

ST. BENEDICT, RIDGELY
MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 12
4:00p.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Intentions of Mary Powell

Sunday, July 13
15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00a.m. St. Benedict Church
Francis Donald Kempel
10:15a.m. St. Elizabeth Church
People of the Parish

Monday, July 14
NO MASS/CONFESSIONS

Tuesday, July 15
9:00a.m. St. Benedict Church
Noreen Flohr

Wednesday, July 16
9:00a.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Intentions of Rita Mendoza
6:00p.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Stan Zgleszewski

Thursday, July 17
9:00a.m. St. Benedict Church
Intentions of Jill King

Friday, July 18
9:00a.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Walt Scanlan

Saturday, July 19
4:00p.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Diane Shephard

Sunday, July 20
16^h SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00a.m. St. Benedict Church
People of the Parish
10:15a.m. St. Elizabeth Church
Betty Williams



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

PRAYERS & SUPPORT FOR THE SCHULTE FAMILY

It has come to our attention that Gavin Schulte, the son of past parishioner's, Andrea & Brendan Schulte, had to have a very serious and very expensive surgery on July 10th. Visit <https://gofund.me/72d0ac64> if you'd like to get all the details and help this beautiful family,. Above all, please keep Gavin and the Schulte Family in your prayers.

www.beparish.com **ST. ELIZABETH, DENTON**
A REFLECTION ON THIS WEEKEND'S GOSPEL....

Friday, July 11th was the feast day of our parish patron saint, St. Benedict of Nursia. Saint Benedict's famous *Rule* was originally written as a guide for those living in the monastic communities he had founded or had gathered around him. Ever since, though, the *Rule of St. Benedict* has been a source of guidance and inspiration for many people seeking to live more faithful Christian lives. "This message of mine is for you," Benedict wrote in the prologue to the *Rule*, "if you are ready to give up your own will, once and for all, and armed with the strong and noble weapons of obedience to do battle for Christ the Lord." All it takes is a simple, "Here I am, Lord" to be ready to follow the rule.



First and foremost, St. Benedict's Rule reminded his followers of their highest purpose and pointed the way toward eternal life, echoing Jesus' words in this weekend's Gospel: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself".

What would be the result if you and I and lots of others put God first in our lives? There would be mutual respect between people. The love of God would be lived out. Violence would disappear. No one would lack what they need. It sounds too good to be true, but with God all things are possible.

Do your part and give it your all. **St. Benedict, pray for us.**

~ Excerpts of reflection reprinted with permission from Prepare the Word.
~ Artwork of St. Benedict by Jose Luis Castrillo

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. *(Empty bottles can be found at the entrance of either church.)*



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.

JULY 13 & 14, 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 ~ Mary Ann Jones ~ Deacon Hal Jopp ~ Gavin Schulte

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

"What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Faithfulness to one's vocation is essential to holiness. Is yours to be a priest, deacon, sister or brother? 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.

PARISH & FAMILY LIFE NEWS
PARISH BOOTH at CAROLINE SUMMERFEST

Caroline Summerfest will be held on Friday, August 15th and Saturday, August 16th (5:00-9:00p.m. each evening) in downtown Denton and our parish will have a booth. We will offer our presence and smiling faces to those who visit our booth and our goal this year is to share HOPE with all our booth visitors. If you'd like to be a part of this evangelizing effort by helping to staff the booth for an hour on one of these days, please contact Lori in the Parish Office.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
LIFE IN THE PARISH FAMILY

Sunday, July 13

- Masses: 8:00a.m. - St. Benedict Church & 10:15a.m. - St. Elizabeth Church

Monday, July 14

- NO MASS/CONFESSIONS

Tuesday, July 15

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

Wednesday, July 16

- Confessions - 8:15-8:45a.m./Mass- 9am St. Elizabeth Church
- Intercessory Prayer Group - 9:30a.m. St. Elizabeth Church
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions - 5:15-5:45p.m/Mass - 6pm St. Elizabeth Church
- Knights of Columbus Meeting - 7pm - Parish Hall

Thursday, July 17

- Confessions - 8:15-8:45a.m./Mass - 9am St. Benedict Church
- Adult Bible Study - 9:30a.m. - FLC Resource Room
- Three Hearts Homeschool Group Gathering - 6:30p.m. - Parish Hall

Friday, July 18

- Confessions - 8:15-8:45a.m./Mass- 9am St. Elizabeth Church

Saturday, July 19

- Confessions - 3:00-3:45p.m. - St. Elizabeth Church
- Mass: 4:00p.m.- St. Elizabeth Church

Sunday, July 20

- 2nd Collection - Building & Maintenance
- Masses: 8:00a.m. - St. Benedict Church & 10:15a.m. - St. Elizabeth Church

BEPARISH BUMPER STICKERS

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.



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF STEWARDSHIP
BACK TO THE LORD
FOR JULY 5 & 6, 2025**

Offertory Giving @ Masses	\$ 9,554.00
2nd Collection - Church in Central & Eastern Europe/Church in Africa	\$ 166.00
Poor Box	\$ 423.00



YEAR- TO-DATE OFFERTORY (Week 1 of 52)
Actual Offertory \$ 9,554.00
Average Weekly Offertory \$ 9,554.00

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.

"The good deed you do today may be the only sermon some receive."
~ St Francis of Assisi

HOW TO ASSIST VICTIMS OF THE TEXAS FLOODS

Donations to assist those affected by the devastating floods in Texas last week can be made in one of two ways:



- [Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of San Antonio](https://archsa.org/donate-to-support-flood-crisis-response/) (<https://archsa.org/donate-to-support-flood-crisis-response/>)
- [Catholic Charities USA](http://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org) (www.catholiccharitiesusa.org) 100% of your donations will go to Texas flood assistance.

San Antonio Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller visited the affected area, offering comfort to victims and families and Pope Leo XIV prayed for the victims of the flood last Sunday.

~ Courtesy of the Maryland Catholic Conference.

COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL & EASTERN EUROPE

This week our second collection supports the Church in Central and Eastern Europe and the Church in Africa. Your donation helps restore the Church and build the future in numerous countries. Funds from this collection support reconstruction, education, formation, and poverty outreach. Thank you for your generous support.

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! Whether your gift is large or small, every single contribution makes a difference and brings us one step closer to achieving our goal. **(NOTE: Our parish goal is \$47,150 of which \$44,418 has been pledged - only \$2,732 in pledges is needed to reach our goal.)** 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

We had a wonderful week at Vacation Bible School this week! The kids learned a lot and had tons of fun! Thank you to all those who donated items to make our week a success!!! A special thank you to all of our volunteers. We could not do VBS without you!

Religious Education classes will start on Catechetical Sunday, September 21, 2025 and 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.

Thank you all for all of your support!

~ Kasey Perza

AROUND THE DIOCESE/COMMUNITY

LISTEN TO THE CATHOLIC FORUM EACH WEEK.

This week, tune in to learn about the new book, "St. Hildegard's Garden Recipes and Remedies for Healing Body and Soul." The Catholic Forum podcast on Apple, Spotify, iHeartRadio, Amazon Music podcasts and [YouTube.com/DioceesofWilm](https://www.youtube.com/DioceesofWilm) 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.