



## 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  
Mass @ 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 3<sup>rd</sup>  
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.

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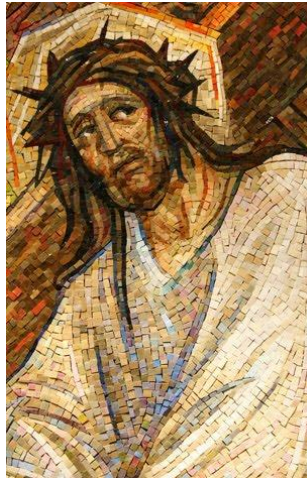
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## November 26, 2017 Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, Year A



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## WE ARE CHURCH

We take great pride in the quality and spirit of our liturgy, which is achieved through careful planning as well as a high level of active and enthusiastic participation on the part of each and every person. While acknowledging our individual and communal needs, we are primarily here to give thanks and praise to God, who continues to accomplish great things in our lives!

## Office Hours

Monday through Friday 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.



**November 26, 2017**  
**Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,**  
**King of the Universe, Year A**

**Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day**

Often when we think of Christ with his title of “King” we think about the Last Judgment. At our celebration today, we will indeed hear about Christ at the end-times. Yet the purpose of our gathering here is not to become fearful about what is to come, but rather to support one another in the tasks at hand, encouraged by our good and faithful Shepherd. This way, when judgment time comes, we can be ready and rejoice over the good deeds that have built up God’s kingdom.

Today’s Readings are found in the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book beginning on Page 350.

*From Fr. Romanus:*  
**Key point of today’s Reflection**

Isn’t it surprising that we are celebrating the Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ as the King of kings and the Lord of lords; the King of the universe, yet, the readings are not talking about His Sovereignty, rather about His Divine love for us. It is even more amazing that Jesus tells us in today’s Gospel that to serve our fellow human being is to serve His Majesty; to love our brothers and sisters is to love God Himself; to be charitable to our brothers and sisters is to be charitable to Christ Himself. In a nutshell, if anyone says, “I love God,” and hates his brothers and sisters he is a liar; for the one who does not love his brothers and sisters whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen (cf. 1 John 4:20).

**Let us Pray:** Lord, you come to us most of the times in very common ways; grant us the grace to see you and to recognize you, to love you and to serve you in everyone we me – Amen!

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**Your “Pineapple” for the week**

“The King will reply, “Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me” (Matthew 25:40)



**5:30pm: For the repose of the souls of the deceased members of the Prince Jackson Family.**  
**\*Prince A. Jackson, III.**

**For the repose of the soul of Lucille Striggles on the anniversary of her passing.**  
**\*Prince A. Jackson, III.**

**For the repose of the soul of Robert “Nancy Hanks” Slocum on the anniversary of his passing. \*Prince AS. Jackson, III.**

**For the repose of the soul of Michael Jackson on the anniversary of his passing. Prince A. Jackson, III.**

<p><b>TAKE TEN &amp; CONNECT</b>  <b>With God &amp; with others, your faith &amp; daily life. Spend 10 minutes reflecting on God’s Word.</b></p>
<p><b>Readings for This Weekend:</b>  <i>Ezekiel 34:11-12, The shepherd-king seeks the lost 15-17 and heals the injured. Psalm 23 “The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.” 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, Christ our king has conquered death. 28 Matthew 25:31-46 The Lord will come in glory to separate one from another.</i></p>
<p><b>Readings for Next Weekend:</b>  <i>Isaiah 63:16b-17, Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down! 19b; 64:2-7 Psalm 80 “Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.” 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 We wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ. Mark 13:33-37 Be watchful! You do not know when the Lord of the house is coming.</i></p>

**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:**

**Parishioners:** M. Marie Blue, Carmen Broussard, Anne Chappell, Lillie Mae Chisholm, Josefa Citizen, Thomas Dickerson, Lillian Dilworth, Juanita Fields, Anthony Hall, Annette Hall, Laura Harris, Jessica Jackson, Charlotte Jenkins, Clevon Johnson, Lester Johnson, Evelyn Porter, Janice Quinn, Edward Robinson, Albertha Smith, Catherine Spann, Felix Walden, Edith Washington, Margaret Weston, Arlene Wiley, Ellen Williams, Tambra Williams, Gertrude Rivers Williams, Julie Porter-Winfrey.

**Prayer requests-Lord, hear our continued prayers for those dealing with an ongoing illness. May they experience fortitude and strength:**

Michael Allen, Kelly Berry, Dorothy Brown, Priscilla Brown, , Wade Brown, Henrietta Bulloch, Yvonne Butler, Ruth Cohen, Eva Daniels, Shirley Davis, Cheryl Edwards, Mamie Farmer, George Foxworth, Arthur Giliaerd, Niah Hatcher, Debbie Helmly, Kathleen Heyward, Estelle Hogan, Lewis Jackson, Delores Jivens, James Johnson, Jeremy Margarttes, Rhonda McCary, Rose McCoy, Helen McWalters, Elizabeth Mungin, Brenda Owens, Damon Peter, Cheryl Riley, Cyrus Riley, Jr., Natasha Simon, Lucille Singleton, Bertha Sorey, Johnny Mae Spaulding, Wendy & Gary Thomas, Nathaniel Wiggins, Sarah Wiley, Narvia Williams.



**November 18/19, 2017**

<b>Offertory</b>	\$ 5516.00
<b>Parish Bus</b>	\$ 50.00
<b>Deanery Schools</b>	\$ 15.00
<b>Special Collection:</b>	
<b>Catholic Campaign</b>	\$ 75.00



*This month's altar flowers have been donated by the Friends of St. Benedict (formerly Friends of Notre Dame) in Memory of Dorothy B. Campbell, who was the Founder of this organization.*



**UPCOMING VIRTUS TRAINING:**

Register at [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org) This training is required for Safe Environment Compliance for any adult who will come into contact with youth as part of their ministry. It must be completed before ministry starts. Registration required: [www.diosav.org](http://www.diosav.org), under Upcoming Events Calendar.



Sessions for RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) candidates take place on Sundays following the 9:00 a.m. Mass. All who are interested in receiving the sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist, Confirmation and/or are seeking full reception into the Catholic Church are invited to attend. Please come even if you are not sure but want to hear more about the faith. Sessions will take place in the old school building located next to the rectory. We look forward to accompanying you on your journey of faith. \*RCIA Team.

**DECEMBER BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY CELEBRANTS**

Please contact Vergie Williams (912-220-1803) or Dianne Williams (912-667-7545) to begin planning and preparing for December's Unity Sunday Reception. Thank you.



**THE GIVING TREE**

The Giving Tree is Coming! The Youth of the Parish will once again host the annual Giving Tree project. The tree with paper tags will be up on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent! You

are asked to take a tag, purchase the gift noted, and return it **NO LATER THAN December 10<sup>th</sup>**. (Please do not turn in gifts after this date because they will not be delivered). If you would like to get a tag earlier, please contact Sharon Carson @ 912-656-0286. Thank you for support in making this Christmas brighter for the for the less fortunate.  
- Youth Ministry.

**1969 GRADUATES OF ST. PIUS X HIGH SCHOOL**

All graduates of the Class of 1969 from St. Pius X Catholic High School are asked to contact Ida Wright Sidney ([idasidney51@yahoo.com](mailto:idasidney51@yahoo.com)) or Sharon Shellman Hampton ([sharonh43@comcast.net](mailto:sharonh43@comcast.net)) for the purpose of hosting the 50<sup>th</sup> year reunion of the Class of 1968, which will take place in the Summer of 2018. If you are in contact with ANY of your former classmates, please let them know the news and contact information.

**The Four Groups of Parishioners**  
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\*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.



**UPCOMING MINISTRY RETREAT**

There will be a retreat for all ministries and volunteers on Saturday, December 2, 2017 from 10am to 2pm inside the Church. If you belong to any of the ministries posted on the board at the entrance of the Church, please save the date. Please be advised that this retreat is not optional. We are working for the Lord and we need this time together for reflection and prayer. Thank you and God bless you for all you do. - Fr. Romanus.

**FRIENDS OF ST. BENEDICT TRIP**

Travel with the Friends of Lancaster, PA July 18, 2018 to July 22, 2018 to see the play "The Story of Jesus". Cost is \$600.00. Thanks, and look forward to seeing you on the bus. Ruth Simmons/ 912-713-9921, Alicia Carter/ 912-398-8995, Clareth Bivens/912-604-6059 or any member of the group.

**ADVENT RETREAT:**



Hosted by St. Michael's Women's Club on Sat., Dec. 2 at All Saints Episcopal Church meeting room, 804 Jones Ave. (parking on 2<sup>nd</sup> St.). Gather at 9 AM; retreat starts at 9:30 AM and closing prayer is at Noon. Join for this "mini-retreat" of silent reflection as you prepare your Christmas cards or other "quiet" crafts (sewing, knitting, crochet, etc.). Seasonal and spiritual music will be playing softly in the background and brief meditations will be read aloud at intervals. Bring a friend and/or breakfast bread, bagel, muffin or fruit. Juice, coffee and water provided. For information contact Jane Bock at 912-398-4536 and RSVP at [office@saintmichaelstbybee.org](mailto:office@saintmichaelstbybee.org).

**DISCERNMENT RETREAT FOR MEN**

The Vocation Office will sponsor a discernment retreat for men ages 18 to 40 from Friday, December 29th to Saturday, December 30th at Little Ocmulgee State Park & Lodge in Helena, GA (south of Dublin). Please register at [www.diosav.org/vocations](http://www.diosav.org/vocations) and click on the retreat icon. There is no cost for the retreat and registration will close Christmas day.





Please come & join us in asking the Virgin Mary's help as we pray the Rosary before each Mass. Through the Rosary, the faithful receive abundant grace, as though from the very hands of the Mother of the Redeemer.



**SVA'S HOLIDAY SHOPPING EXTRAVAGANZA**

You are cordially invited to St. Vincent's Academy for our 8th Annual Holiday Shopping Extravaganza! The event will be held on Thursday, November 30th from 6pm - 9pm in Walsh Hall on the corner of Harris and Lincoln Streets. \$15/admission supports scholarship and student aid. Enjoy complimentary hors d'oeuvres and beverages. Join us at this one-stop holiday shopping event with over 40 local boutiques and vendors for one of our favorite events! We would like to thank our generous sponsors as well: USI Insurance, Ashley's Business Solutions, Bahama Joe's, Southeastern Heating & Air, and JanPro.

**CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL TEENS....We need your help.**



The Savannah Deanery Youth will be helping with the Children of Forsyth Christmas Carnival on December 3. We are expecting 125 children who are homeless or experiencing extreme hardship, and their parents. We will be serving lunch and having carnival games. All volunteers are asked to be at the tennis court end of Forsyth Park at 12:30. We will provide a late lunch for our teens after the program is over. Parents can pick up at 3:00. Thank you for sharing your gifts and your time. Merry Christmas!!!

**GOLDEN & SILVER JUBILEE MASS & CELEBRATION**

Congratulations on the 50<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of your marriage! Bishop Gregory Hartmeyer, OFM Conv., would like to thank you for your perseverance and faithfulness. On Sunday, February 11, 2018, a 9am breakfast in Walsh Hall, followed by 11:30am Mass which will take place at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. Registration forms are available at the entrance of the Church.

*THANKSGIVING QUOTE FOR THE WEEK:*

*"Not what we say about our blessings, but how we use them, is the true measure of our thanksgiving."  
- W. T. Purkiser*

**ATTENTION ALL LADIES!**

Please save the date of December 8, 2017. Immediately following the Mass for the Immaculate Conception, the Knights of Columbus 10,274 will be having a celebration for all the women of the Parish. There will be dinner, dancing, and a host of other activities. Hope to see you there!

**CHRISTMAS CARDS SALE!**

Christmas cards and related items will again be sold by members of Saint Benedict the Moor Knights of Columbus Council No. 10274 during this season. They will set up in front of the church to sell the cards and items on hand as well as to take your orders for others. Knights of Columbus members will also have a copy of the brochure for review to assist in making your selections. Let's remember to "Keep Christ in Christmas" this year and always! Thank you.

**ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION CELEBRATION**

The Georgia Chapter-Coastal Service Area of the Alzheimer's Association invites you to join us for our annual Holiday Open House & Volunteer Appreciation Celebration!

4pm to 7pm

Thursday, December 14, 2017

201 Television Circle, Savannah, Ga.

Come enjoy music, hors d'oeuvres and refreshments as, with deepest gratitude, we celebrate our donors, sponsors, families, and volunteers. Thank you for your ongoing support!

For information or directions, call (912) 920-2231.

<b>FEASTS &amp; SAINTS OF THE WEEK</b>	
<b>November Calendar</b>	
27 Mon.	- Thirty-fourth or Last week in Ordinary Time begins
30 Thu.	- Feast of St. Andrew
<b>December Calendar</b>	
1 Fri.	- First Friday
2 Sat.	- Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary First Saturday

<b>LITURGICAL MINISTERS - LECTORS' SCHEDULE</b>
<p><b>Weekend of November 25/26, 2017</b>                      11/25 - 5:30pm - E. Mason &amp; D. Jackson                      11/26 - 9:00am - B. McGhee &amp; R. Marshall                      11:30am - J. Jones &amp; J. Brown</p>
<p><b>December 3, 2017 - Unity Mass</b>                      10:00am - D. Perry &amp; S. Carson</p>
<p><b>Weekend of December 9/10, 2017</b>                      12/9 - 5:30pm -D. Jackson &amp; Y. Williams                      12/10 - 9:00am - M. White &amp; T. Udowana                      11:30am - R. Locke &amp; S. Ingram</p>
<p><b>Weekend of December 16/17, 2017</b>                      12/16 - 5:30pm - A. Perry &amp; E. Mason                      12/17 - 9:00am - R. Marshall &amp; T. Garvin                      11:30am - "Faith Formation"</p>