 29
SS. PETER & PAUL
8:00a.m. St. Benedict Church
Francis Kinnamon

10:15a.m. St. Elizabeth Church
People of the Parish

Monday, June 30
9:00a.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Intentions of Pope Leo XIV

Tuesday, July 1
9:00a.m. St. Benedict Church
Pope Francis

Wednesday, July 2
9:00a.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Tony Umlah

6:00p.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Intentions of Valerie Gawitt

Thursday, July 3
9:00a.m. St. Benedict Church
Christiane Liswell

Friday, July 4
INDEPENDENCE DAY/4th OF JULY
9:00a.m. St. Benedict Church
People of the Parish

Saturday, July 5
4:00p.m. St. Elizabeth Church
People of the Parish

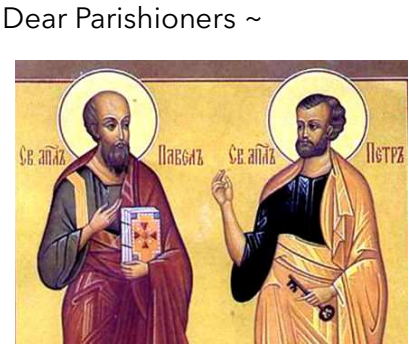
Sunday, July 6
14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00a.m. St. Benedict Church
Betsy Wood

10:15a.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Mary Louise Luckett

TABERNACLE LIGHT INTENTIONS
JULY 5 - JULY 18, 2025
St. Elizabeth Church
Intentions of the Henderson & DiMeglio Families
St. Benedict Church



www.beparish.com ST. ELIZABETH, DENTON
A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR....



Dear Parishioners ~

It's hard to believe this is my 234th and final bulletin message. What better final message than for us to celebrate this weekend the great Feast of Sts. Peter & Paul. In a sermon in the year 395, St. Augustine of Hippo said of Sts. Peter and Paul: "Both apostles share the same feast day, for these two were one; and even though they suffered on different days, they were as one. Peter went first, and Paul followed. And so, we celebrate this day made holy for us by the apostles' blood. Let us embrace what they believed, their life, their labors, their sufferings, their preaching, and their confession of faith." In our five years together, our parish has accomplished so much in so little time: increased membership, financial stability, and significant facilities upgrades. Thank you for your witness to be like the apostles by giving of your life, labors, sufferings, preaching, and confession of the faith for St. Benedict Parish. ☺

In case anyone would like to write me or keep in touch, my new parish will be St. Bernadette of Lourdes. 1035 Turner Ave. Drexel Hill, PA 19026. My new email is: frcoffiey@stbl.org. Please drop me a note! I will miss all of you. ☺

Please welcome Fr. Christopher Markellos. Father arrives on Monday afternoon. Fr. Markellos is an excellent priest, and I have no doubt that he will do a superb job continuing to lead and guide the flock of Caroline County. Father has been a priest for 19 years and brings much experience and familiarity with his new position. As you all did with me, I am sure he will have a pleasant Eastern Shore welcome. ☺
~ Fr. Coffiey

WELCOME FR. MARKELLOS - SAVE THE DATE
Help us to extend a warm welcome to our new pastor, Fr. Christopher Markellos, on his first weekend at the parish, July 5 & 6. We will have light refreshments outside the church after all Masses and encourage all parishioners to greet Fr. Markellos and to stay to socialize and enjoy some snacks before departing for home.



BEPARISH BUMPER STICKERS AVAILABLE
Would you like a BEPARISH bumper sticker to display on your vehicle? Stickers are available for \$4 each in the parish office. If you are unable to stop in during office hours, just contact us and we'll mail one to you.

FOLLOW OUR PARISH ON INSTAGRAM ~
@beparish408

JULY 5 & 6, 2025
REMEMBERING IN PRAYER

Kathleen Green ~ Edie Crank ~ Butch Petroski ~ Michael Petroski ~ Mary Jo Clancy ~ Socorro McIntire ~ Kenny Breeding ~ William R. Walton ~ Helen Vogt ~ Erica Redgraves ~ Martie Greco ~ Remi Michael Tedesco ~ Frances Vogt ~ Joan Mollick ~ John & Anne Rastelli ~ Olivia Wade ~ Nancy Sollers ~ Erica Jarman ~ Mike Babige ~ Mark Hartlage ~ Page Murphy ~ George Sebestyen ~ Todd Gross ~ Jeffrey Kinnamon ~ Mark & Dawn Auman ~ MaryJo Hathaway ~ Yvonne Liswell ~ Debbie Layton ~ Cindy Cummings ~ Keith & Maria Poptanich ~ Freddie Adams, Jr. ~ Steve Goff ~ Mary Ellen Black ~ Dick Palazzolo ~ Jack Houtz ~ Carla Moure ~ Pat Pasciak ~ Shirley Smith ~ Jim Flohr ~ Mary P. Epps ~ Nial Straley, Jr. ~ Robert & Donna Nocchi ~ Barbara Thompson ~ Jackie Gammons ~ Kathryn Belmonte ~ Mickey Dickerson ~ Addie Flaherty & the Flaherty Family ~ Kathryn Poll ~ Ann Cannon ~ Jonathan Freed ~ Yacintha Johnson ~ Pam Carson ~ Kelley Van Ess ~ ~ Nina Taylor ~ Sid Pinder ~ Joyce Morris ~ Jack Smithmyer ~ Judy Mogilewski ~ Nancy Lee ~ Doug League III & Family ~ David Jones

Please pray for our parish and diocesan seminarians and those discerning a call to religious life: Joe Lewis ♦ Dylan Emerson ♦ Eric Gianforcaro ♦ Kaya Manizade ♦ James Kimmel ♦ Anthony Miranda ♦ Tibor Nagy ♦ Jakob Brown ♦ Sr. Amanda Marie de Jesus, LSP

Please pray for our members of the military who are serving both here and abroad:
Capt. Joseph Remaniak, US Army, Germany (Son of David & Teresa Remaniak) ~ Lt. Catherine Remaniak, US Army (Daughter of David & Teresa Remaniak) ~ Sgt. Trevon D. Price, US Army, Killeen, TX (Son-in-law of Kevin & Lori Parks), Staff Sgt. Jacob Stevens, USAF, Shaw AFB, South Carolina (Son of Brenda & John Stevens), Sgt. Jack Finnerin, USMC, 29 Palms, California (grandson of Peggy Finnerin) ~ Lt. Col. Eric J. Fleegle, USMC, North Carolina (Son of Steve & Sue Fleegle)
✱ To be included in this list, please send the name, branch of service and location of your family member to parishoffice@beparish.com.

VOCATION REFLECTIONS

"Serve one another through love." Does a life of prayer and service as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life attract you? If you have questions or would like to explore the possibilities, contact Fr. Norm Carroll, Vocations Director for the Diocese of Wilmington, at 302-573-3113 or vocations@cdow.org.
"A good vocation is simply a firm and constant will in which the person who is called must serve God in the way and in the places to which almighty God has called him."
~ Saint Francis de Sales (1567-1622)

SS. PETER & PAUL
LIFE IN THE PARISH FAMILY

Sunday, June 29
• Masses: 8:00a.m. - SB Church & 10:15a.m. - SE Church
• Satterfield Baptism - 11:30a.m. - St. Elizabeth Church

Monday, June 30
• Confessions - 8:15-8:45a.m./Mass- 9am - SE Church

Tuesday, July 1
• Confessions - 8:15-8:45a.m./Mass - 9am - SB Church
• Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - 9:30-10:30a.m. - SB Church

Wednesday, July 2
• Confessions - 8:15-8:45a.m./Mass- 9am - SE Church
• Intercessory Prayer Group - 9:30a.m. - SE Church
• Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions - 5:15-5:45p.m @ SE Church & Mass - 6pm - SE Church
• Knights of Columbus Meeting - 7pm - Parish Hall

Thursday, July 3
• Parish Office Closed
• Confessions - 8:15-8:45a.m./Mass - 9am - SB Church
• NO Adult Bible Study

Friday, July 4 ~ INDEPENDENCE DAY
• Parish Office Closed
• Mass - 9:00a.m. - St. Benedict Church (NO Confessions prior to Mass)
• Knights of Columbus Family Picnic - 1pm - Driftwood Pavilion @ Martinak State Park

Saturday, July 5
• Roberts' Baptisms - 11am - SB Church
• Confessions - 3:00-3:45p.m. - SE Church
• First Saturday Rosary - 3:30p.m. - SE Church
• Mass: 4:00p.m.- SE Church

Sunday, July 6
• 2nd Collection - Aid the Church in Central & Eastern Europe and Africa
• Masses: 8:00a.m. - SB Church & 10:15a.m. - SE Church
• Auerbach Baptism - 11:15a.m. - St. Elizabeth Church



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF STEWARDSHIP BACK TO THE LORD

FOR JUNE 21 & 22, 2025

Offertory Giving @ Masses	\$ 2,937.00
Poor Box	\$ 42.00



YEAR- TO-DATE OFFERTORY (Week 51 of 52)

Actual Offertory \$ 300,029.97

Average Weekly Offertory \$ 5,882.94

STEWARDSHIP is the responsible and grateful management of all gifts received from God, including time, talent, and treasure. It's a way of life where individuals recognize that everything they have and are a gift from God, and they are called to use these gifts responsibly to build God's kingdom and serve others.

**"Dearest lord, teach me to be generous;
teach me to serve you as you deserve; to
give and not to count the cost."
St. Ignatius of Loyola (1491-1556)**

2025 FAITH & CHARITY CATHOLIC APPEAL

Thanks to the generosity of so many across our Diocese, the 2025 Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal is off to a strong start, but we still need your help to reach our goal! A follow-up mailing is going out this week as a reminder and invitation for all parishioners to participate. Whether your gift is large or small, every single contribution makes a difference and brings us one step closer to achieving our goal - *Together in Hope!* (NOTE: Our parish goal is \$47,150 of which \$42,668 has been pledged.

This appeal supports more than 40 vital ministries across our Diocese – from youth and young adult outreach to Catholic Charities, evangelization, vocations, faith formation, and more. These ministries depend on your support. Let's come **Together in Hope** to serve Christ and one another.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Registration for the 2025-2026 formation year is open now! Registration forms are available in the parish office and on the parish website (www.beparish.com/christianformation). Register early and receive a discount and peace of mind that it's already completed!

Catechists Needed! We are in need of catechists and catechist assistants. We need a first-grade catechist, and we also need catechist assistants for multiple grades. If you are interested in teaching our Catholic faith to our parish's children, please email me at kperza@beparish.com.



Vacation Bible School is coming soon - July 7th - July 11th from 8:30a.m. - Noon in the Parish Hall! Be sure to register your children as soon as possible if they plan to attend. This year's theme is "Wilderness Adventure Through the Sacraments". Registration forms are available in the parish office, at the back of each church, and on the parish website (www.beparish.com/christianformation).

We need Volunteers for VBS! We need group leaders, group leader assistants, and other station assistants. If you are interested, please contact me via phone or email (410-634-2253 or kperza@beparish.com) or pick up and fill out a volunteer form (they can be found in the back of the churches, in the parish office, or on our website.)

Thank you all for all of your support!

~ Kasey Perza

PARISH & FAMILY LIFE

CONGRATULATIONS HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES!

Bobby Fink ~ Graduated from St. Michael's High School ~ Attending Washington College in the fall

Kayleigh Perza ~ Graduated from Polytech High School ~ Attending Catholic University in the fall

Audrey Powell ~ Homeschool Graduate ~ Attending Anne Arundel Community College in the fall

We congratulate all of our parish youth who recently graduated from high school and we will be keeping them in prayer as they journey forward with college, military and work. If your son or daughter graduated this year please send us their information (name, name of high school, and their plan for next year) so that we can recognize their accomplishments and send them a small care package (lparks@beparish.com or 410-634-2253).



YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

The Youth Ministry team is seeking additional leadership and support! Meetings are generally the first Sunday of the month from 6-8pm during the academic year. We welcome youth in grades 6-12. New ideas will be welcome! If interested, please contact the Parish Office or Carm Powell at 410-200-1346 or carnpowell@gmail.com.

BLESSED VIRGIN MOTHER LADIES' SODALITY NEWS

The Sodality is sponsoring a Booze Cooler Raffle during the month of June. The large Coleman cooler is filled with a variety of beers, wines, spirits and mixers. Cost of tickets is \$2 each, \$5 for 3 or \$10 for 10. See a member of the Sodality to purchase tickets or Venmo **@Michelle-Groves-13** and include your phone number. The drawing will be held on Sunday, June 29th - just in time for celebrating on the 4th of July!



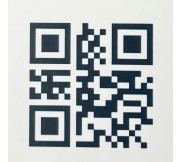
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

BABY BOTTLE SHOWER



The Knights of Columbus are having a Baby Bottle Shower to benefit the pro-life efforts of IGNITE Outreach (formerly known as Choices Pregnancy Center). IGNITE provides free services such as pregnancy tests and sonograms. Baby bottles filled with your donations in cash, coin **or check made payable to the Knights of Columbus**, can be placed in the specially marked bins next to the offertory basket in either church through September 1st.

The St. Joan of Arc Council Knights of Columbus started at our parish in 1996. Since then, our membership has helped our parish in many of its needs. Over the years our council has always reached out to our community to help families, friends and seminarians with financial support when needed. Please take a look at the Knights of Columbus. We are the biggest Catholic organization in the world. We have over 2 million members worldwide. Our council is always looking for a few good men to carry out our mission. We bring men closer to their faith by performing works of charity and giving back to our community. Right now, you can join online by going to www.KofC.org/join. Enter the code BlessedMcGivney to get free membership for a year. Our annual dues are only \$20. If you have questions, please contact Membership Director, Tom Lough, at 443-996-3024.



AROUND THE DIOCESE/COMMUNITY

LISTEN TO THE CATHOLIC FORUM EACH WEEK.

This week, Mount Titano Media's founder, Allison Ellis, will discuss the new book for the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, *"Finding Our Words: Words That Made America."* 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](https://www.facebook.com/CatholicForum).

FOSTER PARENTS NEEDED IN CAROLINE COUNTY

Churches have long stood as pillars of compassion, service, and advocacy for the vulnerable—and today, they are uniquely positioned to respond to a growing crisis: the urgent need for more foster parents, both for short-term respite and more long-term traditional foster care, known as out-of-home care. Across communities, thousands of children are entering foster care with no safe, stable homes to welcome them. Prayerfully consider whether fostering a child might be something you could do to help ensure that no child is left without love, guidance, and a place to stay safe while their parents work on removing obstacles impacting safety so that they may reunify. If you are interested and would like more information about fostering, please contact Ms. Patty Linder, LCSW-C, Family Connections & Special Projects Supervisor, Caroline County Department of Social Services at 410-819-4521 or patricia.linder@maryland.gov.

GRIEF HEALING RETREAT

Revival is a retreat for all grieving mothers of child loss, from pregnancy loss through adulthood. Move beyond shallow survival into the healing Our Lord desires for us, even in grief. Connect with other mothers who also carry an extraordinary cross. Led by a team of grieving mothers from Red Bird Ministries, Revival will be held August 15th-17th at The National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Emmitsburg, MD. Registration is \$250 and does not include lodging, which is offsite. To learn more, visit- www.redbird.love/revival-shrine or Contact the Office for Marriage and Family Life - Dr. MaryAnn Wallen, mwallen@cdow.org

CELEBRATE THE HOLY YEAR WITH FR. LEONARD SMITH

Join Fr. Leonard Smith (brother of parishioner, Marlinda Tuel) on a pilgrimage in the footsteps of Paul to Greece and Turkey, October 20-November 1, 2025. Visit www.EO.travel/mytrip (Tour = GT25, Date = 102025, Code = A, ID = 52102) or call 800-247-0017 for more details about the 12-day tour.

PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE WITH FR. MIKE GALLAGHER - October 17-25, 2026 with an optional pre-trip to Lourdes, October 13-18, 2026. This pilgrimage will involve a sail along the Seine River stopping at a number of holy sites including the Miraculous Medal Chapel in Paris, the shrine of the Little Flower (Lisieux), and the shrine of Joan of Arc (Rouen) as well as the beaches of Normandy and the Monet gardens in Giverny. The pilgrimage will not be strenuous; we are not getting any younger! For additional information and registration forms, call Margo at 1-800-842-4842.