ST. BENEDICT, RIDGELY

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 26 4:00p.m. St. Elizabeth Church Carmen Herrara de Morales

Sunday, July 27
17h SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00a.m. St. Benedict Church
Francis Kinnamon

10:15a.m. St. Elizabeth ChurchNoreen Flohr

Monday, July 28 NO MASS/CONFESSIONS

Tuesday, July 29 9:00a.m. St. Benedict Church Julian Willey

12:30p.m. St. Elizabeth ChurchFuneral Mass for Mary Angela Callaghan

Wednesday, July 30 9:00a.m. St. Elizabeth Church Intentions of Catherine Wood 6:00p.m. St. Elizabeth Church NO MASS/CONFESSIONS/ADORATION

> Thursday, July 31 9:00a.m. St. Benedict Church Hilda Eckenrode

> Friday, August 1
> 9:00a.m. St. Elizabeth Church
> James Lombardo

Saturday, August 2 4:00p.m. St. Elizabeth Church Florence Sliwkowski

Sunday, August 3
18h SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00a.m. St. Benedict Church
People of the Parish
10:15a m. St. Elizabeth Church

10:15a.m. St. Elizabeth Church Intentions of Jana & Scott Belton

TABERNACLE LIGHT INTENTIONS

JULY 19 - AUGUST 1, 2025 St. Elizabeth Church Intentions of Flo Petroski

St. Benedict ChurchIn Honor of Lee & Lyn Sutton Wedding Anniversary

www.beparish.com ST. ELIZABETH, DENTON

A REFLECTION ON THIS WEEKEND'S GOSPEL.... GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE



"Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." Sounds lovely, doesn't it? I remember understanding this verse as though God is like a genie in a bottle and prayer is like a delivery service. But when I encountered true hardship, this interpretation was tested. I was seeking, but

I couldn't find what I wanted. My request seemed to go unanswered. I was asking, but my hands were empty. I couldn't reconcile this. Did this mean God wasn't telling me the truth? Trusting that couldn't be the case, I pressed in a little harder. In time, and through the grace of God, I realized I'd been reading this verse through selfish eyes. I was understanding this passage to say, "ask for whatever you feel like in the moment, and I'll drop it on your doorstep." But what does Jesus actually say? He says that if we ask, he will always give us the Holy Spirit. This understanding can change how we pray. The Lord doesn't promise to instantly cure our maladies, or to remove every ounce of pain on this side of the veil. But he does promise to send his Advocate, the Holy Spirit, to be with us through it all. And that is far better than any type of delivery service.

As we face our daily hardships, let's not forget to ask Jesus for help. Don't forget that he never rations the Spirit, and though he will never force himself on you, he's waiting eagerly to pour his love into your heart. Ask! Seek! Knock! He knows your voice, and he is ready to respond.

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SAVE THE DATE OCTOBER 11, 2025 Spend a Saturday with your Mother: Attend the Diocesan Marian Pilgrimage.

You are invited to join Bishop Koenig, priests, deacons and parishioners from across Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore at the annual Diocese of Wilmington Marian Pilgrimage on Saturday, October 11th beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate



Conception in Washington, D.C. Come for Benediction and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions, Mass, Rosary and more. Tour the largest Catholic church in America and visit the gardens and gift shop. For more information, visit www.cdow.org/MarianPilgrimage or www.Facebook.com/cdowMarianPilgrimage.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO RIDE A BUS TO THE SHRINE?

If so, please contact Lori in the Parish Office **OR** add your name to the "Bus Interest" list on Flocknote at https://beparish.flocknote.com/signup/219434 **by August 15**th. (NOTE: Cost for the bus would be \$10 per

person and children under 10 would ride free. The bus

is a school-style bus with air conditioning; no bathroom

on board.)



JULY 26 & 27, 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 ~ 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.

CAROLINE SUMMERFEST 2025

Caroline Summerfest will be held on Friday, August 15th and Saturday, August 16th (5:00-9:00p.m. each evening) in downtown Denton.

PARISH BOOTH ~ We will offer our presence and smiling faces to those who visit the parish

booth and our goal this year is to share HOPE. 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.

KNIGHTS BOOTH ~ The Knights will have their famous Roast Beef Booth. Be sure to stop by the booth and purchase your delicious roast beef sandwiches and help support the good work that the Knights do throughout the year.

CCRTL BOOTH ~ Members of the Caroline County Right to Life will celebrate life and share information with community members about Pro-Life efforts in our county and state.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LIFE IN THE PARISH FAMILY

Sunday, July 27

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

Monday, July 28

NO MASS/CONFESSIONS

Tuesday, July 29

- Confessions 8:15-8:45a.m.; Rosary-8:30a.m.;
 Mass- 9am St. Benedict Church
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:30-10:30a.m. - St. Benedict Church
- Deacon Meeting 11am FLC RR
- Funeral Mass for Mary Callaghan 12:30p.m. St. Elizabeth Church

Wednesday, July 30

- Confessions 8:15-8:45a.m.; Rosary-8:30a.m.;
 Mass- 9am St. Elizabeth Church
- Intercessory Prayer Group 9:30a.m.
 St. Elizabeth Church
- NO EVENING MASS, CONFESSIONS or ADORATION

Thursday, July 31

- Confessions 8:15-8:45a.m.; Rosary-8:30a.m.;
 Mass- 9am St. Benedict Church
- Adult Bible Study 9:30a.m. FLC Resource Room

Friday, August 1

Confessions - 8:15-8:45a.m.; Rosary-8:30a.m.;
 Mass- 9am - St. Elizabeth Church

Saturday, August 2

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

Sunday, August 3

- Masses: 8:00a.m. St. Benedict Church & 10:15a.m. - St. Elizabeth Church
- Super Sundaes @ Bullock's Deli, Denton 1:00-2:00p.m.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE NEWS

Save the date!

WHAT: Fall Festival Family Fun Event WHEN: Saturday November 8, 2025 2:00p.m.-7:30p.m.

WHERE: St. Benedict Family Life Center Stay tuned for more information.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF STEWARDSHIP BACK TO THE LORD

FOR JULY 19 & 20, 2025

Offertory Giving @ Masses \$ 3,091.21 2nd Collection - Bldg. & Maint. \$ 341.00 Poor Box \$ 299.00



YEAR- TO-DATE OFFERTORY (Week 3 of 52)
Actual Offertory \$ 16,714.42
Average Weekly Offertory \$ 5,571.47

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.

"Give to the Most High as He has given to you, generously, according to your means." ~ Sirach 35: 7-10

2025 FAITH & CHARITY CATHOLIC APPEAL

The work of the Church needs you! Only one in four households has responded to the Faith & Charity Catholic Appeal. Let's grow that number together. 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.) Let's come "Together in Hope" to serve Christ and one another.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

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

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.



AROUND THE DIOCESE/COMMUNITY

CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS & PARENTS!

Newman Connection's Faith Forward movement is a national initiative designed to ensure that every high school senior is personally connected to a campus ministry, military chaplain, or young adult parish before they graduate. Nearly 80% of young Catholics stop practicing their faith after high school - not because they don't believe, but because they were never connected to a new faith community. The Faith Forward movement changes that. And, this effort isn't just for students in our parish – if you know a high school senior, whether they're your child, grandchild, neighbor, or friend, **now is the time to help them get connected**. Visit newmanconnection.org/faith-forward today to sign up a senior and ensure they step into their next chapter with faith, not fear.



AROUND THE DIOCESE/COMMUNITY

LISTEN TO THE CATHOLIC FORUM EACH WEEK.

This week, two St. Ann Bethany Beach parishioners, Andy Maggio and Chip Anderson discuss the "Rosaries and Scapulars Initiative." The Catholic Forum podcast on Apple, Spotify, iHeartRadio, Amazon Music podcasts and YouTube.com/DioceseofWilm 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.

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 <u>August 15th-17th</u> 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.

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.

