



MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY	5:30 pm
SUNDAY	9 am & 11:30 am
Weekday Mass @ 8:00 am Wednesday-Friday in the Rectory	

**FIRST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH
UNITY MASS @ 10AM**

**FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
Most Sacred Heart Devotion
@ 6:00pm**

**Christian Initiation:
Sacraments of Baptism,
Confirmation and Holy
Communion**

Preparation of each Sacrament is required. Baptisms are celebrated quarterly usually at 11:30 am Mass. Adults seeking to receive the sacraments for the first time should contact the Pastor for further information.

BIBLE STUDY
Wednesday from 6-7 pm
Healing Mass every 3rd
Wednesday

CONFESSIONS:
Saturday 5:00 pm - 5:25 pm and
by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
Registration and participation prior to your wedding date is required. Arrangements should be made with the Priest before the wedding date is set; Instructions to begin at least four months before the wedding.

HISTORIC ST BENEDICT THE MOOR CATHOLIC CHURCH - *Since 1874*

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June 4, 2017
Pentecost Sunday, Year A

Rev. Romanus Obiora Ezeugwu, MSP, Pastor
Sharon Carson, Supt. of Religious Education
Dianne Williams, Parish Council Chairperson
Franklin Williams, Finance Chairperson
Shirley West, Administrative Secretary
Bea Betworth, Accounts Secretary
Bobbie McIver, Bldg /Maintenance

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

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Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

We have reached the end of the Easter season, our "week of Sundays" of reflection on the Easter mysteries of Christ's resurrection and our Baptism. How appropriate that we conclude with a celebration of the coming of the Holy Spirit to our Church and to the world. May our prayer today be one of gratitude for each of the gifts of the Holy Spirit in our lives.



Today's Readings are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book beginning on Page 253.



For the repose of the soul of our sister in Christ, Annette Heyward Rhodes. *The Legion of Mary.

May 2728, 2017 - Stewardship

Offertory	\$ 4244.13
Deanery School	\$ 40.00
Parish Bus	\$ 10.00
Special Collection:	
Cath. Comm. Campaign	\$ 330.00



Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers donated by the SBM Council of Catholic Women.

TAKE TEN & CONNECT

With God & with others, your faith & daily life. Spend 10 minutes reflecting on God's Word.

Readings for This Weekend: (Pentecost)

Acts 2:1-11 As on Sinai, the Lord descends in fire and wind.
 Psalm 104 "Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth."
 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, The Spirit calls the baptized to ministry 12-13 for the common good.
 John 20:19-23 On the first day of the week the risen Christ imparts the Holy Spirit.

Readings for Next Weekend:
 Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9 The Lord is merciful and gracious. Daniel 3 "Glory and praise forever!"
 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 Encourage one another and live in peace.
 John 3:16-18 God sent his only Son into the world to bring us life.

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS



In our parish, we don't see many members each Sunday. They are at home or in personal care or assisted living facilities, praying with and for us. Let us remember all those here at St. Benedict who are ill and in need of God's healing and comfort. Let us keep them in our prayers:

M. Marie Blue, Perdetha Brantley, Carmen Broussard, Ann Chappell, Lillie Mae Chisholm, Thomas Dickerson, Lillian Dilworth, Anthony Hall, Annette Hall, Laura Harris, Jessica Jackson, Charlotte Jenkins, Clewon Johnson, Lester Johnson, Janice Quinn, Bernice Rivers, Edward Robinson, Albertha Smith, Catherine Spann, Edith Washington, Margaret Weston, Arlene Wiley, Ellen Williams, Tandra Williams, Gertrude Rivers Williams, Julie Porter-Winfrey.



Parishioners, Family & friends who have requested prayers: Theodore Martin, Sr., Rhonda McCary, Michael Allen, Kelly Berry, Dorothy C. Brown, Henrietta Bulloch, Ivan Clark, Ruth Cohen, Shirley Davis, George Foxworth, Lewis Jackson, Elizabeth Mungin, Damon Peter, Cyrus Riley, Jr., Wendy & Gary Thomas, Nathaniel Wiggins, Johnny Mae Spaulding, Lucille Singleton, Bertha Sorey, Rose McCoy, Priscilla Brown, Helen McWalters, Natasha Simon, Delores Jivens, Narvia Williams, Eva Daniels, Cheryl Edwards, Wade Brown, Niah Hatcher, Helen McWalters, Cheryl Riley, Estelle Hogan, Jeremy Margarttes, Debbie Helmlly, Mamie Farmer, Sarah Wiley, James Johnson. If you would like a name to appear for a time on our bulletin prayer list, please call or email the office.



PARISH SYMPATHY

Parish condolences to Mr. Harold Rhodes and Family on the loss of his wife, Mrs. Annette Heyward Rhodes who passed away Saturday May 27, 2017. Mrs. Rhodes is also the sister of Ms. Kathleen Heyward and a relative of Mrs. Margie Byrd. A Funeral Mass was held on Friday June 2, 2017 at St. Benedict the Moor. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Parish condolences to Mrs. Anne Chappell (wife), Mrs. Kimberly C. Stevens (daughter), and Franklin Stevens (grandson), on the loss of their loved one, Mr. Frank Chappell, Jr., who passed away on Saturday May 27, 2017. A Funeral Mass was held Saturday June 3, 2017 at St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal: Thanks to those parishioners who have submitted their pledges to the 2017 appeal. If you are unable to locate the pledge card that was mailed to you, appeal envelopes are available in the back of church or parish office.



This training is required for Safe Environment Compliance for any adult who will come into contact with youth as part of their ministry (ministries list: <http://bit.ly/1yU4Yk6>). It must be completed before ministry starts. We also invite adults who are not currently volunteers to attend this training to learn tools they can use to help keep children safe. Registration required: www.diosav.org, under Upcoming Events Calendar.

YOUTH FUNDRAISER

The youth of the parish will sell variety dinners on Saturday, June 10th in the parish hall from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Dinners are \$10 each for chicken or fish and \$12 for ribs including sides and dessert. Order forms are available at the front entrance of the church or from any youth member. Get your order in early!!

YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL

Rehearsal for all members of the Youth Choir will take place on Saturday, June 17th at 11:00am in the Church. Please make every effort to be there. - Kathy Stewart.



CONGRATULATIONS

Every Aspen Scott recently graduated with honors from Howard University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science. Every was one of 75 Americans selected to participate in the Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Fellowship for Young Professionals. She will spend a year abroad in Germany. Every is the daughter of Irvin Scott and Wendy Johnson and the granddaughter of Irvin Sr. and Areatha Scott. We pray she continues her journey for educational excellence.

FEASTS & SAINTS OF THE WEEK

June Calendar

- 4 Sun. Julian Calendar Pentecost
- 5 Mon. Memorial of St. Boniface; Ninth Week in Ordinary Time begins
- 6 Tue. Memorial of St. Norbert
- 9 Fri. Memorial of St. Ephrem
- 10 Sat. Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTION

Nominations for PPC vacancies will take place the weekend of June 18, 2017 at all Masses. Voting will be held the weekend of June 25, 2017. Please begin to consider parishioners who are eligible and willing to serve on Council for the next three years. Don't forget to contact your nominee before placing their names on the nominating forms. Should you have any questions, please contact Dianne Williams, Parish Council Chair.



2017 ANNUAL SAVANNAH DEANERY REVIVAL

OFFICE OF BLACK CATHOLICS

The 2017 Revival will begin on Monday, June 19 through Wednesday, June 21, 2017.

Fr. Jason P. Adams is the revivalist.

Monday June 19 @ Sacred Heart

Tuesday June 20 @ St. Benedict the Moor

Wednesday June 21 @ Resurrection of our Lord

Praise & Worship begins at 6:30pm

Everyone is invited to come out & enjoy these three evenings of spiritual uplifting!

-Rev. Robert E. Chaney.

*Note: The 2017 Revival Committee will meet on Tuesday, May 30, 2017 at 6:30pm at Resurrection of Our Lord Church.

REVIVAL CHOIR REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Rehearsals will take place on Wednesday May 31st at St. Benedict the Moor and June 7th & 14th at Resurrection of Our Lord. The youth will begin practice at 6:30pm and adults practice takes place immediately after for all dates. -Kathy Stewart.

The Four Groups of Parishioners

***Those who make things happen**

***Those who watch things happen**

***Those who do not know what is happening**

***Those whose words and actions hinder anything good that is happening**

Where Do You Belong?

"Everybody can be great because everybody can serve . You only need a heart full of grace, and a soul generated by love." — Martin Luther King Jr.



The Rosary is prayed 30 minutes before each Mass. Please come a little early and join in.

News from Other Parishes & Organizations ~



CATHOLIC NIGHT AT THE BALLPARK!

Join your Catholic friends and neighbors and HELP STRIKE OUT HUNGER as the Savannah Bananas take on the Lexington County Blowfish! WATCH Bishop Hartmayer throw out the first pitch! HEAR our very own Catholic Schools sing the national anthem! ENJOY bottomless sodas and all-you-can-eat concessions all night long!

When: June 8, 2017 @ 7:00pm.
Purchase your tickets through the Diocese of Savannah to support the Social Apostolate.

MAKE A DONATION

Sponsored by the Health Guild Ministry June 5th, - July 14th, 2017.

Homeless Shelter for Women & Children, Safe Shelter, and Union Mission

The employees at the above named shelters, have expressed, a serious shortage of items such as tooth brushes, tooth paste, bar soap, deodorant, body wash, and detergent.

The residents of these shelters have to share these hygiene items and in some cases, most of them are lacking these basic necessities. When we see the less fortunate, we must know if not for the grace of God there we would be.

So please, there will be a bin at the front of the church for your donations, whatever you can give will be greatly appreciated, let's make the effort a success Thanking you in advance, Wilma Brown, Coordinator.

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SAVANNAH

The Diocese requires of the following of godparents:

- 1 They must be Catholics who are baptized, confirmed, and have received first Holy Communion.
- 2.They must present the certificates of the above Sacraments received issued no later than three months.
- 3.They must be practicing Catholics in good standing with the Church.
4. They must be at least sixteen years of age.
5. If married, the Godparent must be in a valid marriage in the eyes of the Church.
6. If the godparents are not from our parish, they must bring a letter of suitability from their pastor indicating that they have received the above sacraments mentioned in number one, and that they are in good standing with the Church.

Note: the required documents from the godparents must reach our parish office no later than a week prior to the celebration of the Sacrament in question.

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TOTALLY CATHOLIC VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

"Calling all parish youth and adult volunteers."

This year's theme is **CAVE QUEST: Following Jesus the Light of the World.**

VBS program is from Monday, July 24 through Friday, July 28; Time: 5:30pm - 8:30pm.

Registration will begin on Sunday June 4, 2017 in the Parish Hall where representatives will be available. For additional information, contact: Sharon Carson (912-656-0286), Karen Polk (314-583-1103 or Jennifer Short (912-345-7261).

100th ANNIVERSARY!

Our Lady of the Rosary Queen of Peace Centennial Anniversary will be celebrated Tuesday June 13, 2017. All are welcome to join us after the 8:30am Mass on this day to recite the Rosary and a short devotion to Our Lady for the reparation of sins, conversion of sinners, and for peace. Many blessings will come from this devotion. St. James Catholic Church - Whitefield Av. Savannah, GA.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS - LECTORS' SCHEDULE

**Weekend of June 4th- 10:00am Unity Mass
M. Poole & P. Hamilton**

**Weekend of June 10/11, 2017
6/10 - 5:30pm - D. Jackson & E. Mason
6/11 -9:00am - R. Marshall & T. Garvin
11:30am - J. Jones & D. Perry**

SOUTHERN CROSS SUBSCRIPTIONS

If you are a registered family at St. Benedict the Moor, you should be receiving a copy of our diocesan paper The Southern Cross twice per month. It has come to our attention that quite a few of our parishioners are not receiving this publication. The bishop has decided that every registered family in the diocese will receive our diocesan paper. The parish is paying \$15 per registered family (minus those parishioners who generously respond to the Southern Cross Subscription envelope), but it still comes out of the parish budget every year. So, if you are not receiving this paper, please call the church office so that we can remedy that...and secondly, please give the \$15 a year for the paper when that envelope comes up so that it does not come out of the parish budget. Thank you so much!