



The *A*rmorial *B*earings of
*S*aint *B*enignus *P*arish
Greenfield, Ohio

Per pale Vert and Argent a Celtic Harp Or

In the arms of Saint Benignus Parish, the Celtic harp recalls the fame of Saint Benignus of Armagh as a musician, and his popular epithet, "Saint Patrick's psalm-singer." In the left half of the shield, the gold harp on a green field recalls the saint's birth in Meath in the kingdom of Leinster, the arms of which are a golden harp on a field of green. The green field also alludes to the town in which the parish is located – Greenfield, Ohio. The right half of the shield is gold and white, the papal colors, recalling that Saint Benignus participated in the synod in which the Irish church recognized the supreme authority of the See of the Apostle Peter.